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CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION - LAW

GRAHAM B. SPANIER

Plaintiff,

v.

LOUIS J. FREEH, and
FREEH SPORKIN & SULLIVAN, LLP,

Defendants.

Docket No. 2013-2707

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**PLAINTIFF GRAHAM B. SPANIER'S MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR LEAVE TO JOIN ADDITIONAL PARTIES**

Pursuant to Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure 2229 and 2232, Plaintiff Graham B. Spanier seeks leave to join as additional defendants in this action: (1) Freeh Group International Solutions, LLC ("FGIS"), a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware; and (2) Pennsylvania State

University ("Penn State"), a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. As set forth below, Dr. Spanier's claims against FGIS and Penn State arise out of the same series of transactions or occurrences as Dr. Spanier's defamation claims against Defendants Louis J. Freeh and Freeh Sporkin & Sullivan, LLP ("FSS"), common questions of law and fact affecting the liability of all such persons will arise in the action, and joinder of FGIS and Penn State in the existing defamation action will promote judicial economy and avoid a multiplicity of suits regarding the same series of transactions or occurrences. Moreover, joining these additional defendants will not prejudice Defendants Freeh or FSS in any way because the defamation suit has been stayed since its inception, no complaint has been filed, and the case has not yet progressed beyond an initial stage.[1] Accordingly, Dr. Spanier seeks permission to file the Proposed Complaint attached hereto as Exhibit 1, joining these additional defendants and claims.

**PROCEDURAL HISTORY**

On July 11, 2013, Dr. Spanier commenced this action by filing a Praecipe for a Writ of Summons with the Prothonotary. He subsequently served the writs on the Defendants. On September 12, 2013, Dr. Spanier filed a Praecipe to Issue Amended Writ of Summons, which dropped originally named defendant Pepper

[1] Contemporaneously herewith, Dr. Spanier is also filing a motion to modify the stay entered in this action.

Hamilton LLP.[2] On September 30, 2013, Defendants Freeh and FSS filed a "Praecipe to File Complaint," requesting that the Prothonotary enter a "Rule upon Plaintiff to file a Complaint." The Rule was granted the same day. On October 18, 2013, Plaintiff filed a Motion to Stay Civil Proceedings, asking that the Court stay the defamation proceeding in light of a pending criminal case against Dr. Spanier in the Court of Common Pleas of Dauphin County, docket number CP-22-MD-0001387-2012. On February 25, 2014, the Court granted the Motion to Stay.

On March 25, 2014, Defendants Freeh and FSS filed a Notice of Appeal and an Application for Special Relief in the Nature of a Request for an Expedited Appeal, requesting that the Superior Court of Pennsylvania overturn this Court's order granting a stay. After oral argument, the Superior Court entered an order and opinion on June 30, 2014, holding that this Court's stay order did not qualify as a collateral order, and dismissing the appeal for lack of jurisdiction. As a result, the order staying the defamation case remains in effect.

In December 2014, the Centre County Court Administrator sent the parties a notice setting a pre-trial conference in this matter for January 21, 2015. On

[2] Dr. Spanier originally named Pepper Hamilton LLP as a successor to Freeh Sporkin & Sullivan, LLP, due to public statements by FSS and Pepper Hamilton that there had been a merger of the two firms. Based on the representations of counsel for FSS and Pepper Hamilton that there had been no formal merger and that FSS was still a separate legal entity with capacity to be sued in its own name, Dr. Spanier filed for an amended writ of summons which dropped Pepper Hamilton as a defendant.

January 20, 2015 the parties wrote to the Court, noting that the case remained stayed, stating their agreement that a conference hearing with the Court would be beneficial, but asking that the conference be rescheduled for a later date in light of certain developments in Dr. Spanier's criminal case. The hearing was subsequently rescheduled for March 18, 2015.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS

The claims against Freeh and FSS, and the prospective claims against FGIS and Penn State, all arise out of the Grand Jury indictment and subsequent prosecution of former Penn State assistant football coach, and The Second Mile charity founder, Gerald ("Jerry") Sandusky, and Penn State's retention of Freeh and FSS to issue a report blaming certain Penn State employees and administrators for failing to stop Sandusky's criminal activities.[3] (*See generally* Ex. 1.) The defamation claims against Freeh and FSS relate to defamatory statements Defendants made concerning Dr. Spanier in a July 12, 2012 written report entitled "Report of the Special Investigative Task Force Regarding the Actions of the Pennsylvania State University Related to the Child Sexual Abuse Committed By Gerald A. Sandusky," ("Freeh Report") (*see* Ex. 1 at Ex. A), in a July 12, 2012

[3] The facts supporting the causes of action against Defendants Freeh and FSS and prospective defendants FGIS and Penn State are set forth in detail in the Proposed Complaint attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The facts stated herein are intended to summarize the facts alleged in the Proposed Complaint to demonstrate that joinder is appropriate.

press conference held in conjunction with the release of the Freeh Report, in prepared remarks distributed at the press conference, and in a February 2013 press release reiterating the defamatory statements and allegations in the Freeh Report. (*See* Ex. 1 at 106-120 (Counts I-IV).) The claims against Penn State relate primarily to the defamatory statements made by Freeh and FSS, to statements made by certain Penn State trustees regarding the Freeh Report that spoke negatively and disparagingly about Dr. Spanier in violation of an explicit clause in Dr. Spanier's November 15, 2011 Separation Agreement (the "Separation Agreement") (Ex. 1 at Ex. D) with Penn State, and to other breaches of the Separation Agreement by Penn State which also occurred as a result of, and arose directly from, the defamatory statements in the Freeh Report. (*Id.* at 122-137 (Counts VI-XII).) The claim against FGIS relates to Freeh's and FGIS's actions during Freeh's engagement by Penn State in tortiously interfering with Dr. Spanier's employment opportunities. (*Id.* at 121 (Count V).)

During the fall of 2008, the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office began investigating allegations that Sandusky had sexually abused boys whom he had had supervised as an employee of The Second Mile charity. (*Id.* ¶ 76.) In November 2011, multiple criminal charges were brought against Sandusky alleging numerous instances of sexual abuse of minors. (*Id.* ¶ 77.) Also in November 2011, former Penn State Athletic Director Tim Curley and former Senior Vice-President for

Finance and Business Gary Schultz were charged criminally for failing to report an alleged instance of abuse by Sandusky that occurred on the Penn State campus in 2001. (*Id.* ¶ 78.)

The media frenzy following the indictments created a public relations crisis for Penn State. Dr. Spanier, then President of Penn State, offered to resign his position if, as some members of the Board of Trustees apparently believed, he would become a distraction for Penn State in dealing with the crisis. (*Id.* ¶ 80.) The Penn State Board of Trustees voted to accept his resignation on November 9, 2011.

On November 15, 2011, Dr. Spanier and Penn State entered into the Separation Agreement to memorialize the terms of his separation as President of Penn State, and his continued employment as a tenured professor at Penn State. (*Id.* ¶¶ 80-86.) The Separation Agreement provided, *inter alia*, that Penn State and members of the Board of Trustees were prohibited from making any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, his professional colleagues, or to the public, that Penn State would reimburse Dr. Spanier for all legal fees and expenses incurred in connection with the Grand Jury presentment, his separation as President from Penn State, and with respect to any alleged acts or omissions which occurred during his time as President, and that Penn State was required to provide Dr. Spanier with administrative support commensurate with that received by other

tenured faculty members and University professors. (*Id.* ¶¶ 87-93.) On the same day that Dr. Spanier's presidency ended, the Board of Trustees fired longtime head football coach Joseph J. Paterno. (*Id.* ¶ 94.)

To address the growing media frenzy, Penn State retained Freeh and FSS, purportedly to conduct an "independent, full, and complete" investigation of "the alleged failures of Penn State University personnel to respond to, and report to the appropriate authorities, the sexual abuse of children by former University football coach Gerald A. Sandusky." (*Id.* ¶ 96.) Freeh and FSS would ultimately issue the Freeh Report on July 12, 2012. (*Id.* ¶ 101.) The Proposed Complaint alleges that Freeh and FSS made numerous false and defamatory statements concerning Dr. Spanier in the Freeh Report, including but not limited to statements claiming that Dr. Spanier exhibited a total disregard for the safety and welfare of Sandusky's victims, he failed to protect children against Sandusky, he empowered Sandusky to attract potential victims, he concealed Sandusky's child abuse in order to avoid bad publicity, and he allowed Sandusky to retire from Penn State in 1999 as a former football coach rather than as a suspected child predator. (*Id.* ¶ 283.) The Proposed Complaint also alleges that similar statements made by Freeh at a press conference announcing the release of the Freeh Report, and in prepared written remarks distributed in conjunction with the press conference, were defamatory. (*Id.* ¶¶ 301, 318.) Finally, the Proposed Complaint further alleges that a press release issued by

Freeh in February 2013 contained additional defamatory statements doubling down on the defamatory statements made in the Freeh Report. (*Id.* ¶ 336.)

The Proposed Complaint brings several counts of breach of the Separation Agreement against Penn State for the negative and disparaging remarks that it, and certain members of the Board of Trustees, have made about Dr. Spanier. In addition to retaining Freeh and FSS and knowingly facilitating its agents' acts of making negative statements about Dr. Spanier in breach of the Separation Agreement, Penn State also posted the Freeh Report, Freeh's written press conference remarks, and a video of Freeh's press conference on Penn State's website in breach of the Separation Agreement's non-disparagement clause. (*Id.* ¶ 270.) Moreover, Penn State itself held a press conference on July 12, 2012 in conjunction with the release of the Freeh Report, in which certain members of the Board of Trustees commented on the Freeh Report's allegations, including making numerous negative statements about Dr. Spanier in breach of the Separation Agreement. (*Id.* ¶¶ 271-273.) Penn State held a similar news conference the following day, again featuring certain Trustees making negative statements about Dr. Spanier that arose out of the defamatory statements in the Freeh Report. (*Id.* ¶ 274.) Following the release of the Freeh Report, Penn State has also taken numerous punitive actions against Dr. Spanier based on the defamatory statements in the Freeh Report and in breach of the Separation Agreement, including failing to

provide the contractually-required administrative support and refusing to pay for all of Dr. Spanier's legal fees incurred as a result of the Freeh Report, as required by the Separation Agreement. (*Id.* ¶¶ 275-281.)

During the work on the Penn State engagement, Freeh and FSS retained FGIS, a limited liability company also founded by Freeh, as a subcontractor for the investigation. Dr. Spanier, meanwhile, pursued employment opportunities for the U.S. government in the Spring of 2012 on two classified projects involving national security. (*Id.* ¶¶ 251-254.) In late April 2012, these assignments were suddenly withdrawn. (*Id.* ¶ 255.) In October 2013, following the public release of emails between Freeh, FGIS employee Omar McNeill, and Penn State Trustees Kenneth Frazier and Ronald Tomalis, Dr. Spanier would learn that his employment with this government agency was terminated as a result of actions taken by Freeh in his capacity as a principal of FGIS. (*Id.* ¶¶ 256-264.) The Proposed Complaint alleges that, when the news of Dr. Spanier's employment with the federal government became public, Freeh and FGIS intentionally contacted federal authorities to urge them to terminate Dr. Spanier's employment. (*Id.*) Freeh and FGIS bragged in an April 2012 email exchange with Frazier and Tomalis that FGIS had "done [its] job" and notified federal officials of the false claims they intended to make regarding Dr. Spanier. (*Id.* ¶ 258-259.) As a result of this

tortious interference, Dr. Spanier's then-current and future prospective work was terminated by the government. (*Id.* ¶ 261.)

The Proposed Complaint contains the following counts, all of which arise from the same series of transactions or occurrences described above:

| COUNT | CAUSE OF ACTION | AGAINST |
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| I | Defamation For Statements In Freeh Report | Freeh and FSS |
| II | Defamation For Spoken Statements During The July 12, 2012 Press Conference | Freeh and FSS |
| III | Defamation For Written Prepared Remarks Distributed From July 12, 2012 Press Conference | Freeh and FSS |
| IV | Defamation For Statements Made By Freeh In the February 10, 2013 Press Release | Freeh and FSS |
| V | Tortious Interference With Prospective Contractual/Business Relations | Freeh and FGIS |
| VI | Breach Of Contract for Negative Comments In Freeh Report and Freeh Press Conference | Penn State |
| VII | Breach Of Contract For Publishing Freeh Report, The Freeh Press Conference, And Freeh's July 12 2012 Media Statement | Penn State |
| VIII | Breach Of Contract For Negative Comments By Kenneth Frazier And Karen Peetz | Penn State |
| IX | Breach Of Contract For Negative Comments Of Trustee Kenneth Masser | Penn State |

| COUNT | CAUSE OF ACTION | AGAINST |
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| X | Breach Of Contract For Negative Comments Of Trustees To New York Times | Penn State |
| XI | Breach Of Contract For Failure To Provide Administrative Support | Penn State |
| XII | Breach Of Contract For Failure To Pay Legal Fees And Expenses | Penn State |

## STATEMENT OF THE QUESTION INVOLVED

Should Dr. Spanier be granted leave to join FGIS and Penn State as defendants in this action, where the claims against FGIS and Penn State arise from the same series of transactions or occurrences as the claims against Freeh and FSS, and common questions of fact or law affecting the liabilities of all such persons will arise in the action?

*Suggested response: Yes.*

## ARGUMENT

Dr. Spanier should be granted leave to join FGIS and Penn State as defendants in this action so that all of these related claims may be prosecuted together. Pennsylvania Rule of Civil Procedure 2232(c) grants the Court discretion to permit joinder of additional defendants at any stage of the action if such defendants could have been joined originally. Pa.R.C.P. No. 2232(c). Pennsylvania's permissive joinder rule in turn states that "[a] plaintiff may join as defendants persons against whom the plaintiff asserts any right to relief jointly,

severally, separately or in the alternative, in respect of or arising out of the same transaction, occurrence, or series of transactions or occurrences if any common question of law or fact affecting the liabilities of all such persons will arise in the action." Pa.R.C.P. No. 2229(b). Because the claims in the Proposed Complaint against Freeh, FSS, FGIS, and Penn State all arise out of the same series of transactions or occurrences and involve common questions of fact and law, Dr. Spanier requests that the Court exercise its discretion to permit FGIS and Penn State to be joined in this action in order to promote judicial economy and to avoid a multiplicity of suits.

## I. The Claims And Counts In The Proposed Complaint All Arise From The Same Series of Transactions Or Occurrences.

"Rule 2229(b) of the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure [ ] gives the plaintiff the option of joining two or more persons as defendants if the liabilities of the defendants arise from a common factual background and a common question of law or fact will arise." *Gen. Elec. Credit Corp. v. Aetna Cas. & Surety Co.*, 437 Pa. 463, 468 (1970). As set forth above and in even greater detail in the Proposed Complaint, all of the claims against Freeh, FSS, FGIS, and Penn State are factually interrelated and arise from the same series of transactions or occurrences. As a result, the first requirement for permissive joinder of defendants is easily satisfied.

The claims against Freeh and FSS principally relate to defamatory statements made by Freeh and FSS in the course of their engagement for Penn

State, specifically in the Freeh Report commissioned by Penn State, the press conference announcing the release of the Freeh Report, prepared remarks distributed at that press conference, and in a later press release by Freeh defending and reiterating the statements made in the Freeh Report. (*See* Ex. 1 at 106-120.) The breach of contract claims against Penn State arise from the same factual circumstances. Proposed Count VI concerns the same statements by Freeh and FSS that are identified in Counts I-IV, and alleges that they amount to a breach by Penn State of the Separation Agreement with Dr. Spanier. (*See id.* at 122-123.) Specifically, Count VI alleges that Penn State breached the Separation Agreement's non-disparagement clause by engaging Freeh and FSS for the stated purpose of accusing former University officials, including Dr. Spanier, of failing to respond to and report Sandusky's crimes, and by further encouraging and facilitating Freeh's making of these defamatory statements despite the Separation Agreement's explicit prohibition on making negative comments about Dr. Spanier. (*Id.*)

Count VII also concerns the same statements by Freeh and FSS in the Freeh Report, press conference, and press release, and alleges that Penn State breached the Separation Agreement's non-disparagement clause by knowingly publishing these defamatory and negative comments about Dr. Spanier on Penn State's website. (*Id.* at 123-125.) Counts VIII-X concern negative comments about Dr.

Spanier made by certain members of the Penn State Board of Trustees. (*See id.* at 125-134.) Again, these statements directly relate to the fallout from the Sandusky scandal, Penn State's engagement of Freeh and FSS, and the defamation of Dr. Spanier in the Freeh Report. For example, Count VIII alleges that Penn State breached the Separation Agreement's prohibition against negative comments about Dr. Spanier when it held two press conferences in conjunction with the release of the Freeh Report in which certain members of the Board of Trustees discussed the Freeh Report and made negative comments about Dr. Spanier. (*Id.*)[4]

Finally, the claim against FGIS for tortious interference also arises from the same series of occurrences. Count V alleges that in the course of the Penn State engagement, Freeh and FSS contracted with FGIS — another Freeh-run entity — and that FGIS investigators did the bulk of the groundwork for the Freeh Report. (Ex. 1 ¶¶ 353-358, *see also id.* at 251-264, 108-111.) Before the release of the Freeh Report, but during the course of that engagement, Freeh and FGIS employee Omar McNeill tortiously interfered with Dr. Spanier's employment on national

[4] For example, at the July 12, 2012 Press Conference, Penn State Trustee Kenneth Frazier stated: "Judge Freeh's Report is both sad and sobering.... Judge Freeh's Report concludes that at the moment of truth, people who are in a position to protect children, and to confront a predator — including people at the highest levels of responsibility in the University — specifically, Graham Spanier, Joe Paterno, Tim Curley, and Gary Schultz, did not put the welfare of children first." (Ex. 1 ¶ 382.)

security matters by contacting federal officials and urging them to terminate Dr. Spanier's employment. (*Id.* ¶¶ 353-358.)

## II. Common Questions Of Law And Fact Will Arise In The Action.

By its plain terms, Rule 2229 permits joinder of defendants in one action if even a single overlapping question of law or fact will arise in the action as a result of the claims for relief asserted against those defendants. *See* Pa.R.C.P. 2229(b) ("A plaintiff may join as defendants persons against whom the plaintiff asserts any right to relief jointly, severally, separately or in the alternative ... if ***any*** common question of law or fact affecting the liabilities of all such persons will arise in the action.") (emphasis added); *Miller v. Hygrade Food Prods. Corp.*, 202 F.R.D. 142, 145 (E.D. Pa. 2001) (holding that under FRCP 20 — the similar federal joinder rule — only a single common question of fact or law is required, a "very low threshold"); *Emich v. Boggs & Buhl, Inc.*, 66 Pa. D. & C. 214, 220 (Pa. Ct. Com. Pl. 1948) (Pennsylvania's joinder rule is an adaptation of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 20). The substantial interrelatedness of all the claims in the Proposed Complaint makes it a certainty that common questions of law and fact will arise in the action if joinder is permitted.

For example, the defamation claims against Freeh and FSS and the breach of contract claims against Penn State target many of the exact same statements from the Freeh Report, Freeh's July 12, 2012 press conference, and the prepared

remarks Freeh distributed at the press conference. (*Compare* Ex. 1 at 106-117 (Counts I-III) *with* Ex. 1 at 122-129 (Counts VI-VII).) The Separation Agreement's non-disparagement clause is breached if Penn State makes "negative" statements about Dr. Spanier to the media and the public (*see id.* ¶ 91), while a defamation plaintiff in Pennsylvania must demonstrate the "defamatory character" of a statement by showing that it would tend to harm the subject's reputation and lower him in the estimation of the community. *Reed v. Pray*, 53 A.3d 134, 139-40 (Pa. Commw. 2012). Thus, these claims involving common questions of fact in terms of the character, force and impact of the statements, as well as overlapping legal elements.

Damages are also an element of both a breach of contract and a defamation claim. *Reed*, 53 A.3d at 140; *Braun v. Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.*, 24 A.3d 875, 896 (Pa. Super. Ct. 2011). Here, there is substantial factual overlap between the harm caused to Dr. Spanier by Freeh and FSS's publication of defamatory statements about Dr. Spanier, and Penn State's facilitation and publication of the same statements in breach of the Separation Agreement. The statements by Penn State's Trustees that Dr. Spanier alleges to be in breach of the Separation Agreement are also similar to, and in many cases are reiterations of, the defamatory statements in the Freeh Report. (*Compare* Ex. 1 ¶ 283 *with id.* ¶ 384.) Pennsylvania case law expressly encourages joinder of causes of action against multiple defendants in

situations where, as here, those defendants have contributed to or exacerbated the same harm to the plaintiff. *See Emich*, 66 Pa. D. & C. at 220-24.

There is also substantial factual overlap between the tortious interference claim against FGIS and the defamation and breach of contract claims. An element of a tortious interference claim in Pennsylvania is intent on the part of the defendant to harm the plaintiff by interfering with the contractual relationship. *Empire Trucking Co., Inc. v. Reading Anthracite Coal Co.*, 71 A.3d 923, 933 (Pa. Super. Ct. 2013). In evaluating whether an interference was intentional and improper, Pennsylvania courts take into account the nature of the defendant's conduct, the defendant's motive, and the relations between the plaintiff and defendant. *Id.* at 934. The factual allegations in the Proposed Complaint supporting the claims against all parties allege that Freeh acted with actual malice, that Freeh knew there was no evidence to support his charges against Dr. Spanier (both those communicated to federal officials to interfere with Dr. Spanier's contract and those later made in the Freeh Report, press conference, and prepared remarks), and that Freeh, FSS, FGIS, and the Penn State Trustees were motivated by a collective desire to harm, disparage, and scapegoat Dr. Spanier to compartmentalize the damage to the University and to vindicate Penn State's hasty termination of legendary football coach Joe Paterno and its acceptance of Dr. Spanier's resignation. (*See* Ex. 1 ¶¶ 5-13, 267-268.)

Finally, there is also substantial factual overlap between the claims against Freeh, FSS, and FGIS, and the claim that Penn State has breached the Separation Agreement by failing to pay for Dr. Spanier's legal fees and expenses as required by the Agreement. The Proposed Complaint alleges that these legal fees were incurred as a direct result of the Freeh Report, Dr. Spanier's subsequent indictment resulting from the Freeh Report, and Penn State and Freeh's refusal to provide Dr. Spanier with copies of his own emails which he sought to defend himself against the damaging claims being made by Freeh, FSS, FGIS, and certain Penn State Trustees. (*Id.* ¶¶ 279-281.)

## III. Joinder Of FGIS And Penn State Will Promote Judicial Economy And Will Not Prejudice Freeh Or FSS.

Pennsylvania courts have long recognized that the joinder rules should be "interpreted liberally to accomplish their purpose, which is to further simplify and expedite the disposition of matters involving numerous parties with divergent interests." *Coppage v. Smith*, 381 Pa. 400, 404-405 (1955), *overruled in part on other grounds by Morgan v. Dean Phipps Stores*, 429 Pa. 52 (1968). The primary intent of the joinder rules is to "avoid multiplicity of suits by providing for the adjudication of all the rights and liabilities of those present and concerned in a single suit." *Ragan v. Steen*, 229 Pa. Super. 515, 525 (1974) (citation omitted). Permitting Dr. Spanier to add FGIS and Penn State to this action will serve these purposes and avoid the need for Dr. Spanier to file multiple lawsuits regarding the

same subject matter. Moreover, because of the interrelatedness of all the claims and the common factual background, multiple lawsuits would require duplicative and more expensive discovery that could be accomplished far more easily if all of those involved in the Freeh Report and the resulting harm to Dr. Spanier are parties to the same suit.

Finally, there is no countervailing harm or prejudice to Freeh or FSS that would result from joining of additional defendants, one of which is the entity that retained Freeh and FSS, while the other is another entity led by Freeh himself. As the Court is aware, the case against Freeh and FSS has been stayed from its inception, and no substantive motions practice or discovery has taken place. Moreover, while permitting joinder will greatly expedite and lower the cost of discovery for these claims, joinder of parties in a single action by definition "does not affect either the substantive or procedural rights the parties would have in separate actions." *Del Boring Tire Serv., Inc. v. Loader Leasing, Inc.*, 285 Pa. Super. 66, 72 (1981). Rule 2231(c) mandates that the trial of an action in which parties have been joined shall be conducted as if the actions against the different defendants were independent, and there must be separate verdicts and judgments for each. *Id.* The purpose of joining multiple parties in a suit is thus one of "administrative convenience" that does not unite the causes of action for all purposes, and the Court always retains the discretion in the future to order separate

trials of the defendants if necessary. *Meyer v. Heilman*, 503 Pa. 472, 479-480 (1983). Because the joining of all of these parties as defendants in a single suit will promote judicial economy, expedite the prosecution of the causes of action, facilitate discovery, and avoid a multiplicity of lawsuits concerning the same subject matter, the Court should exercise its discretion to permit Dr. Spanier to add FGIS and Penn State as defendants in this action.

## CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Dr. Spanier respectfully requests that the Court enter an order permitting Dr. Spanier to join FGIS and Penn State as additional defendants pursuant to Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure 2229 and 2232, and permitting Dr. Spainer to file and serve on all such parties the Proposed Complaint attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

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CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
CIVIL ACTION

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| GRAHAM B. SPANIER<br><br>Plaintiff,<br><br>v.<br><br>LOUIS J. FREEH,<br>FREEH SPORKIN & SULLIVAN, LLP,<br>FREEH GROUP INTERNATIONAL SOLUTIONS, LLC, and<br>PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY<br><br>Defendants. | Docket No. 2013-2707<br><br>Type of Case:<br>Defamation<br>Tortious Interference<br>Breach of Contract<br><br>Type of Pleading: **COMPLAINT**<br><br>Filed on behalf of: Plaintiff<br><br>Counsel of record for this party:<br><br>Thomas A. Clare (pro hac pending)<br>Elizabeth M. Locke (pro hac pending)<br>Andrew C. Phillips (pro hac pending)<br>CLARE LOCKE LLP<br>902 Prince Street<br>Alexandria, Virginia 22314<br>Telephone: (202) 628-7400<br>tom@clarelocke.com<br>libby@clarelocke.com<br>andy@clarelocke.com<br><br>Kathleen Yurchak<br>(Pa I.D. 55948)<br>Goodall & Yurchak, P.C.<br>328 South Atherton Street<br>State College, PA 16801<br>Telephone: (814) 237-4100<br>Fax: (814) 237-1497 |

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# COMPLAINT

## NATURE OF THE ACTION

1. This is a defamation, tortious interference, and breach of contract action brought by Dr. Graham B. Spanier ("Dr. Spanier") against Louis J. Freeh ("Freeh"), his law firm Freeh Sporkin & Sullivan, LLP ("FSS"), his consulting

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firm Freeh Group International Solutions, LLC ("FGIS"), and Pennsylvania State University ("Penn State" or "University"). The lawsuit arises out of false and defamatory statements about Dr. Spanier in the "Freeh Report" commissioned by Penn State, as well as disparaging statements made by certain members of the University's Board of Trustees — as well as other breaches of contract by Penn State — in the wake of the Jerry Sandusky scandal.

2. Dr. Spanier brings defamation claims against Freeh and FSS for false and defamatory statements published in a highly publicized report authored and issued by Freeh after a self-described "independent, full, and complete" investigation into the role of Penn State in the events leading to allegations of sexual abuse being lodged against Gerald Sandusky, who was later convicted of having committed such crimes.

3. In a July 12, 2012 written report entitled "Report of the Special Investigative Counsel Regarding the Actions of the Pennsylvania State University Related to the Child Sexual Abuse Committed By Gerald A. Sandusky" (the "Freeh Report" or "the Report"), Freeh and FSS knowingly and maliciously published numerous false and defamatory statements concerning Dr. Spanier, who served as President of the University from 1995 to 2011.

4. Among other false and defamatory statements, Freeh and FSS falsely stated in the Freeh Report that Dr. Spanier acted in "consistent disregard ... for the



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safety and welfare of Sandusky's child victims," that Dr. Spanier "empowered Sandusky to attract potential victims to the campus," that Dr. Spanier "repeatedly concealed ... Sandusky's child abuse," that Dr. Spanier "granted Sandusky a license to bring boys to campus for 'grooming' as targets for his assaults," that Dr. Spanier made "[a] decision ... to allow Sandusky to retire in 1999, not as a suspected child predator, but as a valued member of the Penn State football legacy," that Dr. Spanier "failed to protect against a child sexual predator harming children for over a decade," and that Dr. Spanier "fail[ed] ... to adequately report and respond to the actions of a serial sexual predator."

5. Freeh and FSS compounded their deliberate defamation of Dr. Spanier by conducting a planned, nationally televised press conference designed and intended to convince the broader public of Dr. Spanier's purported guilt. The press conference was carefully orchestrated and produced with the assistance of a New York City-based, national public relations firm to ensure that Freeh and FSS's "findings" of "concealment" by "the most powerful men at the University" (including Dr. Spanier and head football coach Joseph V. Paterno ("Paterno")) struck a devastating reputational blow while achieving maximum publicity for Freeh and his enterprising private law firm.

6. At the press conference, Freeh deliberately expanded on the defamatory statements in his Report, falsely stating that Dr. Spanier exhibited



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"total disregard for the safety and welfare of Sandusky's child victims," "failed to take any steps for 14 years to protect the children who Sandusky victimized," "never demonstrated, through actions or words, any concern for the safety and well-being of Sandusky's victims," and "repeatedly concealed critical facts relating to Sandusky's child abuse from the authorities, the University's Board of Trustees, the Penn State community, and the public at large."

7. After its release, the Freeh Report was widely criticized by professional investigators and others with knowledge of the relevant facts. Despite these criticisms and the substantial body of evidence demonstrating the falsity of the Report's conclusions about Dr. Spanier, Freeh and FSS "doubled down" on their defamatory statements regarding Dr. Spanier. On February 10, 2013 Freeh issued a press release expanding on the defamatory statements in his Report and press conference, stating that "four of the most powerful officials at Penn State agreed not to report Sandusky's activity to public officials," and "stand[ing] by" his earlier conclusion that "four of the most powerful people at Penn State failed to protect against a child sexual predator harming children for over a decade."

8. Freeh and FSS's defamatory statements regarding Dr. Spanier are demonstrably false. During his tenure as President of Penn State, Dr. Spanier never received any information that Sandusky had abused a child. Dr. Spanier was never provided information that would lead him to conclude that Sandusky had



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ever committed a criminal act directed at a child until *after* Sandusky's criminal indictment.

9. Freeh and FSS's defamation of Dr. Spanier was done with actual malice and reckless disregard for the truth. Freeh and FSS reached their predetermined "findings" and "conclusions" regarding Dr. Spanier long before their "investigation" was concluded — and long before relevant evidence had been considered. Freeh and FSS's preconceived outcome for the report is evidenced by the fact that their 267-page report was drafted and largely finalized *before* Freeh even interviewed Dr. Spanier.

10. Freeh and FSS knew that there was no evidence to support their assertions that Dr. Spanier knew about and concealed child sexual abuse by Sandusky. As an experienced investigator, Freeh knew that his own investigation was glaringly deficient and grossly inadequate to substantiate such sweeping denunciations of Dr. Spanier. Moreover, prior to publication of the defamatory statements, Freeh and FSS discovered exculpatory testimony, facts, evidence, and documents refuting his false statements regarding Dr. Spanier. Freeh and FSS also purposefully avoided interviewing the most critical individuals with most relevant knowledge. Had they done so, such witnesses would have told them that Freeh's conclusions regarding Dr. Spanier were false. But having already determined to transform Dr. Spanier from a preeminent academic administrator to a conspirator



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who enabled a serial pedophile, Freeh and FSS recklessly disregarded the truth, purposefully avoided contradictory information to minimize doubt about the veracity of the accusations he planned to make, and pressed ahead with the decision to defame Dr. Spanier.

11. As a direct result of the Freeh Report and the substantial publicity efforts by Freeh and FSS surrounding the Report, national and international news outlets have republished and reported Freeh's and FSS's false and defamatory statements as fact. As Freeh and FSS knew when they issued the Report, Freeh's professional credentials and experience as a former federal judge and a former Director of the FBI caused the public and the news media to conclude, incorrectly, that the "findings" in the Freeh Report are entitled to the same weight, credibility and hallmarks of impartiality that are commonly afforded to a judicial opinion or neutral trier-of-fact.

