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RUTH ANDERSON COGGESHALL NAMED CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER FOR NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

Washington, D.C. -- The National Gallery of Art has selected Ruth Anderson Coggeshall as chief development officer. Coggeshall will be in charge of seeking private support for the Gallery through its membership, foundation and individual donor programs. Prior to coming to the Gallery, Coggeshall was director of the Fund for Johns Hopkins Medicine for the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore, Maryland, where she had been since 1987.

"We are fortunate to have someone with Ruth's abilities and achievements leading our development effort," said Earl A. Powell III, director, National Gallery of Art. Coggeshall replaces Laura Fisher, who had been at the Gallery for fifteen years and who has relocated to Pittsburgh, PA.

Coggeshall will be responsible for guiding the National Gallery's \$105 million capital campaign for endowment and unrestricted needs. Announced in 1994, the capital campaign, known as the New Century Fund, will be used primarily for art acquisition. The National Gallery has acquired all of its works

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of art through the generosity of the private sector.

Prior to her work at Johns Hopkins, Coggeshall was a teacher and administrator. She has a master's degree from the University of Hawaii and an undergraduate from the University of San Diego.

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