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Ted Ziemer to Receive Honorary Degree from USI

The University of Southern Indiana will confer an honorary Doctor of Laws degree on prominent attorney Ted Ziemer in recognition of his civic leadership, which includes long-time service on the USI Foundation Board of Directors. The conferral will take place at the USI Foundation President's Associates Dinner on Wednesday, September 2 on campus.

Ziemer, senior partner in the law firm of Ziemer, Stayman, Weitzel, and Shoulders, has practiced law in Evansville since being admitted to the bar in 1962. He earned the Bachelor of Science degree from St. Louis University in 1956 and his law degree from Indiana University School of Law in Bloomington in 1962. During his legal career, he has been active in committees of the local, state, and national bar groups and served on the board of the Indiana State Bar Foundation. He has written extensively for the bar in the area of health care law.

A sought-after civic leader, Ziemer gives leadership to many boards. A member of the St. Mary's Medical Center Foundation Board for 20 years, he has been its chairman for 18 years. He also serves on St. Mary's Advisory Board, its Building Corporation, and the Board of Seton Health Corporation.

Ziemer is a permanent board member of the Evansville Chamber of Commerce, the Southwest Indiana Public Broadcasting Corporation, Evansville Museum of Arts and Sciences, and United Way. He has served as chairman of each of those organizations.

In 1968, Ziemer was named Evansville's Outstanding Young Man by the Jaycees. He also has received the Rotary Civic Award and the March of Dimes Citizen of the Year Award.

In announcing the honorary doctorate, USI President Ray Hoops noted Ziemer's chairmanship of the USI Foundation during the period of its greatest growth and the role Ziemer played in the University's first capital fund-raising campaign which is nearing completion. To date *Campaign USI* has raised more than \$14 million, exceeding its base goal of \$10.5 million.