12. In truth, and although he built his credentials in the public sector, Freeh was — at the time of the Penn State engagement — simply a private citizen whose duties run only to the private clients who hire him for their specific purposes. Freeh and his affiliated law and consulting firms have developed a lucrative business model — predicated on Freeh's name recognition and FBI credentials — that depends on conducting so-called "independent investigations" and producing "investigative reports" custom tailored with preconceived storylines

to meet his clients' objectives. Clients facing crises are willing to pay enormous fees to Freeh and his firms in order to demonstrate that they are responsibly addressing their duties. Specifically, at the client's request, Freeh performs an "independent investigation" to produce an "investigative report" to identify one or more "wrongdoers" (never Freeh's clients) who can be blamed publicly for the crisis. These kinds of "independent investigations" and "reports," burnished by Freeh's experience and professional credentials, allow Freeh's clients to "move on" and publicly declare the scandal resolved.

13. As a direct and proximate result of the false statements in the Freeh Report about Dr. Spanier — and the public pressure placed on the Attorney General of Pennsylvania by the media and others who read and believed Freeh's false statements — the Attorney General criminally charged Dr. Spanier for his alleged role in covering up Sandusky's crimes. Dr. Spanier has pleaded "not guilty" to the charges. Although nearly two and a half years have elapsed since he was charged, Dr. Spanier is still awaiting trial and enduring the consequences of criminal charges stemming directly from the false statements contained in the Freeh Report. Dr. Spanier denies the allegations in the criminal proceedings and has aggressively and continuously sought justice and a timely opportunity to clear his name. The criminal case's protracted start has exacerbated and continued Dr.

Spanier's ongoing reputational damage and the pain associated therewith, all of which are a direct result of Freeh's and FSS's intentionally false statements.

14. Dr. Spanier also brings tortious interference claims against Freeh and FGIS for their knowing and intentional interference with Dr. Spanier's contractual and prospective business relations following his separation as president of Penn State. Freeh and FGIS intentionally interfered with Dr. Spanier's post-Presidency work for the federal government on national security issues, a field in which Dr. Spanier is a recognized expert. During his engagement with Penn State, Freeh intentionally interfered with Dr. Spanier's existing and prospective employment, and caused Dr. Spanier to lose these employment opportunities.

15. Specifically, in April 2012 Freeh learned from conversations with certain Trustees that Dr. Spanier had been hired to work on national security issues for the federal government. Freeh told these Trustees that he and FGIS had "done [their] job" and contacted federal officials. Soon thereafter, Dr. Spanier's assignments were terminated.

16. Dr. Spanier also brings breach of contract claims against Penn State, his former employer, for multiple breaches of his separation agreement with the University. Upon his resignation from the Presidency of Penn State in November 2011, Dr. Spanier and Penn State entered into a contract setting forth the terms of the separation ("Separation Agreement"). The contract prohibited Penn State from



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making any negative comments about Dr. Spanier, and required Penn State to take actions to ensure that no members of the Board of Trustees made negative comments about Dr. Spanier. In addition, Penn State was (and remains) required to provide Dr. Spanier administrative support commensurate with that received by other tenured Penn State professors and former presidents, including an office location, a secretary, and IT support. The contract also requires Penn State to pay all expenses and legal fees incurred by Dr. Spanier arising out of any alleged acts or omissions occurring during his time as President, specifically including all such legal fees and expenses arising out of the Grand Jury's indictments, criminal charges, and/or Dr. Spanier's resignation from his position as President.

17. Penn State has repeatedly breached the Separation Agreement in several material respects. Penn State has breached the contract's prohibition on negative statements regarding Dr. Spanier by publicizing, permitting, encouraging, and facilitating Freeh and FSS's multiple negative public statements about Dr. Spanier, including those contained in the Freeh Report, which is published on Penn State's own website. Moreover, as part of the media strategy for the release of the Freeh Report, Penn State scheduled two press conferences in which Penn State's President and two members of the Board of Trustees repeatedly made negative comments about Dr. Spanier. Penn State also organized separate media



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appearances for members of its Board of Trustees to make negative comments about Dr. Spanier in breach of the contract.

18. Dr. Spanier brings this action to vindicate his rights under civil law, to restore his reputation as a highly-regarded educator and university administrator, to establish Freeh's and FSS's liability for the irreparable harm that they have caused to Dr. Spanier's reputation by the false and defamatory statements published in the Freeh Report and in Freeh's nationally televised press conference, to obtain redress for Freeh's and FGIS's tortious interference with Dr. Spanier's prospective employment, and to obtain redress for Penn State's repeated breaches of Dr. Spanier's Separation Agreement.

19. Dr. Spanier seeks an award of compensatory damages for the reputational and economic harm caused by Freeh's and FSS's defamatory statements, the harm caused by Penn State's breach of the Separation Agreement, and the harm caused by FGIS tortious interference with Dr. Spanier's future employment. Given the willful and malicious nature of Defendants Freeh's and FSS's conduct in knowingly publishing defamatory falsehoods about Dr. Spanier, FGIS's knowingly and maliciously using that false narrative to intentionally interfere with Dr. Spanier's future employment, coupled with the clear financial motive of Freeh and his law and consulting firms to damage Dr. Spanier in



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furtherance of a highly lucrative business model, Dr. Spanier also seeks an award of punitive damages.

## THE PARTIES AND OTHER RELEVANT THIRD PARTIES

20. Plaintiff Graham B. Spanier is an individual residing in Centre County in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Between 1995 and 2011, Dr. Spanier was the President of Pennsylvania State University. Dr. Spanier has resided in Centre County, Pennsylvania for over 28 years and continues to do so today.

21. Defendant Louis J. Freeh is an individual who resides in Wilmington, Delaware. He founded FSS in 2007, became the head of Pepper Hamilton after FSS joined Pepper Hamilton, and is now a partner and chairman emeritus of Pepper Hamilton. Freeh is also the founder and Chairman of FGIS, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Pepper Hamilton. Trading on his professional background as a former federal judge and the former Director of the FBI, Freeh and his affiliated firms have been retained to conduct internal investigations into some of the highest profile organized or corporate investigations in the past decade, including an investigation of possible misconduct in the administration of the BP settlement fund following the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, and an investigation on behalf of Wynn Resorts that led to the ousting of the company's largest shareholder.



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22. In November 2011, the Board of Trustees for Penn State retained Freeh and FSS to conduct an internal investigation into matters surrounding the handling of Sandusky's behavior. Approximately eight months later, on July 12, 2012, Freeh released his defamatory "findings" in a 267-page report, in a written press release, and during a nationally televised press conference.

23. Defendant Freeh Sporkin & Sullivan, LLP ("FSS") is a limited liability partnership registered in Washington, D.C. FSS participated directly in publishing the defamatory statements in the Freeh Report. Freeh is one of two partners of FSS.

24. Defendant Freeh Group International Solutions, LLC ("FGIS") is a limited liability company formed under the laws of the State of Delaware, with its principal place of business in Wilmington, Delaware. In August 2012, as part of the joining of Pepper Hamilton and FSS, FGIS became a wholly owned subsidiary of Pepper Hamilton LLP, a Pennsylvania limited liability partnership. FGIS employees actively participated in the Penn State engagement and publication of the Report.

25. Defendant Pennsylvania State University is a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with its principal place of business at 201 Old Main, University Park, Pennsylvania 16802. Following his resignation as President of Penn State, Penn State contracted with



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Dr. Spanier to govern the terms of his resignation and continuing employment. A task force created by Penn State's Board of Trustees retained Freeh and FSS to produce the Freeh Report.

26. Gerald A. "Jerry" Sandusky was an assistant football coach at Penn State from 1969 to 1999. In 1977 Sandusky founded The Second Mile, a Pennsylvania non-profit organization that supported at-risk and underprivileged youth. Before his indictment, Sandusky was generally lauded for his charity work and efforts on behalf of youth, receiving awards and praise from politicians, famous athletes, and others. Following a three-year investigation, Sandusky was indicted in November 2011 and subsequently arrested and charged with dozens of counts relating to alleged sexual crimes involving underage youth. On June 22, 2012 a jury found Sandusky guilty of 45 of 48 counts. On October 9, 2012 Sandusky was sentenced to serve 60 years in prison.

27. The Second Mile was a Pennsylvania non-profit charity organization that served underprivileged youth. Headquartered in State College, Pennsylvania, it was founded by Sandusky in 1977 and claimed to serve up to 100,000 Pennsylvania kids a year. By 2009, The Second Mile had revenues of $3 million per year. Several Penn State trustees also had relationships with the organization. The Second Mile ceased operations following the fallout from the Sandusky scandal.



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28. The Special Investigations Task Force was a working group convened by the Penn State Board of Trustees in November 2011. Penn State Trustee Kenneth Frazier served as Chair of the task force, and Trustee Ronald Tomalis was Vice Chair. In November 2011, the Special Investigations Task Force engaged FSS to investigate and prepare a written report regarding "the recently publicized allegations of sexual abuse at the facilities and the alleged failure of the Pennsylvania State University ("PSU") personnel to report such sexual abuse to appropriate police and government authorities."

29. Kenneth C. Frazier is currently the Chairman, President, and Chief Executive Office of Merck & Co., Inc. He was elected to the Penn State Board of Trustees as a business and industry Trustee for a three-year term beginning in July 2009, and was reelected in 2012. Frazier served as Chair of the Special Investigations Task Force.

30. Ronald Tomalis was nominated by former Governor Tom Corbett to serve as Pennsylvania's Secretary of Education in January 2011. He was confirmed in April 2011 and served in the position until he resigned in May 2013. By virtue of his position as Secretary of Education of the Commonwealth, Tomalis served on the Penn State Board of Trustees in an ex officio capacity. Tomalis was the Vice Chair of the Special Investigations Task Force.



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31. Keith Masser is currently the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Sterman Masser, Inc. He was elected to the Penn State Board of Trustees by delegates from agricultural societies effective July 2008, and was subsequently reelected for a second term. He was elected Chair of the Board in January 2013.

32. Karen Peetz is currently the President of BNY Melton. Peetz was elected to the Penn State Board of Trustees in 2010 as a business and industry Trustee and became Chairman of the Board of Trustees in 2012. Peetz resigned from the Board of Trustees effective January 15, 2015.

33. Pepper Hamilton LLP is a large national law firm founded in Philadelphia that today has 13 U.S. offices, including offices in Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Pittsburgh, and Berwyn. In September 2012, Pepper Hamilton combined with FSS, and also acquired FGIS as a wholly owned subsidiary. Following the combination of FSS and Pepper Hamilton, Freeh became Chairman of Pepper Hamilton and held that position until October 2014. On October 1, 2012 Penn State Board of Trustees Chairman Karen Peetz signed an updated engagement letter formally memorializing an agreement that Pepper Hamilton would continue to represent Penn State in the "Task Force" engagement.

34. Omar McNeill is currently the Head of Compliance, Regulatory Relations, and Government Affairs for Barclaycard US. From September 2009 through September 2012, he was General Counsel and Secretary of FGIS. McNeill



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became a partner of Pepper Hamilton after the combination of FSS, FGIS, and Pepper Hamilton in September 2012 prior to joining Barclaycard.

35. Michael J. McQueary was a quarterback for the Penn State football team from 1994 through 1997. He returned to Penn State in 2000 as a graduate assistant coach for the football team and held positions as an administrative assistant, wide receivers coach, and recruiting coordinator before being placed on indefinite leave in November 2011. He was not retained on the staff when Bill O'Brien took over as head coach in 2012. McQueary told investigators in November 2010 that he witnessed an incident between Sandusky and a male youth in the Lasch Building showers in 2002 (later corrected to February 2001).

36. Dr. Jonathon Dranov is a prominent State College physician. In 2001, Dr. Dranov employed Michael McQueary's father, John Sr., and was a friend of the McQueary family. On the night of February 9, 2011, McQueary met with his father and Dr. Dranov to tell them about the alleged incident he witnessed in the Lasch Building showers.

37. The National Collegiate Athletic Association ("NCAA") is a non-profit association headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana that organizes and regulates college athletics. Its membership is comprised of over 1,000 schools, universities, conferences, and affiliate organizations organized into three divisions. Member schools pledge to follow the rules promulgated by the NCAA, and the

NCAA maintains an investigative staff and a Committee on Infractions to investigate and punish violations of NCAA rules. The NCAA claims broad authority to mete out punishment to institutions that violate NCAA rules, up to and including banning schools from participating in a particular sport — the so-called "death penalty." Mark Emmert is the current President of the NCAA and has served in that role since 2011.

## JURISDICTION AND VENUE

38. The Defendants are subject to personal jurisdiction in this Commonwealth because they have significant contacts with, and regularly transact business in, Pennsylvania, they caused harm or tortious injury by acts or omissions in Pennsylvania, and breached a contract executed and performed in Pennsylvania. Specifically, Freeh and FSS were retained by a Pennsylvania institution to supply services within Pennsylvania, and conducted interviews and purported fact-gathering within Pennsylvania that form the basis of Freeh's and FSS's false and defamatory statements. The statements were published in Pennsylvania. In addition, Freeh's and FSS's false and defamatory statements were directed at Dr. Spanier, who Freeh and FSS knew to be a Pennsylvania resident, and which caused harm within Pennsylvania. FGIS was also retained to conduct interviews and purported fact-gathering within Pennsylvania, and the tortious acts described herein were directed at Dr. Spanier, who FGIS knew to be a Pennsylvania resident.

39. This Court has original subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 42 Pa.C.S. § 931 because no other Pennsylvania court has exclusive original jurisdiction over this action.

40. Venue is proper in Centre County pursuant to Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure 1006, 2179, and 2130 because the causes of action described herein arose in Centre County and transactions and occurrences from which the causes of action arose took place in Centre County.

## FACTUAL BACKGROUND

### Dr. Spanier Serves As President Of Penn State

41. Between 1995 and 2011, Dr. Spanier served as the President of The Pennsylvania State University and worked primarily in University Park, Centre County, Pennsylvania.

42. Penn State is one of the largest and most comprehensive universities in the United States. Penn State's academic, research, and athletic operations are highly decentralized; the university operates in more than 140 locations, with 24 campuses, more than 97,000 students and approximately 47,000 employees. It was founded in 1855 and has enjoyed an excellent worldwide reputation for academic excellence.

43. Penn State is not only a national leader in academics, it is also a national leader in a broad range of endeavors, including intercollegiate athletics,

with its sports teams participating in NCAA Division I and the Big Ten Conference. Among its 31 teams competing at the highest levels of NCAA competition, Penn State is particularly known for the tradition and success of its football program, which represents the University as a member of the Big Ten Conference. Joe Paterno became head coach of the Nittany Lions in 1966, after 16 years as an assistant coach, and remained head coach until 2011. As head coach, Paterno led the Nittany Lions to 409 victories, two national championships, and 24 bowl victories. Although Penn State had not been previously punished in its 156-year existence for athletic infractions by the NCAA, on July 23, 2012 the NCAA removed 112 of those victories, based solely and directly on the Freeh Report's conclusions. The NCAA restored these wins in January 2015 as part of a settlement of a lawsuit filed by officials of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Paterno's motto of "Success with Honor" was, in fact, practiced by the football program, which graduated 85% of its players during Paterno's tenure, with many named Academic All Americans.

44. Penn State is also an important center of research in dozens of disciplines, including national defense-related research. The University is home to the Applied Research Laboratory ("ARL"), a Department of Defense-designated, University Advanced Research Center. The ARL was established at Penn State in 1945 and maintains a long-term strategic relationship with the U.S. Navy in



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addition to providing support for other government agencies. The ARL performs basic and applied research, exploratory development, advanced development in systems engineering, and manufacturing technology in support of national security. The ARL is also the largest research unit within Penn State, with more than 1,000 faculty and staff. It was in the context of overseeing such research that Dr. Spanier was first required to maintain a top-secret security clearance.

45. Before becoming President, Dr. Spanier had been Chancellor of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Oregon State University, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies at the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and had held faculty and administrative posts at Penn State.

46. Dr. Spanier is a family sociologist, demographer, and marriage and family therapist. He earned his Ph.D. from Northwestern University, where he was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow. He is the author of more than 100 publications in his field, including 10 books. His scholarship has focused on children, youth, and families. He is a clinical member and fellow of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy and former president of the National Council on Family Relations. He was the founding editor of the Journal of Family Issues. He is considered a leading scholar in his field and is the recipient of three honorary doctorates.



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47. A national leader in higher education, Dr. Spanier was the first university president to receive the TIAA–CREF Theodore M. Hesburgh Award for Leadership Excellence. Dr. Spanier has chaired the Association of American Universities, the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges, the Big Ten Conference Council of Presidents/Chancellors, and the NCAA Division I Board of Directors. He led the Kellogg Commission on the Future of State and Land-Grant Universities, was a founding member of the Internet2 Board, U.S. Chair and international Vice Chair of the Worldwide Universities Network, and co-chair, with the President of the Recording Industry Association of America, of the Committee on Higher Education and the Entertainment Industry. Spanier served as chair of the Bowl Championship Series (BCS) Presidential Oversight Board.

48. Much of Dr. Spanier's professional career has been dedicated to the social and emotional development of children and youth, advocacy for the well-being and protection of children, and national and international initiatives to foster improvement in the lives of children and youth. He has served on the boards of several child development and youth development organizations, including the Board of Directors of 4-H and the Board of Governors of Junior Achievement Worldwide. He was also Chair of the Board of Christian Children's Fund (now known as Child Fund International).



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49. Dr. Spanier has served on the boards of numerous not-for-profit organizations, community groups, and charities. He has also served on the boards of directors of three corporations overseen by regulatory bodies such as the Security and Exchange Commission and the Federal Reserve.

50. As President of Penn State, Dr. Spanier oversaw one of the nation's largest and most comprehensive universities, with 47,000 employees on 24 campuses, annual revenues approaching $5 billion, and a physical plant of 1,700 buildings. He led two capital campaigns for Penn State and enhanced the resources of the University by managing to raise approximately $3.5 billion in philanthropic contributions.

51. During his presidency, Dr. Spanier created the Penn State World Campus, the Schreyer Honors College, and the Presidential Leadership Academy. He led the creation of numerous academic units, including the College of Information Sciences and Technology, the School of International Affairs, and programs in forensic sciences and security and risk analysis. He launched the International Center for the Study of Terrorism. Dr. Spanier also oversaw the merger with the Dickinson School of Law.

52. During his tenure, applications soared to more than 120,000 per year, enrollments grew to 97,000, and the academic standing of dozens of programs rose in national and international rankings. His goals were to make Penn State the "top



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student-centered research university in America" and for the university to lead the nation in "the integration of teaching, research, and service." The theme of the recently-completed, $2 billion fund raising campaign was "For the Future: The Campaign for Penn State Students." He oversaw the design and construction of dozens of new buildings, adding millions of square feet of space for instruction, research, recreation, and community support. He was recognized with the American Institute for Architects award for outstanding contributions by a non-architect, and received the Elizabeth Holtzman Award for his improvements to campus landscaping, master planning, and community relations.

53. Dr. Spanier's work as President of Penn State was supported by 12 vice presidents and more than 40 vice provosts, deans, and chancellors, whose work was in turn supported by several hundred department heads and administrative staff. As is common for chief executives of institutions of the size and complexity of Penn State, Dr. Spanier substantially relied on normal administrative processes to address issues in the University community as they arose.

54. Dr. Spanier has worked with the federal government on various projects pertaining to law enforcement, defense, homeland security, intelligence, and national security, and — until Freeh and FSS published their defamatory Report — Dr. Spanier had held several high-level security clearances dating back



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to 1995. The federal government has accordingly performed numerous investigations into Dr. Spanier's conduct over the years — including a four-month investigation lead by the Federal Investigative Service after the Sandusky scandal broke publicly (but before Freeh and FSS published the defamatory Report) that reconfirmed Dr. Spanier's fitness to continue to hold a Top Secret security clearance. Special clearances he has held require a polygraph administered by highly trained federal specialists.

55. Dr. Spanier served as chair of the National Security Higher Education Advisory Board, a member of the National Counterintelligence Working Group, and a member of the Board of Advisors of the Naval Postgraduate School and the Naval War College. He has received numerous recognitions for his contributions to national security, including being honored as one of the "Most Influential People in Security," the "Wings of Law" Award from the Respect for Law Alliance, and the award for "Exceptional Public Service" presented by the FBI. He has been a frequent speaker at FBI and other governmental and educational conferences and seminars throughout the nation on topics related to national security. He is the recipient of the Warren Medal "for outstanding contributions to the national security of the United States of America."



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56. By all accounts, until Freeh published his defamatory Report to a world-wide audience, Dr. Spanier had a stellar reputation for honor, integrity and public service — a reputation that even Freeh has lauded and praised. Indeed, on September 30, 2005, when Freeh visited Penn State, Freeh gave Dr. Spanier a copy of his book, "My FBI," with a personal message to Dr. Spanier applauding Dr. Spanier's "leadership, vision and integrity," and celebrating the fact that "Penn State [wa]s very fortunate to have [Dr. Spanier's] energy and honor."

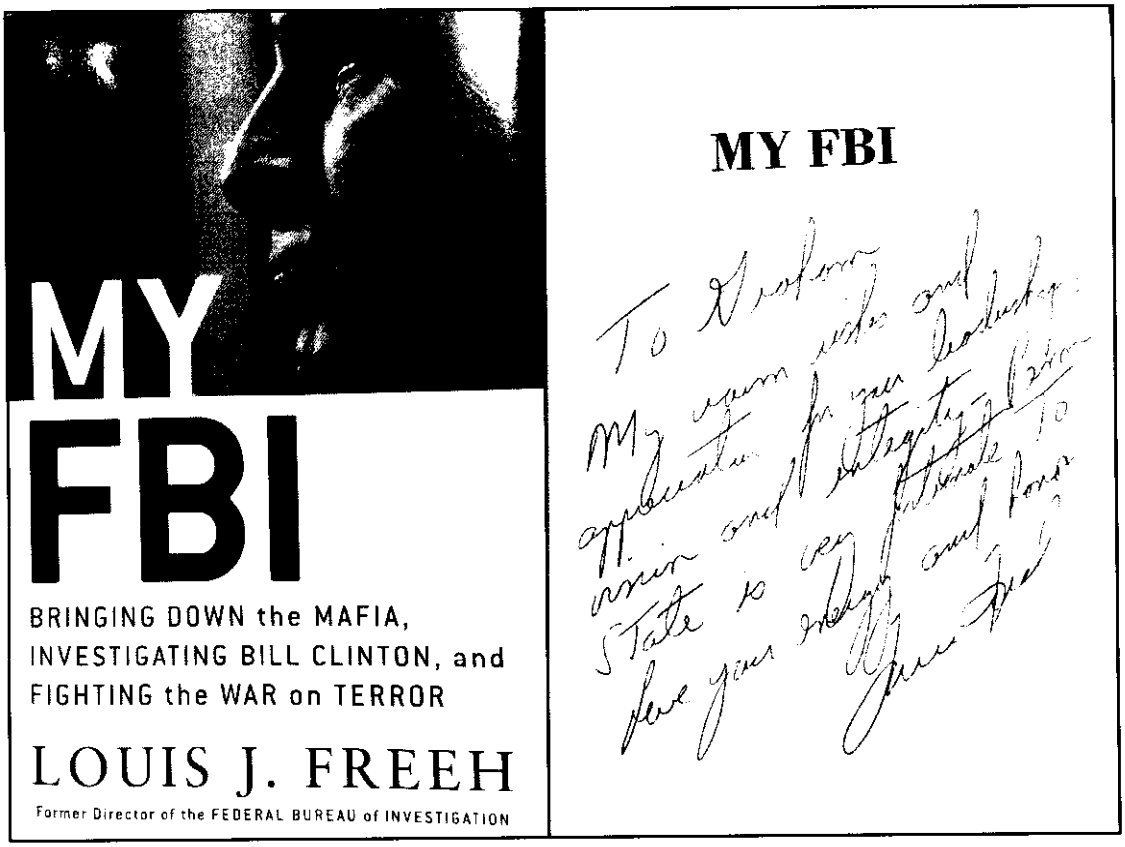





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## Louis Freeh Develops A Lucrative Business Model Trading On His Background In Law Enforcement

57. Louis Freeh is a former Special Agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigations, Deputy United States Attorney, United States District Court Judge, and Director of the FBI. Following his resignation as FBI Director in 2001, Freeh moved to the private sector, joining MBNA (later MBNA Bank America) as Vice Chairman and General Counsel, and also serving on the Board of Directors of Bristol-Meyers Squibb Company.

58. In 2007, Freeh founded FSS, along with FGIS. In the wake of corporate scandals such as Enron and WorldCom, and subsequent corporate governance legislation such as Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, Freeh and FSS focused on the practice of internal corporate governance investigations, proclaiming "an unmatched ability to provide key strategic counsel to obtain optimum results for its clients in myriad situations," and offering "practical crisis management solutions."

59. Conducting internal investigations was a lucrative business for FSS. The business model relied in part on conducting highly publicized "investigations" meant to help institutions and corporations diffuse and manage crisis situations. By hiring Freeh's law firm, an institution under fire from media and public



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scrutiny resulting from a scandal could publicize its hiring of Louis Freeh and FSS as evidence that concrete steps were being taken to remedy the situation.

60. Much of the appeal of Freeh and his firms' services was and is based on his reputation and background as a former prosecutor, judge, and FBI Director.

61. The Freeh brand is marketed by the oft-repeated claim that his investigations and resulting reports are "independent," theoretically free from influence or bias. As is typical for any private law firm, and as in this case, Freeh's group is retained and compensated by a specific client with a specific need. Freeh, FSS and FGIS work for that client in the course of their engagement.

62. Moreover, despite claims that his investigations are "objective," Freeh typically approaches internal investigations more as a zealous prosecutor than an independent pursuer of fact. As evidenced by the reports he has authored, Freeh draws conclusions, points fingers, and ultimately assigns blame.

63. Trading on his background and reputation, Freeh commands hefty fees for his services. Organizations under pressure pay Freeh's oversized fees because a Freeh investigation and report is seen as an important step in addressing a crisis. By commissioning a "Freeh Report," an organization can say it has identified the problem and — more importantly — identified the individuals responsible.



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64. Because Freeh trumpets his findings to the public as complete, comprehensive, and independent, his investigations serve a ceremonial and symbolic role as a cathartic corporate cleansing process, in effect allowing his client to say that it has identified and removed the wrongdoers and is ready to move forward free from the stain of scandal.

65. Freeh's work has been called into question repeatedly, and his investigation results frequently criticized for being predetermined and for sweeping conclusions not supported by the facts presented.

66. In 2011, Freeh was hired to investigate allegations of corruption within FIFA, an international governing body for soccer. Freeh was to examine allegations that a Qatari official running for the presidency of the organization had offered bribes to other officials in exchange for their support. After Freeh reported his findings, the official was slapped with a lifetime ban from FIFA. However, in 2012, the official had the ban reversed by the Court of Arbitration for Sport, which resoundingly concluded that Freeh's investigation failed to prove the bribe accusations. With respect to Freeh's investigation, the Court said that "[i]t [was] a situation of 'case not proven,' coupled with concern on the part of the panel that the FIFA investigation was not complete or comprehensive enough to fill the gaps in the record." The official's lifetime ban was later overturned.



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67. In 2012, Wynn Resorts Ltd. forcibly redeemed the shares of a former director, the company's largest shareholder, after Freeh was retained by the company's board and issued a report accusing the shareholder of bribery. Critics viewed the entire investigation as a transparent attempt by Steve Wynn to consolidate power in the company and viewed Freeh's role as knowingly advancing that agenda. In a critique of Freeh's efforts on the Wynn investigation, former U.S. Circuit and District Court Judge and Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff called Freeh's investigation "structurally deficient, one-sided, and seemingly advocacy-driven" and criticized Freeh's firm for "view[ing] itself as an advocate first and an impartial investigator second."

68. Recent media reports revealed that Freeh was hired to conduct an "independent investigation" by Minnesota businessman Nasser Kazeminy into 2008 allegations that he had bribed former Senator Norm Coleman. In a press release, Freeh "completely vindicated" his client, noting that although Kazeminy had provided Coleman more than $75,000 in gifts, there was no quid pro quo. According to media reports, just nine days after Freeh exonerated Kazeminy, Kazeminy deeded one half interest of his $3 million beachfront home to Freeh's wife, Marilyn Coyle. *See* https://firstlook.org/theintercept/2014/12/31/winner-war-terror-financed-dream-home-2014-giveaway/.



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69. Recently, a New Orleans attorney named Christine Reitano sued Freeh and FGIS for defamation, alleging that a report issued by Freeh and FGIS regarding potential fraudulent claims in the BP oil spill falsely accused her of engaging in fraud, money laundering, conspiracy, perjury, and ethical violations. Ms. Reitano alleges that she provided Freeh and FGIS with sworn and credible evidence showing that their claims were false, but that they nevertheless refused to retract the claims about Ms. Reitano — and in fact later repeated them. In February, 2015 United States District Court Judge Carl Barbier issued an order regarding Freeh and FGIS's accusations of misconduct by attorneys handling claims related to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill. Unlike Freeh and FGIS, Judge Barbier found no evidence of wrongdoing by Ms. Reitano, did not impose any sanctions on her, and did not direct Freeh or FGIS to lodge complaints about her with state or federal disciplinary agencies.

**Gerald ("Jerry") Sandusky**

70. Gerald "Jerry" Sandusky was an assistant coach for the Penn State football team from 1969 to 1999, and separately managed the charity organization he founded called The Second Mile. He held the position of defensive coordinator from 1977 until his retirement.

71. Before his criminal indictment and conviction, Sandusky was a man with a reputation for helping young people. As noted, he was founder of The



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Second Mile, an organization devoted to the social development of disadvantaged youth. He and his wife served as foster-parents to numerous children and themselves adopted six children.

72. Dr. Spanier did not interact with Sandusky personally. Dr. Spanier had spoken with Sandusky in only one formal meeting and encountered him only in passing at football games, events, and the like, but Dr. Spanier has never had a personal conversation with Sandusky.

73. In 1998, Sandusky retired from Penn State after being informed by head coach Joe Paterno that Sandusky was not being considered as Joe Paterno's replacement. He coached one additional season following his 1998 retirement. By 2001, Sandusky was no longer employed in any capacity by Penn State. Sandusky did, however, retain his leadership role at The Second Mile.

74. Dr. Spanier had no direct relationship with The Second Mile. He never served on its board, never attended a meeting, and had no awareness of its operations, staff, or the many young people served by The Second Mile organization.

75. In sharp contrast to Dr. Spanier, The Second Mile personnel, including child psychologists, had extensive contact with Sandusky over the many years of his leadership of The Second Mile and actually regularly observed Sandusky's interactions with The Second Mile youth.



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## The Sandusky Scandal

76. On information and belief, during the fall of 2008, the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office began investigating allegations that Sandusky had sexually abused boys whom he had supervised as an employee of The Second Mile.

77. In November 2011, multiple criminal charges were brought against Sandusky alleging that he had sexually abused a number of minors associated with The Second Mile organization over the years.

78. In November 2011 Tim Curley ("Curley"), the former Athletic Director at Penn State, and Gary Schultz ("Schultz"), the former Senior Vice-President for Finance and Business at Penn State, were criminally indicted for failing to report Sandusky's crimes. Curley and Schultz were each charged in connection with an incident reported to have occurred in 2002 — later found to have been 2001 ("the 2001 incident" or "the McQueary/Sandusky incident") — in which an assistant coach, Michael McQueary ("McQueary"), observed Sandusky taking a shower and allegedly engaging in inappropriate contact with a 10- or 12-year-old boy in one of the Penn State athletic facilities.

79. Notwithstanding the Attorney General's comprehensive investigation into Sandusky's sexual abuse of children, the Attorney General found no evidence to bring charges against Dr. Spanier in November 2011.

**Dr. Spanier Enters Into A Separation Agreement With Penn State**

80. In the immediate aftermath of the November 2011 criminal charges against Sandusky, Curley and Schultz, Dr. Spanier offered to resign as President of Penn State if he would be a distraction for the University as it dealt with the crisis. On November 9, 2011 the Penn State Board of Trustees voted to accept Dr. Spanier's resignation as President of Penn State under the "Termination Without Cause" provision of his employment contract.

81. At the time of his resignation, Dr. Spanier and Penn State were parties to a July 1, 2010 Employment Agreement that set forth the terms of Dr. Spanier's employment with Penn State. The 2010 Employment Agreement stated that Penn State "wishes to continue the employment of Dr. Spanier as President of the University in recognition of his extraordinary achievements," and that "[t]he University desires to make further arrangements which will suitably recognize the extraordinary responsibilities and duties of Dr. Spanier and will reward him for his many unique accomplishments thus far during his time as President of the University."

