

# **MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY**

To: Deans, Directors, and Chairs

From: John Engler, Interim President

RE: Retirement of Bob Noto

Bob Noto will be retiring from his role as vice president for legal affairs and general counsel effective March 5, 2018. Bob has served MSU in this position since 1995. Kristine Zayko, who has served as MSU's deputy general counsel since 2008, will succeed Bob in an acting position. At the same time, we have selected Robert Young, former chief justice of the Michigan Supreme Court and now with Dickinson Wright Law Firm, as counsel to coordinate the multiple investigations and Title IX lawsuits that have been filed against MSU. He will be overseeing the various law firms that are assisting the university.

The following is my statement from the attached release:

Bob Noto served Michigan State University for more than two decades in exemplary fashion. During his time here he has handled the university's complex legal matters with great skill and integrity, and he built a strong in-house team that will continue to serve the MSU well. We wish him well as he transitions to emeritus status.



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