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WILLIAMSBURG - Former U.S. Sen. William B. Spong Jr. was named as expected yesterday to be the dean of the Marshall-Wythe School of Law at the College of William and Mary.

Spong, who had been suggested for the post by law school faculty members last May, was appointed by the college and Mary board of visitors as the first Dudley War­

Dr. Thomas A. Graves Jr., William and Mary president, in announcing Spong’s appoint­

Spong Only Choice

Spong was the only choice of the search committee, which

Spong is a native resident of Richmond. He was named as

Spong and Graves met several times during the past six weeks to work out an arrangement for the latter to join the school.

Apparently Spong’s concerns about administration of the law school were alleviated. The board of visitors also reassured Spong that it intended to supply its own administration for the law school when it reports directly to the college president.

Currently, the dean and other school officials supervise the law school’s academic affairs. The new arrangement will prevent such supervision and give the law dean more authority to run the school.