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Preliminary concept drawings of Robert C. and Christina Baker Hall (courtesy of Pirie Associates)

Expanding Yale Law School Updates on the Development of Baker Hall

IN THE FALL OF 2013, with the announcement of the \$25 million cornerstone gift from Robert C. '56 BA, '59 LLB and Christina Baker, Yale Law School began the process of securing and transforming the structure at 100 Tower Parkway into a building that will add more than 125,000 square feet to the School, with a mixture of student residences and flexible spaces for living and learning essential to facilitating the School's intellectual culture.

The creation of Robert C. and Christina Baker Hall at Yale Law School remains on schedule for an expected completion date in fall 2018. The Law School has now raised \$43.75 million towards its \$50 million goal, including a recent \$10 million leadership gift from Joseph M. '55 LLB and Marie Field, as well as the generous support of David A. Jones, Sr. '60 and Betty Jones; David A. Jones, Jr. '80 BA, '88 JD and Mary Gwen '80 BA, '87 MPPM; Joel I. Greenberg '73 JD; and William A. Slaughter '75 BS, '79 JD, Charles L. Slaughter '85 BA, '90 MPPM, and R. James Slaughter '91 BS, '97 JD.

"Supported by the inspiring philanthropy of our alumni and friends, we are writing an important new chapter in our School's history. Our expanded campus will sustain the expanding work of our



community," said Dean Robert Post. "We are thrilled to be working with a world-class architect, Laura Pirie '89 м.аксн., and her firm, Pirie Associates, as we enter the design stage of the project. Our goal in the coming months is to finalize the remaining gifts to allow us to begin to select a contractor for construction."

The experience living and learning in the environment of the Law School is what inspired Joseph M. Field '55 LLB to contribute to Robert C. and Christina Baker Hall. "During my student days at Yale Law School," Field explained, "I lived for more than two years in the dormitory area of the Sterling Law Building. It provided opportunities for interaction with other students in researching, discussing, and debating issues of law, and in socializing whenever possible-and was an enormous advantage in having ready access to the library and other facilities of the Law School at all hours. It helped bring members of our class of 1955 together into a close fraternal network that has lasted to this day. More than sixty years after graduation, the majority of our able classmates returned to Yale for last fall's class reunion, and every member of our class contributed to the Law School's annual fund. My fervent hope and belief is that Baker Hall's dormitory facilities will provide future students with the same opportunities and advantages afforded to me by living in the Law School building, and will help them to develop close relationships with their classmates that will last for life."

January 2016

- ✓ Concept design drawings completed

- ♂ Officer's Project Review Meeting (OPR)
- ✓ Set Targeted Budget (\$50M)

April 2016 – August 2018

- O Design phase work: 12 months
- O Bidding/Contracting: 2–3 months
- Construction: 14–15 months

Fall 2018

Anticipated occupancy



Joseph and Marie Field

WITH A \$10 MILLION leadership gift from Joseph M. '55 and Marie Field the Law School has now raised \$43.75 million toward the \$50 million goal necessary to begin the transformation of Robert C. and Christina Baker Hall.