

## **Dr. T. Alan Hurwitz appointed NTID's first deaf dean**

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Dr. Robert Davila, Vice President for the National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID), a college of Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT), and Dr. Stanley McKenzie, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, RIT, are pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. T. Alan Hurwitz to the position of Dean, NTID, effective July 1, 1998. Hurwitz, a tenured professor, has been serving as Director of the Northeast Technical Assistance Center at NTID since 1996.

Hurwitz came to NTID in 1970 as an educational specialist in RIT's College of Engineering after working for McDonnell Douglas Corp. since 1965. He has subsequently held a number of progressively more responsible positions, including Support Department Chair for Engineering and Computer Science Programs, Director for NTID Support Services, Associate Dean for Educational Support Services Programs, Associate Vice President for NTID Outreach and External Affairs, and Associate Dean for Student Affairs.

Hurwitz holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Washington University and a master of science degree in electrical engineering from St. Louis University in St. Louis, Missouri, and an Ed.D. in curriculum and teaching from the University of Rochester. He has been active in a variety of professional and deafness-related organizations and serves on a number of boards of organizations serving deaf persons, including the Rochester School for the Deaf and the National Captioning Institute. He is a former president of the National Association of the Deaf.

"We commend Dr. Hurwitz for his many accomplishments and his long and successful service to NTID and RIT," says Davila. "We welcome him to his new position and look forward with enthusiasm to working with him to lead NTID to fulfillment of its strategic goals."