

**PROFESSORSHIPS AND NAMINGS
MEETING
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
JUNE 8, 2007**

PROFESSORSHIP AND NAMING MEETING

Friday, June 8, 2007

3:00 p.m.

Dome Room, The Rotunda

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BOARD OF VISITORS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

BOARD MEETING: June 8, 2007

COMMITTEE: Professorships and Naming

AGENDA ITEM: I. Establishment of Professorship:
Approval to establish a Professorship in
the School of Architecture

THE JAQUELIN T. ROBERTSON VISITING PROFESSORSHIP IN ARCHITECTURE

BACKGROUND: Jaquelin T. Robertson, a Richmonder who was educated at Yale University and who held a Rhodes Scholarship at Oxford University, is well known in architectural circles, in this country and abroad. He has had a practice in New York for some years and in fact advised Mayor Lindsay on a number of architectural and planning issues. One of his more interesting projects was at the ruins of Persepolis in Iran where he supervised restoration work and the architectural preparations for the great national celebration in the early 1970s of both the Iranian nation and the rule of the last Shah. He has had an extensive national and international practice.

Mr. Robertson was Dean of the School of Architecture from 1980 to 1988. The School was sound when he took charge, but he injected a note of pizzazz, bringing architects and planners of international importance to lecture and teach. He did this to build the reputation of the School, and he was successful. One such effort was a symposium he organized in 1984, "The Politics of Design," which examined the political factors that influence the planning and design of cities. A result was the formation of The Mayors' Institute of City Design, which is now an annual event, funded by the federal government in an effort to assist American mayors in the physical development of their cities.

Continuing the Lawn restoration work of the late Frederick D. Nichols, Professor in the School of Architecture and still the authority on the architecture of Thomas Jefferson, Mr. Robertson worked with President Hereford during the first Capital Campaign to raise money for the restoration and preservation of the historic core of the University.

Mr. Robertson received the Thomas Jefferson Medal in Architecture in 1998, ten years after he left Charlottesville,

not just for his work at the University as Dean, but for his contributions to the discipline and practice of architecture.

A number of friends, colleagues and relatives of Mr. Robertson have contributed generously for a chair to be known as the Jaquelin T. Robertson Visiting Professorship in Architecture.

DISCUSSION: The President will propose the establishment of the Jaquelin T. Robertson Visiting Professorship in Architecture

ACTION REQUIRED: Approval by the Board of Visitors

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE JACQUELIN T. ROBERTSON VISITING PROFESSORSHIP IN ARCHITECTURE

WHEREAS, Jaquelin T. Robertson, a Richmonder who was educated at Yale University and the University of Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar, was Dean of the School of Architecture at the University of Virginia from 1980 to 1988; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robertson did much to enhance the reputation of the School, bringing architects and planners of international renown to lecture and teach at the School; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robertson continued the work of earlier Deans and faculty members in restoring and preserving the historic center of the University, and helped raise money to put these efforts on a sound footing; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robertson received the Thomas Jefferson Medal in Architecture in 1998; and

WHEREAS, friends, relatives, and colleagues of Mr. Robertson have contributed generously to the creation of a chair in his honor;

RESOLVED, the Board of Visitors establishes the Jaquelin T. Robertson Visiting Professorship in Architecture, to be held in the School of Architecture, thanks the generous donors who have made this possible, and pays tribute to Mr. Robertson as an architect and as a Virginian for the contributions he has made to his profession, but above all for the contributions he made to the School of Architecture as Dean.

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AGENDA ITEM: II. Report on Naming

JAY Y. GILLENWATER SIMULATOR TRAINING CENTER

BACKGROUND: Jay Y. Gillenwater, M.D., Hovey S. Dabney Professor *Emeritus* of Urology, was Chair of the Department of Urology when he retired in 1995. He was a superb teacher and mentor and it is thus fitting that a space, which will be important in the training of urology residents, is being named for him. The renovated simulator training center in the west complex of the University Hospital, near the Urology Department, is to be named The Jay Y. Gillenwater Simulator Training Center; it will be used by residents in urology and by other surgical residents, and will hold three simulators with space for additional simulators in the future.

In addition to being the Dabney Professor, Dr. Gillenwater was the John E. Cole Professor in Urology. His research focused on the effects of endotoxin and obstruction on renal function and hemodynamics. He was a President of the American Foundation of Urological Diseases and the American Urological Association, and chair and trustee of the National Kidney Foundation. It was largely through his efforts and persistence that the University acquired one of the first lithotrippers in this country in the late 1970s.

Above all, though, Dr. Gillenwater was a teacher, and the naming of the Simulator Training Center reflects that commitment to medical education.