## Jean Austin Bagley Regents Chair in Management

James W. Bagley, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Lam Research Corporation, has established two endowed chairs at Texas Tech University, one in the Rawls College of Business and one in the College of Engineering.

The \$1 million gift from Bagley, plus matching funds of \$1 million from the Regents Faculty Endowment Program, will create the Jean Austin Bagley Regents Chair in the Rawls College of Business Administration, and the Bryan Pearce Bagley Regents Chair in the College of Engineering.

The Fremont California company is a leading supplier of silicon wafer fabrication equipment and services to the worldwide semiconductor industry. Bagley received his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Mississippi State University: both in electrical engineering.

## **Professor Ronald K. Mitchell**



Ronald K. Mitchell was appointed in 2005 to fill the Jean Austin Bagley Regents Chair in Management at the Rawls College of Business.

Mitchell earned his CPA in 1978 and received his Ph.D. from the University of Utah in 1994, winning the Academy of Management's 1995 Heizer Award for his entrepreneurship-focused dissertation. His research, teaching, and service are concentrated on increasing economic well-being in society, both domestically and internationally, through the study of entrepreneurs, the development of transaction cognition theory, and the further development of stakeholder research.

His scholarly contributions include publications in the top tier journals of both management and

entrepreneurship, and in other respected outlets. During the period 2002 – 2007 Dr. Mitchell serves as the lead editor for the *Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice* three-volume special issue series on entrepreneurial cognition.

Professor Mitchell is also the co-designer of entrepreneurship programs which have won top national awards and recognition in both the US and Canada. As holder of the Bagley Chair he plans to undertake several grass-roots-driven, bridge-building, Bagley Chairsupported initiatives. In turn, these Bagley Chair Initiatives are expected to result in long-term value-creating institutions: within the College, across the campus, and from the University to our community, state, national, and international stakeholders.