Dean, University of Georgia School of Law

The University of Georgia invites applications and nominations for the position of Dean of the University of Georgia School of Law.

The Dean serves as the intellectual, academic, and administrative leader of the School of Law. As such, the Dean must be distinguished in the field of law, a talented and resourceful administrator, and someone with the ability to develop and to communicate a shared vision of excellence that will build upon and enhance the School’s already strong programs and reputation. In addition to providing energetic and visionary leadership, the Dean must provide principled administrative guidance and advocacy for the mission of the Law School in teaching, research, and public service/outreach. The Dean reports to the Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, and the Dean’s responsibilities include overall responsibility for leadership of the School; strategic planning and analysis of School operations; program and budget development; fundraising; alumni relations; and representing the School to the University administration and to external constituencies.

The University of Georgia School of Law is regarded as one of the nation's top law schools. The Law School offers the Juris Doctor degree (J.D.), Master of Laws degree (LL.M.), and a newly launched Master in the Study of Law degree (MSL). It offers a vibrant learning environment driven by an accomplished corps of superior teachers and scholars. It provides a wide array of experiential learning programs, extensive international programs, and a rigorous and challenging intellectual environment. Its student body is one of the nation’s most highly credentialed. Its advocacy program is one of the nation’s best and has won four national championships in moot court and mock trial in 2014 alone. For more information on the School of Law, please see: http://law.uga.edu/.

The University of Georgia (UGA), a land-grant/sea-grant university, is the largest and most comprehensive educational institution in Georgia. UGA was founded in 1785 by the Georgia General Assembly as the first state-chartered university in the country. The University is located in Athens, approximately 75 miles northeast of Atlanta, and is consistently ranked among the top 25 public universities in the country. UGA employs approximately 1,800 full-time instructional faculty and more than 7,600 full-time staff. The University’s enrollment is approaching 35,000 students, including approximately 26,500 undergraduates and 8,300 graduate and professional students. Academic programs reside in 17 schools and colleges, as well as a medical partnership with Georgia Regents University. Additional information about the University of Georgia is available at http://www.uga.edu/.

Candidates for the Dean must have a terminal degree, a distinguished professional record, and qualify for tenure at the full professor level. Desirable qualifications for the successful candidate
include a demonstrated commitment to excellence in teaching and scholarship; strong internal management aptitude with good budgetary skills; ability to work in a collaborative and collegial manner with a diverse faculty and staff; ability to promote scholarly excellence and ensure outstanding academic programs; and an ability to successfully raise funds and to enhance already strong relationships with alumni and the legal community.

Applicant screening will begin immediately. Candidates are encouraged to submit their materials by August 17, 2014; however, screening will continue until the position is filled. The application packet should include a cover letter detailing how the applicant’s credentials and experience meet the needs, responsibilities, and qualifications stated above; a current curriculum vitae; and contact information for three references (who will not be contacted without further correspondence with the applicant).

Email submissions with attachments are preferred. Please send to: ugasearchgroup@uga.edu.

In lieu of email submission, written application materials can be directed to:

UGA Search Group
University of Georgia, Human Resources
Search Committee: Dean, UGA School of Law
215 S. Jackson Street
Athens, GA 30602

Confidential requests for information should be directed to Traci Strickland, Primary Consultant with the UGA Search Group, 706-542-6240.

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