82. By 2011 Dr. Spanier had received 16 consecutive exceptionally positive annual reviews and the 2010 Employment Agreement was his fifth consecutive such multi-year contract, a highly unusual and affirming circumstance in higher education.

83. In the 2010 Employment Agreement, there were three provisions under which Dr. Spanier's position as President could have been terminated, including "For Cause," "Without Cause," and by "Resignation." Under either the "For Cause" or "Resignation" provisions of the 2010 Employment Agreement, Dr. Spanier would have foregone any future compensation and/or benefit from Penn State. Under the termination "Without Cause" provision, Dr. Spanier was entitled to certain ongoing compensation and benefits.

84. Contrary to media reports, Dr. Spanier was not fired from his position as President. Indeed, Dr. Spanier offered to resign his position. After offering his resignation on November 8, 2011, and being encouraged not to resign, on November 9 the Board of Trustees accepted his resignation. Far from firing Dr. Spanier, the Penn State Board of Trustees determined Dr. Spanier's resignation would be treated as a termination "Without Cause" for purposes of the 2010 Employment Agreement. Accordingly, Dr. Spanier was entitled to future compensation and continued employment with the University.

85. Nevertheless, in subsequent public statements and media statements, members of the Board of Trustees shifted their commentary to reflect the notion that Dr. Spanier was fired, further disparaging Dr. Spanier, suggesting the appearance of wrongdoing, and setting the stage for Freeh's defamation of Dr.



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Spanier and the disrepute that would follow Dr. Spanier professionally and in the court of public opinion.

86. To memorialize the terms of his separation as President of Penn State, Dr. Spanier and Penn State entered into a Confidential Separation Agreement on November 15, 2011 ("Separation Agreement").

87. Under the terms of the Separation Agreement, Dr. Spanier relinquished his position on the University's Board of Trustees, the presidency of the Corporation for Penn State, and other duties tied specifically to his presidency. At the same time, however, Dr. Spanier remained a tenured member of the Penn State faculty in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies of the College of Health and Human Development, with the titles of President Emeritus, University Professor, and Professor of Human Development and Family Studies, Sociology, Demography, and Family and Community Medicine.

88. The Separation Agreement incorporates the terms of Sections E.5 and E.6 of Dr. Spanier's 2010 Employment Agreement, which provides for a one-year post-Presidency sabbatical transition period, after which Dr. Spanier would continue to hold a position as a tenured faculty member. Section 4(d) of the Separation Agreement states:

> (d) During the post-Presidency transition period referred to in Section E.5 of the Employment Agreement, the University will provide Dr. Spanier with administrative support to assist him with his responsibilities, including computer access and

> IT support, in the manner previously provided to past presidents of the University, in addition to all support referred to in the last paragraph of Section E.6 of the Employment Agreement. Following the post-Presidency transition, the University will provide Dr. Spanier with administrative support commensurate with that provided with other tenured faculty members and University Professors, and will continue to provide the administrative support referred to in the last paragraph of Section E.6 of the Employment Agreement.

89. The last paragraph of Section E.6 of the 2010 Employment Agreement states: "The University *shall* provide Dr. Spanier with administrative support, including an office and a staff assistant to assist him with his responsibilities following the conclusion of the presidency. The terms of Section E.6 shall survive the expiration of this Agreement."[1]

90. The Separation Agreement also provides that Penn State will reimburse Dr. Spanier for all attorneys' fees and all expenses he incurs in connection with "matters relating to the grand jury presentment and his termination from the position of President of the University." The Separation Agreement further provides that Penn State will continue to indemnify Dr. Spanier in accordance with the terms of Section J of the 2010 Employment Agreement. Section J of the 2010 Employment Agreement provides that Penn State shall indemnify Dr. Spanier for all legal fees, expenses, judgments, and other financial

[1] Emphasis added unless otherwise noted.



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amounts incurred while serving in his capacity as President of the University. Section J further provides that Dr. Spanier shall continue to be indemnified subsequent to termination of his employment as President with respect to acts or omissions occurring while he was serving as President.

91. Paragraph 13 of the Separation Agreement contains a non-disparagement clause. Paragraph 13 states:

> The University will not, and will use reasonable efforts to cause the members of the Board of Trustees not to, make any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to their professional colleagues or to any other members of the public, unless required by law or to comply with legal obligations and/or to provide truthful information in connection with ongoing or forthcoming investigations.

92. Paragraph 14 of the Separation Agreement states that in the event of a breach of any provision of the Separation Agreement, the prevailing party in any litigation over such breach shall be entitled to an award of reasonable counsel fees and expenses incurred in investigating and litigating such breach.

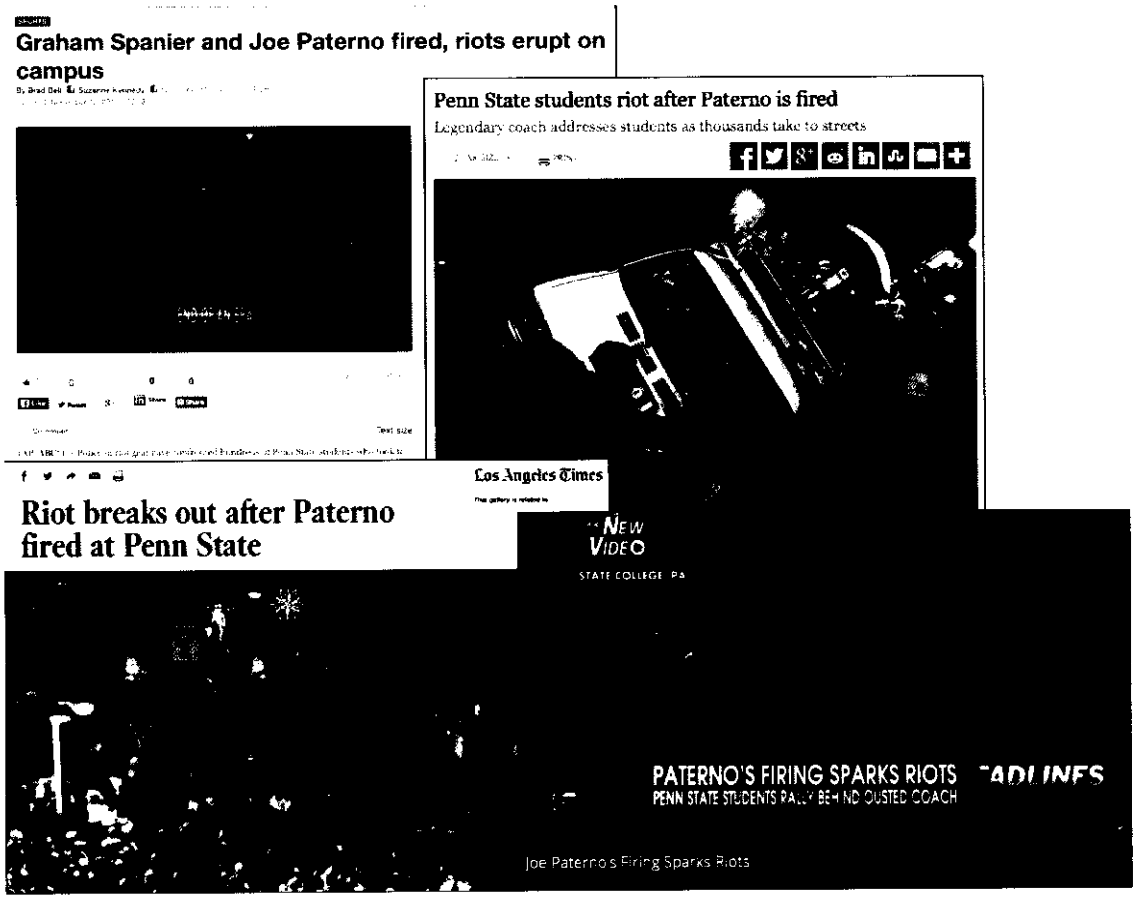
93. The Separation Agreement does not in any way provide that the Agreement shall be terminated or cease to operate in the event that Dr. Spanier is criminally charged. Accordingly, the Separation Agreement survives and remains in effect to this day.



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## The Freeh Engagement

94. On the same day that Dr. Spanier's presidency ended, the Board of Trustees fired Joe Paterno as the head coach of the Penn State football team. Thousands of Penn State students took to the streets of Penn State's campus, riots erupted, and the national media feverishly reported the growing controversy:




95. The Board of Trustees premature and careless firing of Coach Paterno created a full-scale media and public relations disaster.



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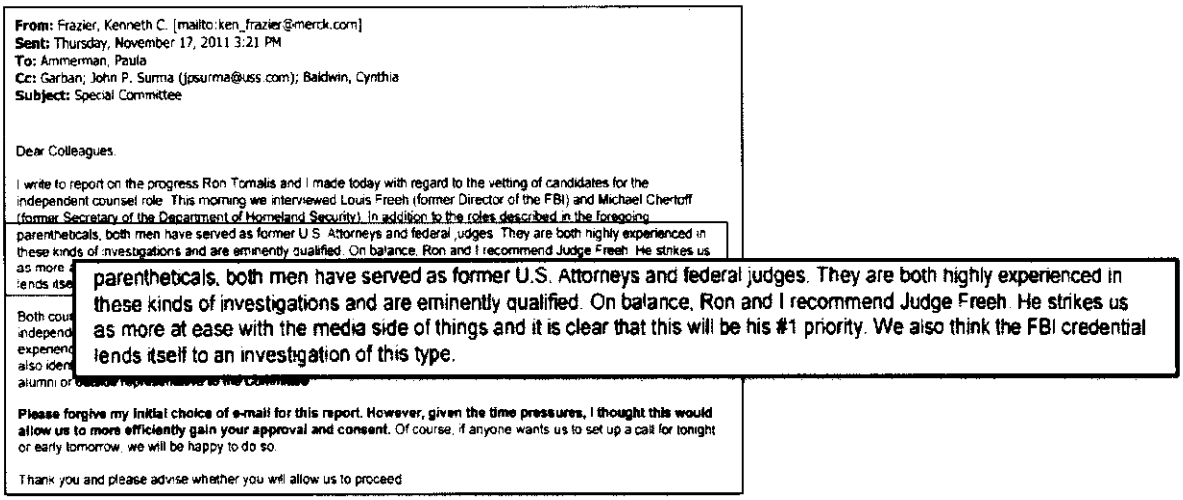
96. To address the growing media frenzy — and to vindicate its hasty decision to terminate Coach Paterno — Penn State's Board of Trustees retained Louis Freeh and FSS on or about November 21, 2011 to conduct a purportedly "independent, full, and complete" investigation of "the alleged failure of Penn State University personnel to respond to, and report to the appropriate authorities, the sexual abuse of children by former University football coach Gerald A. Sandusky."

97. Freeh's firm was not the only option that Penn State officials considered. In fact, Penn State officials were concerned that FSS was too small and simply did not have the manpower to conduct a complete and comprehensive investigation. There was also concern about the close association between FSS and Pepper Hamilton LLP, a Philadelphia-based law firm, because Pepper Hamilton has many attorneys that are active and involved in Pennsylvania politics.

98. In the end the Penn State Board of Trustees chose Freeh principally because of his personal experience with, and ability to navigate, the media and public relations aspects of such investigations. The fact that Freeh was known as being very focused on the media narrative was a deciding factor in his retention.

99. Upon information and belief, Freeh knew that his media savvy was a principal reason that the Penn State Board of Trustees chose him for this

engagement, and that his attention to maximizing and leveraging the media on behalf of his client would "be his #1 priority."



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**Sent:** Thursday, November 17, 2011 3:21 PM
**To:** Ammerman, Paula
**Cc:** Garban; John P. Surma (jpsurma@uss.com); Baldwin, Cynthia
**Subject:** Special Committee

Dear Colleagues.

I write to report on the progress Ron Tomalis and I made today with regard to the vetting of candidates for the independent counsel role. This morning we interviewed Louis Freeh (former Director of the FBI) and Michael Chertoff (former Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security). In addition to the roles described in the foregoing parentheticals, both men have served as former U.S. Attorneys and federal judges. They are both highly experienced in these kinds of investigations and are eminently qualified. On balance, Ron and I recommend Judge Freeh. He strikes us as more at ease with the media side of things and it is clear that this will be his #1 priority. We also think the FBI credential lends itself to an investigation of this type.

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**Please forgive my initial choice of e-mail for this report. However, given the time pressures, I thought this would allow us to more efficiently gain your approval and consent.** Of course, if anyone wants us to set up a call for tonight or early tomorrow, we will be happy to do so.

Thank you and please advise whether you will allow us to proceed

100. Penn State paid Freeh and FSS over $8.3 million for their work to date on the Sandusky matter. Moreover, the University indemnified Freeh and FSS, thus pre-insuring Freeh against the risk of the adverse legal consequences arising from his defamatory Report, and effectively giving him carte blanche to make statements he deemed necessary to accomplish the Board's objectives.

101. Freeh and FSS issued the Freeh Report on the Sandusky matter on July 12, 2012, at which time he described his work on the Penn State engagement as "largely completed." Thus, Freeh and FSS were paid more than $8 million dollars for less than 8 months of work.



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## The Task Force Secretly Directs Freeh To Use His Investigation To Placate The NCAA

102. On November 17, 2011, shortly after the Sandusky presentment became public and just days before Penn State hired Freeh, National Collegiate Athletics Association ("NCAA") President Mark A. Emmert sent a letter to new Penn State President Rodney Erickson. Emmert informed Erickson that the NCAA believed, based on the Sandusky presentment, that there may have been "failures in the management of athletics programs [at Penn State] — both real and perceived." Therefore, the NCAA threatened to initiate an investigation and punish Penn State for lack of "institutional control" over the football program.

103. Penn State officials, including President Rod Erickson, were deeply concerned that the NCAA might impose the "death penalty" on the Penn State football program. This draconian sanction would have meant that the football program would cease to exist for an extended period of time, eliminating an indispensible source of pride — and revenue — for the University. In fact, the NCAA explicitly threatened Penn State officials with the death penalty, informing them that a majority of NCAA voting members favored it, and that it was a likely result unless Penn State kowtowed to the NCAA entirely.

104. Penn State officials were also deeply concerned about an NCAA investigation because of the potential that unknown violations, unrelated to

Sandusky, could be discovered during such an investigation, further harming the football program or other athletics programs. Penn State officials had reservations about whether the NCAA had any jurisdiction to investigate or punish Penn State for the criminal acts of a former employee but worried that questioning the NCAA's authority might anger NCAA officials and result in even harsher sanctions. Penn State Trustees and other officials were frightened and thus highly motivated to prevent a hands-on NCAA investigation at Penn State, and to avoid the NCAA threat to impose the death penalty.

105. Kenneth Frazier and Ronald Tomalis, Penn State Board of Trustees members appointed by the Business and Industry trustees and then-Governor Corbett, respectively, both led the Special Investigations Task Force, which reached an agreement with the NCAA designed to meet NCAA objectives. The NCAA and the Big Ten Conference agreed to forego performing their own investigation into Penn State and to defer punishment of Penn State until after Freeh's investigation was finished. In return, the NCAA and Big Ten were to collaborate with Freeh, receiving regular briefings on the investigation and, at times, directing the investigation.

106. Freeh thus understood that in order to meet the Trustees' objectives, he needed to tailor his investigation in a way that would also satisfy the NCAA, as well as absolve the existing trustees of direct responsibility. Thus, Freeh agreed to



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collaborate with the NCAA and to allow the NCAA to participate in the overall coordination of his investigation. He also understood that the NCAA's only jurisdictional basis for imposing sanctions would be to find "lack of institutional control," meaning Freeh would need to find that noteworthy individuals such as Dr. Spanier and Coach Joseph Paterno — not the Trustees — were ultimately responsible for the actions of former employee Sandusky. Freeh understood that this would also need to be characterized as an "athletic scandal" related to the football program.

107. Frazier and Tomalis arranged a conference call with Freeh and NCAA President Emmert just a week after Freeh and FSS were retained. On December 7, 2011, Freeh met with the NCAA's General Counsel and Vice President of Enforcement in State College, at which time the NCAA made it clear to Freeh that they expected to have a say in how the investigation was conducted, and that they expected him to target former Penn State officials for failing to "control" Sandusky.

108. On December 28, 2011, the NCAA's General Counsel Donald Remy sent FGIS employee Omar McNeill a list of 32 questions and topic areas it wanted FGIS and FSS to investigate. These questions underscored and reinforced the NCAA's goal, which was for Freeh to find that Sandusky was intentionally permitted to continue his criminal activities because, in the NCAA's view, the

preeminence of the football culture at the University, an elevation of "winning" over integrity, and the fear that bad publicity from Sandusky's behavior would harm the football program and Coach Paterno.

109. On January 7, 2012, Julie Roe, the NCAA's Vice President of Enforcement, travelled to State College to give a PowerPoint presentation to over a dozen FSS, FGIS, and Pepper Hamilton employees. Referred to by the NCAA as an "education session," for these governance experts the presentation was essentially an investigative blueprint where the NCAA informed Freeh's investigators what they were expected to find and therefore conclude.

110. Thereafter and throughout the course of the investigation, McNeill held regular conference calls with NCAA representatives to discuss the progress of the investigation.

111. Freeh, FSS, and FGIS tailored their investigation to find and manufacture the "lack of institutional control" the NCAA needed. For example, writing about his own interview with Freeh's investigators, including FSS partner Eugene Sullivan, Jay Paterno said: "It was obvious they had an agenda. Very few of the questions were about Jerry Sandusky. There were a lot of questions about Joe Paterno and the power relationships as they related to president Graham Spanier and athletic director Tim Curley."



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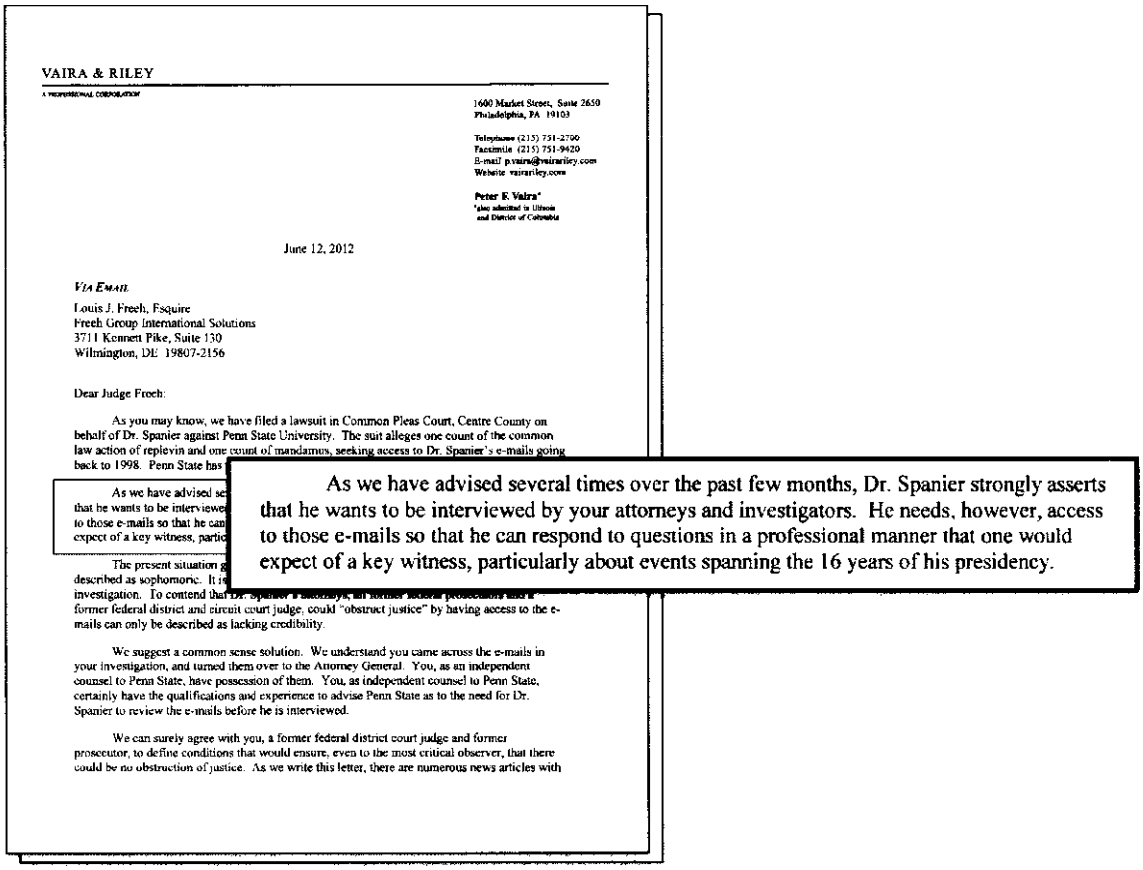
112. Shortly after the release of the Freeh Report, the NCAA contacted Penn State officials and stated that they intended to sanction Penn State, using the Freeh Report as a justification. Although the football program was targeted for severe penalties, Penn State avoided the death penalty. The sanctions were essentially removed two years later. Freeh and FSS thus successfully achieved the Trustees' goal of placating the NCAA by following its suggested agenda and concluding Sandusky's crimes were abetted by "a lack of institutional control" stemming from administrators who valued winning football games above all else.

**Freeh Determines He Is Going To Point The Finger At Dr. Spanier Even Before Interviewing Him**

113. Prior to meeting with Freeh, Dr. Spanier originally thought that Freeh and FSS had been retained to conduct what he believed and expected to be a good faith and independent investigation of the Sandusky scandal. Having nothing to hide and quite anxious to help to the investigation, Dr. Spanier and his attorneys reached out to Freeh's investigative team, and Dr. Spanier was quite eager to be interviewed as part of the investigation. Freeh and his investigators delayed interviewing Dr. Spanier, saying he would be the *last* person to be interviewed.

114. During the course of Freeh's eight-month engagement, snippets of an email were leaked to the media. Being decade-old correspondence, and without any background or context for their substance, Dr. Spanier requested that Freeh

provide him access to these documents — just as Freeh would be required to do during discovery in civil litigation.



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*VIA EMAIL*

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Dear Judge Freeh:

As you may know, we have filed a lawsuit in Common Pleas Court, Centre County on behalf of Dr. Spanier against Penn State University. The suit alleges one count of the common law action of replevin and one count of mandamus, seeking access to Dr. Spanier's e-mails going back to 1998. Penn State has

As we have advised several times over the past few months, Dr. Spanier strongly asserts that he wants to be interviewed by your attorneys and investigators. He needs, however, access to those e-mails so that he can respond to questions in a professional manner that one would expect of a key witness, particularly about events spanning the 16 years of his presidency.

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former federal district and circuit court judge, could "obstruct justice" by having access to the e-mails can only be described as lacking credibility.

We suggest a common sense solution. We understand you came across the e-mails in your investigation, and turned them over to the Attorney General. You, as an independent counsel to Penn State, have possession of them. You, as independent counsel to Penn State, certainly have the qualifications and experience to advise Penn State as to the need for Dr. Spanier to review the e-mails before he is interviewed.

We can surely agree with you, a former federal district court judge and former prosecutor, to define conditions that would ensure, even to the most critical observer, that there could be no obstruction of justice. As we write this letter, there are numerous news articles with

115. Freeh and FSS refused to provide Dr. Spanier's the emails.

116. Freeh and FSS did provide these emails to the Penn State Board of Trustees.

117. Freeh and FSS did exchange these emails with the Pennsylvania Attorney General.

118. Upon information and belief, Freeh, FSS and FGIS did provide these emails to the U.S. Attorney's Office.



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119. Upon information and belief, Freeh, FSS and FGIS shared their pre-conceived conclusions about Dr. Spanier's involvement in a "cover up" with federal prosecutors and/or investigators, to prevent Dr. Spanier from obtaining other employment with the federal government.

120. Eventually, one of Freeh's investigators informed Dr. Spanier that he would be the last witness interviewed for the investigation — and that Dr. Spanier's interview would be conducted sometime in late July 2012, a month or more prior to the then-expected release date of Freeh's Report. This meant that instead of interviewing Dr. Spanier earlier, Freeh and his investigative team had already interviewed scores of other witnesses — and already had interviewed some of those witnesses multiple times.

121. Upon information and belief, Freeh, FSS and FGIS made the affirmative decision to make Dr. Spanier, who had volunteered to be interviewed much earlier in the investigation, the last witness interviewed for the investigation in an effort to purposely avoid hearing the exculpatory evidence that Dr. Spanier would provide, and instead, conduct Dr. Spanier's interview merely as a "check-the-box" exercise before publishing the Report.

122. According to public statements by the University, Freeh originally had planned to complete his investigation and report in late August or early September 2012 before or to coincide with the beginning of the Fall academic semester.

Freeh and FSS, however, suddenly accelerated that schedule in late June 2012 when Sandusky was convicted of 45 of 48 counts related to his abuse of children — notwithstanding the fact that Freeh, FSS and FGIS had not interviewed the most essential witnesses with relevant knowledge. Although legal commentators expected that the Sandusky trial would last at least three weeks, the timing of the verdict came quickly and caught the Penn State community, the media, and, upon information and belief, Freeh by surprise.

123. With the Penn State Board of Trustees' July 2012 meeting less than three weeks away, Freeh and FSS accelerated the release of the Report to ensure that his client, the 32 member Penn State Board of Trustees, was not the subject of critical media scrutiny in the absence of another villain bearing responsibility for the Penn State scandal during the months following Sandusky's conviction. Thus, instead of finishing the investigation and releasing the Report in late August or early September as originally planned, Freeh and FSS determined that the investigation would be concluded and that they would issue the final written report — ahead of schedule — on July 12 to coincide with the first day of the Board of Trustees' July meeting.

124. Freeh and his investigators informed Dr. Spanier on or about Monday, July 2, 2012 that, if he still wished to be interviewed for the investigation, the

interview would need to be conducted no later than on Friday, July 6, 2012 — just four days later and coupled with the intervening July 4th holiday.

125. Notwithstanding the short notice and Freeh's and the University's refusal to provide Dr. Spanier access to his own documents to prepare, Dr. Spanier agreed to be interviewed on July 6, 2012.

126. On July 6, 2012, Freeh and two members of his staff interviewed Dr. Spanier. Dr. Spanier answered every single one of Freeh's questions. He did not refuse to answer any. Dr. Spanier also provided Freeh and FSS with a written statement addressing in detail his knowledge — or, more accurately, lack thereof — regarding the two incidents involving Sandusky that had been heavily reported in the news media.

127. Although Freeh's investigative team directed Dr. Spanier to set aside a full day and a half for the interview, Freeh's interview of Dr. Spanier lasted little more than four-and-a-half hours on a single half-day. Indeed, the only reason that the interview went past the lunch hour is because Dr. Spanier insisted that he provide Freeh with additional information and discuss topics that Freeh clearly had chosen not to ask Dr. Spanier about.

128. The manner in which Freeh and FSS suddenly accelerated the timetable for completing the Report, the begrudging manner in which Freeh allowed Dr. Spanier to be interviewed as the final witness in the investigation after

Dr. Spanier's repeated requests, and the cursory manner in which Freeh conducted the truncated half-day interview of Dr. Spanier on July 6, 2012 — only four business days before issuing his report and holding a press conference to announce his "findings" — are clear evidence that Freeh and FSS approached the Report and investigation with a preconceived notion of Dr. Spanier's culpability for the matters under investigation and viewed Dr. Spanier's interview and account of the facts as a formality.

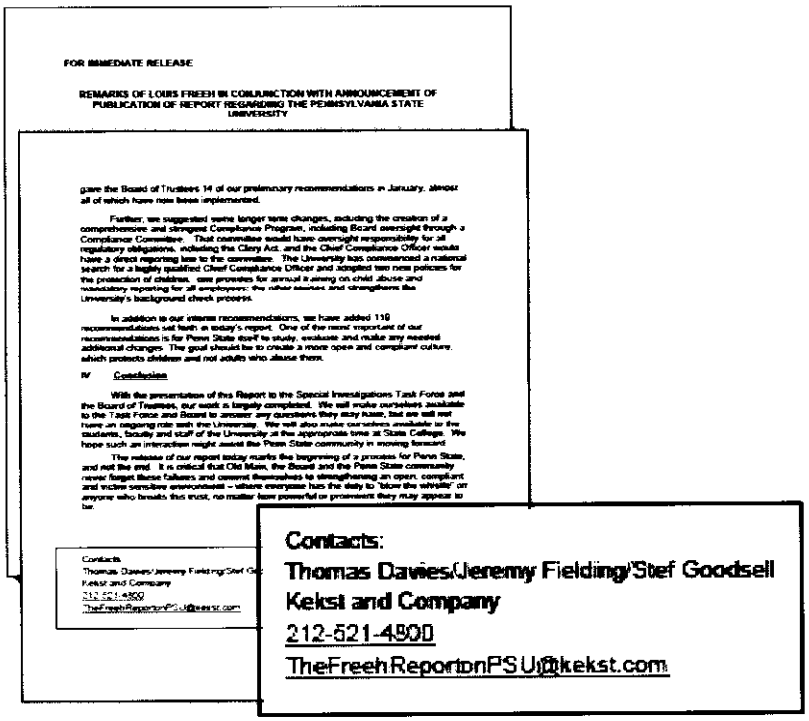
129. On information and belief, Freeh and FSS deliberately refused or ignored Dr. Spanier's repeated requests to be interviewed and to be provided with access to email earlier in the investigation — and intentionally deferred Dr. Spanier's interview until the final days of the investigation — because Freeh and FSS determined early in the engagement that the Report would be authored to vindicate the Board of Trustees' handling of the scandal (including the Board's false and disparaging public statements that it had fired Dr. Spanier as President), and that Dr. Spanier would be one of the principal "wrongdoers" identified in his Report, regardless of the evidence (or lack thereof) supporting that accusation. From that early point forward, Freeh and FSS designed the investigation to align with that preconceived storyline regarding Dr. Spanier's culpability. Evidence and witnesses that undercut that narrative, including Dr. Spanier himself, were rejected, willfully ignored, and downplayed by the investigative team.

130. By the time Freeh and his investigators finally interviewed Dr. Spanier on July 6, 2012 — immediately before his final, 267-page report was issued to a worldwide audience — Freeh had already reached his defamatory and false determinations regarding Dr. Spanier's involvement and culpability in the matters under investigation. All substantial portions of the Report regarding Dr. Spanier's alleged culpability had already been written before Freeh had interviewed Dr. Spanier, including those portions of the Report containing the defamatory statements that are the subject of this Complaint. Indeed, the University's public relations firm had started to draft talking points weeks before Freeh's interview with Dr. Spanier.

131. Only days after Freeh interviewed Dr. Spanier, the final Freeh Report was released to the media, on July 12, 2012. To maximize his media exposure, Freeh held a nationally televised press conference and issued a press release that, upon information and belief, was drafted by Freeh's nationally known public relations firm and timed to coincide with the release of the Report.



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132. The very same morning Freeh and FSS issued the Report, the leaders of Penn State's Board of Trustees also issued a press release adopting the conclusions in the Freeh Report.

133. Upon information and belief, Freeh shared with his and/or Penn State's public relations firm Freeh's conclusions about Dr. Spanier's purported culpability long before interviewing Dr. Spanier in an effort to coordinate the public relations and media campaign associated with the Freeh Report, Freeh's nationally televised press conference, Freeh's press release, and the Board of Trustees' July 2012 meeting.



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134. Freeh's and FSS's true purpose in conducting the July 12, 2012 press conference — in addition to using that press conference to amplify and further hype the defamatory statements in the Report to an even broader audience — was to advance and promote their own commercial interests by using the publicity as a means to attract potential clients.

**Freeh Acted With Actual Malice And With Reckless Disregard For the Truth When He Labeled Dr. Spanier A Pedophile-Enabler Based On A 1998 Incident In Which Authorities Cleared Sandusky Of Any Wrongdoing**

135. The Freeh Report largely focuses on the response of Penn State officials — including Dr. Spanier — to two incidents involving Sandusky. The first occurred in 1998, when Sandusky was employed by The Second Mile and still employed by Penn State. The second incident occurred in 2001, long after Sandusky had retired, and while Sandusky was employed by The Second Mile.

136. According to the Freeh Report, on May 4, 1998, a State College woman called the University Police Department — the police agency for the Penn State campus — to report that Sandusky had apparently showered with her 11-year-old son in an athletic facility on the Penn State campus following a workout. The mother did not allege that Sandusky sexually abused or assaulted her son.

