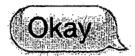
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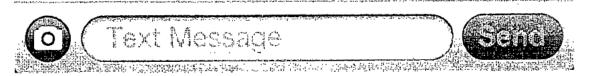


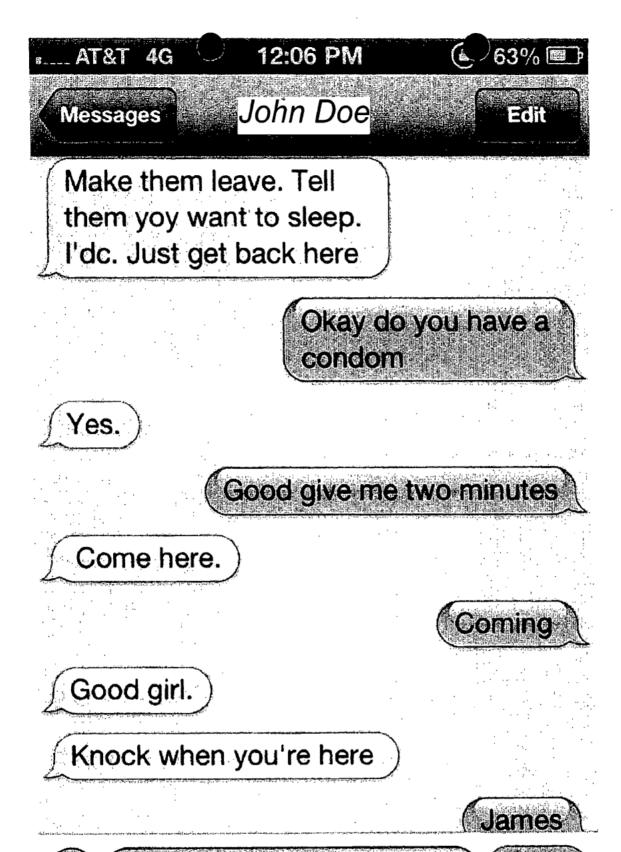
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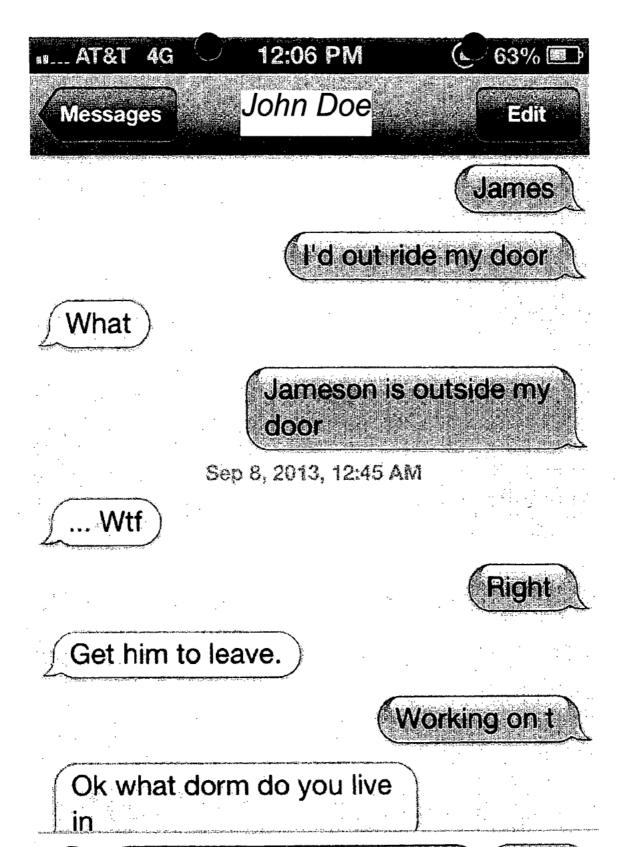
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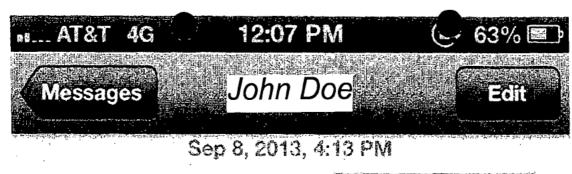
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Sep 9, 2013, 1:15 PM

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John Doe

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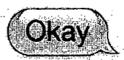
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Sep 9, 2013, 9:01 PM



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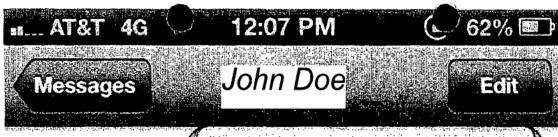
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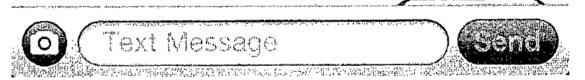
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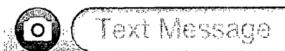
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09/8/2013, 12:36 AM

Okay do you have a condom 09/8/2013, 12:37 AM

Yes.

09/8/2013, 12:38 AM

Good give me two minutes

Good give me two minutes 09/8/2013, 12:39 AM

Come here.

09/8/2013, 12:41 AM

Coming 09/8/2013, 12:41 AM

Good girl.

09/8/2013, 12:42 AM

Knock when you're here 09/8/2013, 12:42 AM

James

09/8/2013, 12:43 AM

I'd out ride my door 09/8/2013, 12:43 AM

What

09/8/2013, 12:43 AM

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Jameson is outside my door 09/8/2013, 12:44 AM

... Wtf

09/8/2013, 12:45 AM

Right 09/8/2013, 12:45 AM

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Ok what dorm do you live in 09/8/2013, 12:49 AM

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Of Braun?

09/8/2013, 12:49 AM

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Yeah

Of Braun?

09/8/2013, 12:49 AM

Yeah

09/8/2013, 12:50 AM

My RA is here

09/8/2013, 12:50 AM

... Leave. Say you're going to the bathroom.

09/8/2013, 12:50 AM

Okay

09/8/2013, 12:51 AM

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09/8/2013, 12:22 PM

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09/8/2013, 8:28 PM

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09/8/2013, 8:29 PM

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09/8/2013, 9:12 PM

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09/8/2013, 11:24 PM

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09/8/2013, 11:25 PM



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09/9/2013, 1:15 PM

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09/9/2013, 1:16 PM

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09/9/2013, 1:16 PM

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09/9/2013, 1:17 PM

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09/9/2013, 7:42 PM

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09/9/2013 8:26 PM

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09/9/2013, 8:27 PM

I might join you on your stint of sobriety

09/9/2013, 8:28 PM

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09/9/2013, 8:51 PM

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09/9/2013, 8:57 PM

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09/9/2013, 8:59 PM

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09/9/2013, 10:07 PM

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Exhibit 5

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Sep 8, 2013, 12:20 AM

I'm wasted

Sep 8, 2013, 12:40 AM

The worlds moving

I'mgoingtohave sex now

Sep 8, 2013, 2:13 AM

l love you

You're the best



Sep 8, 2013, 5:02 AM

Jane Doe

Jane Doe !!!!!!! What

do you mean you're going

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(U ok?)

Sep 8, 2013, 1:46 AM

Where are you?

Sep 8, 2013, 2:05 AM

Im drunk

Lol I know

Him

Lol whattt

l don't know

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Message

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Sep 7, 2013, 10:46 PM

I'm drunk

Sep 7, 2013, 11:15 PM

What's going on?

Sep 7, 2013, 11:30 PM

Matt pick up

Sep 8, 2013, 2:06 AM

Matt

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Sep 8, 2013, 2:15 AM



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Mmhm...

An oring the thunder to me babe ;)

Where aee you?

Stewie

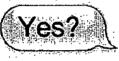
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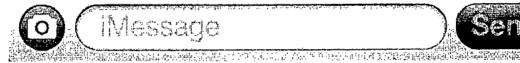
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Wayyyyi

Sep 9, 2013, 11:38 AM



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Messages Derektoevane

Sep 7, 2013, 11:27 PM

What are you up to?

Sep 8, 2013, 2:05 AM

The room is moving

Derlebbnn!!

---- Text Message Sep 8, 2013, 9:04 PM

Sorry haha I'm really bad at checking my phone if you can't tell

Sep 8, 2013, 9:16 PM

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Messages Quentin exa...

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Sep 8, 2013, 2:15 AM

Hini ni hi hi hi vosiah

Quit fiercely

Autocorrect

Sep 8, 2013, 9:25 PM

Meet us at the fountain

Sep 8, 2013, 10:51 PM

Thank vou. Also I know this is something that probably does not need to be said, but please don't tell anyone

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I won't your good



Message

Sep 8, 2013, 12:20 AM



Sup?

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Sep 8, 2013, 12:50 AM

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Sep 8, 2013, 1:47 AM

What are you up to?

Sep 8, 2013, 2:12 AM





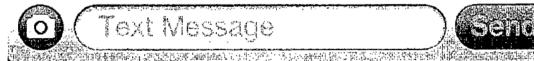




Exhibit 6

That was the hugest game of rage cage I've ever seen.

09/7/2013, 8:35 PM

Bro I'm so drink

09/7/2013, 8:37 PM

Drunks

09/7/2013, 8:37 PM

It's not even 9 o'clock. I know a ton of people are going later. What's the address?

09/7/2013, 8:38 PM

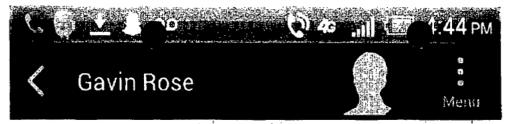
Stay the fuck out of our room. 09/8/2013, 12:39 AM

<3 you. Our room is free, go back any time. I'll be there about 2:30

09/8/2013, 1:57 AM

You're the best fuckin roomate ever

09/8/2013, 1:59 AM



Bro I feel like such shit. 09/9/2013, 7:41 PM

Why?

09/9/2013, 7:42 PM

I'm sick and I have an ear infection, but that's not even it.
Just about everything this weekend. I'm borderline furious with myself

09/9/2013, 7:43 PM

Did you fuck up this weekend?
Absolutely. But can you learn
from your mistakes? Totally. This
is college and it's all about
navigating through it and testing
the waters which inevitably will
entail fuck ups. But if you make it
a learning experience, it's not as
bad.

09/9/2013, 7:45 PM

The being sick and ear infection is just shit that happens though.

09/9/2013, 7:45 PM

Yeah dude, thanks. I really need to get my head on straight and stop abusing my freedom. Are you out tonight?

09/9/2013, 8:21 PM

Yo its totally chill 09/11/2013, 11:25 PM

Okay cool! 09/11/2013, 11:26 PM

> Where you at? Sunday, 7:31 PM

Everything is ok Monday, 10:14 PM

What do you mean Monday, 10:15 PM

Just letting my friends who know about this that I'm okay. I included you on the message.

Monday, 10:16 PM

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I wanna be drunk rn!! 09/7/2013, 7:59 PM

> I'm so drunk. Jesus fucking Christ.

09/7/2013, 9:14 PM

I'm jealous.

09/7/2013, 9:17 PM

I'm drinking straight vod with two kids in a room rn this is pretty alcoholic

09/7/2013, 9:22 PM

I'm about to blak out

09/7/2013, 9:28 PM

Black out

09/7/2013, 9:28 PM

Don't!! Don't be dead when I come to polo!

09/7/2013, 9:29 PM

It canceled righ 09/7/2013, 11:19 PM

Right 09/7/2013, 11:19 PM

John 09/8/2013, 2:08 AM

Hey what's good 09/8/2013, 2:08 AM

Chillin I tried to go to water polo but like campo was right there

09/8/2013, 2:09 AM

Yeah. I don't even know what happened, I'm so fucking out of this world.

09/8/2013, 2:10 AM

Hahah are you okay?? I'm like layin in bed extremely high rn 09/8/2013, 2:12 AM

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I'm outside Braun. I'm so crossed. 09/8/2013, 2:13 AM

Come to stewie. Is there a kid named Matt on water polo?

09/8/2013, 2:14 AM

Yeah there is. Meet me on Stewie patio?

09/8/2013, 2:14 AM

Yeahh

09/8/2013, 2:15 AM

I'm here. 09/8/2013, 2:19 AM

No yr not I'm here!

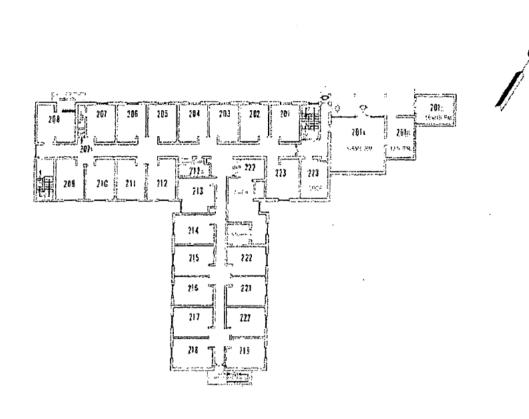
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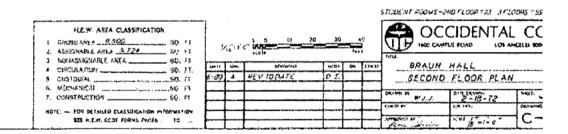
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09/8/2013, 2:20 AM

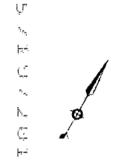
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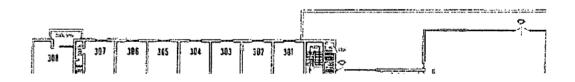
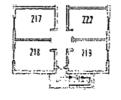
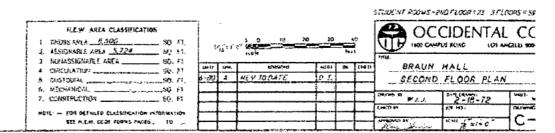
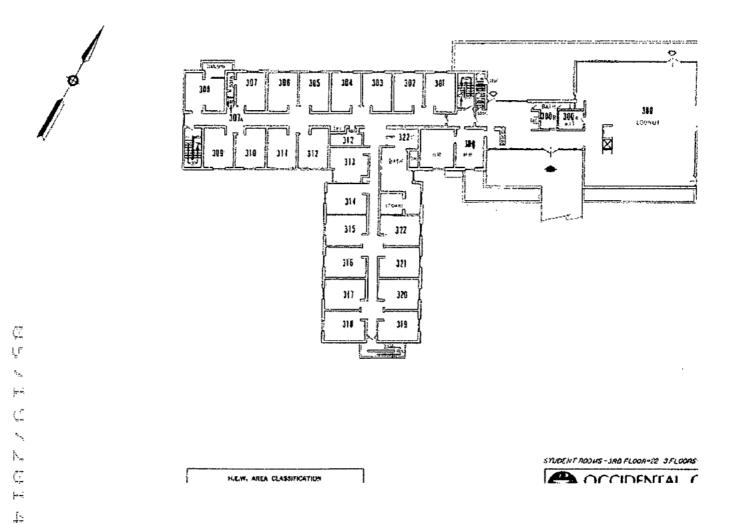
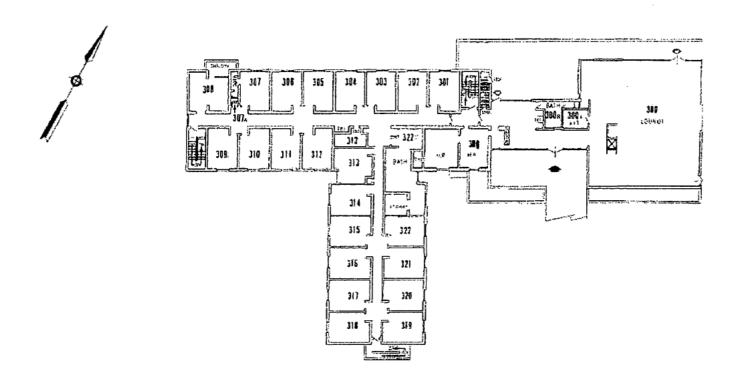


