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WELCOME TO NACUA'S 46TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

# Greetings, NACUA Members:

I am pleased to invite you to attend NACUA's 46th Annual Conference June 25-28, 2006 in Chicago, Illinois. Like swallows returning to Capistrano or whales returning to Maui, NACUA members return each year to the Annual Conference. It's a very special time of the year when spring turns into summer and we gather to meet and greet old as well as new friends. Come and enjoy first rate programming and all that the marvelous city of Chicago has to offer. I encourage you to make your plans now to attend!

Your colleagues on the Annual Program Committee and the NACUA staff have worked hard to present you with yet another incredible conference. You can expect to attend sessions on an array of legal issues at all skill levels. The subject matter covered will include Business and Real Property, General Counsel, Labor and Employment, Litigation and Risk Management, Professional Development, Research and Intellectual Property and Student Affairs and Athletics.

For the third consecutive year, we will offer a one and one-half day Pre-Conference Workshop for Lawyers New to Higher Education. A record 133 of you attended the workshop last year where some of NACUA's most experienced speakers provided the basics for lawyers who are new to higher education law practice, or who just wanted a broad overview. We look forward to again providing these learning and networking opportunities to new members in Chicago. New this year to the Conference is a Pre-Conference Roundtable for New and Recently Appointed In-House General Counsel. Each year, approximately 25-50 of us become the new General Counsel/Chief Legal Officer at our institutions, and NACUA is pleased to bring this exciting new service to meet yet another membership need.

The Annual Conference kicks off on Sunday, June 25 with an opening plenary session featuring the distinguished constitutional scholar, **Professor David A. Strauss**, the Harry N. Wyatt Professor of Law at the University of

Chicago School of Law. Given the recent new additions to the U.S. Supreme Court, Professor Strauss will share his observations about the Court and the implications these changes may have for us as Americans and for higher education law. We are pleased that Professor Strauss will also lead a concurrent session Monday on "Political Labels and Supreme Court Justices."

Later that day, as is our custom, we will come together at the Opening Reception in an informal setting to reflect on the past year and to renew our spirits. But immediately preceding the Reception, I want to encourage you to attend one of NACUA's best-kept secrets: the Honors and Awards Ceremony. It is a special moment where we honor members who have provided exemplary service to NACUA and to the practice of higher education law. If you have not attended this Ceremony before, you will not want to miss another after attending your first in Chicago. Other networking opportunities include a breakfast on Monday and a breakfast and luncheon on Tuesday, Forum sessions devoted to specific practice areas and topics, Special Interest Group meetings and many Discussion Groups. We also will again offer the very popular Affinity Group gatherings during Tuesday's luncheon.

Each year, Capistrano welcomes the swallows and the warm waters of Maui welcome the whales home. This year, the city of Chicago welcomes you home to the Annual Conference. Come and rekindle old friendships, create new ones and recharge your commitment "to advance the effective practice of higher education attorneys for the benefit of the colleges and universities they serve." Chicago awaits you. I look forward to seeing you there!

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NEW THIS YEAR!

### Pre-Conference Roundtable for New and Recently Appointed General Counsel

If you are the new or recently appointed General Counsel of your institution, you will want to take advantage of this new program. (see description pg 8)

SPECIAL SESSION

### Emerging Trends in Higher Education Law and Practice: A Conversation with Bill Kaplin and Barbara Lee

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