

**Contact: John Nash**

**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY PROPOSED NAMING**

**Action Requested:** Consider recommending to the Board approval of the naming of the future indoor tennis practice facility as the “Bruce McKee Indoor Tennis Complex.”

**Executive Summary:** Iowa State University requests that the future indoor tennis practice facility be named the “Bruce McKee Indoor Tennis Complex” in recognition of Mr. Bruce W. McKee’s \$500,000 gift commitment to the ISU Athletics Department to support the acquisition of this \$2.5 million facility. The name change would be effective when the University exercises its option to purchase the facility within, or at the conclusion of, the five-year lease term. The lease was approved by the Board at its April 2016 meeting.

Mr. McKee’s generous financial support of this project reflects the strong confidence that he has in the quality of the athletic programs at Iowa State University and the positive role intercollegiate athletics plays for the University.

Mr. McKee, a native of Montezuma, Iowa, is a 1956 engineering graduate of Iowa State University and a long-time supporter of Cyclone Athletics and the University Museums. After graduation, Mr. McKee attended American University in Washington D.C. to study law. At that time, he also worked as a United States Patent and Trademark Office Patent Examiner until graduating in 1959. Mr. McKee then served as an Assistant Staff Judge Advocate at the United States Air Force Logistics Command Patent Section until 1962. Mr. McKee is a partner in the law firm of McKee, Voorhees & Sease PLC in Des Moines and has been developing custom intellectual property strategies for his clients since 1962. He specializes in patent and trademark matters with a particular focus on international trademark issues for major corporations, medical devices, and mechanical patents. He has four children, three of whom are also Iowa State University graduates.

The University is grateful for the significant financial support Mr. McKee is providing to this project.