THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Edward H. Cooper, LL.B., Thomas M. Cooley Professor of Law and professor of law in the Law School, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2017.

Professor Cooper received his A.B. (1961) degree from Dartmouth College and his LL.B. (1964) degree from Harvard University. He served as law clerk to Judge Clifford O'Sullivan of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit from 1964-65. From 1965-67, Professor Cooper practiced law at the firm of Beaumont Smith & Harris while concurrently serving as an adjunct faculty member at Wayne State University's Law School. He then left practice for the academy and joined the faculty of the University of Minnesota's Law School in 1967. Professor Cooper joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in 1972 and was named the Thomas M. Cooley Professor of Law in 1988. He served as the associate dean for academic affairs in the Law School from 1981-94.

Professor Cooper has earned a reputation for being brilliant, productive, and indefatigable. He is the co-author, with C.A. Wright and A.R. Miller, of the original, second, and third editions of *Federal Practice and Procedure: Jurisdiction*, a leading multi-volume treatise on federal jurisdiction and procedure. His numerous publications have contributed to legal scholarship with insight and grace for more than 40 years. In recognition of Professor Cooper's vast knowledge of civil procedure and jurisdiction, he was elected to the Council of the American Law Institute. He was a reporter for the Uniform Transfer of Litigation Act and reporter for the Federal-State Jurisdiction Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States, as well as both a member of and reporter for its Civil Rules Advisory Committee. As associate dean, Professor Cooper was widely regarded with affection and admiration for his leadership, wisdom, and efficiency.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and scholar by naming Edward H. Cooper, Thomas M. Cooley Professor Emeritus of Law and professor emeritus of law.

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