137. The Penn State Police Department immediately launched an investigation, and the detective assigned to the case interviewed the boy that same

day. In addition to the Police Department, the Department of Public Welfare, Centre County Children and Youth Services, and the Centre County District Attorney's Office also investigated the matter.

138. Over the course of that month, officials would interview the boy multiple times, question Sandusky, interview a friend of the boy who also had contact with Sandusky, and actually eavesdrop on two different conversations Sandusky had with the boy's mother about the matter.

139. As the Freeh Report notes, a report by a Counselor for Children and Youth Services who interviewed the boy found that *nothing* sexual occurred between Sandusky and the boy. The Freeh Report quotes from the Counselor's written opinions, which stated that "there seems to be no incident which could be termed as sexual abuse, nor did there appear to be any sequential pattern of logic and behavior which is usually consistent with adults who have difficulty with sexual abuse of children." The Counselor informed the University Police detective investigating the case that he too found no evidence of sexual abuse.

140. Soon after, the same detective and a Department of Public Welfare caseworker named Jerry Lauro interviewed Sandusky. The detective's notes from the interview state that both he and the caseworker agreed after interviewing Sandusky that *no sexual assault* had occurred.

141. The last entry in the detective's report of the investigation, dated June 3, 1998, states: "As a result of the investigation it could not be determined that a sexual assault occurred and SANDUSKY was advised of such. LAURO also advised that he agreed with Reporting Officer that no sexual assault occurred. Reporting Officer advised Sandusky not to shower with any child. Sandusky stated he wouldn't. CASE CLOSED."

142. In late May or June 1998, the Centre County District Attorney's Office decided it would not press any charges against Sandusky regarding the incident. The Freeh investigators did not interview anyone involved with that decision, but acknowledged that it was due to the fact that the report issued by the Youth Services Counselor explicitly found that nothing sexual occurred between Sandusky and the boy that night. Therefore, there was no crime to prosecute.

143. Ultimately, the records of the 1998 investigation were even expunged from Pennsylvania's statewide "ChildLine" database of suspected child abuse reports. This was because, pursuant to Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Law, the 1998 report regarding Sandusky was classified as "*unfounded.*"

144. The Freeh Report also notes that certain Penn State officials were aware of and kept informed of the investigation. In particular, Athletic Director Tim Curley, Senior Vice President of Finance and Business Gary Schultz, and the University Police Chief, Tom Harmon, corresponded regarding the course of the



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investigation. On June 1, 1998, Harmon emailed Schultz to tell him that the police had informed Sandusky that no criminal behavior had been established, and the investigation was closed.

145. According to the Freeh Report itself, there was no evidence of any awareness by Dr. Spanier of the 1998 report other than the possibility that he could have seen two emails between others on which Dr. Spanier was merely copied. The first, from May 5, 1998, is an email from Curley to Schultz, which does not mention Sandusky's name, and simply states, without any additional context or background: "I have touched base with the coach. Keep us posted. Thanks." Schultz responds, again merely copying Dr. Spanier, "Will do. Since we talked tonight I've learned that the Public Welfare people will interview the individual Thursday." The Report claims that because Dr. Spanier was copied on this email, Dr. Spanier was necessarily aware of the 1998 investigation of Sandusky. But there is no evidence that this email even involved Sandusky at all.

146. Then, on June 9, 1998, Schultz emailed Curley, copying Dr. Spanier, and wrote that investigators "met with Jerry on Monday and concluded there was *no criminal behavior and the matter was closed as an investigation*.... I think the matter has been appropriately investigated and I hope it is behind us."

147. Dr. Spanier has no recollection of receiving or reviewing these emails. But Dr. Spanier's detailed calendar entries from 1998 show that he was out of the



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country on an international trip to the United Kingdom from June 8 to June 16, 1998. This occurred at a time before BlackBerry-type devices were available, and during a trip when Dr. Spanier was moving each day from one U.K. university to another. Dr. Spanier was without email access and could not have possibly seen the June 9 email until he returned to the United States a week later, if he saw it at all, at which time it would have been among a thousand emails waiting in his inbox. At the time, Dr. Spanier received approximately 25,000 emails a year. Moreover, Dr. Spanier's calendar shows he turned right around and left town on the morning of June 17 for a board meeting in Washington, D.C. for two days. Furthermore, there is no record of any response to or acknowledgment of receipt of such emails.

148. Freeh and FSS had access to and made copies of Dr. Spanier's calendars. Freeh was aware that Dr. Spanier had been travelling internationally at the time the June 9, 1998 email was sent, that he would have had up to a thousand emails waiting for him when he got back, and that he therefore may have never even seen the June 9 email, or may have skimmed past it quickly without an understanding of who or what the email referred to.

149. Accordingly, Freeh and FSS knew it was likely that Dr. Spanier did not see the June 9, 1998 email, and that even if he did, he was merely copied on an exchange between others on an email expressly stating that there was "*no evidence*



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*of criminal behavior.*" Freeh recklessly and intentionally minimized the import of this information to reinforce his claim that Dr. Spanier knew Sandusky was a pedophile and chose to conceal that information.

150. Thus, the Freeh Report details an incident in 1998 in which (1) Sandusky allegedly showered with a boy in a locker room after a workout; (2) numerous agencies of the State and County were informed of the situation by appropriate law enforcement authorities who conducted investigations; (3) trained professionals concluded that no sexual abuse or impropriety took place, and the report was determined to be "unfounded," (4) the authorities declined to prosecute, finding no crime; and (5) Dr. Spanier was copied on two emails; the first with a vague reference and no name mentioned, and the second of which was sent while he was out of the country and may never have seen, and consisted of his subordinate — who was following the investigation — stating that the matter was appropriately investigated and that the case was closed.

151. The Freeh Report then claims that Dr. Spanier's failure to act on this information renders him a pedophile enabler. The Report rails that Dr. Spanier "took no action to limit Sandusky's access to Penn State facilities or [] any measures to protect children on their campuses." And despite begrudgingly acknowledging that Sandusky was effectively cleared of any wrongdoing, the



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Freeh Report then faults Dr. Spanier, who was not involved in any way, for not declaring Sandusky a "persona non grata" on the Penn State Campus.

152. Finally, the Freeh Report, after concluding that the 1998 incident had nothing to do with Sandusky's retirement, then accuses Dr. Spanier of actively deciding "to allow Sandusky to retire in 1999, not as a suspected child predator, but as a valued member of the Penn State football legacy...." This Report, authored by a former federal prosecutor and judge, makes this accusation with absolutely no explanation as to how or why Dr. Spanier could have or should have considered Sandusky a "suspected child predator" in 1999, after law enforcement officials determined that Sandusky *did not* abuse the boy or commit any other criminal act.

153. Freeh and FSS's accusation that Dr. Spanier knowingly failed to protect potential sexual abuse victims, and his faulting of Dr. Spanier for affirmatively choosing to allow Sandusky to retire in 1999 without labeling him a "suspected child predator" — even though Freeh and FSS knew no sexual abuse was alleged or occurred, and that Dr. Spanier likely did not even know of the investigation — are false, defamatory, and were made with actual knowledge of falsity or, at a minimum, a reckless disregard for the truth.



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## Freeh Acted With Actual Malice And With Reckless Disregard For the Truth When He Accused Dr. Spanier Of Conspiring To Cover Up A Sexual Assault By Sandusky In 2001

154. The second Sandusky incident that the Freeh Report focuses on is a 2001 incident in which a Penn State football staffer reported witnessing Sandusky and a male in the showers of an athletic facility on the Penn State campus. Graduate assistant Mike McQueary is believed to have reported to Joe Paterno on February 10, 2001 that on the evening before, Friday, February 9, 2001, he witnessed something that made him uncomfortable. More than a decade later McQueary testified that he entered the locker room of the Lasch Building between 9:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. and heard what he described as "sexual sounds." McQueary's story about what he saw that night has been inconsistent at best.

155. McQueary says he saw Sandusky — who by that time was employed solely by The Second Mile — with a boy McQueary believed to be between 10 and 12 years old. Exactly what McQueary saw that night may never be known. As multiple news outlets have reported, McQueary's stories of what he saw and what he reported varied widely and changed multiple times.

156. According to McQueary, the first persons he informed immediately after the alleged incident were his father, John McQueary, and a family friend and colleague of his father's, a prominent local physician named Dr. Jonathon Dranov at John McQueary's home. During Sandusky's criminal trial, Dr. Dranov — who

under Pennsylvania law is *required* to report suspected child abuse — testified under oath that McQueary reported that he was upset by the incident, but, when pressed by Dr. Dranov three times, said that he *did not witness anything sexual.*

157. Acting on his father and Dr. Dranov's suggestions, McQueary then set up a meeting with head coach Joe Paterno. Both McQueary and Paterno later testified that McQueary told Paterno nothing specific, but rather advised that he saw something that he felt was inappropriate.

158. On Sunday, February 11, Paterno spoke with Athletic Director Curley and Senior Vice President Schultz. Paterno passed along substantially the same information that was related to him by McQueary, and Curley later testified that all he understood was that the graduate assistant saw something in the shower area that made him uncomfortable. Schultz said Paterno described the events very generally, and speculated that the incident may have involved "wrestling around" activity. Schultz came away with the impression that the incident was inappropriate, but not a crime.

159. On February 12, 2001 Schultz and Curley met briefly with Dr. Spanier to give him a "heads up" regarding the situation. During his interview with Freeh and two of his investigators, Dr. Spanier related that this was a short meeting, and that he was told of Sandusky and a youth "horsing around" in the showers. Dr. Spanier specifically asked if that is how the incident was described to

Curley and Schultz, and they answered affirmatively. Dr. Spanier was and is adamant that neither Curley or Schultz told him that there was anything abusive, criminal or sexual that occurred between Sandusky and the young male. Curley and Schultz independently have verified Dr. Spanier's account. Dr. Spanier was told the shower was after a workout and the witness was unsure what he saw because it was "indirect and around a corner." McQueary's name was not mentioned. Dr. Spanier was not aware of the witness, the specific location, or time of day and did not know that The Second Mile youth might be below high school age.

160. Dr. Spanier explained to Freeh that he recalled an agreed-upon plan for Curley to advise Sandusky that (1) he was being directed to not shower again with youth, and (2) that the head of The Second Mile should be advised of this directive.

161. On February 25, 2001, after Schultz and Curley themselves met with McQueary to discuss the incident, calendars show that Dr. Spanier, Curley, and Schultz may have met for a brief follow-up report. On February 27, 2001, Curley emailed Schultz and Dr. Spanier to say that he believed the best course of action was to meet with Sandusky and tell him that bringing young men into the campus facilities was inappropriate. Moreover, Curley would meet with the head of The Second Mile, the youth charity that employed Sandusky, to inform the organization

of the allegations. Dr. Spanier responded to this email to say that this approach was acceptable and a reasonable way to proceed. Dr. Spanier explained to Freeh, to the best of his ability, what he was likely trying to convey in his email reply.

162. Dr. Spanier told Freeh investigators that several days later, he saw Curley, who informed him that both the meeting with Sandusky and the meeting with The Second Mile had occurred and gone well. Dr. Spanier considered this to have been an appropriate response to what he understood to be mere horseplay between a Second Mile employee and a youth that took place on campus. Dr. Spanier considered the matter closed at that time.

163. Dr. Spanier did not hear whatsoever of any other incidents involving Sandusky, including any allegations of abuse by Sandusky, until Sandusky was criminally indicted a decade later.

## Freeh Recklessly And Willfully Disregards Overwhelming Proof That Dr. Spanier Was Never Informed Of A Sexual Assault In 2001

164. The Freeh Report makes numerous sweeping and defamatory statements regarding Dr. Spanier and his actions in 2001. Freeh charges that nothing indicates that Dr. Spanier "made any effort to identify the child victim or determine if he had been harmed." Freeh accuses Dr. Spanier of "total and consistent disregard ... for the safety and welfare of Sandusky's child victims," and of "fail[ing] to protect against a child sexual predator harming children for

over a decade." Freeh further accuses Dr. Spanier of "conceal[ing] Sandusky's activities from the Board of Trustees, the University community and authorities," and of "exhibit[ing] a striking lack of empathy for Sandusky's victims by failing to inquire as to their safety and well-being, especially by not attempting to determine the identity of the child who Sandusky assaulted in the Lasch Building in 2001." Finally, Freeh claims that by knowingly failing to alert the Board of Trustees of "child sexual abuse allegations against Sandusky," Dr. Spanier is guilty of intentionally "empower[ing] Sandusky to attract potential victims to the campus."

165. Freeh and his colleagues made these severe, irreparably harmful allegations despite a lack of any evidence whatsoever that Dr. Spanier was informed of any allegations of sexual assault or child abuse in 2001 or at any other time. Not only did Freeh know that his investigation was glaringly deficient and far too inadequate to allow him a basis to make such accusations, he in fact willfully ignored, purposefully avoided, or downplayed actual evidence regarding exactly what Dr. Spanier knew — evidence that uniformly shows that Dr. Spanier was *not* informed of any allegation of sexual abuse of any child by Sandusky.

166. Because Freeh made these serious accusations based on his claim that Dr. Spanier knew of and concealed a sexual assault on a minor, exactly what information Dr. Spanier knew about the 2001 McQueary/Sandusky episode —the

precise manner in which the episode was described and reported to him — is of critical and obvious importance.

167. Specifically, Freeh knew there were material inconsistences among the various accounts given of the McQueary/Sandusky episode, including material inconsistences as to how the 2001 episode was described and reported by McQueary, as well as material inconsistences casting doubt on McQueary's after-the-fact retelling of the episode. Accordingly, it was reckless to rely on any one of McQueary's prior statements as a truthful source of information.

168. Most importantly, Freeh knew that Dr. Spanier himself never spoke to McQueary. At best, Dr. Spanier's information about the incident was learned second or third-hand. Further, Freeh had no evidence showing that Dr. Spanier was ever informed by anyone that McQueary witnessed a sexual assault by Sandusky on a minor.

169. Freeh recklessly disregarded his lack of evidence, recklessly disregarded and purposefully avoided contrary evidence that shows Dr. Spanier was never so informed, and recklessly or purposefully chose not to interview key witnesses who would have related as much to Freeh.

170. Freeh's decision not to interview these critical first-hand witnesses, and his decision to make perfidious and defamatory accusations against Dr. Spanier without these witnesses' testimony, reflects a reckless disregard for the

truth. Freeh purposefully avoided the contradictory information these witnesses would have provided because he understood the statements he planned to make concerning Dr. Spanier were untrue.

171. In his interview with Freeh investigators, Dr. Spanier was unequivocal in stating that he was only told by Schultz and Curley that Sandusky was seen in the shower with "one of his kids, horsing around," or engaging in "horse play," which Dr. Spanier assumed meant splashing water or snapping towels. Dr. Spanier gave the same account under oath before the grand jury, testifying that he was told of "horsing around," and that "what was reported was not a report of any activity that was sexual in nature."

172. Aside from Dr. Spanier, who had to request to be interviewed by Freeh and his team, Freeh and FSS did not interview any of the key individuals associated with the 2001 incident. For example, Freeh failed to interview:

- Athletic Director Tim Curley: One of the two individuals who informed Dr. Spanier of the incident, and the only individual aside from Dr. Spanier and Gary Schultz who can attest to what Dr. Spanier was told about the incident.
- Penn State Senior Vice President Gary Schultz: The other of two individuals who informed Dr. Spanier of the incident and the only individual aside from Dr. Spanier and Tim Curley who can attest to what Dr. Spanier was told about the incident.

- Jerry Sandusky: The individual observed in the shower with a young male by Mike McQueary on February 9, 2001. The only individual besides "Victim #2" and Mike McQueary who knows what occurred in the Lasch Building showers that night.
- "Victim #2": The young male seen with Sandusky in the Lasch Building showers by Mike McQueary on February 9, 2001.
- Mike McQueary: The individual who saw Sandusky and "Victim #2" in the Lasch Building shower on February 9, 2001. McQueary spoke with his father, John McQueary, family friend Dr. Jonathan Dranov, Joe Paterno, Tim Curley, and Gary Schultz about what he saw, but he never spoke with Dr. Spanier about it.
- John McQueary, Sr.: The father of Mike McQueary who was told of the incident by his son on the night of February 9, 2001.
- Dr. Jonathan Dranov: A prominent State College physician and friend of the McQueary family who also spoke with Mike McQueary on February 9, 2001 regarding what he witnessed in the Lasch Building showers that night.
- Joe Paterno: Former Penn State head football coach, who spoke with McQueary on February 10, 2001 regarding what he saw in the Lasch Building shower the day before.
- Jack Raykovitz: Then-Executive Director of The Second Mile. Like Dr.



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Spanier, Raykovitz was informed of and given a description of the incident by Curley.

- Katherine Genovese: The wife of Jack Raykovitz and an official with The Second Mile.
- Bruce Heim: A member of The Second Mile Board of Directors who spoke with Raykovitz shortly after Raykovitz's meeting with Curley about the 2001 incident. On information and belief, Freeh did not interview any of the other Second Mile board members and staffers known to have spoken with Raykovitz about what he was told by Curley.
- Wendell Courtney: Outside counsel for Penn State who, according to the Freeh Report, discussed the McQueary/Sandusky incident with Gary Schultz shortly after it occurred.

173. The failure of professional investigators to interview any of these individuals — and to recklessly accuse Dr. Spanier of concealing child sexual abuse without having interviewed any of these individuals — is intentional and not an oversight, particularly light of the fact that all of the available evidence omitted from the report *supports* Dr. Spanier's account of what he was told by Curley and Schultz.

174. Freeh knew, recklessly disregarded, or purposefully avoided the fact that Gary Schultz's attorney has publicly stated that "Mr. Schultz never told Dr. Spanier that Mr. Sandusky sexually abused a boy."

175. Freeh knew, recklessly disregarded, or purposefully avoided the fact that, in an interview with a federal investigator regarding Dr. Spanier's federal security clearance conducted prior to the release of the Freeh Report, Schultz recounted the February 12 meeting between Schultz, Curley, and Dr. Spanier, stating that "Curley told [Dr. Spanier] that there was a graduate student that observed Jerry Sandusky in the shower at the Lasch Building with a kid [] and they were horsing around or wrestling in the shower."

176. Freeh knew, recklessly disregarded, or purposefully avoided the fact that Tim Curley's attorney has publicly stated that "there is one thing about which there is no doubt ... Tim Curley did not tell Dr. Spanier that Mr. Sandusky sexually abused a young boy in 2001."

177. Freeh knew, recklessly disregarded, or purposefully avoided the fact that Dr. Jonathan Dranov testified at Sandusky's criminal trial that he asked Mike McQueary *three times* whether he had actually seen a sexual act committed by Sandusky.

178. Freeh knew, recklessly disregarded, or purposefully avoided the fact that, as a physician, Dr. Dranov is a mandatory reporter under Pennsylvania law

and is required to report suspected instances of child sexual abuse. Freeh knew that Dr. Dranov did not make any report regarding the 2001 incident. Indeed, Freeh made only a passing reference to Dr. Dranov in a footnote of his Report, noting that he was present at the McQueary house, but deliberately failing to mention his testimony that McQueary told Dr. Dranov he had seen no overt sexual acts.

179. Freeh knew, recklessly disregarded, or purposefully avoided the fact that, Jack Raykovitz, the former Executive Director of The Second Mile, was informed of the 2001 Sandusky incident by Tim Curley — the same individual who informed Dr. Spanier. According to the Freeh Report, Curley told Raykovitz only that Sandusky had been observed in the locker room with a young boy, and that the observer was uncomfortable with the situation.

180. Raykovitz and his wife, Katherine Genovese, have stated through their attorney: "Raykovitz met with Curley in 2001. Tim Curley told Raykovitz that someone (McQueary was not named) was made uncomfortable by Sandusky being in a University shower with a youth. Curley stated that the incident was investigated, and no sexual misconduct was alleged or found."

181. Freeh knew, recklessly disregarded, or purposefully avoided the fact that Curley also told Raykovitz that nothing inappropriate had occurred. Freeh did not interview Raykovitz for his investigation, despite knowing full well that

Raykovitz's information regarding the incident came from the same source as Dr. Spanier's.

182. According to Bruce Heim, a former member of The Second Mile Board of Directors, Raykovitz informed Heim and other Second Mile officials that Curley told him only that Sandusky had been seen in the showers on campus with a young male. Raykovitz told Heim that nothing sexually inappropriate happened, based on the description of the incident he received from Curley. Freeh did not interview Heim in his investigation.

183. In addition to Dr. Spanier and Raykovitz, Sandusky himself also received a report of the incident from the same source — Curley. Freeh's Report acknowledges that both Curley and Sandusky agree that when Curley met with Sandusky to discuss the February 9 incident with him, Curley did not suggest that any child abuse or sexual abuse had occurred, and did not accuse Sandusky of anything of the sort. Instead, Curley told Sandusky that there was a report that Sandusky was seen showering with a child, and that this was inappropriate.

184. Wendell Courtney, a longtime attorney for Penn State who Schultz consulted with regarding the incident, advised Schultz that based upon what Schultz told him about the incident, *the incident did not need to be reported* under the Pennsylvania statute requiring certain individuals to report suspected incidences of child abuse.

185. Freeh knew, recklessly disregarded, or purposefully avoided the fact that Courtney stated in a November 2011 interview that he was not told of allegations of "Jerry Sandusky engaging in sexual misconduct with young children," and that if he had been told of such misconduct he would have reported it to the police immediately.

186. Freeh's Report does not identify any testimony or any document that indicates when, where or how Dr. Spanier was informed that Mike McQueary witnessed Sandusky sexually assaulting, molesting, or abusing an underage male in the Lasch Building showers on February 9, 2001. He cites no evidence for his false and defamatory conclusions about Dr. Spanier.

187. Freeh's Report also does not identify any testimony or any document that contradicts the testimony and/or statements of five officials: Dr. Spanier, Schultz, Curley, Raykovitz, and Heim, all of which show or tend to show that Curley merely informed Dr. Spanier of a report of horseplay in a shower.

188. Freeh's decision to press forward with accusing Dr. Spanier of knowingly concealing a sexual assault on a minor, in the face of all actual evidence to the contrary, shows that Freeh's false and defamatory statements regarding Dr. Spanier were made with knowledge of actual falsity or, at a minimum, a reckless disregard for the truth.

**Freeh Acted With Actual Malice And With Reckless Disregard For The Truth When He Rejected Dr. Spanier's Request To Consider The Results Of A More Complete Federal Investigation**

189. At the beginning of the July 6, 2012 interview with Freeh and his investigative team, Dr. Spanier told Freeh that the federal government had completed a four-month investigation into Dr. Spanier's continued fitness to hold a Top Secret clearance, including questions about his role, if any, in the Sandusky matter, and that the investigation exculpated Dr. Spanier and reaffirmed Dr. Spanier's fitness to keep his Top Secret security clearance. Dr. Spanier told Freeh that he had made a Freedom of Information Act request for a copy of the federal investigative report and offered to provide a copy of the report to Freeh upon his receipt of it.

190. During the July 6, 2012 interview, Dr. Spanier specifically asked Freeh not to reach any conclusions, and to defer finalizing and issuing his own report, until Freeh took the opportunity to review and take into account the findings of the federal government.

191. Dr. Spanier also specifically told Freeh that Schultz and Curley — the two most knowledgeable individuals with regard to what Dr. Spanier knew about the McQueary/Sandusky incident — had been interviewed by, and had given statements to, the federal investigator performing the security clearance investigation. Dr. Spanier also told Freeh that the security clearance investigation

interviews included some members of the Board of Trustees, University administrators, Penn State General Counsel Cynthia Baldwin, and others.

192. At that time Freeh knew that he had not interviewed Schultz and Curley and knew he would issue his Report without interviewing them. Freeh also knew that it would be reckless to make any conclusions regarding what knowledge Dr. Spanier had of the McQueary/Sandusky incident without interviewing Schultz and Curley about what they told Dr. Spanier.

193. Freeh also knew that there was no legitimate pressing need to publish his Report without reviewing the federal investigative report. He knew that his investigation to that point was grossly inadequate. Freeh knew that the information in the federal investigative report would conflict with and cast doubt on the truth of the statements he planned to make concerning Dr. Spanier.

194. Freeh rejected Dr. Spanier's request. Instead of deferring the release of his Report until his receipt of the security clearance investigation, a process with which Freeh was intimately familiar, Freeh accelerated the publication of his Report — intentionally and maliciously defaming Dr. Spanier — by proceeding with his choreographed, nationally televised press conference just four business days later, on July 12, 2012.

195. By issuing his Report on July 12, 2012, Freeh recklessly disregarded and purposefully avoided the findings of the federal investigation. In rushing to

judge and publicly condemn Dr. Spanier, Freeh knowingly and intentionally issued his Report in contradiction to the conclusion and assessments he knew were likely contained in the federal security clearance report.

196. The thoroughly researched analysis conducted in the federal security clearance report, when later made available to Dr. Spanier, indeed included statements by Schultz, Curley, members of the University administration and trustees, former Penn State General Counsel Cynthia Baldwin, and many other witnesses with information relevant to Freeh's investigation. The inclusion of statements by Schultz and Curley in the federal security clearance report is especially significant because, as Freeh certainly knew when he issued his Report, Schultz and Curley were among the individuals who Freeh did not interview. Had Freeh waited for the federal report to be issued before finalizing or issuing his Report — as Dr. Spanier specifically requested — Freeh would have had this crucial information.

197. The report compiled by the federal investigator includes records of interviews with numerous Penn State officials and others in the community, including many with direct knowledge of the matters addressed in the Freeh Report. *Not a single individual* interviewed by federal investigators recommended against renewing Dr. Spanier's security clearance. Indeed, the federal report states: "The circumstances surrounding [Dr. Spanier's] departure from his position



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as PSU President do not cast doubt on [Dr. Spanier's] current reliability, trustworthiness or good judgment and do not cast doubt on his ability to properly safeguard national security information."

198. The federal investigative report also directly addresses the circumstances surrounding the 2001 McQueary/Sandusky incident, specifically contradicting Freeh's claim that Dr. Spanier was aware of and covered up a sexual assault by Sandusky.

199. Gary Schultz told the federal investigator that Curley told Dr. Spanier that the incident involved horseplay, not sexual abuse or any other criminal activity.

200. The federal investigative report also contains notes of an interview with Dr. Thomas G. Poole, Vice President for Administration at Penn State, who recounted a meeting with Dr. Spanier after the Sandusky grand jury presentment became public. Schultz walked in on the meeting, and, speaking of the grand jury presentment, stated that the witness never told Schultz that he saw anything sexual. This is yet another statement by Schultz confirming that Dr. Spanier was not told that the 2001 incident involved sexual abuse of a minor by Sandusky.

201. Considering the gravity of the charges Freeh planned to level against Dr. Spanier, Freeh had no pressing need to publish his Report immediately, and no legitimate investigative reason not to wait to see the report conducted by highly

trained and independent members of the Federal Investigative Service. Freeh, being a former federal employee himself, knew that the federal investigation (itself similar in length to the Freeh Report) would be comprehensive and credible. Similarly, Freeh had no legitimate investigative reason for not verifying the interview statements made by Dr. Spanier just days before the release of the Report. Instead, Freeh chose to rush his Report to publication to meet the Board's public relations needs and his own commercial interests.

202. As an experienced investigator and a former Director of the FBI, Freeh knew and recklessly disregarded the fact that the federal security clearance report would include information and statements from witnesses who had declined to participate in Freeh's own private investigation.

**Freeh Acted With Actual Malice And With Reckless Disregard For The Truth By Conducting A Rushed And Biased Investigation**

203. Freeh went to great lengths in his Report and accompanying press conference to stress that his investigation was comprehensive, complete, and independent. Freeh and the Penn State Board of Trustees knew that, to serve the Report's intended purpose to convince the public that the "bad apples" had been rooted out, that "closure" had been achieved, and so they could "move on," it was essential that Freeh be viewed as an impartial and disinterested neutral, with no stake in the ultimate outcome of the investigation.

204. One way Freeh perpetrated this illusion was by trumpeting the claim that the final Freeh Report was released to the public and the Penn State Board of Trustees at the same time. The fact that the Board did not get an advance copy of the Report was held up as an example of the independence of Freeh's investigation.

205. But in fact Freeh had ongoing discussions with selected Board members regarding the course of the investigation, and its likely outcome, long before the release of the final Report. Emails between Freeh and Board members show that Freeh regularly briefed Board members on the status of the investigation.

206. For example, in April 2012 — three months before Freeh even interviewed Dr. Spanier, and three months before the Report was released — Freeh and two members of the Board openly discussed targeting Dr. Spanier. When a media outlet reported that Dr. Spanier had been asked to take on a national security position with a government agency, Freeh and Board members plotted to deny Dr. Spanier this employment opportunity. Freeh went so far as to refer to the coordinated targeting of Dr. Spanier by the Board and FSS as "our job."

From: Frazier, Kenneth C. <ken_frazier@merck.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 12, 2012 8:31 AM
To: Louis Freeh
Cc: Tomalis, Ronald; Omar McNeil -- Freeh Group
Subject: Re: Former Penn State University president Graham Spanier to begin new job for federal government

Oh brother...

Sent from my iPad

On Apr 12, 2012, at 8:22 AM, "Louis Freeh" <freeh@freehgroup.com> wrote:

Very interesting--we have done our job notifying the Federal prosecutors regarding the latest information.

Sent from my iPhone

On Apr 12, 2012, at 8:18 AM, "Tomalis, Ronald" < <mailto:rtomalis@pa.gov> rtomalis@pa.gov> wrote:

Seems someone might not have done their homework….

Former Penn State University president Graham Spanier to begin new job for federal government

Sara Ganim

Patriot News

April 11, 2012

Former Penn State University president Graham Spanier said he will soon begin working for the federal government on projects related to national security.

"For the next several months, as I transition to my post-presidential plans, I will be working on a special project for the U.S. government relating national security. This builds on my prior positions working with federal agencies to foster improved cooperation between our nation's national security agencies and other entities," Spanier said in an Email.

Spanier was ousted as the university's leader on Nov. 9, less than a week after former assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky was charged with child sex abuse.

207. Through such discussions, which are not revealed in Freeh's "independent" Report, Freeh kept his client aware of his intentions, and Freeh's client communicated its desires to Freeh. The claim that Freeh released his Report to the Board at the same time as it was released to the public was a public relations



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ploy meant to create the illusion that the Board had no involvement at all in Freeh's "independent" investigation. In fact some members of the Board knew the ultimate accusations the Report would contain before it was released.

208. Indeed, the primary goal of the Freeh investigation was to assign blame to specific individuals, which is evidenced by the engagement letter memorializing the agreement between FSS and the "Special Investigations Task Force," a group formed by the Board of Trustees to oversee the Freeh investigation.

209. The engagement letter states that the express purposes of Freeh's investigation, and the Report that would follow, would be to make findings concerning: "i) failures that occurred in the reporting process; ii) the cause for those failures; iii) who had knowledge of the allegations of sexual abuse; and iv) how those allegations were handled by the Trustees, PSU administrators, coaches, and other staff." Thus, Freeh's investigation from the outset *assumed* that certain individuals at Penn State were aware of and concealed evidence of sexual abuse by Sandusky, and Freeh's charge was to identify those individuals and explain why they failed to report suspected child abuse.

210. The engagement letter also makes clear that Freeh and FSS were to "act under the sole direction of the Task Force in performing the [above-described]



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services," and that Freeh and FSS would perform these services "for the Task Force's benefit."

211. Freeh also knew that, at the time he was retained, a media narrative was forming that suggested Penn State officials, particularly Schultz, Curley, and Paterno, had been aware of allegations regarding Sandusky but had not done enough to intervene. In particular, Schultz and Curley were indicted in connection with the investigation along with Sandusky, before Freeh was retained.

212. On June 16, 2012 — a month before the Report was published — the Associated Press published an interview with Penn State University trustee Keith Masser, in which Masser defended the Board of Trustees' purported decision to oust Dr. Spanier as President of the University. Masser was quoted as saying that Dr. Spanier was "involved in a cover-up," and that "top administration officials and top athletic officials were involved in making the decision to not inform the proper authorities" of Sandusky's criminal activities.

213. The Masser interview was published by the Associated Press and widely circulated by other media outlets nearly three weeks before Freeh interviewed Dr. Spanier, and nearly a month before the Freeh Report was released.

