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Office of the President
October 29, 2002

Members, Board of Trustees:

APPOINTMENT OF GENERAL COUNSEL

Recommendation: that the Board of Trustees approve the appointment of Paul C. Van Booven as General Counsel, effective November 1, 2002.

Background: Paul Van Booven has served as Acting General Counsel since May 2002. He has been associated with the University in various capacities for almost three decades. Mr. Van Booven's institutional knowledge and understanding of the University's organizational structure and operations make him an excellent recommendation for the position of General Counsel.

Mr. Van Booven received his bachelor's degree from DePauw University before returning to Kentucky to receive his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law in 1976. At UK, Mr. Van Booven has served as the managing editor of the *Kentucky Law Journal*. He served as an assistant and associate dean in the UK College of Law from 1976 through 1989. He moved to the UK Office of Legal Counsel in 1989 as Associate General Counsel and has served as Deputy General Counsel and, on two occasions, as Acting General Counsel.

Mr. Van Booven is admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court.

The position of General Counsel was advertised online through the Office of Human Resources. Several applications were received and reviewed. From the review, it was clear that Mr. Van Booven was the most qualified of the applicants, principally through his years of service in the University's Office of Legal Counsel and his educational background.

Action Taken: Approved Disapproved Other _____