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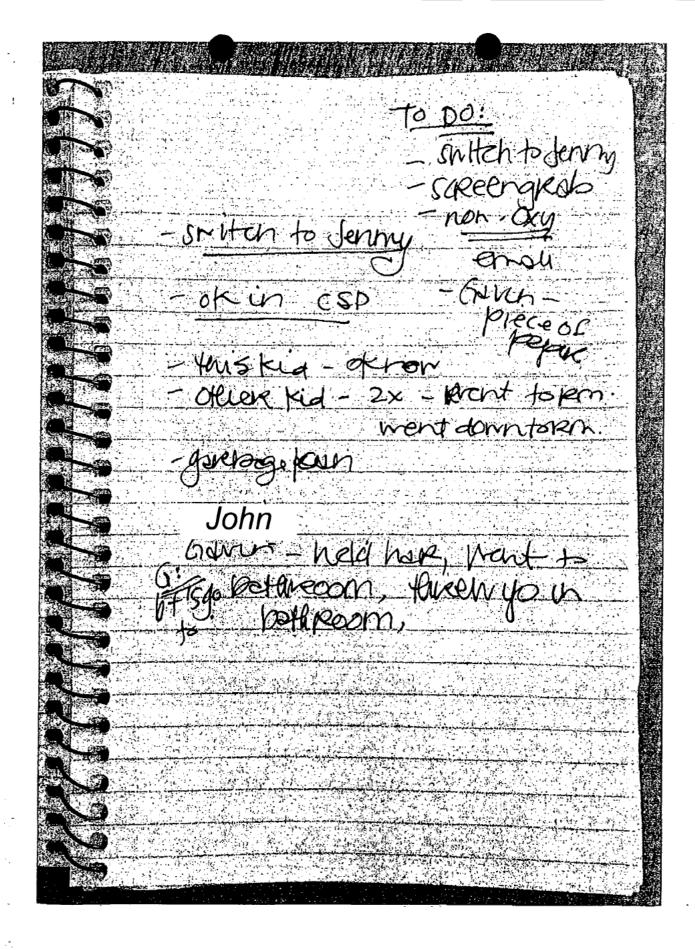


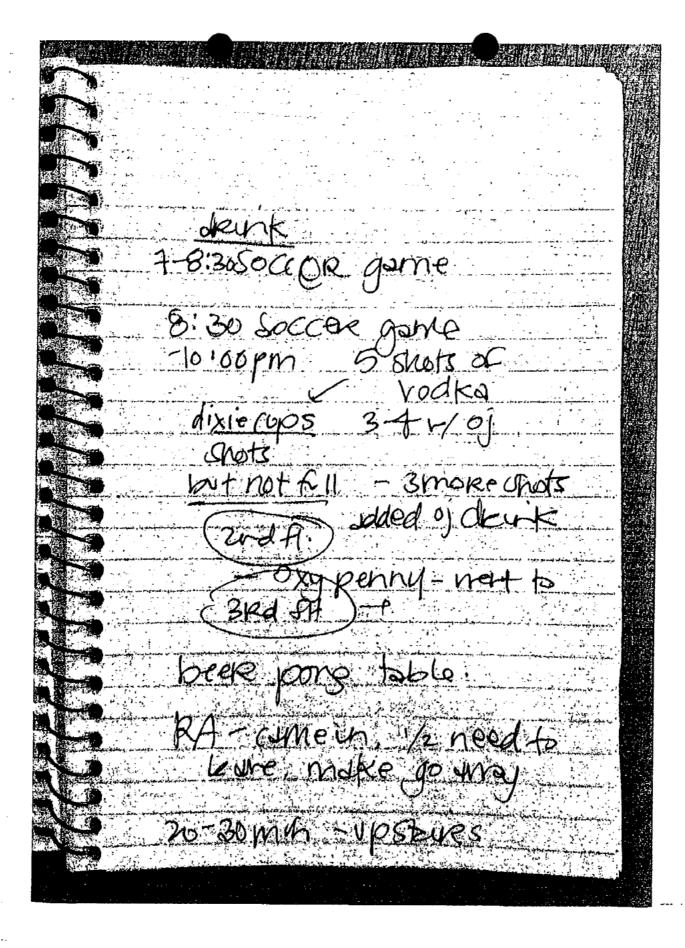




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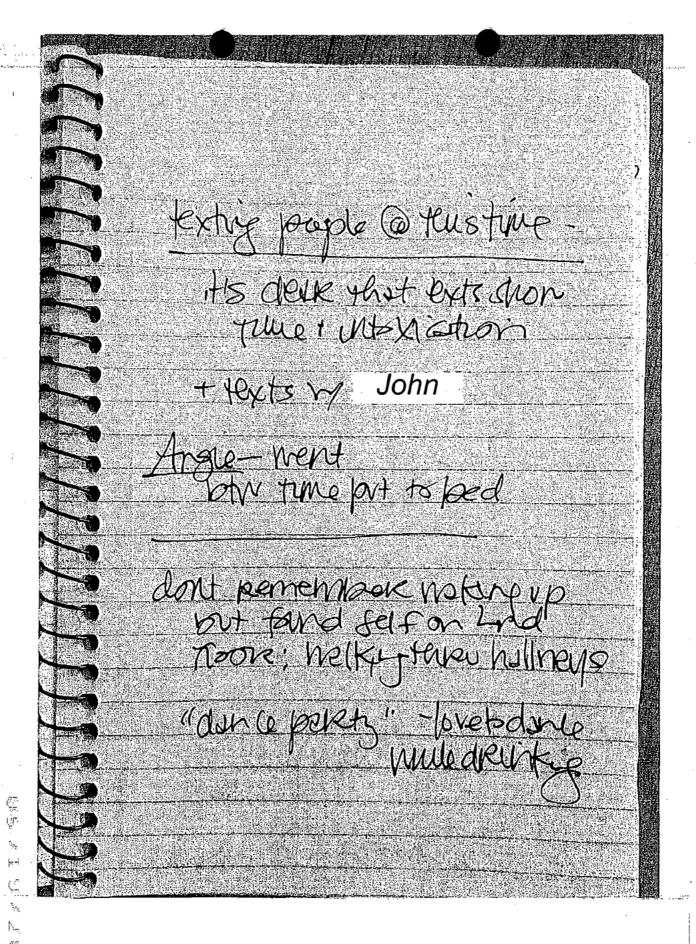
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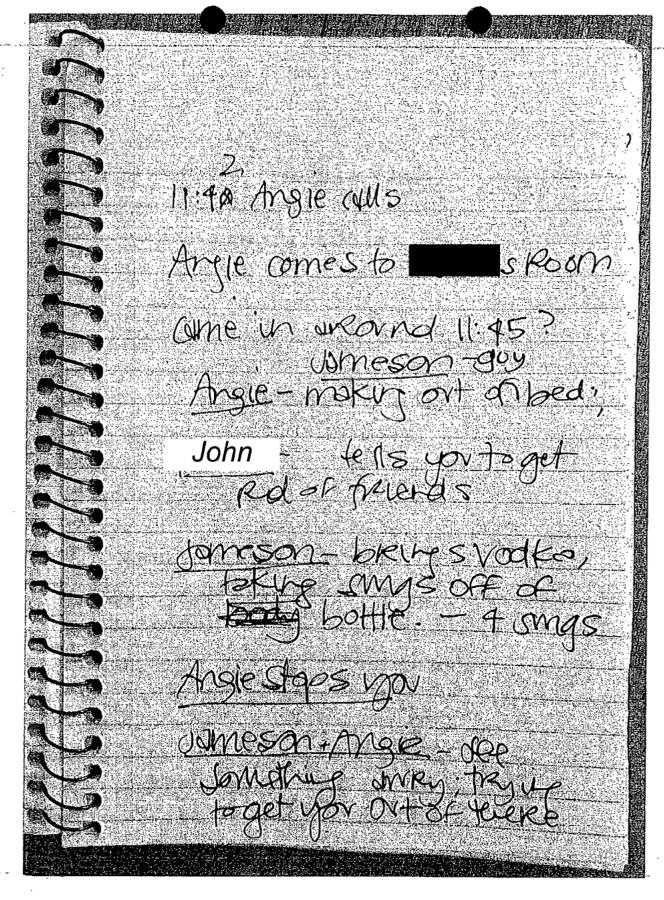




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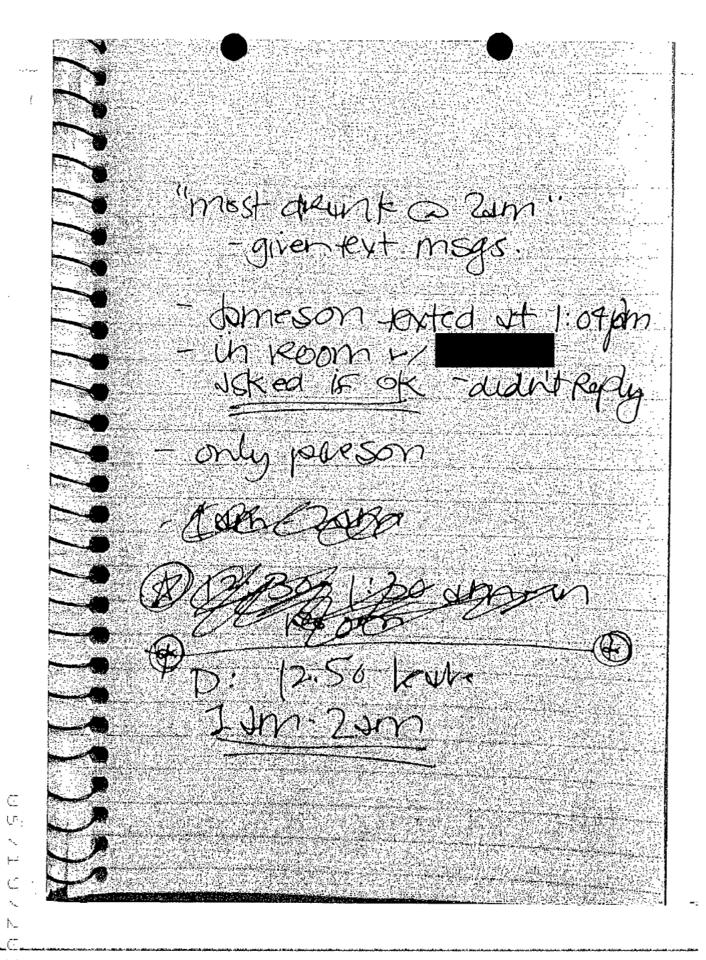
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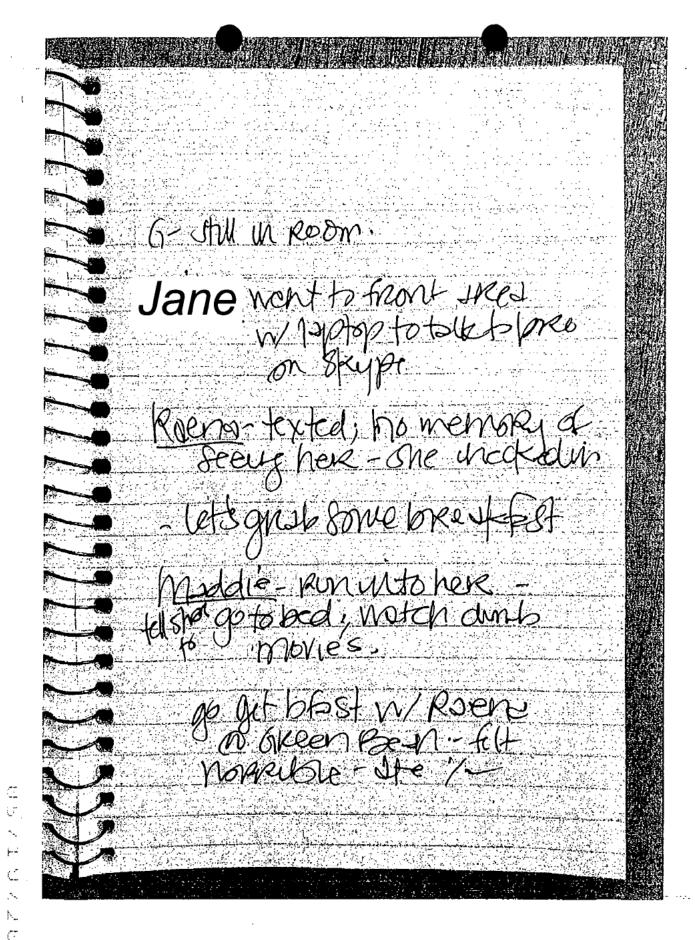
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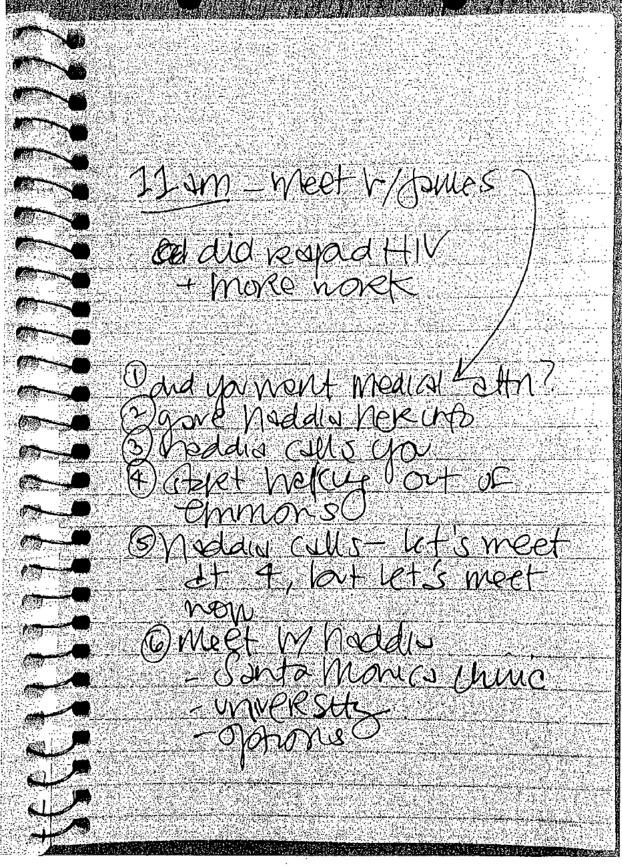
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December 13, 2013

Mr. John Doe

Dear John Doe:

I am writing to inform you of the outcome of the December 7, 2013, hearing before the external adjudicator regarding the alleged violations of the Sexual Misconduct Policy involving the complainant, *Jane Doe*

Based on the adjudicator's consideration of the information received at the hearing, her review of the investigative report and accompanying witness summaries prepared in this matter, and her review of the Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy, the adjudicator has made the following findings, by a preponderance of the evidence:

Findings of Responsibility

Sexual Assault: Responsible Non-Consensual Sexual Contact: Responsible

Sanctions

Sanctions for the above findings will be communicated in a separate letter, no later than December 20, 2013. In addition to information presented at the hearing, under the policy, you have the opportunity to submit a written statement about impact of this incident and/or requested sanctions. This information will be taken into consideration when making a determination regarding sanctions. If you choose to submit a written statement, please do so by 5:00pm, Wednesday, December 18, 2013.

Appealing the Findings

Upon notification of the sanctions, you will have the opportunity to appeal this outcome in writing. Although the policy typically requires that an appeal be filed within five business days, the time frame for the appeal process will be extended given the College's closure between December 21, 2013 and January 5, 2014. If you wish to file an appeal, the appeal must be submitted, in writing, to the Hearing Coordinator in the Title IX Office by January 6, 2014. I will provide additional information about the appeals process in the sanctions letter. In the interim, the appeals process is outlined in the Sexual Misconduct Policy.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like further clarification.

Respectfully,

Cherie A. Stricca

Title IX Hearing Coordinator

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Re: External Adjudicator's Decision

Complaint Violation of Occidental College 2013-14 Sexual Misconduct Policy

Complainant: Jane Doe Respondent: John Doe

Hearing Date: December 7, 2013

Dear Ms. Carella:

On December 7, 2013, I served as the external adjudicator in the hearing of the above-referenced matter. Based on the evidence received at that hearing, the investigative report and accompanying witness summaries prepared in this matter, and Occidental College's Sexual Misconduct Policy, I provide the following decision.

