

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

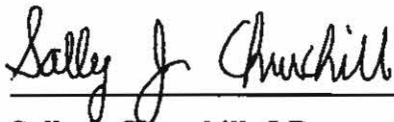
Phoebe C. Ellsworth, Ph.D., Frank Murphy Distinguished University Professor of Law and Psychology; professor of psychology in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts; professor of law in the Law School; and faculty associate in the Research Center for Group Dynamics within the Institute for Social Research, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2018.

Professor Ellsworth received her A.B. degree from Radcliffe College in 1966 and her Ph.D. degree from Stanford University in 1970. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in 1987. Professor Ellsworth was named the Kirkland and Ellis Professor of Law in 1994, the Robert B. Zajonc Collegiate Professor of Psychology in 1997, and the Frank Murphy Distinguished University Professor of Psychology and Law in 2003.

Professor Ellsworth was regarded as an outstanding teacher, mentor, and leader at the University of Michigan, and a ground-breaking scholar who has made central research contributions in two distinct areas within psychology: the theory of emotions and the field of psychology and law. She is the author of over 100 articles and books, including her 1985 classic with Craig Smith, "Patterns of Cognitive Appraisal in Emotions," which placed a social psychological theory of emotions on strong empirical footing, and her book *Emotion in the Human Face* (co-authored with Paul Ekman and Wallace Friesen), first published in 1972 and cited many thousands of times. Professor Ellsworth's fundamental contributions to psychology and law include her landmark research on how death penalty attitudes influence the quality of jury deliberation and the jury's verdict. Her honors include election to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences (1992), as well as distinguished career and lifetime achievement awards from Phi Beta Kappa (2002), the American Psychological Association (1999), the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (2014), the Association for Psychological Science (2015), the Society for Experimental Social Psychology (2017), and Cornell University (2018). Professor Ellsworth's superb mentoring was honored with national awards from the American Psychological Association (2011), the Society for Personality and Social Psychology (2014), and the Association for Psychological Science (2017).

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar by naming **Phoebe C. Ellsworth, Frank Murphy Distinguished University Professor Emerita of Law and Psychology, professor emerita of psychology, and professor emerita of law.**

Requested by:



Sally J. Churchill, J.D.
Vice President and Secretary of the University

December 2018