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WILLIAMSBURG - The president of the College of William and Mary, Sir Thomas A. Grove Jr., said Saturday that it is not planned to seek a new dean for the College School of Law by early next year.

Dean James P. Wayne Jr., stated his intention to resign in an announcement Friday at a law school faculty meeting and in a letter to Grove, which was immediately released in the Williamsburg Record, the law school newspaper.

In his letter, in which Grove declined to reply publicly, Wayne listed the reasons he was leaving the University.

Grove said he has not decided when precisely the search will go into effect for a new dean.

"I have not even thought about a search committee," he said.

Not a Surprise

Wayne's decision, however, did not come as a surprise to Grove, the president-elect.

"The time has come for me to go home," Wayne said.

"I have been home quite some time," he added.

Wayne said that he was asked to serve in an "extraordinary job" in 1970 and that worked "very hard, very successfully, very well, I think." Wayne said that he was in the top 10 universities in the country.

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Wayne's leadership has resulted in larger growth at the law school in recent years.

A college spokesman said that it was not unusual for schools to have their deans resign at a time when the college is making changes.

A search committee will be chosen by the faculty and student representatives of the school, the spokesman said.

A total of four deans have been selected at the University, but Grove said that faculty members have been selected and that the faculty members have been picked for the new dean.

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"There are always chances," one source said. "And this one is not unusual. I think it is on the threshold of being one of the great law schools in the country."
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he felt whatever "student-
feeling power" qualitative
gained a particularly
influential role in the
formation and use of
decisions to resign. "He's been
considering resigning for along
time," said one faculty
member, "and it's been
no secret around the law
school as students or faculty
that he wanted to return to full-
time teaching."

Another teacher said he felt
Wayne's decision to resign has
nothing to do with the choice
when a "small group of dis-
gusted faculty" members
were ready to air some com-
plaints about what Wayne's
leadership was "Rather than
force the law
school through another situa-
tion of faculty disorder among
some petty gripes, I believe
Dean Wayne decided to make
this already determined
departure before these
gripes would be just
ugly," he said.

Wayne has declined to com-
mment on his resignation, saying
he had conveyed his feelings to
Gruen in his letter.