I. Introduction

A. Procedural Background

1. Pre-Hearing Background

In August 2013, Occidental College (the "College") implemented a new Sexual Misconduct Policy ("Policy"). (A copy of that Policy is attached as Exhibit "1.") Among the conduct prohibited by the Policy is sexual assault of an Occidental student by another Occidental student and Non-Consensual Contact of an Occidental Student with another Occidental Student. (Exhibit "1," Other Forms of Prohibited Conduct, p. 10.) The Policy provides a process to report a complaint of alleged misconduct and to resolve such complaints. (Exhibit "1," Campus Reporting Options, p.22 and Appendix A. Resolving Complaints Against a Student, p. 31.)

In the matter at hand, on or about September 15, 2013, Jane Doe , the Complainant, reported an alleged violation of the Policy by John Doe , the Respondent. The Complaint states that during the early morning of September 8, 2013 the Respondent had sexual intercourse with her without her consent because, at that time, she was incapacitated by alcohol consumption. Pursuant to the Policy, the College initiated an investigation of the reported violation. The College engaged Public Interest Investigations, Inc. ("PII") to conduct that investigation, and PII's lead investigator was Cathleen Watkins.

As the lead investigator, Ms. Watkins was present in all witness interviews, and those witnesses were 1. Genevieve Babcock, 2. Maddie DiMarco, 3. Danielle Dirks, 4. Aidan Dougherty, 5. Liam Driscoll, 6. Jane Doe , 7. Jamison Hayward, 8. Angela Peckham, and 9. Chloe Welmond. The Respondent's attorney, Mark Hathaway, did not make the Respondent available to PII for interview. Mr. Hathaway, however, did provide PII with various text messages from the Respondent's phone during the relevant time period. Based on all of this information, PII prepared a written report, along with summaries of the witnesses' testimony, that explained and provided context for the events at issue in this matter. (That report and the witness summaries are attached Exhibit "2" to this decision.)

2. Summary of Hearing Structure and Procedure

The following individuals were invited to be witnesses at the hearing: 1. Genevieve Babcock, 2. Aidan Dougherty. 3. Jameson Hayward, 4. Angela Peckham, 5. Gavin Rose, and 6. Chloe Welmond. Before the hearing, Mr. Hayward stated that he would not be attending the hearing.

The Hearing Officer for this matter was Cherie Scricca. The Complainant and the Respondent were present throughout the hearing. Professor Movindri Reddy was the Complainant's advisor, and she was present throughout the hearing. Amy Munoz, Occidental Associate Vice President, was the Respondent's advisor, and she was present throughout the hearing. Ms. Watkins, the lead investigator, was also present throughout the hearing.

After the Hearing Officer opened the hearing, the external adjudicator advised the parties that she had no prior connection to the College, the Complainant, the Respondent, their advisors, the Hearing Officer, or the Interim Title IX Officer. The external adjudicator then asked Ms. Watkins to present an opening statement. Ms. Watkins presented a brief opening statement during which she summarized the investigative report focusing on the areas of agreement and disagreement. Following the conclusion of Ms. Watkins opening statement, the external adjudicator asked Ms. Watkins questions that the Complainant and Respondent had submitted in writing. After Ms. Watkins' questioning was completed, the Complainant provided an opening statement. After the Complainant completed her opening statement, the external adjudicator asked the Complainant questions, and the external adjudicator asked the Complainant questions submitted in writing by

¹ Both the Complainant and the Respondent are freshman at the College. At the time of the incident, the Complainant was seventeen years-old, and the Respondent was eighteen years-old. With the exception of Professor Dirks, all witnesses in the investigation and the hearing were freshmen at the College.

the Respondent.² After the Complainant's questioning was completed, the Respondent provided an opening statement.³ After the Respondent completed his opening statement, the external adjudicator asked the Respondent questions, and the external adjudicator asked the Respondent questions submitted by the Complainant in writing.

Following the Respondent's opening statement, the following witnesses were called in the order listed below: Gavin Rose, Angela Peckham, Aidan Dougherty, Geneviève Babcock, and Chloe Welmond. The external adjudicator asked each witness questions and asked the written questions submitted by the Complainant and Respondent. At the conclusion of those questions, the external adjudicator asked both the Complainant and the Respondent whether either had additional questions. If the Complainant, the Respondent, or both had additional questions, the external adjudicator posed those additional questions to the witnesses.

B. Summary of the Complaint and the Parties' Positions

1. Overview of Complaint

This hearing concerned two forms of conduct prohibited by the Policy: sexual assault and non-consensual contact. The two forms of prohibited conduct at issue in this matter, along with their Policy definition, are set forth below:

Sexual Assault: Having or attempting to have sexual intercourse with another individual:

- By force or threat of force;
- Without effective consent: or
- Where the individual is incapacitated.

Sexual intercourse includes vaginal or anal penetration, however slight, with a body part (e.g. penis, tongue, finger, hand) or object, or oral penetration involving mouth to genital contact.

² The external adjudicator asked each parties' written questions to the other party and each witness, unless those questions had already been asked and responded to, related to the Los Angeles Police Department investigation, or were not relevant to the subject matter of this hearing.

³ The Respondent's Advisor, Ms. Munoz, stated to the Hearing Officer that Ms. Carella had told the Respondent that he did not need to prepare an opening statement, and as a result, the Respondent had not prepared an opening statement. Ms. Munoz further advised the Hearing Officer that, despite this alleged instruction by Ms. Carella, the Respondent wished to make an opening statement. In light of this issue, although the Respondent proceeded with his opening statement, the external adjudicator provided the Respondent with additional time before his closing remarks to determine what additional evidence, if any, he wished to present in support of his position.

Non-Consensual Contact: Having sexual contact with another individual:

- By force or threat of force;
- Without effective consent; or
- Where the individual is incapacitated.

Sexual contact includes intentional contact with the intimate parts of another, causing another to touch one's intimate parts, or disrobing or exposure of another without permission, intimate parts may include the breasts, genitals, buttocks, groin, mouth or any other part of the body that is touched in a sexual manner.

(Exhibit 1, p. 10.)

As stated previously, the Complainant states that the Respondent engaged in sexual assault and non-consensual sexual contact because he engaged in sexual intercourse with her when she was incapacitated by alcohol consumption. The Policy defines incapacitation as follows:

Incapacitation: Incapacitation is a state where an individual cannot make an informed and rational decision to engage in sexual activity because she lacks conscious knowledge of the nature of the act (e.g. to understand the who, what, when, why or how of the sexual interaction) and/or is physically helpless. An individual is incapacitated, and therefore unable to give consent, if s/he is asleep, unconscious, or otherwise unaware that sexual activity is occurring.

Incapacitation may result from the use of alcohol and/or drugs. Consumption of alcohol or other drugs alone is insufficient to establish incapacitation. The impact of alcohol and drugs varies from person to person, and evaluating incapacitation requires an assessment of how the consumption of alcohol and/or drugs impact an individual's:

- decision-making ability;
- awareness of consequences;
- ability to make informed judgments; or
- capacity to appreciate the nature and quality of the act.

Evaluating incapacitation also requires an assessment of whether a Respondent knew or should have known that the Complainant was incapacitated.

(Exhibit 1, p. 13.)

The Policy provides the following guidance regarding alcohol consumption in the context of sexual contact and incapacitation:

Alcohol and Other Drugs: In general, sexual contact while under the influence of alcohol or other drugs poses a risk to all parties. Alcohol and drugs impair a person's decision-making capacity, awareness of the consequences, and ability to make informed judgments. It is especially important, therefore, that anyone engaging in sexual activity be aware of the other person's level of intoxication. If there is any doubt as to the level or extent of the other individual's intoxication or impairment, the prudent course of action is to forgo or cease any sexual contact or activity.

Being intoxicated or impaired by drugs or alcohol is never an excuse for sexual harassment, sexual violence, stalking or intimate partner violence and does not diminish one's responsibility to obtain consent.

(Exhibit 1, p. 13.)

The Respondent states that the Complainant was not incapacitated and that he asked for and obtained consent for sexual intercourse from the Complainant. The Respondent admitted that he knew the Complainant had consumed alcohol before the two had sexual intercourse; however, he directed the external adjudicator's attention to the following provision in the Policy, "Consumption of alcohol or other drugs alone is insufficient to establish incapacitation." As discussed below, the Respondent states that the Complainant's conduct showed that, despite her alcohol consumption, she was not incapacitated during the relevant time. Respondent also states that on the evening in question he, too, was significantly intoxicated by alcohol consumption.

II. Analysis and Findings

A. Standard of Proof

With respect to the standard of proof for this matter, the Policy states:

The hearing panel will determine a Respondent's responsibility by a preponderance of the evidence. This means that the hearing panel will decide whether it is 'more likely than not,' based upon all relevant information, that the Respondent is responsible for the alleged violation(s).

Thus, the external adjudicator has used the preponderance of the evidence standard in making all findings in this decision.⁴

⁴ Because the Respondent attempted to raise the outcome of an Los Angeles Police Department investigation that apparently concerned the events and circumstances at issue in the hearing, it is important to recognize that both the elements and standard of proof in a criminal investigation differ from the elements and standard of proof in the Policy.

B. Sexual Assault

Elements of Sexual Assault under the Policy

In making a determination regarding the Sexual Assault complaint, the following elements were evaluated, in the order listed: 1.) Did sexual intercourse occur between the Complainant and the Respondent during the early morning of September 8, 2013? 2.) Did the Complainant demonstrate conduct or make statements that would indicate she consented to sexual intercourse with the Respondent? 3.) If the Complainant demonstrated conduct or made statements that would indicate she effectively consented to sexual intercourse, was the Complainant incapacitated at the time she demonstrated such conduct or made such statements?, and 4.) Whether the Respondent knew or should have known that the Complainant was incapacitated?⁵

2. Whether sexual intercourse occurred between the Complainant and the Respondent?

In the Investigator's opening statement, she stated that there was agreement that sexual intercourse occurred between the Complainant and the Respondent. The Investigator stated that the basis for that conclusion was Gavin Rose's statement to the investigators. Mr. Rose shared a dormitory room, on the second floor of Braun Hall, with the Respondent. Mr. Rose stated to the Investigators that on the evening in question, when he opened the door to dormitory room he shared with the Respondent, he saw the Respondent having intercourse with a woman, whom based on events earlier in the evening, he understood to be the Complainant. Similarly, at the hearing, Mr. Rose testified that he observed the Respondent naked, on his knees, between the legs of a naked woman, thrusting.

Aidan Dougherty, who also resided on the second floor of Braun Hall, stated to the Investigator and testified that he had a conversation with Mr. Rose during the early hours of September 8, 2013. In that conversation with Mr. Rose, Mr. Dougherty learned from Mr. Rose that 1) the Respondent and the Complainant were in the dormitory room that Mr. Rose shared with the Respondent, 2.) the Complainant and the Respondent were both intoxicated, and 3.) the Complainant had vomited earlier. Mr. Dougherty told the investigators and testified during the hearing that in response to learning this information, he expressed concern to Mr. Rose regarding the Complainant. Mr. Dougherty stated that in response to his expression of concern, Mr. Rose gave him, Mr. Dougherty, the key card and code for his dormitory room and stated that he could go check on the Complainant.

⁵ Although the definition of sexual assault under the Policy also includes sexual intercourse obtained by force or threat of force, the external adjudicator finds that "force" or "threat of force" were not factors in this matter. The external adjudicator expressly finds that the Respondent's emails to the Complainant on September 8, 2013 between 12:31 a.m. and 12:55 a.m. do not constitute "force" or "threat of force" under the Policy. Similarly, the external adjudicator finds those emails do not constitute coercion under the Policy.

⁶ Mr. Rose told the investigators that he did not give his key card or code to anyone. At the hearing, Mr. Rose credibly testified that he could have given his key card and code for his room to someone and not remember doing

Mr. Dougherty stated to the investigators and testified at the hearing that he then proceeded to the Respondent's room and discovered a piece of paper in the area where the swipe card would be placed. (Mr. Dougherty later learned that placement of paper was a signal between the two roommates that the other roommate required privacy for interactions with a woman.) Mr. Dougherty stated to the investigator and testified at the hearing that he removed the paper in the key card area and opened the dorm to the Respondent's room. Mr. Dougherty stated that he observed the Respondent on his bed naked, but with shorts in front of his crotch, and that the Complainant was in the Respondent's bed, under the covers.

Finally, the Respondent testified at the hearing that he had sexual intercourse with the Complainant during the early morning of September 8, 2013.⁷

Accordingly, based on the testimony of Mr. Rose, Mr. Dougherty, and the Respondent the external adjudicator finds that the Respondent had sexual intercourse with the Complainant during the early morning of September 8, 2013.

3. <u>Did the Complainant demonstrate conduct or make statements that would indicate she consented to sexual intercourse with the Respondent?</u>

Angela Peckham, the Complainant's friend, accompanied the Complainant for substantial periods during the evening of September 7, 2013 and the early morning of September 8, 2013. Ms. Peckham stated to the investigators and testified at the hearing that at one point during the evening when she became separated from the Complainant, she discovered that the Complainant had gone to the Respondent's room. Ms. Peckham also told the investigators and testified at the hearing that upon discovering that the Complainant had gone to the Respondent's room, she and her friend, Jameson Hayward, also went to the Respondent's room. While in the Respondent's room with the Complainant, Ms. Peckham observed the Complainant and Respondent kissing and at one point observed the Complainant on top of the Respondent while kissing him. Ms. Peckham also stated to the Investigators and testified at the hearing that the Complainant had taken off her shirt while dancing with the Respondent.

The Complainant and the Respondent also exchanged text messages after Ms. Peckham and Mr. Hayward removed the Complainant from his room and returned the Complainant to her dormitory room. During that period, the Complainant sent a text message to the Respondent asking whether he had a condom, and after he replied that he did she communicated that she would return to his room in "two minutes." Following that exchange, the Complainant

so because he does so regularly that he might not remember doing so. The external adjudicator believes that this information sufficiently explains why Mr. Rose did not remember providing his key card and code to Mr. Dougherty on September 8, 2013.

⁷ The text messages between the Complainant and the Respondent as well as the text messages between Mr. Rose and the Respondent support the conclusion that the Complainant and the Respondent had sexual intercourse; however, in light of the Respondent's admission coupled with Messrs. Rose and Dougherty's testimony on this issue, an analysis of those text messages to determine whether sexual intercourse occurred between the Respondent and the Complainant was unnecessary.

participated, through text messages with the Respondent, in creating a ruse to avoid Mr. Hayward and her Resident Assistant, who were outside the Complaint's room, so that she could return to the Respondent's room. The Complainant followed the ruse to avoid Mr. Hayward and her Resident Assistant and returned to the Respondent's room.

The Respondent testified that he asked the Complainant whether she consented to having sexual intercourse with him shortly before they engaged in sexual intercourse. Based on the fact that both the Complainant and the Respondent testified at the hearing that they did not recall any conversation between the two when the Complainant returned to the Respondent's room after eluding Mr. Hayward and her Resident Assistant, coupled with the Respondent's level of intoxication, the external adjudicator does not credit the Respondent's testimony on this point.

The external adjudicator, however, finds that the Complaint's text messages, as mentioned above, coupled with her actions in returning to the Respondent's room after that exchange of text messages are conduct and statements that would indicate that she consented to sexual intercourse with the Respondent. Accordingly, the external adjudicator finds that it is more likely than not that the Complainant engaged in conduct and made statements that would indicate she consented to sexual intercourse with the Respondent.

4. If the Complainant demonstrated conduct or made statements that would indicate she consented to sexual intercourse with the Respondent, was the Complainant incapacitated at the time she demonstrated such conduct or made such statements?

Under the Policy, "evaluating incapacitation requires an assessment of how the consumption of alcohol...impact[s] decision-making ability; awareness of consequences; ability to make informed judgments; or capacity to appreciate the nature and decision quality of the act. The evidence that the external adjudicator considered and credited on this issue is set forth below.

Ms. Peckham testified that after the soccer match on September 7, 2013, between 9:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., she and the Complainant were in various rooms on the second and third floor of Braun Hall. Ms. Peckham observed the Complainant drink three to four shots of vodka. During that same time, she observed the Complainant drinking vodka mixed with orange juice out of an orange juice bottle. Maddie DiMarco stated to the investigators that she also observed the Complainant drinking shots of vodka during this same time period. Ms. Babcock observed the Complainant drinking the orange juice and vodka drink when the Complainant returned to their room on or about 10:00 p.m. Ms. Babcock observed that the Complainant had been drinking, but was "pretty lucid."

