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I am pleased to let you know that The Honorable J. Harvie Wilkinson, III, Chief Judge for the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, has accepted our invitation to speak at commencement.

Judge Wilkinson graduated Magna Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa from Yale University and received his law degree from the University of Virginia. He served as law clerk for Supreme Court Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr., professor of law at UVA, and Editor of the editorial page of the *Virginian-Pilot*. He was appointed Circuit Judge for the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit in August 1984, appointed Chief Judge for the Fourth Circuit in February 1996, and is considered a top prospect for the United States Supreme Court.

He is the author of several books: *Harry Byrd and the Changing Face of Virginia Politics*, 1968; *Serving Justices: A Supreme Court Clerk's View* 1974; *From Brown to Bakke: The Supreme Court and School Integration*, 1979; and *One Nation Indivisible: How Ethnic Separatism Threatens America*, 1997.

We look forward to welcoming Judge Wilkinson to our campus.