

## DEAN PAUL MARCUS

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I am in a unique position to appreciate Dean Marcus's contribution to the College of Law. I was a student at the school when John Lyons occupied the dean's chair. I remember him as an accomplished teacher and an exemplar of the law. I also remember that it was possible to get the entire student body into a single classroom. Administration was not the bane of the dean's existence.

I have been also close to the later occupants of the dean's chair. I was able to see firsthand the sufferings of my friends and learned to appreciate what it meant to be dean of a growing law school, underfunded, understaffed and overpopulated by students.

I met Paul Marcus shortly after his arrival. As we became friends, I came to admire his approach to a very difficult job. His job qualifications include administrative ability, recruiting and fund-raising. To this, he adds scholarship and a love of teaching.

To me, among Dean Marcus's most important achievements is the continuation of the school's policy of recruiting minority students and faculty members. Without sacrifice in the quality of either student body or faculty, Paul has furthered the policies of his predecessors and made us aware of the need to continue with this program. The school, the profession and the entire state will benefit.

Paul has also succeeded in involving the school and the student body in current legal and constitutional issues and movements. The bicentennial programming at the University is an example of this kind of thing and has proved to be one of the best programs of its type in the country.

All of these things are simply results of the many attributes Paul Marcus brought to his job. These include enthusiasm, interest and optimism. He has been exciting to work with.

When he arrived here, Paul had to fill some large shoes. He leaves just as large a pair for his successor.

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