214. Before Freeh interviewed Dr. Spanier and before he issued his Report, Freeh knew that his client had publicly accused Dr. Spanier of participating in a cover-up of Sandusky's sexual abuse. Freeh knew that his client expected the

Report to echo the public position of the Board of Trustees. Freeh thus determined before interviewing Dr. Spanier that he was going to issue a Report accusing Dr. Spanier of actively participating in a cover-up and actively deciding to conceal Sandusky's criminal activities.

215. Freeh also knew that in addition to securing the resignation of Dr. Spanier, the Board of Trustees had also fired Paterno, returned Schultz to retirement, and determined that they would not renew Curley's contract. Freeh knew that by accusing Dr. Spanier of being a "wrongdoer" along with Schultz, Curley, and Paterno, he could release a report that not only justified the Board's actions, but that also reinforced then-Vice Chair Masser's preexisting media narrative. By claiming that Dr. Spanier joined Schultz, Curley, and Paterno in a "cover up" of Sandusky's actions, Freeh knew that he could advance his client's interests by scapegoating a discrete set of individuals and providing a reason — a supposed cover-up — for why the Board should be considered substantively blameless by the public.

216. Freeh also knew that the NCAA expected him to target the University's highest-level officials like Dr. Spanier and Coach Paterno to justify the NCAA's highly dubious claim to have jurisdiction to punish Penn State for Sandusky's actions. Freeh's Report, which claims that the investigation was entirely independent, intentionally omits mention of the fact that Freeh and his

investigators held multiple meetings and at least 15 conference calls with NCAA officials, that NCAA officials provided the blueprint for the investigation, or that NCAA officials provided Freeh with 32 questions the NCAA expected Freeh to investigate. Nor does the Report mention that it was understood that Freeh's "independent" investigation was expected to substitute for an NCAA investigation, and that the prospect of a separate, additional NCAA investigation loomed unless the NCAA was satisfied with Freeh's conclusions.

217. Freeh also had ongoing discussions with prosecutors that belie his claim to be an impartial and independent investigator. Freeh and his firm went far beyond merely sharing information with prosecutors; in fact, they became advocates, even cheerleaders, for the criminal investigation, lauding announcements of criminal charges in private correspondence with the Attorney General's Office.

218. Although the Board of Trustees still has not done any meaningful examination of the credibility of the Freeh Report, others have; it has been the subject of numerous critiques, and many of its claims have since been heavily scrutinized. On June 19, 2014, Hearing Examiner Michael Bangs of the Pennsylvania State Employees Retirement System issued an opinion recommending that Sandusky's state pension be restored. Bangs's findings and conclusions addressed the Freeh Report, and specifically rebutted the Report's

claim that "Penn State made 71 separate payments to Sandusky for travel, meals, lodging, speaking engagements, camps and other activities from January 5, 2000 through July 22, 2008."

219. Hearing Examiner Bangs's opinion found that "there is no factual support whatsoever that Penn State made 71 separate payments to [Sandusky] between 2000 and 2008, as set forth in the Freeh Report." Instead, "an examination of [Sandusky's] tax records and the records provided by Penn State's legal counsel reveal[ed] that there were no more than six payments made to [Sandusky], with several being reimbursement for travel expenses." Noting that the Freeh Report was "based on significant hearsay and was mostly ruled inadmissible," Bangs found that "*[t]he terrifically significant disparity between the findings in the Freeh Report and the actual truth is disturbing.*" He went on to opine that "the use of this remarkably incorrect statistic by the Freeh Report, which was then relied upon to form the basis for a number of its other conclusions, calls into question the accuracy and veracity of the entire report."

220. Former Penn State President Rodney Erickson, who was President during the investigation and when the Report was released, has also stated that aspects of the Freeh Report are "inaccurate and unfortunate," and that the Report will "never be a complete record in the sense that not everyone who was involved had an opportunity to or was able to be interviewed."



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221. Indeed, even the current President of Penn State, Eric Barron, has recently said that "[t]here are significant problems with the Freeh Report," "Freeh did not have subpoena power" and thus he did not "interview many of the most salient individuals," "Freeh expressed his personal opinions and conclusions about the motivation of individuals, rather than simply presenting factual information," and finally that "*the limitations of the Freeh report prevent it from being the basis of any decision facing Penn State.*" (Emphasis in original.) Of course as this Complaint details, the Freeh Report has been and continues to be the basis for many important decisions made by the Trustees and the NCAA.

222. In a commentary on ESPN.com following a settlement between Penn State and the NCAA regarding the sanctions that followed the release of the Freeh Report, college football reporter Ivan Maisel stated, "The Freeh Report, as it turned out, carried all the factual gravitas of a high school term paper."

223. Amazingly, Freeh himself has criticized the very investigative techniques and practices of drawing broad conclusions based on plainly insufficient evidence that he widely used in the Freeh report. On December 10, 2014, Freeh wrote an Op/Ed piece for the Wall Street Journal, criticizing the torture report on CIA interrogations released by the Senate Intelligence Committee. In his critique, Freeh pointed out that key players like the President, Vice



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President, and their advisors were not interviewed by the report's authors. Freeh then wrote:

> Facts matter, including the fact that the Senate committee's Democratic majority failed to interview the three CIA directors and three deputy directors, or any other CIA employee for that matter, who had briefed them about the program and carried it out.
> Such a glaring investigative lapse cannot be fairly explained by the Democratic majority's defense that it could make such crucial findings based solely on the 'paper record,' without interviewing the critical players. Nor does the committee's other explanation for avoiding interviews make sense: The Democratic senators say they didn't want to interfere with the Justice Department's criminal inquiry into the RDI program...

224. Accordingly, Freeh himself recognizes and decries the recklessness of a professional investigator who reaches sweeping conclusions where the investigation does not have access to critical live testimony.

225. The irony, of course, is that Freeh's Penn State Report suffered from the identical "investigative lapse," it made similarly "crucial findings based solely on [a] paper record," and it gave the same excuse for the failure to interview key players as the torture report Freeh criticized.

## Freeh Acted With Actual Malice And With Reckless Disregard For The Truth When He Refused to Correct His Report's Defamatory Statements In The Errata Sheet

226. On July 23, 2012, less than two weeks after Freeh issued his report, Dr. Spanier sent a letter to the Board of Trustees and to Penn State's General

Counsel, identifying many of the false statements in the Report that are the subject of this Complaint, and explaining why the statements were false. On information and belief, the information in Dr. Spanier's document, entitled "Summary of Errors and Omissions in the Freeh Report Identified by Graham Spanier," was also shared with Freeh and FSS.

227. Dr. Spanier's letter and accompanying document specifically noted that:

- The Freeh Report never acknowledges that there is no evidence or information that contradicts Dr. Spanier's position that he was never told of any sexual activities involving a child and Sandusky.
- The Report deliberately omits any mention of the federal security clearance investigation performed concurrently with Freeh's investigation, which included evidence from key individuals Freeh did not interview and reached a totally different conclusion than the Freeh Report, and determined that Dr. Spanier's security clearances should remain active.
- The Freeh Report does not mention that — despite Freeh's claim that investigators reviewed voluminous electronic records — most University administration emails prior to 2004 were wiped out in a computer system changeover and thus were not available for review by Freeh and his Firm. Thus, it is not possible for Freeh to examine any relevant context

surrounding the 2001 email referred to in Freeh's Report.

- Freeh notes that former Penn State outside counsel Wendell Courtney declined to be interviewed for the Report, but deliberately did not include information provided by Dr. Spanier during his interview. Dr. Spanier informed Freeh on July 6, 2012 that he had recently spoken with Courtney about Courtney's discussions with Schultz in 2001, and that Courtney affirmed that the McQueary/Sandusky incident, as described to him by Schultz, was not reportable. Courtney also confirmed that he had no discussions with Dr. Spanier regarding the incident at the time.
- The Freeh Report neglects to identify Dr. Jonathan Dranov by name, fails to mention that Dranov testified at Sandusky's criminal trial, and fails to mention that, according to Dranov, McQueary claimed to have observed no sexual conduct on a minor by Sandusky. Freeh also fails to mention that Dranov is a mandatory reporter under Pennsylvania law, and that he determined that the incident as described by McQueary was not a reportable incident.
- The Freeh Report repeatedly conflates the actions and knowledge of Dr. Spanier, Schultz, Curley, and Paterno as if they are all of one mind, obscuring the fact that there is no evidence that Dr. Spanier was ever told more about the incident than Curley's report of "horseplay" in the showers.

- The Freeh Report accuses Dr. Spanier of failing to protect a against a child predator, even though Dr. Spanier *did not know* that Sandusky was a child predator.
- The Freeh Report accuses Dr. Spanier of concealing Sandusky's child abuse, even though Dr. Spanier *did not know* of any child abuse by Sandusky.
- The Freeh Report accuses Dr. Spanier of failing to alert the Board of child abuse allegations in 1998 and 2001. However, in 1998 abuse was never alleged, and several investigations cleared Sandusky of any wrongdoing. Dr. Spanier was never told of any allegation of abuse in 2001 either.
- The Freeh Report falsely claims that Dr. Spanier concealed facts about Sandusky's child abuse to avoid bad publicity. Dr. Spanier was never aware of any child abuse allegations, and therefore never could have concealed such allegations. He had no incentive to protect a child predator. Moreover, Freeh knew that Dr. Spanier never shied away from bad publicity, a near-daily fact of life for a university president.
- The Freeh Report's claim that Dr. Spanier showed a striking lack of empathy for abuse victims completely ignores Dr. Spanier's years of efforts and service on behalf of child and family welfare organizations.
- The Freeh Report claims that Dr. Spanier allowed Sandusky to retire in 1999 as a former football coach rather than as a "suspected child predator." This



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is a false claim because Dr. Spanier had no reason to consider Sandusky a suspected child predator in 1999. Sandusky was cleared of any wrongdoing after an investigation involving multiple Commonwealth and County agencies.

- The Freeh Report claims that Dr. Spanier denied that Schultz was present for a February 25, 2001 meeting between Curley and Dr. Spanier. In fact Dr. Spanier did not deny that Schultz was present. He simply told Freeh's investigators he did not remember the meeting at all, recounting what the calendar showed.

228. On July 24, 2012, Freeh issued a document entitled "Errata Sheet," purporting to correct various errors in the Freeh Report. This document was released quietly and with none of the fanfare that accompanied the release of the Report.

229. Although the Errata Sheet identified numerous typos and other errors in the Report, including mixing up of dates and misidentification of the authors of emails, it ignored all of the factual inaccuracies and false accusations identified and itemized for Freeh by Dr. Spanier.

230. Freeh's refusals to correct, retract, or even acknowledge the challenges to the defamatory statements in his Report at the time he issued his Errata Sheet constitute a willful failure to correct false statements despite



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knowledge of actual falsity. By refusing to correct or retract the defamatory statements in his Report at the time he issued the Errata Sheet, Freeh chose to double down on the defamatory statements in the Report despite actual knowledge of their falsity or, at a minimum, he acted with a reckless disregard for the truth.

## Freeh's Defamatory Statements Are Repeated And Republished In Other Media Outlets, Compounding The Harm To Dr. Spanier

231. Freeh's defamation of Dr. Spanier set off a media firestorm.

232. National and local media outlets across the country have republished Freeh's false and defamatory statements. Just a few of the examples include:

- "Penn State leaders including the late football coach Joe Paterno covered up Jerry Sandusky's abuse of children for years, showing a callous disregard for the victims to protect a multimillion-dollar football program, former FBI director Louis Freeh said on Thursday. Laying out the conclusions of his eight-month probe into the Sandusky scandal, Freeh singled out former university President Graham Spanier for criticism.... 'Our most saddening and sober finding is the total disregard for the safety and welfare of Sandusky's child victims by the most senior leaders at Penn State,' Freeh said. 'The most powerful men at Penn State failed to take any steps for 14 years to protect the children who Sandusky victimized.'" -- Dave Warner & Mark Shade, "Scathing report faults Penn State leaders in child sex case,"

CHICAGO TRIBUNE, July 12, 2012, *available at* http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2012-07-12/sports/sns-rt-us-usa-crime-sanduskybre86b05d-20120711_1_jerry-sandusky-president-graham-spanier-sandusky-scandal

- "The most powerful leaders at Penn State University showed 'total and consistent disregard' for child sex abuse victims while covering up the attacks of a longtime sexual predator, according to an internal review into how the school handled a scandal involving its former assistant football coach.... In a scandal that has shaken Pennsylvania residents and gripped the nation, leading to Paterno's dismissal and the ouster of longtime president Graham Spanier, Louis Freeh, the former FBI director who led the review, said top university officials forged an agreement to conceal Sandusky's sexual attacks more than a decade ago." -- Susan Candiotti, *et al.*, "Penn State leaders disregarded victims, 'empowered' Sandusky, review finds," CNN, July 12, 2012, *available at* http://www.cnn.com/2012/07/12/us/pennsylvania-penn-state-investigation/
- "A scathing report that excoriated top Pennsylvania State University officials, including legendary football coach Joe Paterno, for failing to protect boys from a sexual predator sent a warning to other universities about the need to fully disclose suspected crimes on campus.... The 267-



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page report, commissioned by university trustees after allegations surfaced about abuse by former assistant football coach Jerry Sandusky, said top Penn State officials, including former President Graham Spanier and the late Mr. Paterno, 'failed to protect against a child sexual predator harming children for over a decade.'" -- Kris Maher & John W. Miller, "Penn State Concealed Sex Abuse, Report Says," THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, July 13, 2012, *available at* http://online.wsj.com/news/articles/SB10001424052702303740704577522603440183734

**Dr. Spanier Has Suffered Significant Reputational, Emotional, And Economic Harm As A Result Of Freeh's Statements**

233. Freeh's false and defamatory statements regarding Dr. Spanier have caused him severe damage.

234. Dr. Spanier has suffered severe reputational harm as a result of Freeh's false and defamatory statements. Freeh's false, malicious and defamatory statements regarding Spanier impugn his well-earned reputation as an educator, university administrator, civic leader, advocate for child and family welfare, and national security expert — and they undermine public confidence in his competence, ethics, and abilities in these areas. Dr. Spanier has spent a lifetime

building his reputation, and Freeh's statements falsely and wrongfully tarnish his strong reputation in these and other areas.

235. Dr. Spanier's reputational harm is presumed because Freeh's statements about him are defamatory *per se* in that those statements — accusing Dr. Spanier of actively and knowingly facilitating the sexual abuse of children by Sandusky — directly connote the commission of a crime. Freeh's statements about Dr. Spanier are also defamatory *per se* because they are directed at Dr. Spanier's fitness for his profession.

236. Freeh's false, malicious, and defamatory statements regarding Dr. Spanier have caused him to endure humiliation and verbal and written personal attacks.

237. Freeh's Report caused the NCAA and Big Ten Conference, organizations Dr. Spanier formerly led, to condemn and censure him.

238. Using the Freeh Report as justification, the University has taken a broad range of punitive actions against Dr. Spanier.

239. Freeh's Report caused Penn State, with the acquiescence of the Board of Trustees, to initiate proceedings to revoke Dr. Spanier's tenure.

240. Freeh's Report caused Penn State to prohibit Dr. Spanier from representing the University in any capacity.

241. Freeh's Report caused Penn State to cancel a course he was scheduled to teach.

242. Freeh's Report caused Penn State to revoke Dr. Spanier's assignment of an office at the University.

243. Freeh's Report caused Penn State to revoke any and all of Dr. Spanier's access to the University and its systems, including cutting him off from the University network and email.

244. Freeh's Report caused Penn State to confiscate Dr. Spanier's computer, laptop, iPad and printer.

245. On July 13, 2012 — the day after the Freeh Report was released — an individual at Penn State arranged to have a "request no contact" code placed on Dr. Spanier's file in the Penn State Alumni Association database, barring Dr. Spanier from receiving communications and mailings from the Alumni Association.

246. Because of the narrative spoken and written by Freeh, Dr. Spanier has been the subject of excoriation by reporters, activists, columnists, editorial writers, and bloggers.

247. Freeh's false, malicious, and defamatory statements regarding Dr. Spanier have caused him economic harm. Because of the narrative spoken and written by Freeh, Dr. Spanier has lost a number of rewarding employment

opportunities, including being forced to resign from a position on the board of directors of a corporation that paid Dr. Spanier handsomely.

248. Freeh's false, malicious, and defamatory statements have caused Dr. Spanier to suffer emotionally and physically.

249. As a direct and proximate result of Freeh's false, malicious and defamatory statements, Dr. Spanier and has been forced to defend himself from criminal charges, brought by prosecutors who worked closely with Freeh.

250. Freeh's infliction of this damage on Dr. Spanier was intentional and outrageous.

**Freeh and FGIS Intentionally And Tortiously Interfere With Dr. Spanier's National Security Employment Opportunities**

251. Following Dr. Spanier's resignation from the Presidency of Penn State, he was in frequent contact with former colleagues from the FBI, CIA, and other agencies, as well as others in the national security community with whom he had worked throughout his years in that field.

252. A group of national security executives with whom Dr. Spanier had previously worked informed Dr. Spanier that, to thank him for his years of service to the country, they planned to host an event in his honor in Washington, D.C. Dr. Spanier agreed to attend. At the event in Washington, D.C. on May 15, 2012, Dr. Spanier was presented with an honorary "special agent" memento, engraved with

the words: "Your vision, thought leadership, collaboration and accomplishments inspired the U.S. Intelligence and Higher Education communities and fortified our National Security. With great respect and warm gratitude from your colleagues and friends of the NCIS, FBI, and CIA."

253. Dr. Spanier attended the February 2012 meeting of the National Security Higher Education Advisory Board, which he had a large role in planning with the Department of Homeland Security and the FBI. While in attendance at the meeting, Dr. Spanier was approached about taking on a national security assignment that would span his first post-presidential year. Arrangements were made for the opportunity for Dr. Spanier to serve in contractual capacity on significant projects that the U.S. government felt he was uniquely qualified to undertake. Over the course of the following weeks, Dr. Spanier traveled regularly to Washington and other locations for planning, discussions, and briefings.

254. Beginning in March 2012, Dr. Spanier began to work on two classified projects for the U.S. intelligence community.

255. In late April 2012, however, Dr. Spanier's national security work opportunities were suddenly withdrawn. At the time, Dr. Spanier did not know why the arrangements he had previously made for such work were terminated.

256. Dr. Spanier would learn in October, 2013, more about the circumstances surrounding the termination of his national security work.

257. In late August 2013, Ryan Bagwell, a Penn State alumnus and founder of the Penn State Sunshine Fund — a grassroots effort aimed at improving transparency of Penn State Board of Trustee actions — obtained, through an inquiry made under Pennsylvania's Right To Know Law, a copy of an email chain between and among Freeh, FGIS employee Omar McNeil, and Penn State Board of Trustees and Special Investigations Task Force members Kenneth Frazier and Ronald Tomalis. Ryan Bagwell made the April 12, 2012 email chain between Freeh, McNeil, Frazier, and Tomalis public for the first time on October 7, 2013, when he posted an article about the email chain on his personal website.

258. In that email chain, dated April 12, 2012, Freeh, Frazier, and Tomalis discussed Dr. Spanier's national security employment opportunity. The chain began when Tomalis forwarded Freeh an article from *The Patriot News* reporting that Dr. Spanier would be "working on a special project for the U.S. government relating to national security." In his email forwarding the article, Tomalis commented: "Seems someone might not have done their homework."

259. Freeh responded to Tomalis's email from his FGIS email account, stating: "Very interesting--we have done our job notifying the Federal prosecutors regarding the latest information." Frazier replied, commenting: "Oh brother..."

260. Upon information and belief, Freeh's statement responding to Tomalis's email reflects action taken by Freeh stating, to federal officials, that Dr.



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Spanier was not fit for the national security work that he was being employed to undertake.

261. Upon information and belief, Freeh's actions caused a government agency to terminate Dr. Spanier's then-current and prospective business relationship.

262. Prior to Mr. Bagwell's Right To Know Law inquiry, Freeh and Penn State refused to release any emails relating to Freeh's "investigation," including the April 12, 2012 email chain. As such, Dr. Spanier had not seen or been aware of the April 12, 2012 email chain prior to October 7, 2013, nor could Dr. Spanier have seen or been aware of the email chain through the exercise of reasonable diligence.

263. Because Dr. Spanier was not aware of that email chain, he was not aware of Freeh's communications with federal officials about him, and could not have been aware of those communications through the exercise of reasonable diligence.

264. Because Dr. Spanier could not have been aware of the email chain before October 7, 2013, he could not have known before that date that Freeh and FGIS's tortious acts injured him and caused him to lose out on existing and prospective business opportunities.

## Penn State Brazenly And Repeatedly Breaches The Separation Agreement

265. In connection with the Freeh engagement and its aftermath, Penn State has willfully and repeatedly breached the Separation Agreement and caused further harm and damage to Dr. Spanier.

266. Although the Separation Agreement expressly prohibits Penn State and its Board of Trustees from making "any negative comments about Dr. Spanier" to the media or any other members of the public, Penn State and certain members of the Board of Trustees have repeatedly done so in breach of the Separation Agreement.

267. As explained herein, Penn State, the Board of Trustees, and the Board's Special Investigations Task Force hired Freeh and FSS specifically because Freeh was considered the candidate that would make shaping the media narrative "his #1 priority." Several members of the Board of Trustees were aware, months before the Freeh Report was released, that Freeh intended to defame Dr. Spanier in the report and to publicly issue a report making extraordinarily negative, damaging, and false statements about Dr. Spanier.

268. Penn State not only acquiesced in Freeh's disparagement of Dr. Spanier, but in fact hired him to do so, and provided material support, encouragement, and facilitation of Freeh's defamation of Dr. Spanier. The Board's

Retention Agreement with Freeh in fact contemplates that Freeh would publicly issue a report accusing certain Penn State personnel of failing to report allegations of child sexual abuse, and members of the Board of Trustees knew months before the release of the Freeh Report that Freeh was targeting Dr. Spanier. Penn State knew it should not hire an agent to do that which the University and trustees were contractually forbidden to do, and that such statements by an agent hired by Penn State would breach the Separation Agreement.

269. For example, Penn State Board of Trustees member Keith Masser stated in a June 2012 interview with the Associated Press that Dr. Spanier was "involved in a cover-up" of Sandusky's criminal activities.

270. Penn State also breached the Separation Agreement in connection with the Freeh engagement by itself publicly releasing the Freeh Report online to a worldwide audience. Following Freeh's press conference on July 12, 2012, Penn State published the Freeh Report, a copy of Freeh's prepared remarks, and a video of Freeh's press conference on the website http://progress.psu.edu/the-freeh-report. Notwithstanding the Board's own failure to assess the credibility of the Freeh Report critically, this remarkably flawed document together with these other materials are still available on Penn State's website to this day.

271. In connection with the Freeh engagement and the release of the Freeh Report, members of the Penn State administration and the Board of Trustees have

repeatedly and willfully made disparaging comments about Dr. Spanier in breach of the Separation Agreement.

272. In a July 12, 2012 press release concerning the Freeh Report, Penn State stated: "Today's comprehensive report is sad and sobering in that it concludes that at the moment of truth, people in positions of authority and responsibility did not put the welfare of children first." The press release also states "Judge Freeh's report concludes that certain people at the University who were in a position to protect children or confront the predator failed to do so. There can be no ambiguity about that." Penn State publicly disseminated this press release, thereby effectively accepting its fallacious conclusions on its website at http://progress.psu.edu/resource-library/story/penn-state-issues-statement-on-freeh-report.

273. Also on July 12, 2012 Board of Trustees members Kenneth Frazier and Karen Peetz held a press conference along with Penn State President Rodney Erickson in conjunction with the release of the Freeh Report. During that press conference, Penn State permitted Frazier and Peetz to make numerous negative statements about Dr. Spanier, including:

- "Judge Freeh's Report is both sad and sobering.... Our administrative leadership also failed. Judge Freeh's Report concludes that at the moment of truth, people who are in a position to protect children, and to confront a

predator – including people at the highest levels of responsibility in the University – specifically, Graham Spanier, Joe Paterno, Tim Curley, and Gary Schultz, did not put the welfare of children first." (Kenneth Frazier)

- In response to a question about whether the Board felt misled by Dr. Spanier: "I would say that we feel concerned and misled in the entire situation. Though we're taking responsibility... And so each of the individuals I would say have let us down significantly." (Peetz)
- In response to questioning about what Frazier wishes he had asked Spanier: "I can't answer that question because I don't think it was a question of asking the wrong questions. I think it was a reticence about sharing the information. It's not a question of, if we'd asked a magic question, these folks would have said, 'Ok, we're not going to conceal what's going on, now that you asked it that way we'll answer it a different way.'" (Frazier)
- In response to questioning about why the Board didn't rally behind attempts to get more information from Dr. Spanier: "I'll make the point again for everybody to understand. In retrospect, we wish that we had pressed upon someone that we had complete trust in. The questions were asked, the answers were given, they were not complete, thorough, open answers. We could have asked more questions but again I want to say its not simply a question of us finding a magic formulation of the question. We asked



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enough questions that if someone wanted to share what was going on they could have shared what was going on. Am I clear?" (Frazier)

- In response to a question about whether the Board had too much trust in Spanier: "There is a distinction between board oversight and management. The president of the school has an obligation to make sure that the school is run in an appropriate way and before this issue arose I think Graham Spanier was one of the most respected college presidents in the United States. I would say that we were delighted as a Board to have Graham Spanier as our president. We trusted him based on all external appearances, we believed what we were being told was accurate. In retrospect, we were not told what was being accurate [sic]." (Frazier)

274. Frazier and Peetz held another press conference on the following day, July 13, 2012, again to discuss the release of the Freeh Report. At that press conference, Frazier said of Dr. Spanier: "I think the Report shows that there was a breakdown or gap in terms of some of our oversight as a Board. I think it also says that some people, in a particular instance, because they wanted to avoid bad publicity, might have concealed the criminal acts of Jerry Sandusky."

275. Penn State has also breached the Separation Agreement by failing to allow Dr. Spanier to teach any courses and by failing to provide administrative

support commensurate with that received by other tenured faculty members and former presidents.

276. In preparation for the 2012 fall semester posting of spring semester courses, Dr. Spanier developed a new course. In May 2012 he identified an office location and prepared the paperwork necessary to hire a secretary. President Erickson and Acting Provost Pangborn did not respond to Dr. Spanier's emails about these matters and did not assign Dr. Spanier an office location or allow him to hire a secretary. When the spring course list was posted, Dr. Spanier's name was not on it. On November 2, 2012, Provost Pangborn sent Dr. Spanier a letter notifying Dr. Spanier that he was being placed on an indefinite suspension from any and all teaching duties.

277. On November 14, 2012, Penn State sent individuals to Dr. Spanier's home to confiscate and remove his desktop computer, laptop, iPad, and all associated electronics and means of accessing the Penn State network. IT support personnel were directed to have no contract with Dr. Spanier.

278. Despite the fact that the Separation Agreement expressly requires that Dr. Spanier be provided with the same administrative support as other faculty members, as well as an office on campus and a staff assistant, Penn State has breached the Separation Agreement by knowingly and intentionally failing to so provide.

279. Penn State has also breached the Separation Agreement by failing to pay for selected expenses Dr. Spanier incurred in connection with the Freeh Report, the Grand Jury presentment, and his prosecution based on the false claims in the Freeh Report.

280. Specifically, Dr. Spanier's legal team had to engage a firm to attempt to address the unfathomable reputational harm caused by Freeh's defamatory statements and Penn State's disparaging statements. Penn State has refused to reimburse Dr. Spanier for a substantial portion of this expense.

281. In connection with the Freeh engagement, Dr. Spanier also had to file a lawsuit, suggested by Penn State's legal counsel in the matter, in an attempt to gain access to his own emails, which Penn State provided to Freeh but refused to provide to Dr. Spanier. Penn State and Freeh denied and refused Dr. Spanier's request that he be provided such access in order to aid the Freeh probe and to prepare for Dr. Spanier's own interview with Freeh. Penn State refused to reimburse Dr. Spanier for any of the legal bills associated with this suit.

## COUNT I:
## DEFAMATION FOR STATEMENTS IN FREEH REPORT
## (Against Freeh and FSS)

282. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 281 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

283. Freeh and FSS made false and defamatory statements of fact in the Freeh Report when they stated:

- Dr. Spanier exhibited "total and consistent disregard ... for the safety and welfare of Sandusky's child victims."
- Dr. Spanier "failed to protect against a child sexual predator harming children for over a decade."
- Dr. Spanier "concealed Sandusky's activities from the Board of Trustees, the University community and authorities."
- Dr. Spanier "exhibited a striking lack of empathy for Sandusky's victims by failing to inquire as to their safety and well-being, especially by not attempting to determine the identity of the child who Sandusky assaulted in the Lasch Building in 2001."
- Dr. Spanier "empowered Sandusky to attract potential victims to the campus and football events by allowing him to have continued, unrestricted and unsupervised access to the University's facilities and affiliation with the University's prominent football program."
- "[I]n order to avoid the consequences of bad publicity, the most powerful leaders at the University — Spanier, Schultz, Paterno, and Curley — repeatedly concealed critical facts relating to Sandusky's child abuse from the authorities, the University's Board of Trustees, the Penn State



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community, and the public at large. The avoidance of the consequences of bad publicity is the most significant, but not the only, cause for this failure to protect child victims and report to authorities."

- Dr. Spanier "fail[ed] ... to adequately report and respond to the actions of a serial sexual predator."
- "The investigation also revealed: [] A striking lack of empathy for child abuse victims by the most senior leaders at the University."
- Dr. Spanier made "[a] decision ... to allow Sandusky to retire in 1999, not as a suspected child predator, but as a valued member of the Penn State football legacy ... essentially granting him license to bring boys to campus facilities for 'grooming' as targets for his assaults."
- "Despite their knowledge of the criminal investigation of Sandusky [in 1998], Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley took no action to limit Sandusky's access to Penn State facilities or took any measures to protect children on their campuses."
- "The investigation also revealed: ... [a] president who discouraged discussion and dissent."
- "After the February 2001 incident, Sandusky engaged in improper conduct with at least two children in the Lasch Building. Those assaults may well have been prevented if Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley had taken



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additional actions to safeguard children on University facilities."

284. A copy of the Freeh Report is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit A.

285. These defamatory falsehoods were of and concerning Dr. Spanier.

286. These defamatory falsehoods impeach the integrity, virtue, and reputation of Dr. Spanier, exposing him to public hatred, contempt, and ridicule.

287. Freeh and FSS made these defamatory falsehoods with knowledge of their falsity or, at a minimum, with reckless disregard for the truth or falsity of the statements.

288. Freeh and FSS made these defamatory statements intentionally, willfully, maliciously, and in conscious disregard of Dr. Spanier's rights and reputation, and also of the truth.

289. Freeh and FSS published these defamatory falsehoods in the Freeh Report, which was published to a worldwide internet audience at www.TheFreehReportonPSU.com.

290. These defamatory statements have been repeated and republished in other media outlets, which was reasonably foreseeable to Freeh and FSS, particularly because they employed a public relations firm to ensure the Freeh Report achieved maximum distribution and publicity.

291. These defamatory statements were reasonably understood by those who read them to be statements of fact, of and concerning Dr. Spanier.



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292. These defamatory statements are false.

293. These statements are defamatory *per se* because they accuse Dr. Spanier of unlawful conduct.

294. These statements are defamatory *per se* because they impugn Dr. Spanier's fitness for his profession.

295. Freeh's statements were made within the course and scope of his employment by FSS.

296. Freeh and FSS had no privilege to publish the false and defamatory statements, or if they did, Freeh and FSS abused that privilege.

297. In addition to injuries presumed by law, these defamatory falsehoods have injured — and will continue to injure — Dr. Spanier in at least the following ways:

(a) By impugning Dr. Spanier's professional and personal reputations;

(b) By ascribing to Dr. Spanier conduct that would adversely affect his fitness for proper conduct as a University administrator;

(c) By causing Dr. Spanier to be criminally charged for crimes he did not commit;

(d) By causing Dr. Spanier to lose employment opportunities;

(e) By subjecting Dr. Spanier to unwanted attention, harassment, and persecution; and

(f) By causing Dr. Spanier damages in other ways yet to be determined.

298. Freeh and FSS are liable to Plaintiff for compensatory damages arising out of their defamation of the Plaintiff.

299. Freeh and FSS are also liable to Plaintiff for punitive damages because of the wanton and outrageous nature of the defamation.

