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## 33rd Annual Francis G. Pileggi Distinguished Lecture in Law

### Is Delaware Retreating?

**Randall S. Thomas**

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Vanderbilt Law School



**Friday, October 20, 2017**

**8:00 a.m. Breakfast; 8:45 a.m. Lecture**

Hotel DuPont, du Barry Room  
11th and Market Streets  
Wilmington, Delaware 19801

*Encore presentation 11 a.m.*  
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**Randall S. Thomas** has earned a reputation of being one of the most productive and thoughtful corporate and securities law scholars in the nation. His recent work addresses issues such as hedge fund shareholder activism, executive compensation, corporate voting, corporate litigation, shareholder voting, and mergers and acquisitions. Eleven of his papers have been selected by his peers as among the Ten Best Corporate and Securities articles in the year they were published by *Corporate Practice Commentator*.

He joined the Vanderbilt law faculty in 2000 to develop and direct the Law and Business Program, having served previously for 10 years on the law faculty of the University of Iowa. He has been a visiting professor at the University of Michigan, Duke University, Harvard Law School, Boston University and the University of Washington. Prior to teaching law, Professor Thomas was in private practice for four years and was a law clerk for U.S. District Judge Charles Joiner of the Eastern District of Michigan. An acclaimed teacher, Professor Thomas teaches courses in the area of corporate law, including Corporations and Mergers and Acquisitions. He has been a member of the Delaware Bar since 1987.

### **History of Pileggi Lecture**

In 1985, Francis G.X. Pileggi, who was then the Internal Managing Editor for the *Delaware Journal of Corporate Law*, envisioned creating a forum where practitioners, judges, and academics, distinguished in the area of corporate law, could speak directly to those most responsible for setting policy on corporate law in the United States—the Delaware bench and bar. Through his efforts and the generosity of his father, Francis G. Pileggi, the idea turned into reality. It continues today through the members of the *Delaware Journal of Corporate Law* and the continued generosity of the Pileggi family.

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