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DON BURNETT NAMED INTERIM PRESIDENT FOR UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

(Boise). The State Board of Education today announced that Donald L. Burnett, Jr., will serve as Interim President of the University of Idaho.

“Don has been an outstanding Dean of the UI’s College of Law, and we are confident he is the right person to lead the institution during this period of transition,” said Ken Edmunds, President of the State Board of Education. *“The Board appreciates Don’s willingness to take on the responsibilities of Interim President, and we look forward to working with him over the next few months.”*

Dean Burnett’s career has encompassed service as an appellate judge, practicing lawyer, JAG officer, state bar president, law professor, and dean of two law schools. He earned a baccalaureate degree in economics from Harvard, a J.D. degree from the University of Chicago, and an LL.M. degree from the University of Virginia. Before becoming Dean of UI’s College of Law, Burnett was Dean of the University of Louisville’s law school. To view a full biography, visit <http://www.uidaho.edu/law/faculty/donaldlburnettjr>.

The Board also announced this week that Regent Emma Atchley will chair the search committee for a permanent replacement for M. Duane Nellis, who has accepted a position as President of Texas Tech University effective June 15, 2013. Members of the search committee will be named by mid-April.

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