Before 11:00 p.m. on September 7, 2013, the Complainant and Ms. Peckham left the dormitory and campus, and they were walking with a group of the students in search of a party. While the Complainant was walking with that group, Ms. Babcock, who was walking with another group of students, encountered the Complainant. Ms. Babcock observed that, at this time, the Complainant was more impaired than she had been in their dormitory room before she left that

room with Ms. Peckham. At this time, the Complainant approached Ms. Babcock with an uncharacteristically high-pitched voice and was stumbling. The Complainant also fell during this period.

The group of students that the Complainant was with began walking towards to Braun Hall, the dormitory where the Complainant resides, and the group discussed a plan to walk to Mt. Fiji, a hill behind the College. As the students approached Braun Hall, the Complainant advised Ms. Peckham that she was not going to Mt. Fiji because she did not think she could walk up the hill because of her intoxication. After the Complainant made that statement to Ms. Peckham, Ms. Peckham communicated to Mr. Hayward, who was also with that group of students, that she was worried about the Complainant's level of intoxication. Because of that concern, Ms. Peckham and Mr. Hayward, decided to stay behind to take care of the Complainant because of her level of intoxication.

At this time, the Complainant became separated from Ms. Peckham and Mr. Hayward, and encountered Chloe Welmond. At approximately, 11:00 p.m., Welmond walked the Complainant to the front entrance of Braun Hall. Ms. Welmond observed that at that time the Complainant had a hard time walking, was slurring her words, looked very tired, and did not look well. Mr. Hayward told the Investigator at this time, Ms. Peckham told him she was "a little worried" about the Complainant because of her level of intoxication.

After returning to her room, the Complainant went to the second floor of Braun Hall and encountered Mr. Rose. Mr. Rose stated that the Complainant appeared drunk and was leaning up against the wall for support. Mr. Rose then observed the Complainant walk into the dormitory room he shared with the Respondent.

Shortly thereafter, Ms. Peckham discovered that the Complainant was in the Respondent's room. Upon discovering that the Complainant was in the Respondent's room, Ms. Peckham and Mr. Hayward went to the Respondent's room. Ms. Peckham observed that the Complainant was acting "sillier" and "crazy." While in the Respondent's room, Ms. Peckham observed the Complainant drinking swigs of vodka from a vodka bottle. During this time, the Complainant removed her shirt while dancing and was on the Respondent's bed "making out." At this time, because she was concerned about the Complainant's intoxication level, Ms. Peckham attempted to take the vodka bottle away from the Complainant, but the Complainant would consistently retrieve the vodka bottle and continue drinking from it.

In light of the above, Ms. Peckham was concerned that the Complainant did not know what she was doing; therefore, Ms. Peckham began attempting to remove the Complainant from the Respondent's room. Ms. Peckham encountered some resistance in her efforts to remove the Complainant from the Respondent's room. As a result, when the Respondent left his room, Ms. Peckham and Mr. Hayward removed the Complainant from the Respondent's room, and they escorted the Complainant to her dormitory room. Ms. Peckham stated that, although she and Mr. Hayward did not carry the Complainant to her room, the Complainant was walking like an intoxicated person; thus, to escort the Complainant to her room, Ms. Peckham and Mr. Hayward

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each linked arms with the Complainant and supported her when they were returning the Complainant to her room.

After Ms. Peckham and Mr. Hayward returned the Complainant to her room, the Complainant sent text messages indicating she was planning to have sex with the Respondent. The Complainant, and the external adjudicator believes on this point, testified that she has no recollection of sending the text messages on September 8, 2013 between 12:31 a.m. and 12:55 a.m. that are Exhibit "4" and "5" to the investigator's report.

After the Complainant left her room to return to the Complainant's room, she vomited in the hallway of the second floor of Braun Hall. Mr. Rose discovered the Complainant vomiting and assisted her by holding back her hair and directing her to the bathroom. The Complainant then returned to the Respondent's room. The external adjudicator recognizes that the fact that Complainant successfully navigated herself, under her own power to the Respondent's room, indicates both that, at the time, she had an awareness of where she was and that her motor skills were sufficiently intact to enable her to walk unassisted. Those factors, however, must be considered not in isolation but along with all of the other evidence regarding the Complainant's condition during the relevant period.

As stated above, neither the Complainant nor the Respondent has a recollection of any verbal communication when the Complainant returned to the Respondent's room. The Complainant subsequently recalled giving the Respondent oral sex; however, the Respondent does not recall this act. The Complainant states, and the external adjudicator believes, she has no recollection of having sexual intercourse with the Respondent.

After the sexual intercourse, when the Complainant left the Respondent's room, she encountered Ms. Peckham who escorted the Complainant to her room. At this time, the Complainant did not mention to Ms. Peckham that she had sexual intercourse with the Respondent. When the Complainant and Ms. Peckham arrived at the Complainant's dormitory room, Ms. Babcock was present. Ms. Babcock stated that Ms. Peckham was supporting the Complainant because the Complainant had trouble walking on her own. Ms. Babcock testified, and the adjudicator believes, that at that time the Complainant was not making sense, was slurring her words, could not unbutton her clothing, and could not drink water without it dribbling down her face.

Ms. Babcock stated that when she left their dormitory room for about ten minutes to shower, when she returned, the Complainant had disappeared. Ms. Babcock contacted the Complainant on her cell phone and after struggling to understand the Complainant, she realized that the Complainant was in Stewart-Cleland Hall. Ms. Babcock went to Stewart-Cleland Hall and discovered the Complainant in her pajamas sitting on a male's lap. Ms. Babcock, with the assistance of a male student who had observed Ms. Babcock struggling to keep the Complainant upright, supported the Complainant in the return walk to Braun Hall. Ms. Babcock stated that at this time the Complainant was, in essence, incoherent, and that when the Complaint returned to their room, the Complainant still could not drink water without the water dribbling down her face. The Complainant testified, and the external adjudicator believes, that she does not recall

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these events. Ms. Babcock testified that the Complainant did not mention having sexual intercourse with the Respondent during these events.

The Complainant testified that she learned that she had sexual intercourse with the Respondent when Mr. Dougherty advised her of what he had seen in the Respondent's dormitory during the early hours of September 8, 2013. Mr. Dougherty testified that when he told the Complainant that she had sexual intercourse with the Respondent, she stated that she did not know she had had sexual intercourse with the Respondent, and he believed that statement.

In summary, the evidence shows that the Complainant, who is approximately 5'2" and of normal weight, was already significantly impaired by alcohol no later than 11:00 p.m. on the night of September 7, 2013. Nevertheless, the Complainant continued drinking swigs of vodka from a vodka bottle during the hour to hour and a half. As a result, the Complainant has very little memory of what occurred between the period beginning approximately 11:00 p.m. on September 7, 2013 until she woke up on September 8, 2013. In that regard, the Complainant does not recall creating or sending the text messages contained in the investigators' report during that time period and other events during that period, including having sexual intercourse with the Respondent. Thus, during that period the Complainant's level of intoxication by alcohol was so significant that she experienced "blackouts."

In addition to the blackouts, multiple witnesses—Ms. Babcock, Ms. Peckham, and Ms. Welmond—observed that the Complainant was slurring her speech, stumbling, and not making sense during the relevant time period. Further, the fact that the Complainant removed her shirt while dancing with the Respondent and credibly testified that she would not normally do so when intoxicated caused the external adjudicator to find that by this point in the evening the Complainant's decision-making ability was significantly impaired. The external adjudicator finds that at the time the Complainant and the Respondent had sexual intercourse, the Complainant was not aware of the consequences of her action and she did not have the capacity to appreciate the nature and quality of the act. Accordingly, the external adjudicator finds that the Complainant was incapacitated at the time she engaged in the conduct or statements that indicated she consented to sexual intercourse with the Respondent.

5. Whether the Respondent knew or should have known that the Complainant was incapacitated?

If a respondent did not know or should not have known that the Complainant was incapacitated at the time she engaged in conduct that demonstrated consent for sexual intercourse, a respondent does not violate the College's sexual misconduct policy. This concept, however, must be interpreted along with the provision in the Policy that states:

Being intoxicated or impaired by drugs or alcohol is never an excuse for sexual harassment, sexual violence, stalking or intimate

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partner violence and does not diminish one's responsibility to obtain consent.8

(Emphasis added.) The external adjudicator interprets the emphasized portion of the above sentence to mean that if a respondent is intoxicated, such intoxication does not diminish the requirement of determining whether a complainant is incapacitated as an incapacitated Complainant cannot give consent. Thus, whether a complainant is incapacitated must be determined from the perspective of a sober respondent.

In the instant case, this distinction is critical as the Respondent testified, and the external adjudicator believed this testimony, that on the night of September 7 and the early morning of September 8, 2013, he was more intoxicated than he had ever been. Furthermore, Mr. Dougherty credibly testified that on the evening of September 7, 2013, he observed the Respondent's intoxication as a "7," with a "10" being the highest level of intoxication. Also, Mr. Rose also testified that when the Respondent returned from the water polo team initiation, he, the Respondent, was so intoxicated that he canceled his plans to go out, so that he could watch the Respondent to ensure that the Respondent was safe. The external adjudicator finds that this level of intoxication so impaired the Respondent's ability to assess the Complainant's incapacitation that he did not have actual knowledge of the Complainant's incapacitation. Nevertheless, because the determination of the Complainant's incapacity is from the perspective of the sober respondent, the analysis does not end with that determination.

Rather, the external adjudicator must determine whether the sober Respondent should have known whether the Complainant was incapacitated. In the case at hand, a sober Respondent would have observed and fully appreciated the significance of the following facts: 1.) that the Complainant had vomited shortly before they had sexual intercourse; 2.) that the Complainant was swigging vodka in his room after drinking alcohol throughout the evening; 3.) that the Complainant's taking off her shirt while dancing in his room was inconsistent with her customary behavior; 4.) that the Complainant was slurring her speech, 5.) that the Complainant was having difficulty standing and walking; 6.) that the Complainant's friends, who were present in the room, were concerned that Complainant did not know what she was doing and were trying to remove her from his room because of those concerns. In light of these facts, the external adjudicator finds that a sober respondent would have known that the Complainant was incapacitated at the time she engaged in comments or made statements that indicated consent. Accordingly, the external adjudicator finds that the Respondent should have known that the Complainant was incapacitated.

6. Finding

The external adjudicator finds 1.) that sexual intercourse occurred between the Respondent and the Complaint, 2.) that although the Complainant engaged in conduct and made statements that

⁸ From a policy standpoint, the perspective of the sober respondent is advisable as the alternative would result in the respondent's intoxication being a defense to sexual assault.

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demonstrated consent to sexual intercourse with Respondent, she was incapacitated at that time; and 3.) that the Respondent should have known that the Complainant was incapacitated at that time. Thus, the external adjudicator finds that all elements of sexual assault under the College's Policy have been established. Accordingly, the external adjudicator finds that the Respondent has violated the College's sexual misconduct policy.

C. Non-Consensual Sexual Contact

As set forth above, the external adjudicator has found sexual assault as defined in the College's sexual misconduct policy. The elements for a finding of sexual assault under the College's Policy encompass all of the elements of non-consensual sexual contact. Thus, a finding of sexual assault necessarily includes a finding of non-consensual sexual contact. For that reason, and that reason alone, the external adjudicator finds the Respondent also violated the College's prohibition of non-consensual sexual contact as set forth in the Policy,

III. Conclusion

Based on the investigative report and summaries of witness statements in this matter and on the testimony received in the hearing on December 7, 2013, the external adjudicator finds that the Respondent engaged in two forms of conduct prohibited by the College's Sexual Misconduct Policy: sexual assault and non-consensual contact.

Very truly yours,

ATKINSON, ANDELSON, LOYA, RUUD & ROMO

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05/13/2014

I love Occidental College, fought hard to be admitted here, and I would be heartbroken if I were forced to leave the people, academics, and college culture that I enjoy so much. Since September 7th, and even before a complaint was filed, I resolved to never put myself in a position where I could use such poor judgment and behave in a manner that is very different from the values that my parents and family sought to instill in me. The text messages in the investigative report show that I was anguishing about the events of that night even before a complaint was filed. I made a commitment to stay away from alcohol and avoid making any new female acquaintances, not only to protect myself but to make sure that I never act in a way that could cause harm or embarrassment to someone else. I know that I screwed up but I want to make clear that I never would have intentionally done anything against someone's will. From my point of view at the time, I liked Jane and I thought Jane liked me. I thought that she came back to my room because she wanted to be there with me and was as happy and excited to see me as I was to see her. I am devastated and deeply regret that she later started to suffer anxiety, emotional difficulties, and nightmares.

I have gone over the events of that night from what I can remember and what the witnesses said in their statements. I know that my first mistake was to take part in drinking games as part of team initiation earlier Saturday night. I had a choice to make and instead of refusing to drink alcohol, I went along with the heavy drinking that left me more drunk than I ever have been before. In my mind I was celebrating and happy to be part of the team and to be at Occidental and I continued to celebrate in my dorm room. I was happy to be with friends and I was happy when Jane came to my room and joined my celebration. I misjudged my own condition and it never occurred to me that she might not be making free choices that night. To me she always conscious and awake, never said she wanted to leave, and never acted as if she didn't want to be with me. In mitigation I want to point out that I will never engage in such conduct again in the future. I am appalled that I got drunk and behaved as I did. This was a huge wake-up call for me and I am embarrassed with myself to have caused such trouble for Jane, my family, and the Occidental community.

I accept responsibility for my actions and will continue to work hard to show by my attention to class work, by making positive contributions to the Occidental community, and by complying fully with any conduct restrictions that I should remain at Occidental. I am willing to accept any sanction that will not cause permanent damage to my reputation and prevent me from completing my college education.

Respectfully, John Doe

Exhibit 8





OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE 1600 CAMPUS ROAD LOS ANGELES, CA 90041-3314

December 20, 2013

Mr. John Doe

Dear John Doe,

This letter communicates the sanction resulting from the findings of responsibility for violations to the Sexual Misconduct Policy.

Findings & Sanction

In accordance with the Sexual Misconduct Policy, the following sanction is being applied to both findings of responsibility.

Findings of Responsibility:

Sexual Assault

Non-Consensual Sexual Contact

Sanction:

Permanent Separation from the College

Termination of student status

· Exclusion from College premises, privileges and activities

Effective:

Immediately

Appealing the Findings

You may appeal this outcome in writing. The appeal must be in writing and received by the Hearing Coordinator in the Title IX Office by January 6, 2014.

The appeal shall consist of a plain, concise and complete written statement outlining the grounds for appeal and all relevant information to substantiate the basis for the appeal. You may appeal only the parts of this outcome that directly relate to you. Dissatisfaction with the outcome of the hearing is not grounds for appeal.

The only grounds for appeal are:

- A procedural or substantive error occurred that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing (e.g. substantiated bias, material deviation from established procedures, etc.).
- New evidence, unavailable during the original hearing or investigation that could substantially
 impact the original finding or sanction (a summary of this new evidence and its potential impact
 must be included).

Each party will be given the opportunity to respond in writing to the other party's appeal. Any response by the opposing party must be submitted to the Hearing Coordinator in the Title IX Office within three (3) business days from receipt of the appeal.

An appeals officer will be assigned to review the appeal and render a written decision on the appeal to the Complainant and Respondent within fifteen (15) business days from the date of the submission of all appeal documents by both parties. Appeal decisions are final.

For more information regarding the appeals process, please consult the Sexual Misconduct Policy.

Adjudicator's Report

A copy of the adjudicator's report will be made available to you through an invitation to *One Hub*, the same online site used for pre-hearing materials.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like further clarification.

