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Faculty Member Selected and Student Representative to be Nominated to Serve on Inaugural Board of Trustees for the University of Memphis

Memphis Law professor Katharine Traylor Schaffzin has been selected by the University of Memphis Faculty Senate to serve as the faculty representative on the inaugural Board of Trustees for the University of Memphis. Professor Schaffzin will serve as a Trustee for a two-year term.

“The UofM has a strong leadership foundation in place, and we could not be more pleased with the announcement of Katharine Schaffzin as the ninth member of the Board of Trustees. Her professional background and unparalleled commitment to our University will bring insightful perspectives to our Board,” said University of Memphis President M. David Rudd.

Schaffzin is in her eighth year as a professor at the University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law. She previously taught at the University of North Dakota School of Law and Temple University Beasley School of Law. Before she began teaching, Kate represented clients as a construction litigation associate at Pepper Hamilton, LLP, in Philadelphia, and Mazur, Carp & Rubin, P.C., in New York. She also served as a law clerk to U.S. District Judge James Knoll Gardner.

Schaffzin earned a juris doctor and a master of laws degree from Temple University and a Bachelor’s degree from LaSalle University.

Other appointees to the UofM Board of Trustees include:

- Douglas Edwards, senior advisor at BBH Capital Partners and former CEO of Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc. (three-year term)
- Marvin Ellison, CEO and board chairman of JCPenney Company, Inc. (four-year term)
- Alan Graf, executive vice president and chief financial officer for FedEx Corp. (six-year term)
- Cato Johnson, senior vice president of public policy and regulatory affairs for Methodist Healthcare (four-year term)
- Brad Martin, former interim president of the University of Memphis and retired chairman and CEO of Saks, Inc. (six-year term)
- David North, president and CEO for Sedgwick Claims Management Services (three-year term)
- Carol Roberts, senior vice president and chief financial officer for International Paper Co. (three-year term)
- Susan Springfield, executive vice president and chief credit officer for First Horizon National Corporation (four-year term)

The Trustees will appoint a student representative to a one-year term. The Board of Trustees appointments are awaiting confirmation by the General Assembly.

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