

## Biography of Chancellor Mark G. Yudof

Mark G. Yudof was appointed chancellor of The University of Texas System by the Board of Regents on June 21, 2002. His tenure as the ninth chancellor of the U. T. System began on August 1.

Yudof came to the chancellor's office from the University of Minnesota, where he had served as president since July 1997. Previously, he was a faculty member and administrator at U. T. Austin for 26 years, serving as dean of the School of Law from 1984 to 1994 and as the university's executive vice president and provost from 1994 to 1997.

His career at U. T. Austin began in 1971, when he was appointed an assistant professor of law. He continued to teach throughout his administrative career at U. T. Austin, as well as while he was at the University of Minnesota.

While on the law faculty at U. T. Austin, he also served periods as a visiting professor at the law schools at the University of Michigan and the University of California at Berkeley, and he conducted research as a visiting fellow at the University of Warwick in England.

Yudof is an authority on constitutional law, freedom of expression, and education law. He has written and edited books on free speech and gender discrimination, and most recently completed the fourth edition of his co-authored book, *Educational Policy and the Law*.

He is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and a member of the American Law Institute. He also serves as a member of the advisory board of the National Institute for Literacy.

Yudof earned an LL.B. degree (*cum laude*) in 1968 from the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania, where he also earned a B.A. degree (*cum laude* with honors in political science) in 1965. In 1999, he received the University of Pennsylvania Law Alumni Award of Merit.

As chancellor, Yudof is the chief administrative officer of one of the nation's largest higher education systems. The U.T. System has 15 campuses, including nine academic and six health institutions, an enrollment of more than 177,000 students, more than 87,000 employees, and an annual operating budget of \$7.8 billion.

Chancellor Yudof's wife, Judy, is international president of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. She is the first woman to serve in that capacity in the organization's 89-year history. In 1993, Mark and Judy Yudof were co-recipients of the Jewish National Fund Tree of Life Award.

The Yudofs live at Bauer House, the chancellor's official residence, in the Tarrytown section of Austin.

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