THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Douglas A. Kahn, J.D., Paul G. Kauper Professor of Law and professor of law in the Law School, retired from active faculty status on December 30, 2016.

Professor Kahn received his B.A. degree from the University of North Carolina in 1955 and his J.D. degree from George Washington University in 1958. After law school, he clerked for the law firm Covington & Burling in Washington, D.C., worked as an attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice, and as an associate for the law firm of Sachs and Jacobs in Washington, D.C. Professor Kahn joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1964, and was promoted to associate professor in 1967, and professor in 1969. He was named the Paul G. Kauper Professor of Law in 1983.

A preeminent tax law scholar, Professor Kahn has served with distinction on the Law School faculty for 52 years. He authored or co-authored a number of important works, including Federal Taxation of Estates, Gifts and Trusts (3rd edition, 1980), Corporate Income Taxation (6th edition, 2009), Principles of Corporate Taxation (2010), and Federal Income Tax: A Student's Guide to the Internal Revenue Code (7th edition, 2016). Professor Kahn taught courses on tax planning for business transactions, the taxation of individual income, corporate taxation, partnership tax, and the legal process. An exemplary teacher and dedicated mentor, he profoundly influenced the lives and prospects of his students, many of whom give chief credit to Professor Kahn for their own long and successful careers. He held visiting professor positions at Duke University, Fordham University, Stanford University, the University of Florida, and the University of North Carolina. Professor Kahn received the L. Hart Wright Teaching Award for excellence in teaching from the student body in 1987.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and scholar by naming Douglas A. Kahn, Paul G. Kauper Professor Emeritus of Law and professor emeritus of law.

Requested by:

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