## COUNT II:
## DEFAMATION FOR SPOKEN STATEMENTS DURING THE JULY 12, 2012 PRESS CONFERENCE (Against Freeh and FSS)

300. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 299 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

301. Freeh and FSS made false and defamatory statements of fact at the July 12, 2012 press conference Freeh stated:

- "Our most saddening and sobering finding is the total disregard for the safety and welfare of Sandusky's child victims by the most senior leaders at Penn State."
- "The most powerful men at Penn State failed to take any steps for 14 years to protect the children who Sandusky victimized."
- "Messrs. Spanier, Schultz, Paterno, and Curley never demonstrated, through actions or words, any concern for the safety and well-being of Sandusky's victims until after Sandusky's arrest."

- "[I]n order to avoid the consequences of bad publicity, the most powerful leaders at Penn State University — Messrs. Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley — repeatedly concealed critical facts relating to Sandusky's child abuse from the authorities, the University's Board of Trustees, the Penn State community, and the public at large."

302. These defamatory falsehoods were of and concerning Dr. Spanier.

303. These defamatory falsehoods impeach the integrity, virtue, and reputation of Dr. Spanier, exposing him to public hatred contempt, and ridicule.

304. Freeh made these defamatory falsehoods with actual knowledge of their falsity or, at a minimum, with reckless disregard for the truth or falsity of the statements.

305. Freeh made these defamatory statements intentionally, willfully, maliciously, and in conscious disregard of Dr. Spanier's rights and reputation, and also of the truth.

306. Freeh published these defamatory falsehoods during a nationally televised press conference — and to a worldwide internet audience in the form of a video of the press conference.

307. These defamatory statements have been repeated and republished in other media outlets, which was reasonably foreseeable to Freeh and FSS,

particularly because they employed a public relations firm to ensure the press conference achieved maximum distribution and publicity.

308. These defamatory statements were reasonably understood by those who read them to be statements of fact, of and concerning Dr. Spanier.

309. These defamatory statements are false.

310. These statements are defamatory *per se* because they accuse Dr. Spanier of unlawful conduct.

311. These statements are defamatory *per se* because they impugn Dr. Spanier's fitness for his profession.

312. Freeh's statements were made within the course and scope of his employment by the FSS.

313. Freeh had no privilege to publish the false and defamatory statements, or if he did, Freeh abused that privilege.

314. In addition to injuries presumed by law, these defamatory falsehoods have injured — and will continue to injure — Dr. Spanier in at least the following ways:

(a) By impugning Dr. Spanier's professional and personal reputations;

(b) By ascribing to Dr. Spanier conduct that would adversely affect his fitness for proper conduct as a University administrator;



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(c) By causing Dr. Spanier to be criminally charged for crimes he did not commit;

(d) By causing Dr. Spanier to lose employment opportunities;

(e) By subjecting Dr. Spanier to unwanted attention, harassment, and persecution; and

(f) By causing Dr. Spanier damages in other ways yet to be determined.

315. Freeh and FSS are liable to Plaintiff for compensatory damages arising out of their defamation of the Plaintiff.

316. Freeh and FSS are also liable to Plaintiff for punitive damages because of the wanton and outrageous nature of the defamation.

## COUNT III:
## DEFAMATION FOR WRITTEN PREPARED REMARKS DISTRIBUTED FROM JULY 12, 2012 PRESS CONFERENCE
## (Against Freeh and FSS)

317. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 316 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

318. Freeh and FSS made false and defamatory statements of fact in written prepared remarks distributed in connection with the July 12, 2012 press conference when they stated:

- "Our most saddening and sobering finding is the total disregard for the safety and welfare of Sandusky's child victims by the most senior leaders at Penn State"

- "The most powerful men at Penn State failed to take any steps for 14 years to protect the children who Sandusky victimized."
- "Messrs. Spanier, Schultz, Paterno, and Curley never demonstrated, through actions or words, any concern for the safety and well-being of Sandusky's victims until after Sandusky's arrest."
- "[I]n order to avoid the consequences of bad publicity, the most powerful leaders at Penn State University — Messrs. Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley — repeatedly concealed critical facts relating to Sandusky's child above from the authorities, the University's Board of Trustees, the Penn State community, and the public at large."

319. A copy of the July 12, 2012 written prepared remarks are attached to this Complaint as Exhibit B.

320. These defamatory falsehoods were of and concerning Dr. Spanier.

321. These defamatory falsehoods impeach the integrity, virtue, and reputation of Dr. Spanier, exposing him to public hatred contempt, and ridicule.

322. Freeh and FSS made these defamatory falsehoods with actual knowledge of their falsity or, at a minimum, with reckless disregard for the truth or falsity of the statements.



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323. Freeh and FSS made these defamatory statements intentionally, willfully, maliciously, and in conscious disregard of Dr. Spanier's rights and reputation, and also of the truth.

324. Freeh and FSS published these defamatory falsehoods to a worldwide audience by distributing the written remarks in the form of a press release and making the prepared remarks available for download on the internet.

325. These defamatory statements have been repeated and republished in other media outlets, which was reasonably foreseeable to Freeh and FSS, particularly because they employed a public relations firm to ensure the press conference achieved maximum distribution and publicity.

326. These defamatory statements were reasonably understood by those who read them to be statements of fact, of and concerning Dr. Spanier.

327. These defamatory statements are false.

328. These statements are defamatory *per se* because they accuse Dr. Spanier of unlawful conduct.

329. These statements are defamatory *per se* because they impugn Dr. Spanier's fitness for his profession.

330. These statements were made within the course and scope of Freeh's employment by FSS.

331. Freeh and FSS had no privilege to publish the false and defamatory statements, or if they did, Defendants abused that privilege.

332. In addition to injuries presumed by law, these defamatory falsehoods have injured — and will continue to injure — Dr. Spanier in at least the following ways:

(a) By impugning Dr. Spanier's professional and personal reputations;

(b) By ascribing to Dr. Spanier conduct that would adversely affect his fitness for proper conduct as a University administrator;

(c) By causing Dr. Spanier to be criminally charged for crimes he did not commit;

(d) By causing Dr. Spanier to lose employment opportunities;

(e) By subjecting Dr. Spanier to unwanted attention, harassment, and persecution; and

(f) By causing Dr. Spanier damages in other ways yet to be determined.

333. Freeh and FSS are liable to Plaintiff for compensatory damages arising out of their defamation of the plaintiff.

334. Freeh and FSS are also liable to Plaintiff for punitive damages because of the wanton and outrageous nature of the defamation.

## COUNT IV: DEFAMATION FOR STATEMENTS MADE BY FREEH IN THE FEBRUARY 10, 2013 PRESS RELEASE (Against Freeh and FSS)

335. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 334 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

336. Freeh made false and defamatory statements of fact in Freeh's February 10, 2013 Press Release when he stated:

- "As detailed in my report... four of the most powerful officials at Penn State agreed not to report Sandusky's activity to public officials."
- "I stand by our conclusion that four of the most powerful people at Penn State failed to protect against a child sexual predator harming children for over a decade."
- "These men exhibited a striking lack of empathy for Sandusky's victims by failing to inquire as to their safety and well-being, especially by not even attempting to determine the identity of the child who Sandusky assaulted in the Lasch Building in 2001.

337. A copy of the February 10, 2013 press release is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit C.

338. These defamatory falsehoods were of and concerning Dr. Spanier.

339. These defamatory falsehoods impeach the integrity, virtue, and reputation of Dr. Spanier, exposing him to public hatred, contempt, and ridicule.

340. Freeh made these defamatory falsehoods with actual knowledge of their falsity or, at a minimum, with reckless disregard for the truth or falsity of the statements.

341. Freeh made these defamatory statements intentionally, willfully, maliciously, and in conscious disregard of Dr. Spanier's right and reputation, and also of the truth.

342. Freeh published these statements to a worldwide audience by posting them on the internet, and by disseminating them to media outlets such as ESPN.

343. These defamatory statements have been repeated and republished in other media outlets, which was reasonably foreseeable to Freeh, and in fact was his intent.

344. These defamatory statements were reasonably understood by those who read them to be statements of fact, of and concerning Dr. Spanier.

345. These defamatory statements are false.

346. These statements are defamatory *per se* because they accuse Dr. Spanier of unlawful conduct.

347. These statements are defamatory per se because they impugn Dr. Spanier's fitness for his profession.

348. Freeh's statements were made within the course and scope of his employment by FSS.

349. Freeh had no privilege to publish the false and defamatory statements, or if he did, Freeh abused that privilege.

350. In addition to injuries presumed by law, these defamatory falsehoods have injured — and will continue to injure — Dr. Spanier in at least the following ways:

(a) By impugning Dr. Spanier's professional and personal reputations;

(b) By ascribing to Dr. Spanier conduct that would adversely affect his fitness for proper conduct as a University administrator;

(c) By causing Dr. Spanier to be criminally charged for crimes he did not commit;

(d) By causing Dr. Spanier to lose employment opportunities;

(e) By subjecting Dr. Spanier to unwanted attention, harassment, and persecution; and

(f) By causing Dr. Spanier damages in other ways yet to be determined.

351. Freeh and FSS are liable to Plaintiff for compensatory damages arising out of their defamation of Plaintiff.

352. Freeh and FSS are also liable to Plaintiff for punitive damages because of the wanton and outrageous nature of the defamation.

## COUNT V: TORTIOUS INTERFERENCE WITH PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTUAL/BUSINESS RELATIONS (Against Freeh and FGIS)

353. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 352 of the Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

354. By contacting federal officials and impugning Dr. Spanier's fitness for federal employment, Freeh tortiously interfered with Dr. Spanier's contractual and prospective business relations with a U.S. government agency.

355. Freeh's statements were made within the course and scope of his employment by FGIS. Freeh acknowledged his interference on an email sent from his FGIS account, and in conference with FGIS investigator Omar McNeil, along with trustees Frazier and Tomalis.

356. Freeh had no privilege to communicate with federal officials regarding Dr. Spanier's employment or, if he did, he abused that privilege.

357. As a result of Freeh's actions, a government agency withdrew Dr. Spanier's contracts, Dr. Spanier was removed from the board of directors of a corporation, and Dr. Spanier additionally lost out on prospective relations that were reasonably certain to occur but for Freeh's tortious act.

358. Freeh and FGIS are liable to Dr. Spanier for compensatory damages arising out of their tortious interference with Dr. Spanier's contractual and prospective business relations.

## COUNT VI: BREACH OF CONTRACT FOR NEGATIVE COMMENTS IN FREEH REPORT AND FREEH PRESS CONFERENCE
## (Against Penn State)

359. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 358 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

360. The Separation Agreement between Dr. Spanier and Penn State is a valid and enforceable contract.

361. A copy of the Separation Agreement is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit D.

362. The Separation Agreement prohibits Penn State from making any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

363. The Separation Agreement requires Penn State to use reasonable efforts to cause the members of the Board of Trustees not to make any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

364. Penn State has materially breached the Separation Agreement.

365. Penn State breached the Separation Agreement by hiring Freeh and directing Freeh and FSS to publicly accuse Penn State administrators of concealing Sandusky's criminal activities, by encouraging and facilitating Freeh and FSS's

making of the many numerous negative statements about Dr. Spanier set forth in Counts I-III, and by knowingly employing an agent, FSS, to make negative comments about Dr. Spanier despite the Separation Agreement's prohibition on making such statements.

366. Dr. Spanier has performed all of his obligations under the Separation Agreement.

367. Dr. Spanier has been damaged by Penn State's contractual breach by, among other things, having his reputation tarnished, by having negative statements about him widely published and disseminated, by loss of employment opportunities, by having to hire a professional firm to attempt to repair the damage to his reputation, and by having to incur the substantial burden and expense of bringing and pursuing this action in order to enforce his rights under the Separation Agreement.

## COUNT VII: BREACH OF CONTRACT FOR PUBLISHING FREEH REPORT, THE FREEH PRESS CONFERENCE, AND FREEH'S JULY 12, 2012 MEDIA STATEMENT
## (Against Penn State)

368. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 367 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

369. The Separation Agreement between Dr. Spanier and Penn State is a valid and enforceable contract.

370. A copy of the Separation Agreement is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit D.

371. The Separation Agreement prohibits Penn State from making any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

372. The Separation Agreement requires Penn State to use reasonable efforts to cause the members of the Board of Trustees not to make any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

373. Penn State has materially breached the Separation Agreement.

374. Penn State breached the Separation Agreement by publishing the Freeh Report, a video of the Freeh Press Conference, and the written prepared remarks of Freeh distributed on July 12, 2012 on its website. In doing so Penn State knowingly published the statements about Dr. Spanier identified in Counts I-III.

375. Penn State published these materials to the media and general public with the knowledge that they contain numerous negative comments about Dr. Spanier, despite the Separation Agreement's prohibition on making such statements.



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376. Dr. Spanier has performed all of his obligations under the Separation Agreement.

377. Dr. Spanier has been damaged by Penn State's contractual breach by, among other things, having his reputation tarnished, by having negative statements about him widely published and disseminated, by loss of employment opportunities, by having to hire a professional media relations firm to attempt to repair the damage to his reputation, and by having to incur the substantial burden and expense of bringing and pursuing this action in order to enforce his rights under the Separation Agreement.

## COUNT VIII: BREACH OF CONTRACT FOR NEGATIVE COMMENTS BY KENNETH FRAZIER AND KAREN PEETZ (Against Penn State)

378. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 377 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

379. The Separation Agreement between Dr. Spanier and Penn State is a valid and enforceable contract.

380. A copy of the Separation Agreement is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit D.

381. The Separation Agreement prohibits Penn State from making any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

382. The Separation Agreement requires Penn State to use reasonable efforts to cause the members of the Board of Trustees not to make any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

383. Penn State has materially breached the Separation Agreement.

384. Penn State breached the Separation Agreement by holding Penn State-organized and sponsored press conferences on July 12, 2012 and July 13, 2012 in which President Erickson, Trustee Kenneth Frazier, and Trustee Karen Peetz made numerous negative comments about Dr. Spanier, including:

- "Judge Freeh's Report is both sad and sobering.... Our administrative leadership also failed. Judge Freeh's Report concludes that that the moment of truth, people who are in a position to protect children, and to confront a predator – including people at the highest levels of responsibility in the University – specifically, Graham Spanier, Joe Paterno, Tim Curley, and Gary Schultz, did not put the welfare of children first." (Kenneth Frazier)
- In response to a question about whether the Board felt misled by Dr. Spanier: "I would say that we feel concerned and misled in the entire situation. Though we're taking responsibility... And so each of the individuals I would say have let us down significantly." (Peetz)
- In response to questioning about what Frazier wishes he had asked Spanier:

"I can't answer that question because I don't think it was a question of asking the wrong questions. I think it was a reticence about sharing the information. It's not a question of, if we'd asked a magic question, these folks would have said, 'Ok, we're not going to conceal what's going on, now that you asked it that way we'll answer it a different way.'" (Frazier)

- In response to questioning about why the Board didn't rally behind attempts to get more information from Dr. Spanier: "I'll make the point again for everybody to understand. In retrospect, we wish that we had pressed upon someone that we had complete trust in. The questions were asked, the answers were given, they were not complete, thorough, open answers. We could have asked more questions but again I want to say its not simply a question of us finding a magic formulation of the question. We asked enough questions that if someone wanted to share what was going on they could have shared what was going on. Am I clear?" (Frazier)
- In response to a question about whether the Board had too much trust in Spanier, Frazier said: "There is a distinction between board oversight and management. The president of the school has an obligation to make sure that the school is run in an appropriate way and before this issue arose I think Graham Spanier was one of the most respected college presidents in the United States. I would say that we were delighted as a Board to have



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Graham Spanier as our president. We trusted him based on all external appearances, we believed what we were being told was accurate. In retrospect, we were not told what was being accurate [sic]."

- Frazier further said that, "I think the Report shows that there was a breakdown or gap in terms of some of our oversight as a Board. I think it also says that some people, in a particular instance, because they wanted to avoid bad publicity, might have concealed the criminal acts of Jerry Sandusky."

385. Penn State breached the Separation Agreement by publishing a July 12, 2012 press release on its website in which Penn State stated "Today's comprehensive report is sad and sobering in that it concludes that at the moment of truth, people in positions of authority and responsibility did not put the welfare of children first," and that "Judge Freeh's report concludes that certain people at the University who were in a position to protect children or confront the predator failed to do so. There can be no ambiguity about that." A copy of this press release is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit E.

386. Penn State knowingly published these negative statements to the media and general public, despite the Separation Agreement's prohibition on making such statements.

387. Penn State failed to use reasonable efforts to cause Frazier and Peetz not to make negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, his professional colleagues, and the public. Penn State in fact organized the press conference and published it on its website, and Penn State President Erickson appeared at and participated in the press conference with Frazier and Peetz.

388. Dr. Spanier has performed all of his obligations under the Separation Agreement.

389. Dr. Spanier has been damaged by Penn State's contractual breach by, among other things, having his reputation tarnished, by having negative statements about him widely published and disseminated, by loss of employment opportunities, by having to hire a professional media relations firm to attempt to repair the damage to his reputation, and by having to incur the substantial burden and expense of bringing and pursuing this action in order to enforce his rights under the Separation Agreement.

## COUNT IX: BREACH OF CONTRACT FOR NEGATIVE COMMENTS OF TRUSTEE KEITH MASSER

390. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 389 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

391. The Separation Agreement between Dr. Spanier and Penn State is a valid and enforceable contract.

392. A copy of the Separation Agreement is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit D.

393. The Separation Agreement prohibits Penn State from making any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

394. The Separation Agreement requires Penn State to use reasonable efforts to cause the members of the Board of Trustees not to make any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

395. Penn State has materially breached the Separation Agreement.

396. Penn State breached the Separation Agreement by failing to use reasonable efforts to cause Trustees Keith Masser not to make negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media.

397. Trustee Masser stated in a June 2012 interview with the Associated Press that Dr. Spanier was "involved in a cover-up" of Sandusky's criminal activities. A copy of this interview is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit F.

398. Penn State undertook no efforts to cause Trustee Masser not to make this negative comment about Dr. Spanier to the media, despite the Separation Agreement's prohibition on making such statements.

399. Dr. Spanier has performed all of his obligations under the Separation Agreement.

400. Dr. Spanier has been damaged by Penn State's contractual breach by, among other things, having his reputation tarnished, by having Trustee Masser's statement widely published and disseminated in the media, by loss of employment opportunities, by having to hire a professional media relations firm to attempt to repair the damage to his reputation, and by having to incur the substantial burden and expense of bringing and pursuing this action in order to enforce his rights under the Separation Agreement.

## COUNT X: BREACH OF CONTRACT FOR NEGATIVE COMMENTS OF TRUSTEES TO THE NEW YORK TIMES
**(Against Penn State)**

401. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 400 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

402. The Separation Agreement between Dr. Spanier and Penn State is a valid and enforceable contract.

403. A copy of the Separation Agreement is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit D.

404. The Separation Agreement prohibits Penn State from making any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

405. The Separation Agreement requires Penn State to use reasonable efforts to cause the members of the Board of Trustees not to make any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to his professional colleagues, or to any other members of the public.

406. Penn State has materially breached the Separation Agreement.

407. Penn State breached the Separation Agreement by failing to use reasonable efforts to cause thirteen members of the Board of Trustees not to meet with the New York Times in January 2012 and make numerous negative comments about Dr. Spanier. A copy of the January 2012 New York Times story is attached as Exhibit G.

408. During a pre-planned, in-person, group interview with a New York Times reporter in New Jersey on January 18, 2012, the Trustees made the following statements about Dr. Spanier, all of which breach the Separation Agreement:

- "The trustees, over three hours, described how they had felt blindsided by Spanier's failure to keep them informed of the nature and scope of the Pennsylvania attorney general's investigation of Sandusky, along with the

investigation of university officials."

- "The trustees on [a Saturday, November 5, 2011 conference call] who had read the details of the charges against Sandusky and the two senior university officials felt a distinct lack of urgency by the university. Many were irked that Spanier had released a statement in full support of Curley and Schultz, who were indicted for perjury. The trustees were floored, they said, that Spanier did not seem to recognize the severity of the situation."
- "The trustees quickly realized that Spanier had chosen not to keep them informed."
- "The trustees said this week that they were disappointed that Spanier, who was legally allowed to speak about his grand jury testimony, did not brief the board on the nature of the questions by the grand jury about the 2002 episode. 'He should have told us a lot more,' [Trustee] Lubert said. 'He should have let us know much more of the background. He was able to legally share his testimony and I think that he had an obligation to do that with the board so we could get more engaged with the problem.'"
- "Part of being a leader at this level is to be a risk manager and to think through what might happen,' the trustee Karen B. Peetz, an executive with Bank of New York Mellon, said of Spanier."
- "The Sunday meeting ended with the trustees eager to issue a news release,



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expressing a commitment to a full internal investigation and sympathy for any victims. In the interviews this week, they accused Spanier of having altered the release."

409. Penn State undertook no efforts to cause the trustees not to make these negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, despite the Separation Agreement's prohibition on making such statements.

410. Dr. Spanier has performed all of his obligations under the Separation Agreement.

411. Dr. Spanier has been damaged by Penn State's contractual breach by, among other things, having his reputation tarnished, by having the trustee's statements widely published and disseminated in the media, by loss of employment opportunities, by having to hire a professional media relations firm to attempt to repair the damage to his reputation, and by having to incur the substantial burden and expense of bringing and pursuing this action in order to enforce his rights under the Separation Agreement.

## COUNT XI: BREACH OF CONTRACT FOR FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

412. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 411 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

413. The Separation Agreement between Dr. Spanier and Penn State is a valid and enforceable contract.

414. A copy of the Separation Agreement is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit D.

415. The Separation Agreement requires Penn State to provide Dr. Spanier computer access, IT support, administrative support commensurate with that provided to other tenured faculty members and University Professors, an office, and a staff assistant.

416. Penn State has materially breached the Separation Agreement.

417. Penn State has not provided Dr. Spanier with computer access or IT support. Penn State in fact confiscated from Dr. Spanier his University-issued desktop computer, laptop computer, and iPad, and cut off his ability to access the Penn State network.

418. Penn State has not provided Dr. Spanier with administrative support commensurate with that provided to other faculty members and former presidents. Penn State in fact has not provided Dr. Spanier with any administrative support.

419. Penn State has not provided Dr. Spanier with an office or a staff assistant. Penn State has knowingly and intentionally ignored Dr. Spanier's requests for an assigned office space and a staff assistant.

420. Dr. Spanier has performed all of his obligations under the Separation Agreement.

421. Dr. Spanier has been damaged by Penn State's contractual breach by, among other things, having no access to the University network, by having no ability to teach courses or otherwise work as a tenured University Professor as required by the Separation Agreement, and by having to incur the substantial burden and expense of bringing and pursuing this action in order to enforce his rights under the Separation Agreement.

## COUNT XII: BREACH OF CONTRACT FOR FAILURE TO PAY LEGAL FEES AND EXPENSES

422. Plaintiff incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 421 of this Complaint as if fully set forth herein.

423. The Separation Agreement between Dr. Spanier and Penn State is a valid and enforceable contract.

424. A copy of the Separation Agreement is attached to this Complaint as Exhibit D.

425. The Separation Agreement requires Penn State to reimburse Dr. Spanier for attorneys fees and expenses incurred in connection with matters relating to the grand jury presentment and his termination from the position of President of the University, and to indemnify Dr. Spanier for all legal fees and expenses with respect to acts or omissions occurring while he was serving as President of Penn State.

426. Penn State has materially breached the Separation Agreement.

427. Penn State breached the Separation Agreement by failing to reimburse Dr. Spanier for his law firm's expenses for consultant services to defend Dr. Spanier's reputation and address the damage caused by Penn State, Freeh, and FSS, and the cost of having to initiate a federal lawsuit to gain access to his email in order to properly defend himself against the damaging statements made by Penn State, Freeh, and FSS.

428. Dr. Spanier has performed all of his obligations under the Separation Agreement.

429. Dr. Spanier has been damaged by Penn State's contractual breach by, among other things, having to expend funds to defend himself from the very false and damaging statement sanctioned and published by Penn State in the Freeh Report, having to expend funds to initiate and prosecute the lawsuit to obtain his own emails that Penn State provided to Freeh, and by having to incur the substantial burden and expense of bringing and pursuing this action in order to enforce his rights under the Separation Agreement.

## PUNITIVE DAMAGES

430. The actions or omissions of Freeh and FSS set forth in this Complaint demonstrate malice, egregious defamation, and insult. Such actions or omissions by Freeh and FSS were undertaken with either: (1) maliciousness, spite, ill will, vengeance, or deliberate intent to harm Dr. Spanier; or (2) reckless disregard of the

falsity of the speech and its effects on Dr. Spanier. Accordingly, Plaintiff requests an award of punitive damages and attorneys' fees beyond and in excess of those damages necessary to compensate Plaintiff for injuries resulting from Freeh and FSS's conduct.

## PRAYER FOR RELIEF

431. Plaintiff prays that this Court provide the following relief:

(a) Compensatory and consequential damages for detraction from good name and reputation and for injuries to Dr. Spanier's professional standing;

(b) Punitive damages to punish Freeh and FSS's reprehensible conduct and to deter its future occurrence;

(c) Compensatory damages for Freeh and FGIS's tortious interference;

(d) Damages for Penn State's breach of contract;

(e) Costs and fees incurred in the prosecution of this action; and

(f) Further relief as this Court shall deem just and proper.

## JURY TRIAL DEMAND

432. Plaintiff demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

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Dated: March 18, 2015



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## VERIFICATION

I verify that the statements made in the foregoing Complaint are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. I understand that any false statements herein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa. C.S. § 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: 3/18/15

Graham B. Spanier

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# Report of the Special Investigative Counsel Regarding the Actions of The Pennsylvania State University Related to the Child Sexual Abuse Committed by Gerald A. Sandusky

Freeh Sporkin & Sullivan, LLP

July 12, 2012

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# SCOPE OF REVIEW AND METHODOLOGY

Freeh Sporkin & Sullivan LLP, ("FSS"), was engaged by the Special Investigations Task Force ("Task Force") on behalf of The Pennsylvania State University's Board of Trustees ("Board" or "Trustees")[a] as Special Investigative Counsel on November 21, 2011. As Special Investigative Counsel, FSS was asked to perform an independent, full and complete investigation of:

- The alleged failure of Pennsylvania State University personnel to respond to, and report to the appropriate authorities, the sexual abuse of children by former University football coach Gerald A. Sandusky ("Sandusky");
- The circumstances under which such abuse could occur in University facilities or under the auspices of University programs for youth.

In addition, the Special Investigative Counsel was asked to provide recommendations regarding University governance, oversight, and administrative policies and procedures that will better enable the University to prevent and more effectively respond to incidents of sexual abuse of minors in the future.

To achieve these objectives the Special Investigative Counsel developed and implemented an investigative plan to:

- Identify individuals associated with the University at any level or in any office, who knew, or should have known, of the incidents of sexual abuse of children committed by Sandusky, the substance of their knowledge, and the point at which they obtained that knowledge;
- Examine how these incidents became known to, and were handled by, University Trustees, staff, faculty, administrators, coaches or others, with

[a] The members of the Special Investigations Task Force are: Chairman, Kenneth C. Frazier, Chief Executive Officer and President, Merck & Co., Inc.; Vice Chairman, Ronald J. Tomalis, Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Education; H. Jesse Arnelle, Attorney; Guion S. Bluford, Jr., Ph.D., Colonel, United States Air Force (retired); Mark H. Dambly, President, Pennrose Properties, LLC; Keith W. Eckel, Sole Proprietor and President, Fred W. Eckel & Sons Farms, Inc.; Daniel R. Hagen, Ph.D., Immediate Past-Chair, The Pennsylvania State University Faculty Senate, Professor, College of Agricultural Sciences; Rodney P. Hughes, Doctoral Student, The Pennsylvania State University; Karen B. Peetz, Chairman, Board of Trustees, The Pennsylvania State University, Vice Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Financial Markets and Treasury Services, Bank of New York Mellon.



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particular regard to institutional governance, decision making, oversight and culture.

- Identify any failures and their causes on the part of individuals associated with the University at any level or in any office, or gaps in administrative processes that precluded the timely and accurate reporting of, or response to, reports of these incidents.

The Special Investigative Counsel implemented the investigative plan by:

- Conducting over 430 interviews of key University personnel and other knowledgeable individuals to include: current and former University Trustees and Emeritus Trustees; current and former University administrators, faculty, and staff, including coaches; former University student-athletes; law enforcement officials; and members of the State College community at the University Park, Behrend, Altoona, Harrisburg and Wilkes-Barre campuses, and at other locations in Delaware, Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland and the District of Columbia, and by telephone;
- Analyzing over 3.5 million pieces of pertinent electronic data and documents;
- Reviewing applicable University policies, guidelines, practices and procedures;
- Establishing a toll-free hotline and dedicated email address to receive information relevant to the investigation, and reviewing the information provided from telephone calls and emails received between November 21, 2011 and July 1, 2012;
- Cooperating with law enforcement, government and non-profit agencies, including the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC), and athletic program governing bodies;
- Benchmarking applicable University policies, practices and procedures against those of other large, public and private universities and youth-serving organizations; and
- Providing interim recommendations to the Board in January 2012 for the immediate protection of children.

The information in this report was gathered under the applicable attorney-client privilege and attorney work product doctrine, and with due regard for the privacy of the interviewees and the documents reviewed. All materials were handled and

maintained in a secure and confidential manner. This report sets forth the essential findings of the investigation, pursuant to the appropriate waiver of the attorney-client privilege by the Board.

Citations in this report have been redacted to protect the identity of people who spoke with the Special Investigative Council. Citations also include references to the internal database maintained by the Special Investigative Council to collect and analyze documents and emails. The references include citation to a unique identifying number assigned to each individual piece of information and are located in the endnotes and footnotes of this report.



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# INDEPENDENCE OF THE INVESTIGATION

The Special Investigative Counsel's mandate was made clear in the public statement of Trustee Kenneth C. Frazier announcing this investigation. "No one is above scrutiny," Frazier said. "[Freeh] has complete rein to follow any lead, to look into every corner of the University to get to the bottom of what happened and then to make recommendations that ensure that it never happens again." Frazier assured the Special Investigative Counsel that the investigation would be expected to operate with complete independence and would be empowered to investigate University staff, senior administrators, and the Board of Trustees.

The Special Investigative Counsel operated with total independence as it conducted this investigation. Its diverse membership included men and women with extensive legal, law enforcement and child protection backgrounds who were experienced in conducting independent, complex and unbiased investigations. None of the Special Investigative Counsel's attorneys or investigators attended The Pennsylvania State University or had any past or present professional relationship with the University. The Special Investigative Counsel maintained a secure workspace that was separate from all other University offices and classrooms. The workspace was accessible to the public only when accompanied by a member of the Special Investigative Counsel team. The Special Investigative Counsel's computer systems were not connected to the University's network.

The Special Investigative Counsel had unfettered access to University staff, as well as to data and documents maintained throughout the University. The University staff provided a large volume of raw data from computer systems, individual computers and communications devices. The Special Investigative Counsel performed the forensic analysis and review of this raw data independent of the University staff. From this review and analysis, the Special Investigative Counsel discovered the most important documents in this investigation – emails among former President Graham B. Spanier, former Senior Vice President-Finance and Business Gary C. Schultz and Athletic Director Timothy M. Curley from 1998 and 2001 - relating to Sandusky's crimes. The Special Investigative Counsel immediately provided these documents to law enforcement when they were discovered.

The Special Investigative Counsel interviewed a cross-section of individuals including current and former University faculty and staff members, Trustees, and student-athletes. The interviews covered a wide range of academic, administrative and athletic topics relating to Sandusky's crimes and the allegations against Schultz and Curley; as well as the governance and oversight function of the University's administrators and Board of Trustees. The temporal scope of the interviews ranged from the late 1960s, when Sandusky first attended the University, to the present.

The witnesses interviewed in this investigation, with few exceptions, were cooperative and forthright. Very few individuals declined to be interviewed, including some who declined on the advice of counsel (i.e., Sandusky, Schultz, Curley and former University outside legal counsel Wendell Courtney). At the request of the Pennsylvania Attorney General, the Special Investigative Counsel did not interview former Pennsylvania State University Director of Public Safety Thomas Harmon or former coach Michael McQueary, among others. Although the information these individuals could have provided would have been pertinent to the investigation, the findings contained in this report represent a fair, objective and comprehensive analysis of facts. Moreover, the extensive contemporaneous documentation that the Special Investigative Counsel collected provided important insights, even into the actions of those who declined to be interviewed.