Respectfully,

Cherie A. Scricca

Title IX Hearing Coordinator

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Cc: Jane Doe

Lauren Carella, Interim Title IX Coordinator

STAGES OF ACUTE ALCOHOLIC INFLUENCE/INTOXICATION

BLOOD- ALCOHOL CONCENTRATION grams/100 mL	STAGE OF ALCOHOLIC INFLUENCE	CLINICAL SIGNS/SYMPTOMS
0.01-0.05	Subclinical	Influence/effects usually not apparent or obvious Behavior nearly normal by ordinary observation Impairment detectable by special tests
0.03-0.12	Euphoria	Mild euphoria, sociability, talkativeness Increased self-confidence; decreased inhibitions Diminished attention, judgment and control Some sensory-motor impairment Slowed information processing Loss of efficiency in critical performance tests
0.09-0.25	Excitement	Emotional instability; loss of critical judgment Impairment of perception, memory and comprehension Decreased sensitory response; increased reaction time Reduced visual acuity & peripheral vision; and slow glare recovery Sensory-motor incoordination; impaired balance; slurred speech; vomiting; drowsiness
0.18-0.30	Confusion	Disorientation, mental confusion; vertigo; dysphoria Exaggerated emotional states (fear, rage, grief, etc) Disturbances of vision (diplopia, etc.) and of perception of color, form, motion, dimensions Increased pain threshold Increased muscular incoordination; staggering gait; ataxia Apathy, lethargy
0.25-0.40	Stupor	General inertia; approaching loss of motor functions Markedly decreased response to stimuli Marked muscular incoordination; inability to stand or walk Vomiting; incontinence of urine and feces Impaired consciousness; sleep or stupor
0.35-0.50	Coma	Complete unconsciousness; coma; anesthesia Depressed or abolished reflexes Subnormal temperature Impairment of circulation and respiration Possible death
0.45+	Death	Death from respiratory arrest

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MEN

KNOW YOUR LIMIT

Approximate Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) In One Hour

Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Drinks	Body Weight In Pounds						Influenced		
	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240	
1	.04	.03	.03	.02	.02	.02	.02	.02	
2	.08	.06	.05	.05	.04	.04	.O3	.OB	Possibly
3	.11	.09	.08	.07	.06	.06	.05	.05	Townsized
4	.15	.12	.11	.09	.08	.08	.07	.06	Impaired
5	.19	.16	.13	.12	.11	.09	.09	.08	
6	.23	.19	.16	.14	.13	.11	.10	.09	
7	.26	.22	.19	.16	.15	.13	.12	.11	Legally
8	.30	.25	.21	.19	.17	.15	.14	.13	Intoxicated
9	.34	.28	.24	.21	.19	.17	.15	.14	
10	.38	.31	.27	.23	.21	.19	.17	.16	

Subtract .015 for each hour after drinking.

One drink equals 1.5 oz. of 80 proof liquor (40%), 12 oz. beer (4.5%), or 5 oz. wine (12%). Note: The figures are averages and may vary based on the amount of food in your stomach.

INTOXICATION:

- Not having normal use of mental or physical faculties by reason of the introduction of:
 - Alcohol;
 - · A controlled substance; or
 - · A combination.
- Having a BAC of 0.08 or more.

Texas Penal Code §49.01











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Approximate Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) In One Hour

Source: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Drinks		Body Weight In Pounds							Influenced
	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240	
1	.05	.04	.03	.03	.03	<u>.0</u> 2	.02	.02	
2	.09	.08	.07	.06	.05	.05	.04	.04	POSSIDI (V
3	.14	.11	.11	.09	.08	.07	.06	.06	Tuensined
4	.18	.15	.13	.11	.10	.09	.08	.08	Impaired
5	.23	.19	.16	.14	.13	.11	.10	.09	-
6	.27	.23	.19	.17	.15	.14	.12	.11	9
7	.32	.27	.23	.20	.18	.16	.14	.13	Legally
8	.36	.30	.26	.23	.20	.18	.17	.15	Intoxicated
9	.41	.34	.29	.26	.23	.20	.19	.17	
10	.45	.38	.32	.28	.25	.23	.21	.19	

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Exhibit 10

RESPONDENT QUESTIONS

WITNESS: Jane Doe

- 1. On September 7th at about midnight were you in **John** and Gavin's dorm room dancing with **John**, lying down on his bed, grabbing **John**, and trying to kiss him?
- 2. Were you excited and happy?
- 3. Were your friends trying to get you to leave *John*'s room and go to bed?
- 4. Before you left **John**, did you agree to come back to his room and have sex with him?
- 5. Did you tell the investigators that *John* told you to come back down "so he can fuck you?
- 6. And you gave **John** your cell phone number so he could text you when to come back, isn't that correct?
- 7. You went up to your room and waited and then *John* texted you to come back like you had planned, is that correct?
- 8. When you were going back to *John*'s room, did you try to avoid being seen by Jamison Hayward and your resident advisor?
- 9. Were you excited when you were able to sneak out past them?
- 10. Just before you went back downstairs to **John**'s room, did you text a friend back home, "I'mgoingtohavesexnow"?
- 11. Did you text to *John*, "Okay do you have a condom."?
- 12. And did **John** text back "Yes,"?
- 13. And did you reply, "Good give me two minutes?"
- 14. The next day, Sunday, did you tell people that you had a difficult time remembering what happened that night?
- 15. The next morning, Angela Peckham came over to your room and to help you piece together the events of the previous night, is that right?
- 16. Did you tell Genevieve that you and Angela had accounted for all of your activities the previous night, except for the hour when you went back to **John**'s room to have sex?
- 17. You remember details of that night that happened before and after you went back

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- to **John**'s room, but aren't sure you remember what happened during that hour, is that right?
- 18. But in your statement, you told the investigators about a number of things that you do remember happening about that time, correct?
- 19. You remembered *John* telling you to come back down so you can have sex, right?
- 20. You remember giving **John** your cell phone number so he could text you when to come back, yes?
- 21. You remember texting your friend back home, "I'mgoingtohavesexnow", correct?
- 22. You remember being excited to sneak out of your room to get back to **John**'s room like you had planned, true?
- 23. You remember throwing up on the way to his room?
- 24. You remembered that when you got downstairs to **John**'s room that he gave you a piece of gum? Is that right?
- 25. You told the investigators that you remembered asking **John** if he had a condom because you had not used any birth control, is that right?
- 26. And you asked for a condom because you knew you were going to have intercourse, not just oral sex, true?
- 27. You remembered that **John** left you alone in his room at one point, correct?
- 28. You remembered that while **John** was out of the room, someone knocked on the door, and asked if you were ok.?
- 29. You remembered responding three times that you were fine, correct?
- 30. You told the investigators that you remembered performing oral sex on **John** when you were in his room, correct?
- 31. And you also remember that **John** said that his roommate Gavin had just came in the room, correct?
- 32. And Gavin came in the room right when you were having sex, correct?
- 33. Gavin told the investigators that right when he came in the room he saw you and **John** having sex without any covers on, didn't he?
- 34. And Gavin saw that you were conscious because he saw you moving, true?
- 35. And you were conscious and aware because you heard **John** say that Gavin just came in, and you remember that, correct?

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- 36. You remember **John** telling you about Gavin right when you were having sex, but are not able to remember that you were having sex at that very same time, is that right?
- 37. So even if you don't remember now, or have blocked it out, at the time you and **John** had sex in his room, you were conscious and aware, isn't that right?
- 38. Isn't it true that you agreed to have sex, went back to his room to have sex, and you were aware that sexual activity was occurring when you were in **John**'s room?

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Exhibit 11

OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

John Doe an individual, Petitioner, Y.	APPEAL [AMENDED]
OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE, Respondent.	

- 1. Petitioner John Doe is a first-year student at Occidental College.
- 2. Respondent OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE ("Occidental") is California corporation formed April 20, 1887 and operates as a private, co-educational liberal arts college located in the Eagle Rock neighborhood of Los Angeles, California.
- 3. Complainant Jane Doe is a first-year female student at Occidental College.
- 4. On December 20, 2013, Occidental College notified Mr. John Doe by letter that he is to be expelled from the college and must appeal Occidental's findings and sanctions by January 6, 2014. (Exh. 8, page1.) Respondent Occidental College has agreed that the imposition of sanctions will not occur until after final conclusion of the case, including determination of appeals.

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- 5. Mr. Doe appeals the findings and sanctions on the grounds that:
- (a.) Procedural and substantive errors occurred that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing; and
- (b.) New evidence is now available that could substantially impact the original findings or sanctions. (See Exh. 1, page 45.)

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

occidental College is under scrutiny for alleged indifference to sexual violence on campus in violation of Title IX, the federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination in education on the basis of gender. In April 2013 Occidental College professors Caroline Heldman and Danielle Dirks¹, in association with 36 alleged victims of rape or sexual assault at Occidental, filed a 250-page complaint with the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights alleging that Occidental maintains a hostile environment for sexual assault victims and their advocates and violated Title IX laws against sexual discrimination and the Clery Act, which requires all colleges and universities that participate in federal financial aid programs to keep and disclose information about crime on and near their respective campuses.² Compliance with reporting sexual assaults is monitored by the U.S. Department of Education, which can impose civil penalties, up to \$35,000 per violation, against institutions for each infraction and can suspend institutions from participating in federal student financial aid programs. (See 20

^{&#}x27;In February 2012, Occidental College Associate Professor of Politics Caroline Heldman and Assistant Professor of Sociology Danielle Dirks founded the Occidental Sexual Assault Coalition, a campus advocacy group that has pushed the college to address what it calls the "rape culture" on campus and with a "mission is to raise awareness of the sexual assault epidemic." (http://oxysexualassaultcoalition.wordpress.com/)

² Occidental College Sexual Assault Response Subject Of Federal Complaints, www.huffingtonpost.com 04/19/2013, Updated: 12/03/2013, Tyler Kingkade, see also USC, Occidental Underreported Sexual Assaults, *Los Angeles Times*, October 7, 2013, Jason Song and Jason Felch.

U.S.C. § 1092(f), with implementing regulations in the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations at 34 C.F.R. 668.46.)

- 7. In September 2013, Occidental College settled with at least ten of the Occidental student complainants under an agreement negotiated by attorney Gloria Allred. The ten female complainants received cash payments from Occidental College and agreed not to participate in the Occidental Sexual Assault Coalition. Asst. Professor Danielle Dirks criticized attorney Gloria Allred's negotiated settlement stating that requiring "the women to remain silent and not to participate in campus activism could have a chilling effect at Occidental."
- 8. In August 2013, Occidental College implemented its new Sexual Misconduct Policy⁴ (Exh. 1; Exh. 6, page 1) that has caused the pendulum to swing far in the other direction with Occidental discriminating against male students in order avoid federal penalties and settlement pay-outs for Occidental's past indifference to the plight of female students.
- 9. On September 16, 2013, Mr. *John Doe* was accused of violating the Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy as follows:

Jane Doe (a first-year freshman, Class of 2017) alleges that on or about the early morning hours of Sunday, September 8, 2013 between the approximate times of 12:50 A.M. and 2:00 A.M., she and Mr. Doe (a first-year freshman, Class of 2017) had sex. During the investigation, Ms. Jane Doe recalled performing oral sex on Mr. Doe, but could not specifically recall having intercourse with Mr. Doe in his dormitory room on the second floor of Braun Hall. Ms. Jane Doe alleges that she consumed multiple alcoholic beverages in the hours leading up to the sexual contact. (Exh. 2, page 1.)

³ Rape Settlement at Occidental College: Victims Barred from Campus Activism, *The Nation*, Jon Wiener, September 19, 2013.

⁴ The Policy was developed with the assistance and recommendations of former sex crime prosecutors Lisa M. Gomez and Gina Maisto Smith, attorneys with the Philadelphia law firm of Pepper Hamilton LLP.

- assaulted and did not want to make a formal complaint (Exh. 4, pages 46, 53), but eventually relented a week later because she was told that 90% of rapes are done by repeat offenders and Asst. Professor Dirks told her that "Doe fits the profile of other rapists on campus in that he had a high GPA in high school, was his class valedictorian, was on the water polo team, and was 'from a good family.'" (Exh 4, page 41.) Ms. Jane Doe also stated that she decided to report what had happened when she realized how much it had affected her emotionally, while seeing no reaction from Mr. Doe . She noted that he attended his classes without difficulty, and she "saw that he wasn't fazed by what had happened at all." (Exh. 4, page 40.)
- assault report with Los Angeles Police Department. (Exh. 4, page 41.) Los Angeles Police Department Det. Michelle Gomez was in charge of the LAPD investigation and interviewed Ms. *Jane Doe* and other student witnesses at Occidental. On November 5, 2013 the Los Angeles District Attorneys Office, Sexual Crimes Unit declined to prosecute for lack of evidence. Deputy District Attorney Alison Meyers concluded, after meeting with Ms. *Jane Doe*, that both parties were drunk and "they were both willing participants exercising bad judgment" and "[s]pecifically the facts show the victim was capable of resisting based on her actions." Deputy Meyers also stated that "it would be reasonable for him to conclude based on their communications and her actions that, even though she was intoxicated, she could still exercise reasonable judgment." (Exh. 3, page 1-2.)
 - 12. On November 14, 2013, Occidental's investigators submitted their

⁵ On September 20, 2013, four days after Ms. Jane Doe filed her complaint, Asst. Professor Dirks told the LA Times, "I've heard from three students since the beginning of the school year who say they were raped. None of them has been handled appropriately." (Occidental College Chief Asks for Reconciliation after Accusations, Los Angeles Times, September 20, 2013, Jason Felch and Jason Song.)

investigative report that confirmed what law enforcement had found, including that just before going to Mr. *Doe* 's dorm room to have sex, she texted to Mr. *Doe*, "Okay do you have a condom." When Mr. *Doe* replied, "Yes," Ms. *Jane Doe* texted back, "Good give me two minutes." (Exh. 4, page 93.) Ms. *Jane Doe* then texted to another friend, "The worlds moving I'mgoingtohave sex now." (Exh. 4, page 120.)

- 13. In spite of Ms. Jane Doe's written confirmation of consensual sex, the LAPD criminal investigation, the District Attorney's rejection for lack of evidence, and Occidental's own investigative report, Occidental was determined to hold Mr. Doe, but not Ms. Jane Doe, responsible for violating the Sexual Misconduct Policy in order to bolster Occidental's defense against campus activists and the loss of federal education funding and fines.
- 14. In fact, there was no sexual assault, no non-consensual sexual contact, and no violation of Occidental's Policy. Indeed Ms. *Jane Doe* perpetrated exactly the same conduct against Mr. *Doe* when she went back to his dorm room and performed oral sex on him while he was intoxicated and had sexual intercourse. Mr. *Doe* is being expelled because he is male; Ms. *Jane Doe* is not because she is female.

SUMMARY OF THE FACTS

- 15. Jane Doe was drunk the night of Friday, September 6, 2013 and attended a dance party in Mr. Doe 's dorm room at 207 Braun. (Exh. 4, page 31.) Ms. Jane Doe suffered from a hangover the next morning (Exh. 4, page 31), and "has always loved dancing, particularly when she is drunk." (Exh. 4, page 33).
- 16. On Saturday evening, September 7, 2013, Ms. *Jane Doe* was drunk again, taking part in "pre-gaming," an Occidental ritual where under-age students consume alcohol before attending a college sports game, in this case the men's soccer game between Occidental and Arizona Christian in Jack Kemp Stadium.

(Exh. 4, page 5.) After leaving the game, Ms. Jane Doe continued drinking, was acting flirtatious with male students (Exh. 4, page 65), and intoxicated in public with a group of students who encountered Occidental campus security. Occidental campus security took no action with the students nor to assist Ms. Jane Doe (Exh. 7, page 7) and subsequently filed a false report claiming that "Subjects were gone upon Officer's arrival." (Exh. 4, page 5.)

- 17. Around midnight Ms. Jane Doe left her friends and went to Mr. Doe 's room, who was also drunk. Ms. Jane Doe's friends found her dancing, kissing, and "making out" with Mr. Doe, both standing up, and lying down on the bed, "getting really physical" with Ms. Jane Doe riding on top of Mr. Doe on his bed with her hips moving. (Exh. 4, page 67.) Ms. Jane Doe was grabbing Mr. Doe and trying to kiss him while Mr. Doe was "somewhat responsive to Jane Doe but "also seemed pretty indifferent to Jane Doe's advances." (Exh. 4, page 73.)
- 18. Earlier that evening Mr. **Doe** had become intoxicated at a sports team hazing incident.⁶ (Exh. 4, pages 32, 49-50, 66.) Mr. **Doe** "acted like a drunk person" and stumbled around, slurred his words, and talked loudly (Exh. 4, page 10) and was more drunk than he had ever been before. (Exh. 4, page 11; Exh. 6, page 12.)
- 19. After dancing and grinding with Mr. Doe in his room, Ms. Jane Doe left Mr. Doe 's room with her friends and went upstairs to her own room on the third floor. At 12:31 a.m., Mr. Doe texted to Ms. Jane Doe, "The second that you away from them, come back" and Ms. Jane Doe responded,

⁶ Hazing is a violation of National Collegiate Athletic Association ("NCAA") rules and Educ. Code § 32051. Occidental is already under NCAA sanctions and in February 2013 was placed on two years probation for major violations of recruiting, benefits, and out-of-season practice rules, but has taken no action to investigate the hazing of Mr. *Doe*. http://oxyathletics.com/othernews/2011-12/ncaaprobation.

