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Dr. Arthur W. Phelps will replace the late Dr. Theodore S. Cox as dean of the law school, it was announced last week by Dr. Sharvy G. Umbeck, dean of the college.

Dr. Phelps, who formerly served as professor of jurisprudence, came to William and Mary in September, 1945. A native of Westmoreland County, Dr. Phelps received his A. B. degree at Washington and Lee University, his M. A. at Ohio State University, his LL. B. at the University of Cincinnati, and his LL. M. at Columbia University.

The 38-year-old dean is a member of the American Bar Association, the American Association of University Professors, Kappa Phi Kappa, honorary education fraternity; and Sigma Delta Kappa, honorary legal fraternity. At the college, Dr. Phelps serves on the student discipline, library, and student recreation committees.

Before coming to William and Mary, he was instructor in law at Ohio State University and chief counsel of the Petroleum Price Branch of the Office of Price Administration in Washington, D. C. Dr. Phelps lives in Williamsburg with his wife and two daughters. The new dean lists golf, tennis and fishing among his chief interests.

"One of the characteristic features of the department of jurisprudence is integration with the rest of the college, and we hope to continue this close relationship," Dean Phelps said, following his recent appointment.



Dr. Arthur W. Phelps

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