



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY
Office of the Provost

To: Deans, Faculty and Staff
From: Michael Galyean, Provost
Date: June 5, 2017

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Jack Nowlin as Dean of the Texas Tech University School of Law. Dr. Nowlin is currently the Senior Associate Dean and a Professor of Law at the University of Mississippi School of Law, where he also holds the title of Jessie D. Puckett, Jr. Lecturer in Law. A native of San Angelo, Dr. Nowlin received a B.A. in English (1991) from Angelo State University and a J.D. from the University of Texas School of Law (1994). He subsequently completed a M.A. (1997) and a Ph.D. (1999) in politics at Princeton University. He joined the faculty of the University of Mississippi in 2000, advancing through the ranks to his present position. Dr. Nowlin has an excellent record of scholarship and a wealth of administrative experience, particularly in the areas of faculty development, communications, and strategic planning. He will begin his duties as Dean on July 17, 2017. I am confident that under his leadership and engagement with the faculty, staff, and students, the School of Law will continue to grow its national and international reputation.

I very much appreciate the work of the search committee for this position. Under the strong leadership of Dean Brent Lindquist, this committee did excellent work, identifying a strong pool of applicants and seeking input from the faculty, staff, and students at all steps in the process. The search firm used for this position, Storbeck-Pimentel, led by the efforts of Alberto Pimentel, also did outstanding work identifying and vetting candidates.

Finally, the School of Law owes a great debt of thanks to Professor Rick Rosen, who has served as the Interim Dean since the first of the year and has done an outstanding job of leading the School of Law. Professor Rosen will continue to serve the School by overseeing preparations for the upcoming ABA accreditation visit next spring.

Please join me in congratulating and welcoming Dr. Nowlin to this important position – the future is bright for the School of Law.