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**CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS EXTENDING
ZILLMAN'S APPOINTMENT AS UMPI PRESIDENT**

BANGOR -- University of Maine System Chancellor Richard L. Pattenauade announced today that he is recommending to the System's board of trustees that the appointment of University of Maine at Presque Isle President Donald N. Zillman be extended.

Zillman has been serving a fixed-length appointment as UMPI's president since September 2006, and that appointment expires on August 31, 2008. If trustees approve Pattenauade's recommendation, Zillman will be given an additional two-year appointment. After that, Zillman will be eligible for renewal and extension of his appointment following his annual review, which is standard practice for the System's university presidents.

The University of Maine System Board of Trustees is expected to act on the recommendation at its May 19 meeting, which will take place at UMPI.

"Over the last two years under President Zillman's leadership, UMPI has experienced a remarkable revitalization of the university," according to Pattenauade.

"Major leadership positions have been filled and progress has been made in many areas," Pattenauade noted in a memo to the UMPI faculty, staff and students. "I believe that continuing this momentum is important to the continued success of UMPI in serving northern Maine."

Along with his role as UMPI president, Zillman serves as the Edward S. Godfrey Professor of Law at the Maine School of Law in Portland.

"I am excited at the prospect of continuing the fine work we've been doing here at the University of Maine at Presque Isle and the opportunity to see some important projects through, such as our wind power project and our efforts through Project Compass to better serve our Native American student population," President Zillman said. "And if the board approves my appointment, I hope to remain here for a good, long time."

President Zillman served as Dean of the Maine Law School from 1991-1998, as Interim Provost and Academic Vice President of the University of Maine from 1999-2000, and as Interim President of the University of Maine at Fort Kent in 2001-2002.

President Zillman has also served on the law faculty at Arizona State University, and the University of Utah, and has served as visiting professor of law at the United States Military Academy and the University of New Mexico Law School.

In addition to his academic career, Zillman has served as special assistant attorney general in Arizona, independent counsel to the Maine House of Representatives to resolve election contests in 2000, 2002, and 2004, and he chaired the Maine Legislative Reapportionment Commission in 2003.

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His education includes B.S. and J.D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin and an LL.M. (Masters of Laws) degree from the University of Virginia.

Zillman has written over fifty law review articles and has served as author-editor on ten books in his areas of expertise, including *Energy Law and Policy for the 21st Century*, (Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation), *Maine Tort Law*, (LexisNexis), *Constitutional Law for the Citizen Soldier*, *Human Rights in Natural Resources Development* (Oxford University Press), and *Energy Security* (Oxford University Press, May 2004).

President Zillman contributed two chapters to *Regulating Energy and Natural Resources* (Oxford University Press, 2006). He presented some of those findings, with collaborator John Gulliver, at the April 2006 meeting of the International Bar Associations in Rome and at the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Institute in Santa Fe in July 2006.

President Zillman also achieved a unique distinction in 2008 – the publication of two books by two prestigious academic publishing houses in the same year. He and co-author Evan Roth of the United States Attorney's Office wrote *Strategic Legal Writing*, published by Cambridge University Press. His book *Beyond the Carbon Economy – Energy Law in Transition*, which he co-edited with Professors Yinka Omorogbe, Catherine Redgwell, and Lila Barerra-Hernandez, was published by Oxford University Press. In addition, President Zillman continues his studies of the World War I Congress and the times in which it operated.

Established in 1903, the University of Maine at Presque Isle is one of seven universities of the University of Maine System.