"Okay." (Exh 4, pages 92, 108.) At 12:36, Mr. Doe texted, "Make them leave.

Tell them yoy want to sleep. I'dc. Just get back here." Ms. Jane Doe responded to Mr. Doe, "Okay do you have a condom." When Mr. Doe replied, "Yes," Ms. Jane Doe texted back, "Good give me two minutes." Ms. Jane Doe then created a ruse to sneak past her friends and her Resident Advisor to get back downstairs to Mr. Doe's dorm room to have sex. (Exh. 6, page 8.) Just before going back to Mr. Doe's dorm room to have sex, Ms. Jane Doe texted another friend, "The worlds moving I'mgoingtohave sex now." (Exh. 4, page 17.)

- are here." (Exh. 4, page 17.) Ms. Jane Doe snuck past her friends and R.A. and walked downstairs to Mr. Doe's room at approximately 1:00 a.m., knocked on the door, went in, took off her earrings, got undressed, performed oral sex on Mr. Doe and had sexual intercourse. When Mr. Doe was out of his dorm room for a few minutes in the bathroom, Ms. Jane Doe called out to a friend knocking on the door, "Yeah I'm fine," three times. (Exh. 4, page 57.) Ms. Jane Doe heard Mr. Doe tell her that his roommate Gavin Rose had just come in. (Exh. 4, page 36.) Mr. Rose said that he witnessed the couple having sex when he opened the door and saw Ms. Jane Doe's legs moving. (Exh. 4, page 78.)
- 21. Shortly before 2:00 a.m. Ms. <u>Jane Doe</u> got dressed and left Mr. <u>Doe</u> 's room, forgetting her belt and earrings. (Exh. 4, pages 36, 96.) At 2:05 a.m. Ms. <u>Jane Doe</u> began texting her various friends again including with the smiley face symbol, [":)"] (Exh. 4, pages 120, 122, 123, 125, 127.)
- 22. Ms. Jane Doe then returned to her own room, changed into pajamas, and went to bed. As soon as her roommate left her alone, Ms. Jane Doe got out of bed again because, "I didn't feel like going to sleep." (Exh. 4, page 37.) She found her phone and her key card, and put on her shoes, walked down the stairs and across the grassy area known as "Stewie Beach" to Stewart-Cleland Hall, a.k.a Stewie.

 Ms. Jane Doe walked in the front entrance of Stewie, went to the common room,

saw a male student whom she met the night before, and sat on his lap, talking and joking. (Exh. 4, pages 37, 45; Exh. 6, page 10.) The last of her texts that Ms. *Jane Doe* provided to investigators was at approximately 2:30 a.m. when she told a friend that she was in Stewie. (Exh. 4, page 123.) Her roommate went to Stewie brought her back to their dorm room and put her to bed again. Ms. *Jane Doe* fell asleep around 3:00 a.m. or 3:30 a.m. Six hours later at 9:00 a.m. Ms. *Jane Doe* woke up feeling drunk with a lightheaded feeling and dehydrated. (Exh. 4, page 37.)

FINDINGS AND SANCTIONS

23. Procedural and Substantive Errors Significantly Affected the Outcome.

Occidental College disciplinary proceedings are to be conducted in compliance with the requirements of state and federal law (Exh. 1, page 8), which require at minimum that Occidental's policy and proceedings must be non-discriminatory, fair, impartial, treat participants in good faith, not violate students' civil rights, not be arbitrary or capricious, and permit only findings that are supported by the evidence, and reach only decisions that are supported by the findings.⁷ In this case, Occidental has failed on every point.

(a.) No Rights for the Accused.

Occidental College's new 46-page Sexual Misconduct Policy ("Policy") denies accused male students the most basic due process recognized by the U.N. Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the U.S. Constitution, and the California Constitution, including the assistance of counsel, the right to remain silent in the face of criminal accusations, and the presumption of innocence. Occidental claims that the Policy is fair and balanced because both sides are treated equally; however, in practice, Occidental pits accused male students (with only high school

⁷ See, e.g., Title IX, Civ. Code § 43, Civ. Code § 52 et sec., Code Civ. Proc. § 1094.5, Comunale v. Traders & General Ins. Co. (1958) 50 Cal.2d 654, 658.

educations) against Occidental's sophisticated, well-organized institutional process designed by former criminal prosecutors and run by academics, a professional and experienced staff, private investigators, and outside consultants and attorneys, while the female student is supported by Occidental's Sexual Assault Coalition and the National Women's Law Center and given access to advisors and advocates anytime day or night.⁸ This denial of basic due process is a procedural error that is discriminatory, unfair, lacking in good faith, in violation of students' civil rights, and that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing.

(b.) Lack of Diversity.

The utter lack of any gender diversity among Occidental personnel, advisors, outside contractors, adjudicator, and consultants involved in this disciplinary proceeding reflects actual and apparent bias against students of the male gender. This lack of diversity is discriminatory, unfair, lacking in good faith, violates students' civil rights, and significantly affected the outcome of the hearing.

(c.) Irrelevant and Prejudicial Materials Presented.

Mr. Doe has the right to have the only evidence that is relevant and nonprejudicial presented at the hearing. (See, Exh. 1, page 38.) In this case, Occidental redacted information favorable to Mr. Doe from its Investigation Report,9 which was presented at the hearing, but left intact in the Investigation Report statements of personal opinion that are highly prejudicial and are neither direct observations nor reasonable inferences from the facts, including the following:

i. "Doe fits the profile of other rapists on campus in that he had a high GPA in high school, was his class valedictorian, was on the water polo team, and was 'from a good family." (Exh. 4,

⁸ In contrast, Mr. **Doe** was unable to secure an advisor until mid-November. (Exh. 4, page 3.)

⁹See Exh. 4, pages 3, 25, 26-28, 40, 41, 54, 63, 65, and 83-87.

3		[of sexual assault] I have met with on campus." (Exh. 4, page				
4		53.)				
5	iii.	"Jane Doe appeared to be "in a strong state of denial" about				
6		events, and told her at one point that she was not yet able to ca				
7		the incident "rape." (Exh. 4, page 53.)				
8	iv.	"Jane Doe's reluctance to call what had happened to her "rap				
9		was consistent with other victims of sexual assault on				
10		campus." (Exh. 4, page 53.)				
11	v.	"Doe was 'acting in the same way all these other young mer				
12		[involved in sexual assaults] have acted' by checking in on				
13		Jane Doe after the incident, and seeking to manage Jane Do				
14		by being nice in a manner described as "disingenuous."				
15		(Exh. 4, page 54.)				
16	vi.	Jane Doe was experiencing Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder				
17		(PTSD) (Exh. 4, page 53.)				
18	Admitting s	tatements of personal opinion by an Occidental professor and the				
19	founder of the Occ	cidental Sexual Assault Coalition that refer to Mr. Doe as a				
20	"rapist," stating th	at he acts like other sex assault perpetrators, and that Ms.				
21	Jane Doe is in denial about being raped, is far more prejudicial than probative.					
22	Including such sta	tements while at the same time excluding relevant evidence				
23	favorable to Mr. L	Doe is a substantive error that significantly affected the outcome				
24	of the hearing.					
25	(d.) <u>No H</u>	earing Panel Convened.				
26	According t	o Occidental's Sexual Misconduct Policy formal resolution of				
27	complaint is to occur through the use of a Conduct Conference or a Hearing Pane					
28	(Exh. 1, page 34.) The Hearing Panel typically consists of three members drawn					

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page 41.) "Jane Doe's symptoms are like "the dozens of other survivors

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- ne way all these other young men nave acted' by checking in on and seeking to manage Jane Doe described as "disingenuous."
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder

from a pool of trained faculty and campus administrators (Exh. 1, page 35) and the Hearing Panel Procedures are set forth at pages 39 through 42 of the Policy. (Exh. 1, page 39-42.) These policies and procedures give only the outward appearance of fairness and impartiality. In fact, under its "Policy" Occidental may hire an external adjudicator to serve as a member of the Hearing Panel or in lieu of the Hearing Panel altogether, or have the Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students decide the case, or have the case decided by a designee of the Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students, or Occidental "may substitute an entirely different method of adjudication at its discretion." (Exh. 1, page 35.) A "policy" that Occidental may unilaterally change entirely at any time is no policy. In this case, Occidental refused to convene a Hearing Panel because the facts so clearly show consensual sex that Occidental could not rely on a three-member panel to hold the male student responsible. Occidental's failure to hold the typical three-member Hearing Panel is a procedural and substantive error that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing.

(e.) Relevant Questions Not Asked.

According to Occidental's Policy, all parties in the hearing have the opportunity to ask questions of witnesses through the Hearing Panel (Exh. 1, page 38) and are encouraged to prepare a list of written questions in advance. (Exh. 1, page 41.) Mr. Doe presented written questions for the witnesses at the hearing, as he was encouraged, but questions were not asked that go to the heart of Ms. Jane Doe's complaint that "Ms. Jane Doe recalled performing oral sex on Mr. Doe, but could not specifically recall having intercourse with Mr. Doe in his dormitory room" because "Ms. Jane Doe alleges that she consumed multiple alcoholic beverages in the hours leading up to the sexual contact." (Exh. 2, page 1;

¹⁰ Policy: a definite course or method of action selected from among alternatives and in light of given conditions to guide and determine present and future decisions. Merriam-Webster.com. Merriam-Webster, n.d. Web. 5 Jan. 2014. http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/policy.

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see Exh 10.) Occidental did not confront Ms. Jane Doe concerning her selective memory when she remembers significant details about her actions that night but not during the "missing hour" when she went back to Mr. Doe 's room to have sex. "That [missing] hour still freaks me," Ms. Jane Doe told Occidental. (Exh. 4, page 40.) But Ms. Jane Doe's memory of the hour is not "missing," merely highly selective (and convenient). For instance, Ms. Jane Doe remembered agreeing to come back down to Mr. Doe 's room to have sex, remembered giving Mr. Doe her cell phone number so he could text her when to come back, remembered texting her friend in Tennessee "I'mgoingtohavesexnow," remembered being excited to sneak out of her room to get back to Mr. Doe 's room, remembered throwing up, remembered getting a piece of gum, remembered asking Mr. Doe if he had a condom because she had not used any birth control, remembered that while Mr. **Doe** was out of the room someone knocked on the door and asked if she was ok, remembered responding three times to her friend that she was fine, remembered performing oral sex on Mr. Doe, remembered Mr. Doe saying that his roommate Gavin had just come in the room while they were having sexual intercourse and saw Ms. Jane Doe's legs moving. (Exh. 4, pages 33-36, 78.) Occidental ignores these facts in its findings because the relevant questions prepared by Mr. Doe weren't asked, contrary to what Occidental states in its findings letter. (See, Exh. 6, page 3, fn. 2; Exh. 10.)

Occidental's refusal and failure to pose the relevant questions to confront Ms. Jane Doe concerning the heart of her complaint are substantive and procedural errors that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing.

(f.) Misstated Standard of Proof.

Occidental misstates the standard of proof and its own Policy in order to dismiss and ignore the prosecutor's finding of lack of evidence to charge Mr. Doe for sexual assault and non-consensual sexual contact. (Exh. 6, page 5; see Exh. 3.) The Policy states that Occidental's definition of sexual assault incorporates both

federal and state law and both the Policy and California law have the same elements. (Exh. 1, page 10; see Pen. Code § 261(a)(3).) The test in California for the government to hold a citizen to answer for a felony is "a strong suspicion," which is *less* than the preponderance of the evidence standard under Occidental's Policy. In order to reach Occidental's desired result to hold the male student responsible, Occidental misstates the prosecutor's finding of "no strong suspicion" of sexual assault in order to find Mr. *Doe* responsible under Occidental's higher standard proof. Occidental's misstatement of the standard of proof and misstatement of its own Policy are substantive and procedural errors that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing.

(g.) Findings Not Supported by the Evidence.

It would be difficult to imagine a better documented case of consensual sex than this case, where the female student initiates the sexual contact, asks for a condom in writing, tells a friend she is going to have sex in writing, tells friends she is "fine" when she is having sex, willingly performs oral sex, is interrupted by a roommate while having sexual intercourse and continues, and then sends smiley faces to friends right after having sex.

In fact, Occidental made findings that Ms. Jane Doe engaged in conduct and made statements that would indicate she consented to sexual intercourse with Mr. Doe (Exh. 6, page 8) and there was no force, threat of force, or coercion involved. (Exh. 6, page 6, fn. 5.)

These findings, which are supported by the evidence, should have concluded the hearing in Mr. **Doe** 's favor.

To obtain its desired result, however, Occidental made the further unsupported and erroneous findings that Ms. Jane Doe was incapacitated when

¹¹Reasonable or probable cause "means such a state of facts as would lead a man of ordinary caution or prudence to believe, and conscientiously entertain a strong suspicion of the guilt of the accused." (*People v. Nagle* (1944) 25 Ca1.2d 216,222.)

she engaged in the conduct or statements that indicated she consented to sexual intercourse and when she had sexual intercourse because Ms. *Jane Doe* "did not have the capacity to appreciate the nature and quality of the act." (Exh. 6, page 11.)

Occidental's reasoning is entirely circular and misstates its own definition of "Incapacitation". Occidental attempts impossible mental gymnastics in maintaining that while Ms. *Jane Doe* was consciously performing voluntary acts that indicate she consented to sexual intercourse, she did not have the capacity to perform the very acts that she was in fact performing. The evidence clearly shows that at the time she was having sex in Mr. *Doe* 's dorm room, Ms. *Jane Doe* was conscious, not asleep, and was aware sexual activity was occurring. (See, Exh. 1, page 13.)

Finally, Occidental wrongly faults Mr. **Doe** for failing to do the impossible and "fully appreciate the significance of events" that he did not and could not have observed. Events such as Ms. **Jane Doe**'s taking off her shirt while dancing in his

[&]quot;Incapacitation: Incapacitation is a state where an individual cannot make an informed and rational decision to engage in sexual activity because s/he lacks conscious knowledge of the nature of the act (e.g., to understand the who, what, when, where, why or how of the sexual interaction) and/or is physically helpless. An individual is incapacitated, and therefore unable to give consent, if s/he is asleep, unconscious, or otherwise unaware that sexual activity is occurring." (Exh. 1, page 13.) Occidental also confuses appreciation of the nature and quality of the act with appreciation of the *consequences* of the act, and wrongly equates *intoxication* with *incapacitation*. Clearly both parties were drunk and they were both willing participants exercising bad judgment, but neither was incapacitated under the Policy definition.

¹³ Occidental also ignores Ms. Jane Doe's statements about what she does remember from the "missing hour," which contradicts a finding of incapacitation. (Exh. 4, pages 34-36.) Occidental's finding that Ms. Jane Doe "does not recall creating or sending the text messages contained in the investigators report during that time period and other events during that period" is directly contradicted by Ms. Jane Doe's own statements in the Investigators Report. (Exh. 6, page 11; see Exh. 4, pages 33-37.)

room was inconsistent with her customary behavior, what Ms. Jane Doe did outside of his dorm room that night, or what her friends were thinking. (Exh. 6, page 12.) All a sober Mr. Doe would have observed when Ms. Jane Doe was dancing in his room is that she was swigging vodka, was coming on to him, wanted to stay with him, and didn't want to leave with her friends. Both were intoxicated but neither was incapacitated.

Occidental's findings that are not supported by the evidence are procedural and substantive errors that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing.

(h.) Decision Not Supported by the Findings.

Under Occidental College's new Sexual Misconduct Policy, Section F. Sanctions, "The hearing panel will make a recommendation about the appropriate sanction." (Exh. 1, page 43.)

