THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Christina B. Whitman, J.D., Francis A. Allen Collegiate Professor of Law and professor of law in the Law School and professor of women's studies in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2020.

Professor Whitman received her B.A. (1968), M.A. (1970), and J.D. (1974) degrees from the University of Michigan. She clerked with the Honorable Harold Leventhal on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr. on the Supreme Court of the United States. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1976, and was promoted to associate professor in 1979, and professor in 1982.

Professor Whitman wrote broadly in the areas of constitutional law, federal courts, and constitutional litigation, with a special focus on the field of constitutional torts, evaluating the success of and values underlying legal liabilities of governmental officers acting within the scope of their official responsibility. In innumerable ways, Professor Whitman was a dedicated member of the law school and university communities. She served as the University of Michigan's vice provost for academic and faculty affairs, special counsel to the provost for the policy on conflicts of interest/conflicts of commitment, the Law School's associate dean for academic affairs, and chair of Law School Admissions Council Board of Trustees. Professor Whitman has twice won the Law School's prestigious L. Hart Wright Award for Excellence in Teaching, most recently in 2014.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and scholar by naming Christina B. Whitman, Francis A. Allen Collegiate Professor Emerita of Law, professor emerita of law, and professor emerita of women's studies.

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