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## Wald Named Everett Dobson Endowed Chair of Accounting at SWOSU

Dr. Trish Wald has been named as the Everett Dobson Endowed Chair of Accounting at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford.

Dr. Patsy Parker, associate dean of the SWOSU Everett Dobson School of Business & Technology, said an endowed title is a high honor. Faculty members who hold endowed positions are enthusiastic promoters of student success and active in teaching, scholarly activity and service.

The Everett Dobson School of Business and Technology is fortunate to have several endowed positions available through generous donations of individuals and families who understand the importance of higher education.

Wald previously held the position of Don Weeks Endowed Professorship of Accounting. Other endowed positions that have been awarded in the Dobson SBT are:

\*Everett Dobson Endowed Chair of Management – Dr. Hank Ramsey

\*Everett Dobson Endowed Chair of Marketing – Dr. Amanda Evert

\*Ed and Winnie Ola Berrong Endowed Chair in Engineering Technology – Cindi Albrightson

Wald, a native of Thomas, received her Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Accounting and Finance from SWOSU in 2003, where she graduated *summa cum laude* and was named the Outstanding Senior in Finance. In the summer of 2003, Wald began law school at the University of Oklahoma School of Law in Norman. While at OU, she earned American Jurisprudence (AmJur) awards in Legal Research and Writing, Criminal Law, European Union Law, Insurance Law, Agency and Partnership, Mergers and Acquisitions and Estate Planning. After earning her juris doctorate degree with honors, Wald was initiated into the Order of the Coif, a national honor society honoring the top ten percent (10%) of a graduating class.

Wald began working as an attorney at the law firm of DeBee Gilchrist, P.C., where her work centered on business formation, taxation and mergers/acquisitions. In the fall of 2008, she was offered a job at SWOSU in the School of Business and Technology, which she gladly accepted.

While at SWOSU, she has taught classes in business law, tax law and accounting. In addition to teaching, she has been active in scholarly activity through research and presentations with both the Academy of Legal Studies in Business (ALSB), a national group, and its regional affiliate, the Southern Academy of Legal Studies in Business (SALSB). Wald also serves as a reviewer for the Southern Law Journal and the American Business Law Journal.

Wald is very involved in campus activities and committees including being a faculty senator from 2013 to 2016 and she served as the secretary/treasurer of Faculty Senate during the 2015/2016 academic year. She and Parker implemented a faculty-mentoring program for the SWOSU School of Business and Technology with a purpose to help new instructors segue into their teaching experiences at SWOSU.

She is a member of Kiwanis, graduate of Leadership Weatherford Class 14 and a member of the finance committee at St. Eugene's Catholic Church in Weatherford. In addition, she is a member of both the Custer County Bar Association and the Oklahoma Bar Association.

In 2014, she received the Outstanding Accounting Educator Award from the Oklahoma Society of Certified Public Accountants. She has served as chair of the Department of Business and Computer Science.

Wald and her husband, Nick, live in Weatherford and spend most of their time chasing their three boys – Noah, Eli and Jacob - and going from one activity to another.

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