No party interfered with, or attempted to influence, the findings in this report. The Special Investigative Counsel revealed this report and the findings herein to the Board of Trustees and the general public at the same time. No advance copy was provided to the Board or to any other person outside of the Special Investigative Counsel's team, and the work product was not shared with anyone who was not part of the Special Investigative Counsel's team.



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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On November 4, 2011 the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ("Attorney General") filed criminal charges against Gerald A. Sandusky ("Sandusky") that included multiple counts of involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, aggravated indecent assault, corruption of minors, unlawful contact with minors and endangering the welfare of minors. Several of the offenses occurred between 1998 and 2002, during which time Sandusky was either the Defensive Coordinator for The Pennsylvania State University ("Penn State" or "University") football team or a Penn State professor Emeritus with unrestricted access to the University's football facilities. On November 4, 2011, the Attorney General filed criminal charges against the University's Athletic Director ("AD") Timothy M. Curley ("Curley") and Senior Vice President Finance and Business ("SVP-FB"), Gary C. Schultz ("Schultz") for failing to report allegations of child abuse against Sandusky to law enforcement or child protection authorities in 2002[b] and for committing perjury during their testimony about the allegations to the Grand Jury in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, in January 2011.

On June 22, 2012, a Centre County jury in Bellefonte, Pennsylvania found Sandusky guilty of 45 counts of the criminal charges against him. As of the date of this report, the charges against Curley and Schultz have not been heard by the court.

The criminal charges filed against these highly respected University and community leaders are unprecedented in the history of the University. Several senior University leaders who had knowledge of the allegations did not prepare for the possibility that these criminal charges would be filed. In the days and weeks surrounding the announcement of the charges, University leaders (referred to on campus as "Old Main") and the University's Board of Trustees ("Board" or "Trustees"), struggled to decide what actions the University should take and how to be appropriately transparent about their actions. The high degree of interest exhibited by members of the University community, alumni, the public and the national media put additional pressure on these leaders to act quickly.

On November 11, 2011, the Trustees formed the "Special Investigations Task Force ("Task Force") of the Board of Trustees of The Pennsylvania State University" and

[b] This date was later determined by the Special Investigative Counsel to be 2001.

selected Trustees Kenneth C. Frazier and Ronald J. Tomalis to lead its efforts. On November 21, 2011 the Task Force engaged the law firm of Freeh Sporkin & Sullivan, LLP ("FSS") as Special Investigative Counsel, to conduct an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the criminal charges of sexual abuse of minors in or on Penn State facilities by Sandusky; the circumstances leading to the criminal charges of failure to report possible incidents of sexual abuse of minors; and the response of University administrators and staff to the allegations and subsequent Grand Jury investigations of Sandusky. In addition, the Special Investigative Counsel was asked to provide recommendations regarding University governance, oversight and administrative procedures that will better enable the University to effectively prevent and respond to incidents of sexual abuse of minors in the future.

The Pennsylvania State University is an outstanding institution nationally renowned for its excellence in academics and research. There is a strong spirit of community support and loyalty among its students, faculty and staff. Therefore it is easy to understand how the University community was devastated by the events that occurred.

## FINDINGS

The most saddening finding by the Special Investigative Counsel is the total and consistent disregard by the most senior leaders at Penn State for the safety and welfare of Sandusky's child victims. As the Grand Jury similarly noted in its presentment,[1] there was no "attempt to investigate, to identify Victim 2, or to protect that child or any others from similar conduct except as related to preventing its re-occurrence on University property."

Four of the most powerful people at The Pennsylvania State University – President Graham B. Spanier, Senior Vice President-Finance and Business Gary C. Schultz, Athletic Director Timothy M. Curley and Head Football Coach Joseph V. Paterno – failed to protect against a child sexual predator harming children for over a decade. These men concealed Sandusky's activities from the Board of Trustees, the University community and authorities. They exhibited a striking lack of empathy for Sandusky's victims by failing to inquire as to their safety and well-being, especially by not attempting to determine the identity of the child who Sandusky assaulted in the Lasch Building in 2001. Further, they exposed this child to additional harm by alerting



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Sandusky, who was the only one who knew the child's identity, of what McQueary saw in the shower on the night of February 9, 2001.

These individuals, unchecked by the Board of Trustees that did not perform its oversight duties, empowered Sandusky to attract potential victims to the campus and football events by allowing him to have continued, unrestricted and unsupervised access to the University's facilities and affiliation with the University's prominent football program. Indeed, that continued access provided Sandusky with the very currency that enabled him to attract his victims. Some coaches, administrators and football program staff members ignored the red flags of Sandusky's behaviors and no one warned the public about him.

By not promptly and fully advising the Board of Trustees about the 1998 and 2001 child sexual abuse allegations against Sandusky and the subsequent Grand Jury investigation of him, Spanier failed in his duties as President. The Board also failed in its duties to oversee the President and senior University officials in 1998 and 2001 by not inquiring about important University matters and by not creating an environment where senior University officials felt accountable.

Once the Board was made aware of the investigations of Sandusky and the fact that senior University officials had testified before the Grand Jury in the investigations, it should have recognized the potential risk to the University community and to the University's reputation. Instead, the Board, as a governing body, failed to inquire reasonably and to demand detailed information from Spanier. The Board's overconfidence in Spanier's abilities to deal with the crisis, and its complacent attitude left them unprepared to respond to the November 2011 criminal charges filed against two senior Penn State leaders and a former prominent coach. Finally, the Board's subsequent removal of Paterno as head football coach was poorly handled, as were the Board's communications with the public.

Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley gave the following reasons for taking no action to identify the February 9, 2001 child victim and for not reporting Sandusky to the authorities:

- Through counsel, Curley and Schultz stated that the "humane" thing to do in 2001 was to carefully and responsibly assess the best way to handle vague but

troubling allegations. According to their counsel, these men were good people trying to do their best to make the right decisions.[2]

- Paterno told a reporter that "I didn't know exactly how to handle it and I was afraid to do something that might jeopardize what the university procedure was. So I backed away and turned it over to some other people, people I thought would have a little more expertise than I did. It didn't work out that way."[3]
- Spanier said, in his interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, that he never heard a report from anyone that Sandusky was engaged in any sexual abuse of children. He also said that if he had known or suspected that Sandusky was abusing children, he would have been the first to intervene.[4]

Taking into account the available witness statements and evidence, the Special Investigative Counsel finds that it is more reasonable to conclude that, in order to avoid the consequences of bad publicity, the most powerful leaders at the University – Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley – repeatedly concealed critical facts relating to Sandusky's child abuse from the authorities, the University's Board of Trustees, the Penn State community, and the public at large.

The avoidance of the consequences of bad publicity is the most significant, but not the only, cause for this failure to protect child victims and report to authorities. The investigation also revealed:

- A striking lack of empathy for child abuse victims by the most senior leaders of the University.
- A failure by the Board to exercise its oversight functions in 1998 and 2001 by not having regular reporting procedures or committee structures in place to ensure disclosure to the Board of major risks to the University.
- A failure by the Board to make reasonable inquiry in 2011 by not demanding details from Spanier and the General Counsel about the nature and direction of the grand jury investigation and the University's response to the investigation.
- A President who discouraged discussion and dissent.
- A lack of awareness of child abuse issues, the Clery Act, and whistleblower policies and protections.

- A decision by Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley to allow Sandusky to retire in 1999, not as a suspected child predator, but as a valued member of the Penn State football legacy, with future "visibility" at Penn State and ways "to continue to work with young people through Penn State," essentially granting him license to bring boys to campus facilities for "grooming" as targets for his assaults. Sandusky retained unlimited access to University facilities until November 2011.
- A football program that did not fully participate in, or opted out, of some University programs, including Clery Act compliance. Like the rest of the University, the football program staff had not been trained in their Clery Act responsibilities and most had never heard of the Clery Act.
- A culture of reverence for the football program that is ingrained at all levels of the campus community.

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE, ADMINISTRATION, AND THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN UNIVERSITY FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS

From the results of interviews with representatives of the University's Office of Human Resources, Office of Internal Audit, Office of Risk Management, Intercollegiate Athletics, Commonwealth Campuses, Outreach, the President's Council, Faculty Senate representatives and the Board of Trustees, and benchmarking similar practices at other large universities, the Special Investigative Counsel developed 120 recommendations for consideration by University administrators and the Board in the following eight areas:

- The Penn State Culture
- Administration and General Counsel: Structure, Policies and Procedures
- Board of Trustees: Responsibilities and Operations
- Compliance: Risk and Reporting Misconduct
- Athletic Department: Integration and Compliance
- University Police Department: Oversight, Policies and Procedures
- Programs for Non-Student Minors and Access to Facilities
- Monitoring Change and Measuring Improvement

These recommendations are detailed in Chapter 10 of this report, and include several that the Special Investigative Counsel recommended to the Board in January 2012. The recommendations made at that time were designed to assist the University in preparing for its upcoming summer programs for children.

These steps should assist the University in improving structures, policies and procedures that are related to the protection of children. Some of these recommendations will help the University more fully comply with federal and state laws and regulations dealing with the protection of children. Other recommendations support changes in the structure and operations of the Board, or promote enhancements to administrative processes and procedures. Most importantly, the recommendations should create a safer environment for young people who participate in its programs and use its facilities.

One of the most challenging of the tasks confronting the Penn State community is transforming the culture that permitted Sandusky's behavior, as illustrated throughout this report, and which directly contributed to the failure of Penn State's most powerful leaders to adequately report and respond to the actions of a serial sexual predator. It is up to the entire University community – students, faculty, staff, alumni, the Board, and the administration – to undertake a thorough and honest review of its culture. The current administration and Board of Trustees should task the University community, including students, faculty, staff, alumni, and peers from similar institutions and outside experts in ethics and communications, to conduct such a review. The findings from such a review may well demand further changes.



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# TIMELINE OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

**1969**

- Sandusky joins the Penn State football coaching staff.

**February 1998**

- After learning that Paterno has told Sandusky that he would not become the next head football coach, Curley begins discussions with Sandusky about other positions at the University, including an Assistant AD position that Sandusky turns down. Curley keeps Spanier and Schultz informed by email.

**May 3, 1998**

- ***Sandusky assaults Victim 6[c] in Lasch Building shower.***

[c] The young boys victimized by Sandusky are designated in this report in the same manner as the Grand Jury presentment.



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- Victim 6's mother reports to the University Police Department that Sandusky showered with her 11-year old son in the Lasch Building on Penn State campus. The police promptly begin an investigation.

- Schultz is immediately informed of the investigation and notifies Spanier and Curley. Schultz's confidential May 4, 1998 notes about Sandusky state: "Behavior – at best inappropriate @ worst sexual improprieties" and "At min – Poor Judgment." Schultz also notes: "Is this opening of pandora's box?" and "Other children?"

**May 4-30, 1998**

- University Police Department Chief Harmon emails Schultz: "We're going to hold off on making any crime log entry. At this point in time I can justify that decision because of the lack of clear evidence of a crime."

- Curley notifies Schultz and Spanier that he has "touched base with" Paterno about the incident. Days later, Curley emails Schultz: "Anything new in this department? Coach is anxious to know where it stands."

- Board meeting on May 15: Spanier does not notify the Board of the ongoing investigation.

- District Attorney declines to bring charges against Sandusky.

- University Police detective and Department of Public Welfare caseworker interview Sandusky in Lasch Building so as not to put Sandusky "on the defensive." Sandusky admits hugging Victim 6 in the shower but says there was nothing "sexual about it." The detective advised Sandusky not to shower with any child. Sandusky stated he "wouldn't."

**June 1998**

- Harmon emails Schultz: officers "met discreetly" with Sandusky and "his account of the matter was essentially the same as the child's." Sandusky said "he had done this with other children in the past. Sandusky was advised that there was no criminal behavior established and that the matter was closed as an investigation."

- Schultz emails Curley and Spanier: "I think the matter has been appropriately investigated and I hope it is now behind us."



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**January 1999**

- Curley emails Spanier and Schultz: Sandusky wants to coach one more year and then transition to an outreach program.

- Sandusky writes a letter to Curley saying, because he will not be next head football coach, he is considering retirement. Sandusky also seeks "to maintain a long-term relationship with the University."

- Curley emails Spanier and Schultz, discussing Sandusky's retirement options: "Joe did give him the option to continue to coach as long as he was the coach." Suggests possibility of Sandusky "coaching three more seasons."

- Sandusky proposes continuing connection with Penn State, including running a middle school youth football camp and finding "ways for [Sandusky] to continue to work with young people through Penn State." Paterno handwriting on the note states: "Volunteer Position Director – Positive Action for Youth."

**May-August 1999**

- A retirement agreement with Sandusky is reached in June 1999, including an unusual lump sum payment of $168,000, an agreement for the University to "work collaboratively" with Sandusky on Second Mile and other community activities, and free lifetime use of East Area Locker Room facilities.

- As the retirement package is being finalized, Curley requests the emergency re-hire of Sandusky for the 1999 football season, which is approved.

- In August 1999, Sandusky is granted "emeritus" rank, which carries several privileges, including access to University recreational facilities. Documents show the unusual request for emeritus rank originated from Schultz, was approved by Spanier, and granted by the Provost, who expressed some uneasiness about the decision given Sandusky's low academic rank and the precedent that would be set.



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**December 1999**

- Sandusky brings Victim 4 to 1999 Alamo Bowl in Texas.
- ***Sandusky assaults Victim 4 at team hotel.***

**November 2000**

- ***Sandusky assaults Victim 8 in Lasch Building shower.***
- Janitor observes assault by Sandusky, but does not report the assault for fear that "they'll get rid of all of us." Another janitor concludes that the University will close ranks to protect the football program.

**February 9, 2001**

- ***Sandusky assaults Victim 2 in Lasch Building Shower.***
- McQueary witnesses the assault by Sandusky.



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**February 10-12, 2001**

- McQueary reports the assault to Paterno on Saturday, February 10; Paterno tells McQueary, "you did what you had to do. It's my job now to figure out what we want to do."
- Paterno reports the incident to Curley and Schultz on Sunday, February 11 as Paterno did not "want to interfere with their weekends."
- On Sunday, February 11, Schultz consults with University outside counsel Wendell Courtney "re reporting of suspected child abuse."
- On Monday, Spanier, Schultz and Curley meet to discuss a situation that Spanier describes as "unique", and a "heads-up" meeting; Schultz's confidential notes indicate he spoke to Curley, reviewed the history of the 1998 incident, and agreed that Curley would discuss the incident with Paterno and recommend that Curley meet with Sandusky. Schultz notes state: "Unless he confesses to having a problem, [Curley] will indicate we need to have DPW review the matter as an independent agency concerned w child welfare."
- Schultz asks University Police Department Chief Harmon if the report of the 1998 incident is in police files; Harmon responds that it is.

**February 25-26, 2001**

- Spanier, Schultz and Curley meet and devise an action plan, reflected in Schultz's notes: "3) Tell chair* of Board of Second Mile 2) Report to Dept of Welfare. 1) Tell JS [Sandusky] to avoid bringing children alone into Lasch Bldg *who's the chair??" The plan is confirmed in a subsequent email from Schultz to Curley.



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**February 27-28, 2001**

- Curley emails Schultz and Spanier and says he [Curley] has changed his mind about the plan "after giving it more thought and talking it over with Joe [Paterno] yesterday." Curley now proposes to tell Sandusky "we feel there is a problem" and offer him "professional help." "If he is cooperative we would work with him to handle informing" the Second Mile; if Sandusky does not cooperate, "we don't have a choice and will inform" DPW and the Second Mile. "Additionally, I will let him know that his guests are not permitted to use our facilities."

- Spanier emails Curley and Schultz: "This approach is acceptable to me." He adds: "The only downside for us is if the message isn't 'heard' and acted upon, and we then become vulnerable for not having reported it. But that can be assessed down the road. The approach you outline is humane and a reasonable way to proceed."

- Schultz concurs with the plan in an email to Curley and Spanier: "this is a more humane and upfront way to handle this." Schultz adds, "we can play it by ear" about informing DPW of the assault.

**March 5, 2001**

- Scheduled date of meeting between Curley and Sandusky. In his 2011 Grand Jury testimony, Curley said he told Sandusky "we were uncomfortable" about the incident and would report it to the Second Mile. Curley says he also told Sandusky to stop bringing children to the athletic facilities. Sandusky's counsel later reports that no accusation of sexual abuse was made at this meeting and that Sandusky offered to provide the name of the boy to Curley, but Curley did not want the boy's name.

**March 16, 2001**

- Board of Trustees meeting: Spanier does not report the Sandusky incident to the Board.

**March 19, 2001**

- Curley meets with the executive director of the Second Mile and "shared the information we had with him." The Second Mile leadership concludes the matter is a "non-incident," and takes no further action.



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**July 24, 2001**

- Schultz leads a transaction to sell a parcel of University property to The Second Mile for $168,500 – the same as the University's 1999 acquisition cost.

**August 2001**

- ***Sandusky assaults Victim 5 in Lasch Building shower.***

**September 21, 2001**

- Board of Trustees meeting: Board approves land sale to The Second Mile; neither Spanier nor Schultz disclose any issue concerning Sandusky.

**January 7, 2010**

- The University receives subpoenas from the Pennsylvania Attorney General for personnel records and correspondence regarding Sandusky.

**September 16, 2010**

- *Patriot-News* reporter contacts Spanier; the two exchange emails as to Spanier's knowledge of an investigation of Sandusky for suspected criminal activity while he was a Penn State employee.



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**December 28, 2010 - January 11, 2011**

- Then-Penn State General Counsel Cynthia Baldwin speaks to the Attorney General's Office staff about Grand Jury subpoenas for Schultz, Paterno and Curley; alerts Spanier of subpoenas; meets with Schultz, Paterno and Curley to discuss Sandusky; and calls former University outside counsel Wendell Courtney about his knowledge of Sandusky.

- Courtney emails Schultz: Baldwin "called me today to ask what I remembered about JS issue I spoke with you and Tim about circa eight years ago. I told her what I remembered. She did not offer why she was asking, nor did I ask her. Nor did I disclose that you and I chatted about this."

- Courtney emails Baldwin that "someone ... contacted Children and Youth Services to advise of the situation so that they could do whatever they thought was appropriate under the circumstances, while being apprised of what PSU actions were, i.e., advising JS to no longer bring kids to PSU's football locker rooms."

**January 12, 2011**

- Schultz, Paterno and Curley testify before the Grand Jury.

**March 31, 2011**

- *Patriot-News* publishes article on Sandusky investigation.

**April 1, 2011**

- A Trustee emails Spanier, asking if the Board will be briefed about the Sandusky investigation reported in the paper. Spanier tells the Trustee: "Grand Jury matters are by law secret, and I'm not sure what one is permitted to say, if anything. I'll need to ask Cynthia [Baldwin] if it would be permissible for her to brief the Board on the matter."



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**April 13, 2011**

- The Trustee emails Spanier again: "despite grand jury secrecy, when high ranking people at the university are appearing before a grand jury, the university should communicate something about this to its Board of Trustees." Spanier responds, downplaying the significance of the investigation: "I'm not sure it is entirely our place to speak about this when we are only on the periphery of this." Spanier asks Baldwin to call the Trustee.
- Spanier appears before the Grand Jury.
- Spanier separately emails Baldwin, noting "[the Trustee] desires near total transparency. He will be uncomfortable and feel put off until he gets a report."

**April 17, 2011**

- Spanier, Baldwin and then Board Chair Garban have a conference call to discuss the Sandusky Grand Jury.

**May 12, 2011**

- Board of Trustees meeting: Spanier and Baldwin brief Board on status of Grand Jury investigation; Spanier and Baldwin downplay importance of the investigation to Penn State. The Board asks a few limited questions.

**July 15, 2011**

- Board of Trustees meeting: Spanier and Baldwin do not update the Board on the Sandusky investigation. The Board does not ask about the Sandusky investigation.

**September 9, 2011**

- Board of Trustees meeting: Spanier and Baldwin do not update the Board on the Sandusky investigation. The Board does not ask about the Sandusky investigation.



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**October 27-28, 2011**

- Baldwin receives information on upcoming Grand Jury indictment.
- Baldwin, Spanier and Curley meet; Baldwin and Spanier also meet with Garban.
- Spanier, Baldwin, Garban and staff draft press statement expressing "unconditional support" for Schultz and Curley.

**October 29, 2011**

- Sandusky attends Penn State home football game and sits in Nittany Lion Club in Beaver Stadium.

**November 4, 2011**

- Courtney emails Schultz a newspaper story about the Sandusky charges. Schultz replies: "I was never aware that 'Penn State police investigated inappropriate touching in a shower' in 1998."
- Criminal charges filed against Sandusky in Centre County; Grand Jury presentment attached as Exhibit A to criminal complaint.
- Criminal charges are filed against Schultz and Curley in Dauphin County; Grand Jury presentment attached as Exhibit A to criminal complaint.



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**November 5, 2011**

- Sandusky is arrested.
- Grand Jury presentment released, noting there was no "attempt to investigate, to identify Victim 2 or to protect that child or any others from similar conduct, except as related to preventing its re-occurrence on University property."
- A Trustee asks Spanier, "What is going on, and is there any plan to brief the Board before our meeting next week?" Baldwin advises Spanier to tell the Trustee, "you are briefing the chair and the Board will be briefed next week."
- Spanier issues a press release expressing "unconditional support" for Schultz and Curley; with regard to child victims, Spanier only states, "Protecting children requires the utmost vigilance."
- Spanier emails Baldwin: Spanier says that if the Board is briefed, "it will be nothing more than what we said publicly." The Board meets on a conference call that evening.
- A senior administrator suggests an independent review of Penn State's intercollegiate athletics. Baldwin replies, "If we do this, we will never get rid of this group in some shape or form. The Board will then think that they should have such a group." Spanier agrees.

**November 6, 2011**

- Board of Trustee meeting: Board places Curley on administrative leave; Schultz re-retires. Spanier issues a second press release stating that Curley and Schultz voluntarily changed their employment status. Board members disagree and express frustration at changed tone of press release. Spanier says he only made "grammatical" edits to the press release.



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**November 7, 2011**

- Pennsylvania Attorney General and Pennsylvania State Police Commissioner announce charges against Sandusky, Schultz and Curley at a press conference.
- A Trustee writes to other Board members: "Unfortunately the statement that was issued last night, in my opinion, did not reflect the sense of the Board."

**November 8, 2011**

- Board of Trustees conference call: Third press release issued, expressing "outrage" at the "horrifying details" of the Grand Jury presentment, and announcing the formation of an investigative task force to review issues relating to the criminal charges.

**November 9, 2011**

- Board of Trustees meeting: Board removes Spanier as President; names Rodney Erickson as Interim President (becomes permanent President on November 17, 2011); removes Paterno as Head Football Coach.
- Board sends message to Paterno to phone the Board Vice Chair, who telephonically notifies Paterno that he is no longer Penn State's Head Football Coach.
- Board holds press conference announcing its actions.
- Students demonstrate in protest on Penn State campus.



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# CHAPTER 1
# THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY – GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

## KEY FINDINGS

- Although the University has a central Human Resources department headed by an Associate Vice President, each school and other large departments (such as Intercollegiate Athletics) has its own HR staff. Those individual departments sometimes relaxed or opt out of the standard rules or procedures in implementing University policies and rules.
- The University's administrative controls include over 350 policies and related procedures, however, oversight of compliance with these policies is decentralized and uneven.
- The University has no centralized office, officer or committee to oversee institutional compliance with laws, regulations, policies and procedures; certain departments monitored their own compliance issues with very limited resources.
- The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics ("Athletic Department"), involving approximately 800 student-athletes, has an Associate Athletic Director responsible for compliance and was significantly understaffed.
- Responsibility for Clery Act compliance previously resided with a sergeant in the University Police Department who was only able to devote minimal time to Clery Act compliance.

The Pennsylvania State University ("Penn State" or "University") is one of four public universities within the Commonwealth System of Higher Education and the only "land-grant" educational institution in Pennsylvania. In 1989, the Pennsylvania Legislature designated the University as a "state-related" institution that receives some state appropriated funding, yet remains autonomous from the state's direct control, maintaining its own Board of Trustees ("Board" or "Trustees").

University Park is the central administrative campus for the University located in State College, Pennsylvania. The University has 19 additional campuses located throughout the state, and offers degrees in 160 majors and 150 graduate disciplines. There are 76,460 undergraduate students and 9,745 graduate students that currently attend the University.[5] The University's annual operating budget is approximately $4.1 billion[6] and its endowment is valued at approximately $1.7 billion.[7]

The University's President is responsible for the academic and administrative functions of the institution, including the University's College of Medicine.[8] The academic program includes 17 colleges within the undergraduate and graduate programs, and six research institutes.[9] The President, along with other senior administrators and officials, is responsible for administering University policies and procedures; managing the endowment; handling legal matters; and overseeing the operation of the University's 10 business units, including those related to campus safety, internal audit, human resources, and facilities.

## I. KEY LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

### A. President

The Board delegates operations and control of the University to the President and his/her designees.[10] As the chief executive officer, the President establishes policies and procedures for operation of the University and reports to the Board on a regular basis.[11] The President also meets regularly with the President's Council, which consists of 17 direct reports including the General Counsel, the Director of the Board of Trustees, and the Senior Vice President - Finance and Business.[12] Graham B. Spanier was President from September 1, 1995 to November 9, 2011. Rodney A. Erickson, appointed on November 9, 2011,[13] is the current President.



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### B. Executive Vice President and Provost ("EVP-Provost")

The Executive Vice President and Provost serves as chief executive officer in the President's absence and is involved in nearly all operations of the University. The Provost also is the University's chief academic officer, responsible for the academic administration of the University's academic units (colleges, schools and campuses) and research, as well as the general welfare of the faculty and students.[14] The EVP-Provost is a member of the President's Council. Rodney A. Erickson was EVP-Provost from July 1, 1999 until November 9, 2011.[15] Robert N. Pangborn was named the Interim EVP-Provost on November 15, 2011.[16]

### C. Senior Vice President – Finance and Business ("SVP-FB")

The Senior Vice President – Finance and Business sits on the President's Council and manages the University's endowment (with assistance from the University Investment Council). The SVP-FB also oversees 10 business units involved with the University's daily operations, including University Police and Public Safety, Office of Internal Audit, and Human Resources. Gary C. Schultz was the SVP–FB from January 1, 1995 to June 30, 2009, when he retired.[17] Albert Horvath replaced Schultz from July 1, 2009 until he resigned on September 14, 2011.[18] Spanier asked Schultz to temporarily return to the position in 2011 while a search was conducted for a successor to Horvath. Schultz held the temporary position from September 15, 2011 until November 6, 2011.[19]

### D. General Counsel

Until 2010, the University outsourced most of its legal work to McQuaide Blasko, a law firm in Centre County, Pennsylvania. The Board of Trustees reassessed this legal services model in 2009 based on a study conducted by the SVP-FB and approved the establishment of the Office of General Counsel for the University. The General Counsel is a member of the President's Council. In January 2010, Spanier appointed Cynthia Baldwin, a former Board member and Chair, as the first General Counsel and Vice President of the University. The Board approved Baldwin's appointment on January 22, 2010.[20] Baldwin retired on June 30, 2012 and has been succeeded by Stephen S. Dunham, pending final approval by the Board of Trustees.

## II. Principal Administrative Areas

The University has 22 principal administrative areas:[21]

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| Office of the President | Government Affairs |
| Alumni Relations | Health Affairs and Medicine |
| Affirmative Action Office | Human Resources |
| Athletics | Outreach and Cooperative Extension |
| Commonwealth Campuses | Research and Graduate School |
| Development | Undergraduate Education |
| Diversity | University Relations |
| Educational Equity | Student Affairs |
| Executive Vice President and Provost | Physical Plant |
| Finance and Business | Planning, Institutional Assessment |
| General Counsel | Vice President for Administration |

Several components of these principal administrative areas are particularly important to this investigation: the University Police and Public Safety Department; the Office of Human Resources; the Office of Risk Management; the Office of Internal Audit; Outreach and Intercollegiate Athletics.[22]

**A. University Police and Public Safety ("University Police Department")**

The University Police Department is part of the Finance and Business unit. It has jurisdiction over all crimes that occur on University grounds. Its officers have the same authority as municipal police officers and enforce both the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and University regulations. As part of its responsibilities, the University Police Department collects campus crime statistics that the University must publish annually to comply with The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f) ("Clery Act").[23]

The University Police Department is currently staffed with 46 full-time sworn officers. They are assisted by approximately 200 auxiliary officers and escorts who assist with crowd and traffic control at special events and security at residence halls.[24] The police officers provide 24-hour patrol services to the campus and University-owned properties. In addition to the police officers at University Park, approximately 73 full-time and 30 part-time sworn officers work at the various Commonwealth campuses. University Police work regularly with the Pennsylvania State Police, State College Borough Police and surrounding police agencies.[25]

The University Police Department is headed by a Director who reports to the Assistant Vice President of Police and Public Safety ("AVP-Police and Public Safety") who, in turn, reports to the SVP-FB.[26] David E. Stormer was the AVP-Police and Public Safety until April 1998,[27] after which the AVP-Police and Public Safety position was eliminated.[28] In 1998, Thomas R. Harmon was the Director. When Harmon retired in 2005, Stephen G. Shelow became Director. In April 2011, Shelow took over the re-created position of AVP-Police and Public Safety.[29] Tyrone Parham is the current Director and reports to Shelow.[30]

**B. Office of Human Resources ("OHR")**

The University's OHR is responsible for employee recruitment and background checks, compensation and benefits, professional development and employee relations.[31] Its senior official, Associate Vice President Susan M. Basso, also reports to the SVP-FB.[32] Basso replaced Billie Sue Willits who was Associate Vice President from 1989 until 2010.[33] Although there is a central HR department headed by an Associate Vice President, each school and other large departments (such as Intercollegiate Athletics) has its own HR staff.[34] Those individual departments are charged with enforcing University rules and policies in their own groups but, in practice, they sometimes relaxed or opted out of the standard rules or procedures.[35]

**C. Department of Intercollegiate Athletics ("Athletic Department")**

The Athletic Department is organized into 30 sports teams and oversees approximately 800 athletes.[36] The Athletic Department is headed by a Director who is not a Vice President, but who sits by invitation on the President's Council and reports to the President. Timothy M. Curley was the Director of Athletics from December 1993 until November 6, 2011.[37] On November 16, 2011, David M. Joyner was named the Acting AD.[38]

The largest sport in the Athletic Department is the football program, which is led by a Head Coach who reports to the AD. Joseph V. Paterno was Head Coach of the football program from 1966 until November 9, 2011.[39] Bill O'Brien was named the new Head Coach on January 6, 2012.[40]

The Athletic Department also conducts sports camps for children. Historically, the Associate Athletic Director for Football Operations and assistant football coaches

have directed the football sports camps without the involvement of the Head Coach.[41] Richard J. Bartolomea has been the Sports Camp Coordinator since 1993.

**D. Outreach**

The Penn State Outreach program conducts numerous activities, including running various youth camps on campus. The Outreach program is led by the Vice President of Outreach, who also sits on the President's Council. Dr. James H. Ryan was the Vice President of Outreach in 1998 and continued in that position until 2003, when Dr. Craig D. Weidemann took over the position, which he still holds.[42] Outreach oversaw the sports camps until November 2010, when the responsibility was transferred to the Athletic Department.[43]

## III. ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS

The University's administrative controls include over 350 policies and related procedures designed to ensure reasonable control over its operations.[44] However, as discussed further below, oversight of compliance with such policies is decentralized throughout various University departments and of uneven quality among the departments.

