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**October 8, 2009**

**INVESTITURE CEREMONY FOR  
VICE CHANCELLOR J. TRAVIS LASTER  
TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 9, 2009**

The Delaware Court of Chancery will hold an Investiture Ceremony for the Honorable J. Travis Laster, on Friday, October 9, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in Courtroom 8B of the New Castle County Courthouse, 500 N. King Street, Wilmington, Delaware. Vice Chancellor Laster was appointed to the Court of Chancery by Governor Jack A. Markell and confirmed by the Delaware State Senate, on September 22, 2009. He will fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Vice Chancellor Stephen P. Lamb.

Vice Chancellor Laster received his A.B from Princeton University and his J.D. and M.A. from the University of Virginia. Prior to his appointment, he was one of the founding partners of Abrams & Laster LLP. While in private practice, he specialized in high stakes litigation involving Delaware corporations and other business entities, and advising on transactional matters carrying a significant risk of litigation. He also wrote and spoke frequently on aspects of business law. Before forming Abrams & Laster, he was a director of Richards, Layton & Finger P.A. Before joining Richards Layton & Finger, he clerked for the Honorable Jane R. Roth of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. He is a member of the American Bar Association, Delaware State Bar Association, and the Rodney Inn of Court.

Participants in the ceremony will be Chancellor William B. Chandler of the Court of Chancery; Governor Jack A. Markell; former Vice Chancellor Stephen P. Lamb of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison; The Honorable Jane R. Roth of the United States Court of Appeals, Third Circuit; Srinivas M. Raju, Esquire of Richards, Layton & Finger; Stuart M. Grant, Esquire of Grant & Eisenhofer; Eric D. Selden, Esquire of Abrams & Laster LLP; Reverend Barbara Gadon, and Reverend Joshua Snyder of The First Unitarian Church.

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