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Sid Trant Joins UA System as General Counsel and Board Secretary

Tuscaloosa, Alabama... Long-time Birmingham attorney Sid J. Trant was appointed General Counsel and Secretary of The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama during an Executive Committee meeting of the Board this morning. His appointment is effective September 1.

He will serve as chief legal counsel and secretary to the governing board of the state's largest higher education enterprise, which includes three doctoral research universities and the UAB Health System.

"After an extensive search, we are pleased that Sid Trant will be joining The University of Alabama System and representing the Board of Trustees," UA System Chancellor Ray Hayes said Friday. "He will work with the Board and our administrative team to help meet our strategic mission to serve the citizens of Alabama through our three doctoral research universities and the UAB Health System."

A partner at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP, Trant has served the firm for over 30 years, providing transactional, regulatory, and litigation advice for businesses navigating the complex environmental aspects of the energy, natural resources, manufacturing, and real estate sectors.

Trant is a summa cum laude graduate of The University of Alabama. He received honors as a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa, and was recognized as Outstanding Fraternity President and Outstanding Student in Economics, B.A.

"Our System continues to be on an upward trajectory," Karen Brooks, President pro tem of the Board of Trustees, said. "With the addition of Sid Trant to our senior leadership team, we know we will reach new heights."

After graduating magna cum laude from Georgetown University Law Center in 1986, Trant accepted a clerkship in The United States District Court, Northern District of Alabama serving the Honorable Sam C. Pointer, Jr. He clerked for Judge Pointer until 1987 when he joined Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP.

His professional achievements include listing in *The Best Lawyers in America* for Environmental Law in 2006-2017, Litigation-Environmental in 2011-2017, “Lawyer of the Year,” Birmingham, Environmental Law, 2014, Lawyer of the Year,” Birmingham, Litigation-Environmental, 2017, *Mid-South Super Lawyers*, Environmental, 2016, *Alabama Super Lawyers* 2008-2015, and “Top 50 Lawyers” in Alabama in 2008. In 2015-2016, *Birmingham Magazine* listed him in the “Top Attorneys” for Energy Environmental.

He is a member of the American Bar Association, Environmental Law Institute and Alabama State Bar, Environmental Law Section.

The University of Alabama System is comprised of three doctoral research universities: The University of Alabama, The University of Alabama at Birmingham and The University of Alabama in Huntsville, as well as the UAB Health System. Enrollment exceeds 65,500 and the System’s total economic impact exceeds \$8 billion annually.