

**UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS  
CHANCELLORS' DELEGATIONS**

**•LITIGATION CLAIMS**

**Executive Task Force**

**December 19, 1991**

1. General Counsel of the University or his designee may settle claims of up to \$20,000 on behalf of any campus of the University;
2. Such settlements will be paid from campus funds under the jurisdiction of the **Campus Chancellor and staff**;
3. At the point of settlement, in effect, before a final commitment is made the **Campus Chancellor** will be asked to approve the settlement;
4. Once the **Campus Chancellor** has approved a settlement and such a settlement is agreed upon, Counsel will request the Campus Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance to provide Counsel with the settlement payment;
5. Settlements exceeding \$20,000 will process through the appropriate state financing, procedures involving the State Comptroller and State Administration and Finance.
6. This policy in no ways absolves the State from overall responsibility in those instances where legitimate claims can be made on State appropriated resources. The purpose of the policy is to allow a mechanism where small settlements can be quickly resolved and payment made.

*Passed by the Board*  
*6/3/92*

**LABOR RELATIONS**

To delegate to the President of the University authority for all labor relations, including negotiation of collective bargaining agreements and contract administration. The President may delegate contract administration to the Chancellors of the campuses who may delegate this further as they deem appropriate. The Board of Trustees shall be consulted prior to the beginning of negotiations and kept informed, through the Executive Committee, of the progress of negotiations. The composition of administration bargaining teams shall be largely drawn from the appropriate campus or campuses through consultation with the Chancellor or Chancellors. Further, that this item be revisited by the Executive Committee at its November meeting. (Doc. T92-054)

**Passed by the Board**  
**2/3/93**

### **GRADUATION LISTS**

To delegate to the Chancellors of the respective campuses, with authority to further delegate to the Provost or a Vice Chancellor, the authority to approve graduation lists of students who have completed requirements for the award of University degrees. The Chancellors shall regularly forward copies of the graduation lists to the Secretary of the Board of Trustees. The appropriate University degree shall be awarded in the name of the Trustees to each student on said lists without further vote of the Board. (Doc. T93-017)

**Passed by the Board**  
**2/3/93**

### **APPOINTMENTS**

To delegate to the President, with authority to re-delegate solely to the Chancellors, the authority to appoint, subject to the President's approval, Vice Chancellors, Provosts, and Deans of their respective campuses. Further, to amend the Governance Document (Doc. T73-098, as amended) by deleting from the first sentence of Section II. C.3. the words "with the concurrence of the President and the Board of Trustees" and inserting in place thereof the words "upon delegation by the President." Any policies, rules or regulations (or any part thereof) currently in effect in the University which are inconsistent herewith are hereby rescinded. (Doc. T93-018)

**Passed by the Board**  
**2/3/93**

### **PROFESSIONAL LEAVE OBLIGATION**

To delegate to the President, with authority to re-delegate to the Chancellors, the authority to waive for all professional staff any service obligation following professional improvement leave. Further, to amend the Personnel Policy for Professional Non-Academic Staff (Doc. T73-090, as amended) by deleting from the last sentence in Paragraph F of the "Professional Improvement" Section the words "the Board of Trustees" and inserting in place thereof the words "an authorized officer of the University." Any policies, rules or regulations (or any part thereof) currently in effect in the University which are inconsistent herewith are hereby rescinded. (Doc. T93-019)

***Doc. T98-048***  
**Passed by the Board**  
**6/3/98**

### **NEW ENDOWMENT FUNDS**

To delegate to the Chancellors of the University of Massachusetts the authority to establish endowment funds for the campuses consisting of principal amounts less than \$500,000; Chancellors shall request the University of Massachusetts Foundation to manage the investment of those endowments on behalf of the University.

Future requests for the establishment of such endowment funds of \$500,000 or greater will continue to be presented to the Board of Trustees for acceptance.