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## By Facsimile and United States Mail

Michael R. Orme Assistant to the President General Counsel Brigham Young University A-357 ASB Provo, Utah 84602-1333 Fax: (801) 422-0265

Re: Chad Hardy v. Brigham Young University

Dear Mr. Orme:

Mr. Hardy advised the office of the dean of students today that he has chosen as one of the non-attorney persons you said he could invite to accompany him Jennifer Dobner, who is a reporter for the Associated Press. He was told that no one with press credentials would be allowed. When he asked for the basis of this prohibition in the applicable rules and regulations, the university was unable to provide an answer, and you certainly have never articulated it although I have asked on several occasions for a complete explanation of the ground rules.

This is just another example of the university making up the rules as it goes. Moreover, it suggests the university so lacks confidence in its pedagogical skills that it would seek to limit the audience for its self-described "learning opportunity." The eleventh-hour effort to do so is not only improper but also futile given the agreement that both parties will be allowed to record the proceeding.

As with the scope of the review, Mr. Hardy intends to conduct himself tomorrow in accordance with the guidelines previously provided, but will not be subject to additional arbitrary terms and conditions.

Sincerely,

Stephen C. Clark

cc: Chad Hardy