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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### JOHNSON TO CHAIR VPBA SEARCH

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University President David Jorns on Friday named College of Arts and Humanities Dean Jim Johnson chair of the Vice President for Business Affairs Search Committee.

"Jim Johnson is an outstanding administrator. He will conduct an efficient and effective national search so that Eastern can find the most qualified individual to handle this very responsible position," Jorns said.

The successor to Charles Colbert, who resigned from the university May 25 to accept a position at the University of Illinois, is expected to be named by Nov.

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J. Marlyn Finley, EIU treasurer and director of business services, has been serving as acting vice president since June 6.

Johnson said, "I am pleased to accept this responsibility and look forward to a successful search."

Search committee members are expected to be named later this month.