Sanctions for a finding of responsibility for sexual assault range from suspension to expulsion, however, "[t]he hearing panel may deviate from the range of recommended sanctions, based upon a full consideration of the following factors: (1) the Respondent's prior discipline history; (2) how the College has sanctioned similar incidents in the past; (3) the nature and violence of the conduct at issue; (4) the impact of the conduct on the Complainant; (5) the impact of the conduct on the community, its members, or its property; (6) whether the Respondent has accepted responsibility for his actions; (7) whether the Respondent is reasonably likely to engage in the conduct in the future; (8) the need to deter similar conduct by others; and (9) any other mitigating or aggravating circumstances, including the College's values." (Exh. 1, pages 42-43.)

The first-year students had known each other for less than two weeks and could have no knowledge or experience with each other's customary behavior. Ms. Jane Doe's own statements that she loves dancing when she is drunk, that she was drunk the night before, and evidence that she becomes flirtatious when she is drunk, and that she flirted with other male students both before and after having sex with Mr. Doe do not show that her removal of her shirt is inconsistent with her customary behavior.

In this case, Occidental College imposed the maximum sanction of expulsion in the absence of any Hearing Panel recommendation (or adjudicator standing in lieu of a Hearing Panel), a procedural error that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing.

The decision to expel Mr. *Doe* is not supported by the findings that Ms. *Jane Doe* engaged in conduct and made statements that would indicate she consented to sexual intercourse with Mr. *Doe* (Exh. 6, page 8) and there was no force, threat of force, or coercion involved. (Exh. 6, page 6, fn. 5.) This is especially true in light of the nine factors to be considered under the Policy in that there is no prior discipline history, there is no violent conduct at issue, Mr. *Doe* has accepted responsibility for his actions and is not reasonably likely to engage in the conduct in the future (Exh. 7), expulsion was not imposed by Occidental for similar incidents in the past, and various mitigating circumstances, including Occidental's failure to prevent or investigate the hazing of Mr. *Doe* (which led to his intoxication and poor judgment) and Occidental's toleration of "pre-gaming" and under-age drinking and failure to intervene when Ms. *Jane Doe* was found drunk in public by Occidental security.

Occidental made decisions in a manner that does not conform with its own Policy and that are not supported by the findings, which are procedural and substantive errors that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing.

- 24. New Evidence Unavailable at the Original Hearing.
- (a.) Redacted Evidence.

In this case Occidental improperly redacted information favorable to Mr. **Doe** from its Investigation Report, ¹⁵ evidence unavailable during the original hearing that could substantially impact the original findings or sanctions. The

¹⁵See Exh. 4, pages 3, 25, 26-28, 40, 41, 54, 63, 65, and 83-87.

redacted favorable evidence included the redaction of an entire exhibit to the Investigative Report (Exh. 4, pages 83-87), which contain the prosecutor's finding of lack of evidence to charge Mr. *Doe* for sexual assault and non-consensual sexual contact. (See Exh. 3.) Occidental misstated the elements and standard of proof of sexual assault under its own Policy and state law in order to ignore the relevant finding of "no strong suspicion" of sexual assault in order to find Mr. *Doe* responsible under Occidental's higher standard proof of a preponderance of the evidence.

The redacted information in the Investigative Report that is favorable to Mr. **Doe** should be presented in further proceedings.

(b.) <u>Blood Alcohol Levels and Stages of Acute Alcoholic</u> Influence/Intoxication

The level of Ms. Jane Doe's blood alcohol over the course of the evening of September 7, 2013 and morning of September 8, 2013 is central to any determination of incapacitation due to her voluntary alcohol consumption.

Occidental noted in its findings the evidence of Ms. Jane Doe's height and weight and alcohol consumption that night, but makes no reference to any standard Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) Charts or the standard Stages of Acute Alcoholic Influence/Intoxication. (See Exh. 9.)

Without reference to the standard BAC reference charts, Occidental's conclusion are speculative, if not intentionally false. For instance, Occidental asserts that Ms. *Jane Doe* had very little memory of what occurred between the period beginning approximately 11:00 p.m. on September 7, 2013 until she woke up on September 8, 2013 and does not recall creating or sending the text messages contained in the investigators report. (Exh. 6, page 11.) This is false and not supported by the evidence. In fact Ms. *Jane Doe* remembered agreeing to come back down to Mr. *Doe* 's room to have sex, remembered giving Mr. *Doe* her cell phone number so he could text her when to come back, remembered texting her

friend in Tennessee "I'mgoingtohave sex now," remembered being excited to sneak out of her room to get back to Mr. Doe 's room, remembered throwing up, remembered getting a piece of gum, remembered asking Mr. Doe if he had a condom because she had not used any birth control, remembered that while Mr. **Doe** was out of the room someone knocked on the door and asked if she was ok, remembered responding three times to her friend that she was fine, remembered performing oral sex on Mr. Doe, remembered Mr. Doe saying that his roommate Mr. Rose had just came in the room while they were having sexual intercourse. (Exh. 4, pages 33-36.) Ms. Jane Doe also remembered going back to her own room, remembered meeting her friends again, remembered having her phone taken away, remembered going to bed. She remembered that as soon as her roommate left her alone, Ms. Jane Doe got out of bed again because, "I didn't feel like going to sleep." (Exh. 4, page 37.) She remembered finding her phone and her key card, and putting on her shoes, walking down the stairs and across the grassy area known as "Stewie Beach" to Stewart-Cleland Hall, a.k.a Stewie. Ms. Jane Doe remembered walking in the front entrance of Stewie, going to the common room, seeing a male student whom she met the night before, and remembered sitting on his lap, talking and joking about a NASCAR program on the television. (Exh. 4, pages 37.)

Based on standard Blood Alcohol Level Charts and the standard Stages of Acute Alcoholic Influence/Intoxication, which were not available at the original hearing, Ms. Jane Doe's symptoms and behavior reflect that she was at the Euphoria or Excitement Stage of Alcoholic Influence and was not incapacitated.

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Respectfully submitted,

John Doe

EXHIBITS

Exhibit	Description
1	Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy
2	Occidental Notice of Charges Letter, dated November 19, 2013
3	Los Angeles District Attorney Charge Evaluation Worksheet
4	Occidental Investigation Report, PII Case Number: 13-4175
5	Occidental Outcome Notification Letter, dated December 13, 2013
6	Occidental Findings Letter, dated December 9, 2013
7	John Doe Response Letter to Hearing Outcome
8	Occidental Sanctions Letter, dated December 20, 2013
9	Three Charts: (1) Stages of Acute Alcoholic Influence/Intoxication; (2) Women Know Your Limit, Approximate Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) In One Hour' (3) Men Know Your Limit, Approximate Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) In One Hour
10	Respondent Questions, Witness: Jane Doe

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Exhibit 12

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Re: Appeal of John Doe

Dear Ms. Carella:

This firm represents Jane Doe Occidental College Class of 2017. On September 8, 2013, Ms. Jane Doe was raped on the campus of Occidental College by a fellow Occidental student, John Doe Occidental held a hearing regarding this incident on December 7, 2013. In a well-reasoned, thirteen-page opinion, the hearing adjudicator found that Mr. Doe "engaged in two forms of conduct prohibited by the College's Sexual Misconduct Policy: sexual assault and non-consensual contact." Ex. 6 at p. 13. Based on these findings, the College permanently separated Mr. Doe from Occidental on December 20, 2013. Mr. Doe now appeals the findings of the hearing adjudicator and the sanctions imposed by the College, arguing that procedural and substantive errors affected the outcome of the hearing. Mr. Doe 's arguments are without merit. The findings of the hearing adjudicator are supported by the evidence and the sanction imposed is warranted. Mr. Doe 's appeal should be denied.

The findings of the hearing adjudicator should be upheld.

The evidence presented at the hearing was more than sufficient to support a finding of sexual assault under the College's Sexual Misconduct Policy.² The hearing

All citations to "Ex. __" herein refer to the exhibits attached to the appeal of John Doe

² As the hearing adjudicator found, the elements necessary to reach a finding of sexual assault encompass the elements of non-consensual sexual contact. As such, "a finding of sexual assault necessarily includes a finding of

adjudicator properly identified four inquiries that are relevant to a finding of sexual assault: (1) whether sexual intercourse between the Complainant and the Respondent occurred, (2) whether the Complainant demonstrated conduct or made statements that would indicate she consented to sexual intercourse, (3) if such conduct was demonstrated or such statements were made, was the Complainant incapacitated at the time, and (4) whether the Respondent knew or should have known that the Complainant was incapacitated. Ex. 6 at p. 6. The hearing adjudicator found that (1) it was undisputed that Mr. Doe and Ms. Jane Doe engaged in sexual intercourse; (2) Ms. Jane Doe engaged in conduct and made statements that would indicate she consented to sexual intercourse; (3) Ms. Jane Doe was incapacitated at the time she engaged in such conduct and made such statements; and (4) Mr. Doe should have known that Ms. Jane Doe was incapacitated. Ex. 6 at pp. 12-13.

Mr. Doe 's principal assertion is that the evidence does not support the finding that Ms. Jane Doe was incapacitated at the time she engaged in conduct and made statements indicating that she consented to sexual intercourse. Mr. Doe's selective reading of the record must be rejected. Ms. Jane Doe began drinking alcohol between 9:30 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on the night of September 7, 2013. Multiple witnesses observed Ms. Jane Doe taking shots of vodka and drinking a mixture of vodka and orange juice. Ex. 4 at pp. 43-44, 48-49, 71; Ex. 6 at p. 8. Witnesses who were with Ms. Jane Doe at the time testified that she was stumbling, slurring her words, and talking with an uncharacteristically high voice. Ex. 4 at pp. 44, 82; Ex. 6 at pp. 8-9.

Ms. Jane Doe ultimately made her way to Mr. Doe 's room in Braun Hall, where she continued to drink vodka—at this point, straight from the bottle—and took her shirt off. Ex. 6 at p. 9. Ms. Jane Doe testified that she did not normally act in that manner, even when she was intoxicated. Ex. 6 at p. 11. Angela Peckham, a friend of Ms. Jane Doe's who followed her to Mr. Doe 's room, confirmed that Ms. Jane Doe was acting "crazy" and that it appeared that Ms. Jane Doe did not know what she was doing. Ex. 6 at p. 9.

Ms. Peckham and another one of Ms. Jane Doe's friends, Jameson Hayward, removed Ms. Jane Doe from Mr. Doe 's room because they were concerned she was too intoxicated. Ex. 6 at p. 9. Ms. Peckham and Mr. Hayward had to support Ms. Jane Doe as they walked her back to her room because she could hardly walk. Ex. 4 at p. 67; Ex. 6 at pp. 9-10. A short time after getting back to her room, Ms. Jane Doe left again and returned to Mr. Doe 's room. Ex. 6 at p. 10. On the way to Mr. Doe is room, Ms. Jane Doe vomited. Ex. 4 at p. 78; Ex. 6 at p. 10. Mr. Doe then had sexual intercourse with Ms. Jane Doe Ms. Jane Doe testified that she had no recollection of engaging in sexual intercourse with Mr. Doe . Ex. 6 at p. 10. The hearing adjudicator credited this testimony. Id.

After leaving Mr. Doe 's room, Ms. Jane Doe did not mention to anyone that she had had sexual intercourse with Mr. [Doe]. Ex. 6 at pp. 10-11. In fact, the undisputed evidence shows that Ms. Jane Doe did not even know she had had sexual intercourse with Mr. Doe until a fellow student, Aidan Dougherty, told her the following morning that he had walked in on her and Mr. Doe the night before. Ex. 6 at p. 11.

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|---1: Based on this evidence, the hearing adjudicator found that, at the time Ms. Jane Doe and Mr. Doe had sexual intercourse, Ms. Jane Doe "was not aware of the consequences of her action" and "did not have the capacity to appreciate the nature and quality of her act." Ex. 6 at p. 11. As a result, the hearing adjudicator concluded she was incapacitated. Id. This conclusion is consistent with the evidence that was presented at the hearing. It should be upheld.

Mr. Doe also challenges the hearing adjudicator's finding that he should have been aware that Ms. Jane Doe was incapacitated. As the hearing adjudicator points out, Mr. Doe should have been aware that Ms. Jane Doe vomited shortly before they had sexual intercourse, that Ms. Jane Doe was drinking vodka directly from the bottle in Mr. Doe 's room and dancing with her shirt off, that Ms. Jane Doe was slurring her speech and having trouble walking, and that Ms. Jane Doe friends were concerned about how drunk she was. Ex. 6 at p. 12. This evidence is sufficient to support the hearing adjudicator's conclusion that Mr. Doe should have known Ms. Jane Doe was incapacitated.

The sanction against Mr. Doe should be upheld.

The sanction imposed against Mr. Doe is warranted by the findings of the hearing adjudicator. This incident has had a devastating impact on Ms. Jane Doe Throughout the College's three month investigation, Ms. Jane Doe unwillingly encountered Mr. Doe on several occasions. Each one of these encounters was detrimental to her well-being. Indeed, Ms. Jane Doe fear of encountering Mr. Doe paralyzed her during the fall semester, severely limiting her ability to participate in classes and College activities. If Mr. Doe is permitted to remain on campus, Ms. Jane Doe is bound to continue running into him. The fear of these encounters would significantly impair Ms. Jane Doe ability to benefit from the College's programs going forward. Mr. Doe is permanent separation from the College should be upheld.

There is no "new evidence" that could substantially impact the findings and sanctions.

Finally, we briefly address Mr. Doe 's argument that "new evidence" is now available that could substantially impact the findings and sanctions. Doe Br. at pp. 16-18. First, the prosecutor's findings have no impact on Occidental's separate adjudication process. Occidental's obligation to investigate and adjudicate instances of sexual misconduct that occur on its campus is not diminished by a concurrent law enforcement investigation, regardless of what the outcome of that law enforcement investigation is. Indeed, the law enforcement investigation has no bearing on the College's investigation or the College's conclusions with respect to violations of its Sexual Misconduct Policy.

Second, despite having no knowledge of Ms. Jane Doe s actual blood alcohol level on the date of the incident, Mr. Doe asserts that standard Blood Alcohol Level Charts indicate that Ms. Jane Doe was not incapacitated. This "new evidence" is meaningless without knowing what Ms. Jane Doe blood alcohol level actually was, which we do not. Mr. Doe's contentions with respect to these charts define speculation, and are contradicted by the testimony of multiple witnesses indicating that Ms. Jane Doe was highly intoxicated. Mr. Doe's "new evidence" is no reason to disturb the findings of the hearing adjudicator or the sanctions imposed by the College.

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Conclusion

For all the foregoing reasons, and for the reasons explained in the hearing adjudicator's detailed report, the findings and sanction against Mr. Doe should be upheld.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew G. Celli, J

Exhibit 13

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VIA EMAIL TO maciver@oxy.edu WITH CONFIRMATION VIA U.S. MAIL

Mr. Devon MacIver Designated Appeals Officer Occidental College 1600 Campus Road Los Angeles, CA 90041

Re:

Reply to Jane Doe

Response Letter

Dear Mr. MacIver;

Jane Doe 's response letter shows that both **Jane** and **John** agree on the following very important findings:

- 1. Jane engaged in conduct and made statements that show she consented to sexual intercourse with John. (Exh. 6, page 8); and,
- 2. There was no force, threat of force, nor coercion involved. (Exh. 6, page 6, fn. 5.)

Where Jane and John disagree, and the reason the result is wrong, boils down to Jane's highly subjective and selective memory, – that she remembers many details, including consensual oral sex, but "could not specifically recall having intercourse." (Exh. 2, p. 1.)

Jane was dancing drunk in John's room the night before. She went back to dance the next night. She tricked her friends to get back to John's room, asked for a condom, both in a text message and when she got to the room. It is not possible she was "asleep, unconscious, or otherwise unaware that sexual activity is occurring." (Exh. 1, p. 13.)

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Later Jane tricked her roommate again, pretending to be asleep and letting water trickle down her face. Then, as soon as she was alone, she left for Stewie, walking downstairs, and texting her friends again. It is not physiologically possible for a human being to be texting, walking downstairs, asking for condoms, walking back upstairs, then be in a drunken stupor, and then the next minute be wide awake, walking downstairs and texting on an iPhone keypad again. The finding that Jane "has very little memory of what occurred between the period beginning approximately 11:00 p.m. on September 7, 2013 until she woke up on September 8, 2013" is simply wrong. Just read Jane's statements to the investigators at Exh. 4, pages 33-36.

