

VINCENT BOGAN WELCH, of the Class of 1938, Trustee of the College, general chairman of the 175th Anniversary Campaign, lawyer and businessman of acumen. After leaving Bowdoin and Harvard Law School, he embarked on a career that has taken him to all corners of the globe, from Washington, D.C., to Tauranga, New Zealand. His legal accomplishments are formidable, and encompass such achievements as being president of the Federal Communications Bar Association, member of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association, and attorney for the Federal Communications Commission. For him, there is no such thing as partial effort or second best. As lawyer, as businessman, as devoted alumnus of the College, he has always demanded complete commitment, not only of others but of himself. His list of services to the College covers every aspect of involvement possible. No one believes more strongly in Bowdoin and its potential. He has demonstrated a clear understanding of the importance to the College of a diversified student body through the establishment of two scholarship funds, and he follows the careers of those scholarship recipients with a lively and concerned interest. As the man who has made the 175th Anniversary Campaign go, he has placed the College forever deeply in his debt. As an Overseer and Trustee, his vigorous standards of stewardship for the College's affairs in the years preceding the campaign prepared the grounds that made it possible. The College lives on its future and of that he has been one of the principal architects.

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