

The University of Michigan Regents Communication Request for Action

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Lynda J. Oswald, M.B.A., J.D., Ph.D., Louis and Myrtle Moskowitz Research Professor of Business and Law and professor of business law in the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, retired from active faculty status on May 24, 2026.

Professor Oswald received her A.B. degree with Honors and Distinction, M.B.A., and J.D. (cum laude) from the University of Michigan and her Ph.D. from the University of London. She served as a judicial clerk to the Honorable Cornelia G. Kennedy of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. She began her academic career at the University of Michigan in 1988. She was promoted to associate professor in 1995, professor in 2000, and served as area chair of business law. She held positions as a visiting professor or scholar at Peking University-Shenzhen School of Transnational Law, the Hopkins-Nanjing Center for Chinese & American Studies, China University of Political Science and Law, L'viv State University, The University of Sydney, Victoria University of Wellington, and the University of Florida Law School.

A distinguished scholar in intellectual property, real property, and environmental law, Professor Oswald's research appeared in leading law reviews and journals. She was named the 2022 Master Teacher by the Academy of Legal Studies in Business (ALSB) and authored a textbook *The Law of Marketing* (2nd edition, 2011). Professor Oswald is widely recognized for her contributions to the ALSB including serving on its Executive Committee and as its president, and was awarded the ALSB's highest service award in 2008 and its Distinguished Career Achievement Faculty Award in 2020. Her research awards include the Hoeber Award (2005) and several Holmes-Cardozo Awards from the ALSB, as well as the Eugene B. Power Junior Faculty Award for Early Career Achievement from the Ross School of Business in 1994.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar, teacher, and administrator by naming **Lynda J. Oswald, Louis and Myrtle Moskowitz Research Professor Emerita of Business and Law and professor emerita of business law.**

Requested by:



Jon Kinsey

Vice President and Secretary of the University

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