Of course Jane didn't tell her new friends at Occidental she had sex. She didn't want them to know, – that's why she tricked them. But she did tell her friend back home that she was going to have sex and then sent a smiley face right after having sex. (Exhibit 4, Page 120.) Jane woke up the next morning (not hung over and after six hours of sleep) and was probably embarrassed by her behavior and that other students saw her having sex. So she told a little white lie, "I cannot specifically recall having intercourse." In spite of her selective memory loss, Jane was aware sexual activity was occurring at the time because she remembers asking for a condom and remembers performing oral sex.

Please reverse the finding of incapacitation and the sanctions.

Sincerely yours,

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February 12, 2014

Mr. John Doe

Outcome of Appeal

Dear Mr. Doe,

I am writing to inform you of the outcome of the appeal you filed January 6, 2014, regarding the findings of responsibility for sexual assault and non-consensual sexual contact of the College's Sexual Misconduct Policy.

Based on the appeals officer's review of the investigation report and exhibits, information gathered at the hearing, the outcome of the hearing and decision of the external adjudicator, your appeal and the response to your appeal by Ms. Jane Doe and with consideration of the Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy, the appeals officer has made the following decisions with respect to the timeliness, standing and merits of your appeal.

Timeliness

The appeal is determined to be timely.

Standing and Merits of the Appeal

The appeal was determined to have standing on the following three grounds: 23 (c), 23 (f) and 24 (b). However, none of these were determined to have merit.

Conclusion

The findings of responsibility of the adjudicator are affirmed. The resulting sanctions remain in place.

The decision of the appeals officer is final, and this matter is considered closed. A full copy of the appeals officer's outcome and determination is attached.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like further clarification.

Respectfully,

Cherie A. Scricca Hearing Coordinator

Cc:

Jane Doe 1

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February 12, 2014

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RE: Determination on Appeal filed by John Doe

On February 3, 2014, the Hearing Coordinator of the Title IX Office of Occidental College requested that I review the appeal filed by John Doe regarding the complaint of violation of the Sexual Misconduct Policy filed by Ms. Jane Doe against Mr. John Doe . I do not know the Complainant, the Respondent, or the Adjudicator, nor have I previously been involved in this case. The documents reviewed for this appeal are noted below.

Procedural Background

On September 15, 2013, Jane Doe filed a Complaint stating that John Doe had violated the College's Sexual Misconduct Policy. The College began investigation of Jane Doe l's complaint on or about October 1, 2013. The investigators completed interviewing witnesses on or about October 28, 2013 and issued a report to the Title IX Office on or about November 14, 2013.

On December 7, 2013, the College conducted a hearing presided over by an external adjudicator, Marilou F. Mirkovich. On or about December 9, 2013, the adjudicator issued a decision on the complaint. In that decision, the adjudicator found by a preponderance of the evidence that *John Doe* was responsible for sexual assault and non-consensual sexual contact under College policy. On December 13, 2013, the College notified the Complainant and Respondent of the adjudicator's decision. Because of the Winter Break, the parties were given until January 6, 2014 to submit an appeal. On January 6, 2014, the Respondent appealed the adjudicator's decision. An amended appeal was submitted on January 7, 2014.

Stated Basis for Appeal

In his January 7 letter appealing the adjudicator's December 7 decision, the Respondent asserts that the following constitute procedural/substantive errors and/or new evidence

and constitute standing for his appeal. For the sake of clarity, I have used the paragraph numbers from the Respondent's appeal:

- 23(a): No Rights for the Accused
- 23(b): Lack of Diversity
- 23(c): Irrelevant and Prejudicial Materials Presented
- 23(d): No Hearing Panel Convened
- 23(e): Relevant Questions Not Asked
- 23(f): Misstated Standard of Proof
- 23(g): Findings Not Supported by the Evidence
- 23(h): Decision Not Supported by the Findings
- 24(a): New Evidence Unavailable at the Original Hearing: Redacted Evidence
- 24(b): New Evidence Unavailable at the Original Hearing: Blood Alcohol Levels and Stages of Acute Alcoholic Influence/Intoxication

Basis for Appeal under the Policy

In any request for an appeal, the burden of proof lies with the party requesting the appeal. The Appeals Officer shall first consider whether the appeal is timely filed and if so, whether the appeal is properly framed based on the two grounds.

According to the policy, dissatisfaction with the outcome of the hearing is not grounds for appeal. The policy provides for two grounds for appeal:

- A procedural or substantive error occurred that significantly affected the outcome of the hearing (e.g. substantiated bias, material deviation from established procedures, etc.).
- New evidence, unavailable during the original hearing or investigation that could substantially impact the original finding or sanction (a summary of this new evidence and its potential impact must be included).

Appeals are not intended to be full rehearing of the complaint (de novo). In most cases, appeals are confined to a review of the written documentation or record of the original hearing, and pertinent documentation regarding the grounds for appeal. This is not an opportunity for the Appeals Officer to substitute his/her judgment for that of the original hearing body merely because s/he disagrees with its finding and/or sanctions. Appeals decisions are to be deferential to the original hearing body, making changes to the finding only where there is clear error.

Evidence Reviewed to Determine Whether Standing for the Appeal Exists

In determining whether the Respondent's appeal has standing, the following documents were reviewed:

- The amended appeal and exhibits
- · Complainant's response to the appeal
- The outcome letter to the Respondent
- The sanction letter to the Respondent
- The external adjudicator's decision
- The investigation report
- The Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy

Timeliness of Appeal

According to the policy, the appeal must be filed in writing within five (5) business days of receiving the written outcome.

The Respondent received the written outcome of the hearing on December 13, 2013. Because of the impending Winter Break, the Respondent was given until January 6, 2014 to submit an appeal. The original appeal is dated January 6, 2014, which was the deadline given to the Respondent in the written outcome of the hearing. As a result, the Respondent's appeal is timely under the Policy.

Standing for Appeal

23(a). No Rights for the Accused

The Respondent claims that there was a procedural error because the proceedings deviated from procedures outlined in the U.N. Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the U.S. Constitution, and the California Constitution. He asserts that the due process rights afforded alleged criminals under those documents were not provided him in this case. The Policy, however, explicitly states that "[t]he hearing is an informal proceeding not comparable to a criminal trial." Thus, the procedures associated with the criminal process are not applicable to proceedings under the Policy. Because the Respondent does not claim that there was an error with regard to the procedures established by the Policy, I find that ground 23(a) lacks standing.

23(b). Lack of Diversity

Here, the Respondent asserts that the lack of gender diversity among those responsible for administering these proceedings constitutes "actual and apparent bias against students of the male gender." This ground for appeal is not properly

¹ Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy, 40.

² Amended Appeal, pg. 9

framed for two reasons. First, the Policy does not mandate a particular gender composition among those administering the proceedings. Secondly, the Policy states that *substantiated* bias is grounds for appeal. In this case, the Respondent does not point to a specific source of bias for any of these administrators, other than their female gender. A person's gender alone is not enough to substantiate bias. Therefore, the gender composition of persons administering the College's policy does not constitute a procedural error. For these reasons, I find that ground 23(b) lacks standing.

23(c). Irrelevant and Prejudicial Materials Presented

The Respondent claims that irrelevant and prejudicial materials in the form of statements made by Professor Danielle Dirks were presented at the hearing and that this constitutes a substantive error that impacted the outcome of the case. I find that this ground was properly stated for appeal and therefore has standing.

23(d). No Hearing Panel Convened

In this case, the matter was heard by an external adjudicator, as opposed to a three-person hearing panel. The Respondent contends that this is a procedural and substantive error. While it is true that sexual misconduct cases are often heard by a three-person panel, the Policy expressly allows for a case to be heard by an external adjudicator at the discretion of the Hearing Coordinator.³ Thus, the fact that this case was heard by an external adjudicator is not a procedural or substantive error.

The Respondent also argues that the Policy itself is unfair, because it allows for certain specific procedures to be determined at the discretion of the College. Challenging the Policy itself is not one of the two grounds for appeal under the Policy, and in any event, this objection to the policy does not raise an issue of procedural or substantive error. For this reason, and the reason stated above, I find that ground 23(d) lacks standing.

23(e). Relevant Questions Not Asked

Here, the Respondent contends that the fact that the external adjudicator failed to ask some of the questions he submitted constitutes a procedural and substantive error. The Policy, however, does not require the hearing panel or external adjudicator to ask every (or any) question submitted by the parties. In fact, the Policy states that the decision to ask questions posed by the parties is left to the discretion of the hearing panel or external adjudicator.⁴ Therefore, I find that ground 23(e) lacks standing.

³ Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy, 35.

⁴ Id. at 41

23(f). Misstated Standard of Proof

The Respondent claims that the external adjudicator misstated both the Policy's and the State of California's standards of proof in her decision and that this is a substantive and procedural error. I find that this ground is properly framed for appeal and therefore has standing.

23(g). Findings Not Supported by the Evidence

In this section, the Respondent reevaluates the facts of the case and claims that the external adjudicator came to the wrong conclusions based on these facts. He does not point to a specific procedural or substantive error; rather, the Respondent appears to be questioning the outcome of the case. This is not proper grounds for appeal. The Policy states that "[d]issatisfaction with the outcome of the hearing is not grounds for appeal." As a result, I find that ground 23(g) lacks standing.

23(h). Decision Not Supported by the Findings

The Respondent contends that the assignment of expulsion as a sanction in the absence of a sanction recommendation from a Hearing Panel or external adjudicator is a procedural error. While it is true that there was no sanction recommendation from the external adjudicator in this case, nothing in the Policy prevents the Hearing Coordinator and Title IX Coordinator from assigning a sanction in the absence of a recommendation. In fact, responsibility for assigning a sanction ultimately lies with the Hearing Coordinator and Title IX Coordinator, even when a recommendation has been made.⁶ Thus, the fact that a sanction was assigned without a recommendation from the external adjudicator is not a procedural error.

The Respondent also challenges the reasoning of the College in assigning expulsion as a sanction. This does not fall under either of the two permissible grounds for appeal under the Policy. As indicated above, the Policy states that "[d]issatisfaction with the outcome of the hearing is not grounds for appeal." Therefore, I find that ground 23(h) lacks standing.

24(a). New Evidence Unavailable at the Original Hearing: Redacted Evidence

The Respondent claims that the information redacted from the Investigation Report for purposes of the hearing is new evidence that could substantially impact the original finding or sanction. This ground is not properly framed for appeal, because

⁵ Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy, 45.

⁶ The Policy states, "The Hearing Coordinator, in consultation with the Title IX Coordinator, will review the recommendations and impose an appropriate sanction," (pg. 42) and "[t]he Hearing Coordinator and Title IX Coordinator will review the panel's recommendations and take reasonable steps to foster consistency for similar violations and circumstances." (pg. 43)

⁷ Id. at 45.

the redacted information is not new evidence. This information was available during the investigation. The Hearing Coordinator chose to redact it prior to the hearing, concluding that it was not relevant or material to the determination of responsibility. Such redaction is permissible under the Policy.⁸ Therefore, ground 24(a) lacks standing.

24(b): New Evidence Unavailable at the Original Hearing: Blood Alcohol Levels and Stages of Acute Alcoholic Influence/Intoxication

The Respondent also claims that Blood Alcohol Charts and Standard Stages of Acute Alcoholic Influence/Intoxication Charts are new evidence unavailable for the hearing. Although it is questionable whether an adequate showing of unavailability of this kind of publicly available information has been made for purposes of standing on appeal, I will review and determine this ground as if standing existed.

In summary, I find that grounds 23(a), 23(b), 23(d), 23(e), 23(g), 23(h), and 24(a) do not have standing under the Policy.

The following have standing under the Policy: 23(c), 23(f), and 24(b). I will address the merits of each to determine whether these might have affected the outcome of the case.

Evaluation of the Merits

23(c). Irrelevant and Prejudicial Materials

When contesting a matter based on a substantive error, the Respondent must first demonstrate that there was an error, and secondly, that this error significantly affected the outcome of the hearing. In this case, the first requirement was not met. I find that there was no substantive error here.

Under the Policy, the Hearing Coordinator is given the discretion to determine whether information contained in the documentary evidence is relevant and material to the determination of responsibility and to redact any information that he/she deems to be irrelevant, more prejudicial than probative, or immaterial. The Hearing Coordinator may also redact statements of personal opinion and statements as to general reputation for any character trait.⁹

Here, it was not unreasonable for the Hearing Coordinator to allow statements made by Professor Dirks to be part of the record and considered for potential relevance, and to be assigned weight (or lack thereof) as the adjudicator deemed appropriate. Among other things, Dirks described the Complainant's demeanor after the incident, which could speak to the Complainant's credibility.

⁸ Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy, 38.

⁹ Id

Even if the Hearing Coordinator erred in not redacting Dirks' statements, there is no indication that this had a significant impact on the outcome of the hearing, or that the exclusion of such statements would have materially impacted the outcome. Indeed, the determination itself strongly suggests the opposite. Though the external adjudicator cited testimony from most of the other witnesses interviewed by the investigators, she did not mention Dirks' statements in her decision. Particularly telling is that Dirks' statements did not factor into any of the external adjudicator's conclusions, while the statements of most of the other witnesses did.

For these reasons, ground 23(c) does not provide a basis for overturning the external adjudicator's decision.

23(f). Misstated Standard of Proof

The Respondent also fails to establish that there was a procedural or substantive error on this ground.

With regard to the standard of proof under the Policy, the external adjudicator quoted the Policy verbatim when stating the standard of proof in her decision. Because the standard of proof was accurately and directly quoted from the Policy, there was no misstatement and therefore no procedural error that impacted the outcome of the case.

The external adjudicator also correctly stated that both the elements and standard of proof under California law do not apply here. While it is true that the Policy's definition of sexual assault incorporates both the federal and state definitions of sexual assault, the Policy also makes it clear that all proceedings under the Policy are separate from criminal proceedings. The goal of a hearing is to determine whether the Policy has been violated, not whether state or federal law has been violated. Because the Policy's relationship to state criminal law was correctly stated, there was no substantive or procedural error.

24(b). New Evidence Unavailable at the Original Hearing: Blood Alcohol Levels and Stages of Acute Alcoholic Influence/Intoxication

In the case of new evidence, the Respondent must demonstrate that it could substantially impact the original finding or sanction. The Respondent does not meet

¹⁰ External Adjudicator's Decision, pg. 5.

¹¹ Id. at 5, footnote 4.

¹² "A hearing is not intended to be adversarial; rather, it is intended to be educational and developmental. The hearing is intended to provide a fair and ample opportunity for each side to present his/her account of the incident and for the hearing panel to determine the facts of the case, make a determination as to whether *College policy* was violated, and to recommend appropriate sanctions, if necessary. The hearing is an informal proceeding not comparable to a criminal trial; it is the mechanism by which the College assesses, and as appropriate, takes formal disciplinary action regarding *a violation of College policy*." Occidental College Sexual Misconduct Policy, pg. 40. Emphasis added.

that requirement. The Blood Alcohol Charts and the Stages of Acute Alcoholic Influence/Intoxication are of little help here, as there is no way to know what the Complainant's actual blood alcohol level was on the night in question. Reference to the charts would support little more than speculation and would not shed much more light on the Complainant's state of capacity on the night of September 7, or impact all of the other evidence considered by the adjudicator in reaching a determination on this issue. Thus, the charts would not have substantially impacted the external adjudicator's analysis and decision in my view.

Conclusion

I find that grounds 23(a), 23(b), 23(d), 23(e), 23(g), 23(h), and 24(a) do not have standing under the Policy.

While grounds 23(c) and 23(f) are properly framed grounds for appeal, both grounds fail to demonstrate that there was a procedural or substantive error that significantly affected the outcome of the case. Similarly, though 24(b) is also a properly framed ground for appeal, the Respondent fails to demonstrate that the new evidence would have substantially impacted the original finding or sanction.

Based on all of the above, I find no basis for overturning the external adjudicator's decision in this matter.

Sincerely,

Maria Hinton