THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Thomas H. Seymour, J.D., clinical assistant professor of law in the Law School, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2012.

Professor Seymour received his B.A. degree from the University of Nebraska in 1968, his M.A. degree from Simon Fraser University in 1972, and his J.D. degree from Harvard University in 1987. From 1987-90, he was an associate at the law firm of Csaplar & Bok in Boston, Massachusetts. He taught at Boston College Law School from 1990-91 and Suffolk University Law School from 1992-96. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a clinical assistant professor in 1996.

Professor Seymour’s professional work and teaching focused on dispute resolution, legal analysis, and legal writing. He served as a mediator with the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Cambridge Consumers’ Council, as an arbitrator with the American Arbitration Association, and as an editor of the American Bar Association’s Dispute Resolution Magazine. He played a pivotal role in the incorporation of negotiation and dispute resolution into the first-year law student curriculum. A highly regarded and student-centered teacher, Professor Seymour set high academic standards for his students and was devoted to their success in the Law School and the practice of law.

The Regents now salute this distinguished legal educator for his dedicated service by naming Thomas H. Seymour clinical assistant professor emeritus of law.

Requested by:

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