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## **New University of New Hampshire Foundation Officers Announced**

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DURHAM, N.H. - Roger W. Thomas, a New York-based partner with the international law firm Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton, has been elected chairman of the Board of Directors of the University of New Hampshire Foundation, Inc. He succeeds University of New Hampshire alumnus S. Melvin Rines of Weston, Mass.

In making the announcement, Young P. Dawkins III, president of the foundation, expressed both his gratitude for Rines' leadership and confidence in the future of the university's independent private fundraising organization. "We are very fortunate to have had the benefit of Mel's outstanding mentorship," Dawkins says. "And as we look ahead, we can anticipate that Roger Thomas' skillful direction will play a critical role in our continued vitality."

During Rines' tenure as chair, which ran from 1998 - 2003, the UNH Foundation launched and successfully concluded its \$100 million Next Horizon campaign-two years ahead of schedule. Founded in 1989, the UNH Foundation's total endowment supporting the University of New Hampshire today exceeds \$68 million.

A native of South Weymouth, Mass., Thomas graduated from UNH with a bachelor of arts degree in history in 1959. He earned an LL.B. in 1963, and an LL.M. in comparative law in 1964, both from New York University.

Thomas is counsel to numerous foreign governments, state-owned enterprises and private-sector companies, principally in Latin America. He has served as president of the North American Chilean Chamber of Commerce, an adjunct professor at New York University School of Law, and a director of the Spanish Repertory Theater. Most recently he was appointed a director of the Fundacion Chile, an institution devoted to independent scientific and industrial research and an incubator for new commercial enterprises in Chile. Since he joined the UNH Foundation Board in 1999, Thomas has served as a member of the Executive Committee, Service and Professional Support Committee, and Committee on Philanthropy. Most recently

he held the post of vice chair.

In addition to Thomas, Dawkins also announced the election of David P. Brownell, retired executive of Tyco International, as vice chair; UNH graduate Frank R. Noonan, retired board chair of R.R. Donnelly, as secretary; and foundation Vice President and Treasurer Edward K. Roundy, also an alum, as the board's treasurer. In addition, Marcia Peterson Carsey, an honorary co-chair of the Next Horizon campaign, was re-elected to the board. Carsey, a 1966 graduate of the university, is co-owner of Carsey-Werner-Mandabach LLC, Los Angeles. Joining the board as a representative of the Alumni Association is Association President Elibet Moore Chase of Concord. Also recently elected is Andre Beaupre, co-founder of Beaupre & Co. Public Relations, Inc. Beaupre, of Dover, is a 1975 graduate of UNH.

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