Law School professors James C. Hathaway, Robert L. Howse, and Sallyanne Payton have been appointed to endowed professorships. (In addition, Mark D. West has been named the Nippon Life Professor of Law. See story on page 28.) Hathaway has been named the James E. and Sarah A. Degan Professor of Law, Howse the Alene and Allan F. Smith Professor of Law, and Payton the William W. Cook Professor of Law. The University’s Board of Regents approved the title assignments earlier this year.

- **James C. Hathaway**, a member of the faculty since 1998, directs the Law School’s Program in Refugee and Asylum Law and also is a Senior Visiting Research Associate at Oxford University’s Refugee Studies Center in England. He holds a J.S.D. and LL.M. from Columbia University School of Law and an LL.B., with honors, from Osgoode Hall Law School of York University in Canada.

  "Professor Hathaway is a leading authority on international refugee law," according to the recommendation approved by the U-M Board of Regents. "His scholarship is regularly cited by the most senior courts of the common law world, and it constitutes the point of departure for much other work in this field. He is the author of a leading treatise on the definition of refugees, *The Law of Refugee Status* (Butterworths, 1991) and is the editor of the influential *Reconceiving International Refugee Law* (Kluwer, 1997). Professor Hathaway has also provided training on refugee law to academic, nongovernmental, and official audiences in Europe, North America, Asia, and Africa, and is a regular lecturer at both the International Secretariat of Amnesty International and the European Council on Refugees and Exiles."

  The James E. and Sarah A. Degan Professorship is supported by an endowment created through the bequest of the late Sarah A. Degan, a longtime Detroit resident.

- **Robert L. Howse**, who joined the faculty in 1999, holds an LL.M. from Harvard Law School, an LL.B., with honors, from the University of Toronto, and a B.A., with high distinction, in philosophy and political science from the University of Toronto.

  "Professor Howse is an internationally respected scholar of international trade and related regulatory issues, and he has written on a wide range of topics in international law and legal and political philosophy," according to the recommendation to the Regents. "Professor Howse is the author, co-author, or editor of five books, including *Trade and Transitions; Economic Union, Social Justice, and Constitutional Reform; The Regulation of International Trade; Yugoslavia the Former and Future; and The World Trading System*. He also is the co-translator of Alexander Kojève’s "Outline for a Phenomenology of Right." He has published many scholarly articles and book chapters on topics as disparate as 

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NAFTA, whistleblowing, industrial policy, food inspection, income tax harmonization, and ethnic accommodation. Professor Howe is a frequent consultant or adviser to government agencies and international organizations such as the OECD, and has undertaken studies for, among others, the Ontario Law Reform Commission and the Law Commission of Canada."

The Alene and Allan F. Smith Professorship is supported by an endowment established in 1982 and recognizes the contributions of Professor Smith and his wife during their 35-year association with the University of Michigan. Allan Smith joined the Law School faculty in 1947, served as dean from 1960–65, as U-M vice president for academic affairs from 1965–74, and as interim president in 1979. He took emeritus status in 1982.

• Sallyanne Payton earned her LL.B. at Stanford Law School and her B.A. at Stanford University. After practicing for several years in Washington, D.C., she became staff assistant to the President of the United States in the White House Domestic Council, then became chief counsel for the Urban Mass Transportation Administration in the U.S. Department of Transportation. She joined the Law School faculty in 1976.

"Professor Payton is a leading figure in both academic and professional circles with respect to administrative law and health care law,” reported the recommendation to the Regents. “Most recently she has focused her scholarly and professional efforts on problems concerning regulation of the health care industry and issues concerning welfare policy. She is a fellow in the National Academy of Public Administration and a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance. Last year she served as chair of the Administrative Law Section of the Association of American Law Schools.”

"Professor Payton’s appointment as the William W. Cook Professor of Law is especially fitting because of her lifelong involvement with and study of important governmental institutions, matters of interest to Mr. Cook,” the recommendation added.

The William W. Cook Professorship was established in the Law School this year and is supported by monies derived from funds that Cook, the Law School’s principal donor, gave or left to the School in 1929 and 1930. The generosity of Cook, New York lawyer and an 1882 graduate of the Law School, provided for construction of the buildings that make up the Law School and the Law Quadrangle.

Kahn, visitors team for ‘reality’ tax course

Douglas A. Kahn, the Paul G. Kauper Professor of Law, had been mulling over the idea of a learn-by-doing tax seminar for some time. He put the idea into action during winter term this year, and reports that he, co-teacher Terrence G. Perris, ’72, visiting teachers, and students found the venture a rousing success.

The seminar, Tax Planning for Business Transactions, included nine students. “This was at a high level,” Kahn explained. “They had a lot of work to do. It was intended not to teach them with traditional lecture. It was application run. You learned by working out the problems.”

The in-class problems were real ones, with names and some details, as they say, changed to protect the innocent. Practitioners like Perris, a Cleveland, Ohio-based partner and leader of the Taxation Practice of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey LLP, adapted for seminar use problems that their firms had worked on extensively, sometimes for a year or more.

The original problems were big ones — among them the establishment of Fox News and spinning off a lending operation from Ford Motor Company, “the kinds of things that clients only hire very expensive lawyers to do,” explained Perris, who also teaches regularly at Case Western Reserve University Law School in Cleveland. “It was much like a business law clinic, except that you can’t bring in a Fortune 500 company as the client.”

Other practicing attorneys who adapted cases and analyzed students’ solutions, included: