

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Lawrence W. Waggoner, J.D., D.Phil., Lewis M. Simes Professor of Law and professor of law in the Law School, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2011.

Professor Waggoner received his B.B.A. degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1960, his J.D. degree from the University of Michigan in 1963, and his D.Phil. degree from Oxford University in 1966. He served on the faculties of the University of Illinois (1968-72) and the University of Virginia (1972-74) before joining the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in 1974. He was the James V. Campbell Professor of Law from 1984-87, and has held the Lewis M. Simes Professorship since 1987.

Professor Waggoner is a pre-eminent scholar in the field of trusts and estates. He is nationally respected for his grasp of this technical and complex area of the law, for his sensitivity to the practical problems that drive its doctrine, and for his ability to conceptualize and articulate important reforms. In addition to having written a remarkable number of lectures, case books, and articles, Professor Waggoner has played an extremely active role in law reform. He has served as reporter for the *Restatement (Third) of Property: Wills and Other Donative Transfers*, as well as advisor to both the *Restatement (Third) of Trusts* and the *Restatement (Second) of Property, Donative Transfers*. For the past sixteen years, Professor Waggoner has served as the director of research for the Joint Editorial Board for the Uniform Trust and Estate Acts. In addition to this post, he has served as reporter for the Uniform Act on Intestacy, Wills, and Donative Transfers, the Revised Uniform Testamentary Additions to Trusts Act, the Revised Uniform Simultaneous Death Act, the Article II Revisions to the Uniform Probate Code, and the Uniform Statutory Rule Against Perpetuities.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and scholar by naming **Lawrence W. Waggoner** the **Lewis M. Simes Professor Emeritus of Law and professor emeritus of law**.

Requested by:



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