**A. Policies and Procedures**

The University has had a fairly comprehensive set of policies and procedures in place to safeguard the campus community, promote ethical conduct and encourage crime reporting since 1986. Examples of relevant policies include the following:

- AD12 – Sexual Assault, Relationship and Domestic Violence, and Stalking (created in 1996)
- AD39 – Minors Involved in University-Sponsored Programs or Programs Held at the University and/or Housed in University Facilities (created in 1992)
- AD41 – Sexual Harassment (created in 1998)
- AD47 – General Standards of Professional Ethics (created in 1986)
- AD67 – Disclosure of Wrongful Conduct and Protection from Retaliation (created in 2010)
- AD99 – Background Check Process (created in 2012)
- RA20 – Individual Conflict of Interest (created in 2009)



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- RA21 – Institutional Financial Conflict of Interest Involving Sponsored Projects, Dedicated Gifts, Research, Scholarship, and Technology Transfer (created in 2003)
- The Penn State Principles (created in 2001)[45]

**B. Oversight and Internal Controls**

**1. Compliance.** The University has no centralized office, officer or committee to oversee institutional compliance with laws, regulations, policies and procedures.[46] Rather, certain departments monitor their own compliance issues, some with very limited resources. As an example, the Athletic Department has an Associate Athletic Director responsible for National Collegiate Athletic Association ("NCAA") compliance, but that group is significantly understaffed.[47] The responsibility for Clery Act compliance previously resided with a sergeant in the University Police Department who was able to devote only minimal time to Clery Act compliance.[48] The University Police Department appointed a full-time Clery Compliance Officer on March 26, 2012.[49]

**2. Risk Management.** The University's Office of Risk Management ("ORM") identifies and manages potential risks throughout the University relating to financial, physical and reputational loss. The scope of the ORM's work includes managing risks involving physical, personnel and financial resources, privacy, and legal and regulatory compliance,[50] but in reality, most of its work centers on assessing contract-based risks.[51]

**3. Audit.** The University has internal and external auditing processes that focus on financial and business matters. The Office of Internal Audit ("OIA"), established in 2003, evaluates a range of operational risks throughout the University and oversees an "Ethics Hotline" for reporting financial fraud and human resources issues.[52] The OIA has full access to all University activities, records, property and personnel, including direct access to the President of the University and the Board of Trustees.[53] The OIA is led by an Internal Audit Director who reports to the SVP-FB, and to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees' Subcommittee on Audit[54] (recently renamed the Committee on Finance, Business and Capital Planning).

The OIA has conducted audits relating to compliance with various University policies and procedures, although it is not responsible for ensuring compliance with such policies.[55] The OIA has reviewed the University policies for screening summer camp counselors, but not the policies regarding background checks of University

employees.[56] The OIA has not conducted any audits regarding Clery Act compliance or the safety of minors on campus or summer camps.[57]

The internal auditors issue annual reports on financial matters, which are shared with the Board at its annual meetings. They also perform annual audits on the University's compliance with certain NCAA rules.[58] In addition to the internal audits conducted by the OIA, independent accountants also audit the University.[59]

# CHAPTER 2
# RESPONSE OF UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS TO THE ALLEGATION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AGAINST SANDUSKY – 1998

## KEY FINDINGS

- Before May 1998, several staff members and football coaches regularly observed Sandusky showering with young boys in the Lasch Building (now the East Area Locker Building or "Old Lasch"). None of the individuals interviewed notified their superiors of this behavior.
- University Police and the Department of Public Welfare responded promptly to the report by a young boy's mother of a possible sexual assault by Sandusky in the Lasch Building on May 3, 1998.
- While no information indicates University leaders interfered with the investigation, Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley were kept informed of the investigation.
- On May 5, 1998, Schultz's notes about the incident state: "Is this opening of pandora's box? Other children? "
- On June 9, 1998, Schultz emails Spanier and Curley: "I think the matter has been appropriately investigated and *I hope it is now behind us* [emphasis added]."
- Detective recalled interviewing Sandusky in the Lasch Building so as not to put him "on the defensive." The detective advised Sandusky not to shower with any child and Sandusky said he "wouldn't."At the conclusion of the investigation, no charges were filed against Sandusky.
- Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley did not even speak to Sandusky about his conduct on May 3, 1998 in the Lasch Building.
- Despite their knowledge of the criminal investigation of Sandusky, Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley took no action to limit Sandusky's access to Penn State facilities or took any measures to protect children on their campuses.
- Spanier and Schultz failed to report the 1998 investigation to the Board of Trustees.
- Sandusky was convicted of several assaults that occurred after the 1998 incident. Some of these sexual assaults against young boys might have been prevented had Sandusky been prohibited from bringing minors to University facilities and University football bowl games.

## I. Sandusky's Association with Penn State

Gerald A. Sandusky ("Sandusky") was a student at Penn State from 1962-1966. While an undergraduate he played on the football team, and after his graduation in 1966 he became a graduate assistant in the football program for one year. Sandusky was a physical education instructor and coach at Juniata College from 1967-1968 and at Boston University from 1968-1969. He returned to Penn State in 1969 as an assistant football coach and assistant professor of physical education. He held the positions for 30 years until his retirement in 1999. Sandusky reported to Head Football Coach Joseph Paterno ("Paterno") for his entire career at Penn State. Sandusky was granted tenure in 1980.

Sandusky gained a national reputation as a successful defensive coach. He was well-known in the community and highly thought of for his work with youth.

Sandusky authored or coauthored three books - two about coaching linebackers, and *Touched: The Jerry Sandusky Story,* an autobiography that focuses on his claimed passion for helping disadvantaged youth. According to Sandusky's autobiography, it was his interest in young people that motivated him to found the "Second Mile," a non-profit organization that provides various services and activities for disadvantaged boys and girls in Pennsylvania. Many Penn State officials and some members of the Board of Trustees ("Board" or "Trustees") or their families supported the Second Mile through volunteer service and donations. Over the years, the University has allowed the Second Mile to use its facilities for a variety of educational and support programs for youth.

### A. Sandusky's Criminal Activity 1995-1998

Before May 1998, several staff members and football coaches regularly observed Sandusky showering with young boys in the Lasch Building (now the East Area Locker Building or "Old Lasch"). None of the individuals interviewed by the Special Investigative Counsel notified their superiors of this behavior. Former Coach Richard Anderson testified at Sandusky's trial in June 2012 that he often saw Sandusky in the showers with children in the football facilities but he did not believe the practice to be improper.[60]



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The Centre County jury convicted Sandusky in June 2012 of assaulting three different boys at Penn State's football facilities and other places on campus before May 1998. These assaults occurred against Victim 4 (assaults on various dates from October 1996 to December 2000 at, among other places, the East Area Locker Building ("Old Lasch") and Lasch Football Building ("Lasch Building"); Victim 7 (assaults on various dates from September 1995 to December 1996 at East Area Locker Building and elsewhere); and Victim 10 (assaults on various dates from September 1997 to July 1999 in an outdoor pool at University Park and elsewhere).[61]

Another adult male, not part of the June 2012 Sandusky trial, alleged that he was molested by Sandusky over 100 times as a child and that Sandusky took him to the Penn State Rose Bowl game in Pasadena, California in 1995.[62] He also said that Sandusky brought him to the Penn State football locker room showers where Sandusky fondled him and performed oral sex on him.

## II. Events of May 3, 1998 at the Lasch Building

According to Centre County court records and University Police Department records, on the afternoon of May 3, 1998, Sandusky called the home of an 11-year-old boy[63] and invited him to go to a Penn State athletic facility that evening to exercise.[64] The boy, who met Sandusky through the Second Mile youth organization about a month earlier, accepted the invitation.[65] Sandusky picked up the boy at about 7:00 p.m., and took him to the Lasch Building on the Penn State campus.[66] As the central facility for Penn State football, the Lasch Building contained a number of exercise machines as well as dressing rooms, showers and Sandusky's office, which for many years was the office closest to Paterno's.

Sandusky and the boy went to a coaches' locker room, where the two wrestled and Sandusky tried to "pin" the boy.[67] After wrestling, the boy changed into clothes that Sandusky provided and followed him to work out on exercise machines.[68] When they finished exercising, Sandusky kissed the boy's head and said, "I love you."[69] Sandusky and the boy then went to a coaches' locker room[70] where Sandusky turned on the showers and asked the boy if he wanted to shower.[71] The boy agreed and began to turn on a shower several feet from Sandusky.[72] Sandusky directed him to a shower head closer to Sandusky, saying it took some time for the water to warm up.[73]



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While in the shower, Sandusky wrapped his hands around the boy's chest and said, "I'm gonna squeeze your guts out."[74] The boy then washed his body and hair.[75] Sandusky lifted the boy to "get the soap out of" the boy's hair, bringing the boy's feet "up pretty high" near Sandusky's waist.[76] The boy's back was touching Sandusky's chest and his feet touched Sandusky's thigh. [77] The boy felt "weird" and "uncomfortable" during the time in the shower.[78]

Sandusky brought the boy home around 9:00 p.m. and left. The boy's mother noticed that her son's hair was wet and he told her that he had showered with Sandusky. The mother also observed that her son was acting in a way that he did when he was upset about something,[79] that he did not sleep well and took another shower the next morning.[80]

## III. Investigation of Sandusky – 1998

### A. May 4–6, 1998: Police Report, Initial Investigation and Psychological Evaluation of the Victim

At 7:43 a.m. on May 4, 1998, the boy's mother called Alycia Chambers, a licensed State College psychologist[81] who had been working with her son, to see if she was "overreacting" to Sandusky's showering with her son.[82] The psychologist assured the mother that she was not overreacting and told her to make a report to the authorities.[83] The boy's mother called the University Police Department and reported the incident to Detective Ron Schreffler around 11:00 a.m.[84]

Around 11:30 a.m., Detective Schreffler interviewed the boy.[85] The boy told Schreffler what happened with Sandusky the previous evening,[86] and added that a 10-year-old friend of his had been in a shower with Sandusky on another occasion where Sandusky similarly squeezed the friend.[87]

Later that day, Chambers met with the boy[88] who told her about the prior day's events and that he felt "like the luckiest kid in the world" to get to sit on the sidelines at Penn State football games.[89] The boy said that he did not want to get Sandusky in "trouble," and that Sandusky must not have meant anything by his actions.[90] The boy did not want anyone to talk to Sandusky because he might not invite him to any more games.[91] Chambers made a report to the Pennsylvania child abuse line[92] and also consulted with colleagues. Her colleagues agreed that "the incidents meet all of our



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definitions, based on experience and education, of a likely pedophile's pattern of building trust and gradual introduction of physical touch, within a context of a 'loving,' 'special' relationship."[93]

That afternoon Schreffler contacted John Miller, a caseworker with the Centre County Children and Youth Services ("CYS") about the allegation.[94] However, there were several conflicts of interest with CYS's involvement in the case[95] (e.g., CYS had various contracts with Second Mile - including placement of children in a Second Mile residential program;[96] the Second Mile's executive director had a contract with CYS to conduct children's evaluations;[97] and the initial referral sheet from Chambers indicated the case might involve a foster child).[98] In light of these conflicts, the Department of Public Welfare ("DPW") took over the case from CYS on May 5, 1998. DPW officials in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania took the lead because of Sandusky's high profile and assigned it to caseworker Jerry Lauro.[99]

Schreffler also contacted Karen Arnold, Centre County prosecutor in the District Attorney's office, to discuss the case.[100] Schreffler had decided to call the prosecutor at the outset of the investigation so he did not "have to worry about Old Main sticking their nose in the investigation," which he knew from experience could occur.[101]

Around 8:00 p.m. on May 4, 1998, Schreffler and Miller spoke with the boy's friend about his contact with Sandusky.[102] The friend stated that he had gone to the Penn State campus on two occasions with Sandusky, whom he met through the Second Mile.[103] Sandusky took him to the Lasch Building, where they wrestled and then showered together.[104] While in the shower, Sandusky came from behind and lifted him in a bear hug.[105] Following this interview, Schreffler and Miller re-interviewed the first boy.

On May 6, 1998, Schreffler reviewed voicemail messages and caller identification information from the home of the victim. Sandusky had called the boy twice on May 3, 1998 and once on May 6, 1998. Sandusky left a voicemail on May 6, 1998, inviting the boy to work out. The boy did not return the call.[106]

**B. May 7–9, 1998: A Second Evaluation of the Victim**

On May 7, 1998, Chambers provided a copy of her written report to Schreffler. Chambers said she was pleased with the response of the agencies involved, as the "gravity of the incidents seems to be well appreciated."[107]

Also on May 7, 1998, Lauro interviewed the boy's mother. According to Schreffler's notes, Lauro had received copies of the boy's recorded statement,[108] yet Lauro advised the Special Investigative Counsel that he did not have full access to the facts of the case and was unaware of psychologist Chambers' evaluation.[109] Lauro said that if he "had seen [Chambers'] report, I would not have stopped the investigation," which he thought at the time fell into a "gray" area and involved possible "boundary" issues.[110]

Schreffler had a discussion with Arnold that day as well. Arnold told Schreffler to postpone a second psychological evaluation of the boy until an additional investigation could be completed.[111] Nonetheless, a second evaluation of the boy occurred on May 8, 1998 as part of DPW's investigation. Counselor John Seasock, who had a contract to provide counseling services to CYS, conducted the evaluation.[112]

During the meeting with Seasock the boy described the incident with Sandusky.[113] Given that the boy did not feel forced to engage in any activity and did not voice discomfort to Sandusky, Seasock opined that "there seems to be no incident which could be termed as sexual abuse, nor did there appear to be any sequential pattern of logic and behavior which is usually consistent with adults who have difficulty with sexual abuse of children."[114] Seasock's report ruled out that the boy "had been placed in a situation where he was being 'groomed for future sexual victimization.'"[115] Seasock recommended that someone speak with Sandusky about what is acceptable with young children and explained, "The intent of the conversation with Mr. Sandusky is not to cast dispersion (sic) upon his actions but to help him stay out of such gray area situations in the future."[116]

On May 9, 1998, Schreffler discussed the outcome of Seasock's evaluation with Seasock.[117] While Seasock said he identified some "gray areas," he did not find evidence of abuse and had never heard of a 52-year-old man "becoming a pedophile."[118] When Schreffler questioned Seasock's awareness of details of the boy's experience, Seasock acknowledged he was not aware of many of the concerns Schreffler raised but



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stated Sandusky "didn't fit the profile of a pedophile,"[119] and that he couldn't find any indication of child abuse.

Seasock served as an independent contractor at Penn State from 2000 to 2006. His first payment from Penn State was made on April 20, 2000 for $1,236.86.[120] His total payments were $11,448.86.[121] The Special Investigative Counsel did not find any evidence to suggest that these payments had any relation to Seasock's work on the Sandusky case in 1998. According to the Second Mile's counsel, there was no business relationship between Seasock and the Second Mile.[122]

**C. May 12-19, 1998: Police Overhear Sandusky Admit to Showering with the Victim**

On May 12, 1998, Sandusky called the boy again and arranged to pick him up at his house the next day. On May 13, 1998, Schreffler and a State College police officer went to the boy's house and hid inside. When Sandusky arrived they covertly listened in to his conversation with the boy's mother.[123] Schreffler overheard Sandusky say he had gone to the boy's baseball game the night before but found the game had been cancelled.[124] The boy's mother told Sandusky that her son had been acting "different" since they had been together on May 3, 1998[125] and asked Sandusky if anything had happened that day. Sandusky replied, "[w]e worked out. Did [the boy] say something happened?"[126] Sandusky added that the boy had taken a shower, and said "[m]aybe I worked him too hard."[127] Sandusky also asked the boy's mother if he should leave him alone, and she said that would be best. Sandusky then apologized.[128]

On May 19, 1998, at the direction of the police, the boy's mother met with Sandusky again in her home. As they listened from another room,[129] the officers heard the mother ask Sandusky about the bear hug in the shower, and whether his "private parts" touched the boy while they hugged. Sandusky said, "I don't think so ... maybe."[130] He also said he had showered with other boys before, but denied having "sexual feelings" when he hugged her son.[131] He admitted telling the boy that he loved him. Sandusky asked to speak with her son and the mother replied that she did not feel that was a good idea as her son was confused and she did not want Sandusky to attend any of the boy's baseball games. Sandusky responded, "I understand. I was wrong. I wish I could get forgiveness. I know I won't get it from you. I wish I were dead."[132]

The law enforcement officers did not question Sandusky at this time. Had the officers been better trained in the investigation of child sexual abuse they would have

interrogated Sandusky directly after his confrontation with the boy's mother. A timely interview with Sandusky may have elicited candid responses such as the identification of other victims.

**D. Late May 1998: District Attorney's Decision to Not Prosecute Sandusky**

Sometime between May 27, 1998 and June 1, 1998, the local District Attorney declined to prosecute Sandusky for his actions with the boy in the shower in the Lasch Building on May 3, 1998. A senior administrator of a local victim resource center familiar with the 1998 incident said the case against Sandusky was "severely hampered" by Seasock's report.[133]

The District Attorney at the time of the 1998 incident has been missing for several years and has been declared dead. The prosecutor assigned to the Sandusky case declined to be interviewed by the Special Investigative Counsel.

**E. June 1, 1998: University Police Speak with Sandusky**

On June 1, 1998, Schreffler and Lauro interviewed Sandusky. Lauro said he did not discuss an interview strategy with Schreffler before meeting with Sandusky. Lauro recalled that the interview took place in a small weight room in the Lasch Building while Sandusky was seated on a weight bench and [134] that Lauro asked most of the questions.[135] Schreffler recalled that the interview was conducted in an office in the Lasch Building so as not to put Sandusky on the defensive.[136]

According to the interview notes in the case file, Sandusky told the interviewers that he hugged the boy in the shower but said there "wasn't anything sexual about it." Sandusky also said that he had showered with other boys in the past. Lauro advised Sandusky that it was a mistake to shower with kids. Sandusky agreed and said, "honest to God nothing happened."[137] Schreffler advised Sandusky not to shower with any child and Sandusky replied that he "wouldn't."[138] Schreffler and Lauro also told Sandusky that the police[139] could not determine if a sexual assault occurred. No notes or records reflect that Schreffler or Lauro consulted with the District Attorney during or after the interview.

Lauro also told the Special Investigative Counsel that he never spoke to Schreffler about whether improper actions took place between Sandusky and the boy.[140] Lauro stated, "it wasn't until Schreffler told me that there wasn't anything to the case



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that I closed mine."[141] Schreffler's file notes state that Lauro agreed that no sexual assault occurred.[142]

## IV. Involvement of University Officials in The Sandusky Investigation

### A. May 4 - 30, 1998: Notifications and Updates to Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley

On the advice of counsel, Schultz and Curley declined to meet with the Special Investigative Counsel to discuss their knowledge and actions pertaining to the 1998 Sandusky incident. However, the Special Investigative Counsel discovered and reviewed numerous emails between Spanier, Schultz and Curley concerning the incident, and reviewed some of Schultz's files and handwritten notes as well. These documents provide a contemporaneous record of the 1998 events.

It is not known how Schultz learned of the incident involving Sandusky, but it is clear that he knew of it by the time he attended a meeting about it at 5:00 p.m. on May 4, 1998. In documents Schultz held confidentially in his office and that had been concealed from the Special Investigative Counsel, Schultz had handwritten notes summarizing this meeting.[d] Other notes written by Schultz and contemporaneous records pertaining to the matter indicate that then-University Police Department Chief Thomas Harmon regularly informed Schultz of the investigation's progress. In fact, when the case began, Harmon told Schreffler that he wanted to be kept updated on the case so he could "send everything up the flag pole" and advise Schultz.[143]

Schultz's confidential notes dated May 4, 1998 state: a woman reported that her "11 1/2 yr old son" who had been involved with the Second Mile was taken by "Jerry" to the football locker rooms; that taped police interview reflected "Behavior - at best inappropriate @ worst sexual improprieties;" the conduct was "At min – Poor Judgment;" that Sandusky and the child were in the shower, and Sandusky "came up behind & gave him a bear hug - said he would squeeze guts out – all;" and that the boy's ten-year-old friend "claims same thing went on with him." The notes conclude with the words "Critical issue - contact w genitals? Assuming same experience w the second boy? Not criminal."[144]

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[d]Exhibit 2-H. Schultz's notes do not indicate who was present at the meeting.



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It is not clear if Schultz, or another person, determined the matter was "not criminal" on the first day of the investigation. Schultz's confidential notes also show that sometime before 9:00 a.m. on May 5, 1998, Harmon reported to Schultz that the victim had been re-interviewed and had provided additional details about the incident[145] and demonstrated "on chair how Jerry hugged from back hands around abdmin (sic) & down to thighs - picked him up and held him at shower head - rinse soap out of ears."[e] The notes also state that "the mother had spoken to a psychologist who had been seeing the boy, who would call child abuse hot line & will generate an incident no - with Dept of Public Welfare;" and that the police interviewed the second boy who reported "Similar acct. Locker room. Wrestling. Kissed on head. Hugging from behind in shower. No allegation beyond that."[146] Schultz's notes end with these questions: "Is this opening of pandora's box? Other children?"[147]

By May 5, 1998, Schultz had communicated with Curley about the Sandusky incident. In an email from Curley to Schultz and Spanier at 5:24 p.m. captioned "Joe Paterno," Curley reports, "I have touched base with the coach. Keep us posted. Thanks."[f] In an interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Spanier said he did not recall this email, and pointed out that he received numerous emails everyday that provide him with updates on various issues.[148] In a written statement from Spanier, he characterized the May 5, 1998 email as a "vague reference with no individual named."[g]

On May 5, 1998, Schultz also learned from Harmon that the Penn State University Police were "going to hold off" making any crime log entry for the Sandusky allegations.[149] The crime log entry would have been a public record of the incident concerning Sandusky with the boy, yet Harmon reported to Schultz before noon on May 5 that "[w]e're going to hold off on making any crime log entry. At this point in time I can justify that decision because of the lack of clear evidence of a crime."[150]

Schreffler said he delayed pulling an incident number for the Sandusky investigation because it was his normal procedure for drug investigations and he was not initially sure of what type of investigation he had.[151] Schreffler did not know why the report ultimately was opened as an "Administrative Information" file but said he

[e]Exhibit 2-I.
[f]Exhibit 2-A (Control Number 00643730).
[g] Exhibit 2-J.



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may have been the one who decided on the label.[152] All pages of the police report are labeled "Administrative Information."[153]

Schreffler also noted that no referral of the Sandusky incident was made to the Penn State Office of Human Resources ("OHR").[154] Schreffler said such referrals routinely were made in other cases.[155] A senior OHR official recalled no report of the Sandusky incident in 1998, and the OHR files contained no such report.[156] The official thought the Sandusky case was so "sensitive" that it was handled by Schultz alone.[157] The official said no written policy required OHR to be notified by the campus police of incidents involving employees, but it was "very rare" for OHR not to be notified.[158]

Harmon continued to provide Schultz with information about DPW's role in the investigation and their potential conflict of interest with the Second Mile.[159] Harmon provided an update to Schultz on May 8, 1998 reporting that Lauro "indicated that it was his intent to have a psychologist who specializes in child abuse interview the children. This is expected to occur in the next week to week and a half. I don't anticipate anything to be done until that happens."[160]

As the investigation progressed, Curley made several requests to Schultz for updates. On May 13, 1998 at 2:21 p.m., Curley emailed Schultz a message captioned "Jerry" and asked, "Anything new in this department? Coach is anxious to know where it stands."[h] Schultz forwarded Curley's note to Harmon,[161] who provided an email update that Schultz then forwarded to Curley.[162] The reference to Coach is believed to be Paterno.

On May 18, 1998, Curley requested another update by email.[i] Schultz responded that there was no news and that he did not expect to hear anything before the end of the week.

On May 30, 1998, Curley asked for another update by email.[163] Schultz was on vacation at the time, but responded on June 8, 1998, saying that he understood before he left for vacation that "DPW and Univ Police services were planning to meet with him. I'll see if this has happened and get back to you."[164]

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[h]Exhibit 2-B (Control Number 00641616).

[i]Exhibit 2-C (Control Number 00644098).

### B. June 1 - 10, 1998: Report to University Officials on Sandusky Interview and Case Closure

Sometime between May 27 and June 1, 1998, when he learned Sandusky would not face criminal charges, Harmon called Schultz to advise him of the District Attorney's decision.[165] On June 1, 1998, the same day as Sandusky's interview, Harmon sent Schultz an email describing the interview. Harmon reported that the DPW caseworker and Schreffler "met discreetly" with Sandusky, and his "account of the matter was essential[ly] the same as the child's."[j] Sandusky said "he had done this with other children in the past." The investigators told Sandusky there "was no criminal behavior established [and] that the matter was closed as an investigation." Sandusky was "a little emotional" and concerned as to how this incident might affect the boy. Harmon's message to Schultz did not mention that Sandusky was told not to shower with children.

On June 9, 1998, after returning from a vacation, Schultz updated Curley and Spanier on the Sandusky interview by email. He wrote that the investigators:

> met with Jerry on Monday and concluded that there was no criminal behavior and the matter was closed as an investigation. He was a little emotional and expressed concern as to how this might have adversely affected the child. I think the matter has been appropriately investigated and *I hope it is now behind us.* [emphasis added].[k]

Schultz's message to Curley and Spanier also did not mention that Sandusky was advised not to shower with children.

Neither Harmon nor Schultz's emails set forth, or suggest, that they planned to discuss the incident with Sandusky, to review or monitor his use of University facilities, to discuss his role at the Second Mile and his involvement in Second Mile overnight programs operated in Penn State facilities, or to consider the propriety of a continuing

[j]Exhibit 2-D (Control Number 00645223).
[k]Exhibit 2-E (Control Number 00646346).



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connection between Penn State and the Second Mile. There also is no mention of whether Sandusky should receive counseling.[l]

Further, the emails do not indicate that any officials attempted to determine whether Sandusky's conduct violated existing University policy or was reportable under The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f) ("Clery Act"). The emails also do not indicate if any person responsible for Penn State's risk management examined Sandusky's conduct. A risk management review might have resulted in the University providing contractual notice to its insurers about the incident, imposition of a general ban on the presence of children in the Lasch Building, or other limitations on Sandusky's activities.[m]

After Curley's initial updates to Paterno, the available record is not clear as to how the conclusion of the Sandusky investigation was conveyed to Paterno.[166] Witnesses consistently told the Special Investigative Counsel that Paterno was in control of the football facilities and knew "everything that was going on."[167] As Head Coach, he had the authority to establish permissible uses of his football facilities. Nothing in the record indicates that Curley or Schultz discussed whether Paterno should restrict or terminate Sandusky's uses of the facilities or that Paterno conveyed any such expectations to Sandusky. Nothing in the record indicates that Spanier, Schultz, Paterno or Curley spoke directly with Sandusky about the allegation, monitored his activities, contacted the Office of Human Resources for guidance, or took, or documented, any personnel actions concerning this incident in any official University file.

Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel that no effort was made to limit Sandusky's access to Penn State.[168] Spanier said he was unaware that Sandusky

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[l] When Penn State officials considered meeting with Sandusky in 2001 in response to allegations that he brought children into the Lasch Building showers, Curley wrote "I would plan to tell him we are aware of the first situation. I would indicate we feel there is a problem and we want to assist the individual to get professional help." Exhibit 2-F (Control Number 00679428).

[m] Penn State officials were familiar with the issues of liability that could arise from Sandusky bringing minors to the Lasch Building. For example, notes maintained by Paterno reflect that Sandusky proposed several continuing connections with Penn State when he retired in 1999. Among these connections was that he would have continuing "[a]ccess to training and workout facilities." A handwritten note on this proposal reads: "Is this for personal use or 2nd Mile kids. No to 2nd Mile. Liability problems." Exhibit 2-G (Control Number JVP000027).



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continued to run camps at Penn State and have access to children sleeping in Penn State dormitories.[169]

Spanier never declared Sandusky a "persona non grata" on Penn State campuses, as he did toward a sports agent who, before the 1997 Citrus Bowl, bought $400 worth of clothing for a Penn State football player. Spanier was very aggressive in that case[170] and banned the agent from campus. Spanier said the agent "fooled around with the integrity of the university, and I won't stand for that."[171] The University conducted its own investigation, and provided the results to law enforcement.[172] In an email dated May 13, 1998, Spanier said, "The idea is to keep [the sports agent] off campus permanently, to keep him away from current athletes, and to keep him away from current graduates or students whose eligibility has recently expired."[173]

Despite his initial concern about "Old Main sticking their nose in the investigation" Schreffler told the Special Investigative Counsel that no one from the University interfered with the Sandusky investigation.[174] The Special Investigative Counsel did not find any evidence of interference by University administrators with the 1998 Sandusky investigation.

**C. 2011 Grand Jury Testimony of Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley**

When he appeared before the Grand Jury in January 2011, to answer questions about the 1998 incident involving Sandusky, Schultz testified that he did not recall that he, "knew anything about the details of what the allegation was from the mother." He stated, "I do recall there was a mother with a young boy who reported some inappropriate behavior of Jerry Sandusky. But I don't recall it being reported in the Lasch Building or anything of that sort."[175] On November 4, 2011, Schultz emailed Wendell Courtney, Penn State's former outside legal counsel, stating, "I was never aware that 'Penn State police investigated inappropriate touching in a shower' in 1998."[176]

At the same Grand Jury hearing in January 2011, Curley was asked if an incident involving alleged criminal conduct by a coach on campus would be brought to his attention. Curley said he thought so, but did not know. Curley then was asked, "[b]ut the 1998 incident was never brought to your attention?" He replied, "[n]o, ma'am, not that I recall."[177]



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Paterno also testified in January 2011 before the Grand Jury. Paterno was asked, "Other than the [2001] incident that Mike McQueary reported to you, do you know in any way, through rumor, direct knowledge or any other fashion, of any other inappropriate sexual conduct by Jerry Sandusky with young boys?" Paterno responded, "I do not know of anything else that Jerry would be involved in of that nature, no. I do not know of it. You did mention — I think you said something about a rumor. It may have been discussed in my presence, something else about somebody. I don't know. I don't remember, and I could not honestly say I heard a rumor."[178] The Special Investigative Counsel requested an interview with Paterno in December 2011. Through his counsel, Paterno expressed interest in participating but died before he could be interviewed. Paterno's family has publicly denied that Paterno had knowledge of the 1998 incident.[179]

Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel that his first knowledge of the 1998 event came when he was before the Grand Jury on April 13, 2011.[180] Yet notes from Spanier's interview on March 22, 2011 with members of the Attorney General's Office reflect he was asked, "[d]id you have info @ the 1998 incident?"[181] Cynthia Baldwin, who was then General Counsel, confirmed to the Special Investigative Counsel that Spanier was asked about the 1998 event in the interview before the Grand Jury appearance.[182] According to Baldwin, after the interview, Spanier said the interview "was no big deal" and he was "quite comfortable" going before the Grand Jury.[183] Finally, on January 4, 2011, when State Police came to Penn State to obtain a copy of the 1998 police report concerning Sandusky, Albert Horvath, then Senior Vice President - Finance and Business said he would "let Graham and Tim know" that the police requested the 1998 report as part of a "Jerry Sandusky investigation which has been ongoing for the past year."[184]

**D. University Officials Do Not Notify the Board of the Sandusky Investigation**

The Penn State Board of Trustees met on May 14 and 15, 1998. Nothing in the Board's records or from the Special Investigative Counsel's interviews of Trustees indicates that Spanier, or any University official, notified the Board of the Sandusky investigation, or that there were any contemporaneous discussions with Board members of the 1998 Sandusky investigation. In 1998, the Board of Trustees did not have a process or a committee structure for receiving regular reports from University officials on risk issues such as the Sandusky investigation.

**E. Sandusky's Criminal Activity 1998 - 2001**

The Centre County jury convicted Sandusky in June 2012 of assaulting five different boys at Penn State's football facilities and other places on campus after May 1998. These assaults occurred against Victim 2 (assault in the Lasch Building in February 2001); Victim 3 (assaults on various dates from July 1999 to December 2001 in the Lasch Building and at other places); Victim 4 (assaults on various dates from 1999 to 2000 in Old Lasch and the Lasch Building and a Penn State football bowl trip to Texas in December 1999); Victim 5 (assault in August 2001 in the Lasch Building); and Victim 8 (assault in November 2000 in the Lasch Building).[185]



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# CHAPTER 3
# SANDUSKY'S RETIREMENT FROM THE UNIVERSITY – 1999

## KEY FINDINGS

- Before the May 1998 incident, Sandusky knew that he was not going to be selected to succeed Joseph Paterno as Head Football Coach at Penn State.
- Curley talked with Sandusky about his future role with the football program and offered him the possibility of an Assistant Athletic Director position.
- Sandusky explored taking an early retirement and requested several benefits from Penn State (i.e., a $20,000 yearly annuity in addition to his pension; to run a middle school youth football camp; "active involvement in developing an outreach program featuring Penn State Athletics;" and finding "ways for [Sandusky] to continue to work with young people through Penn State."
- On June 29, 1999, Spanier approved a one-time lump sum payment to Sandusky of $168,000. A senior University Controller's office official and a retired Senior Vice President both stated that they had never known the University to provide this type of payment to a retiring employee.
- While Sandusky's retirement agreement was being finalized, Curley sought and received authorization for Sandusky to be re-employed as an "emergency hire" for the 1999 football season.
- Sandusky was also awarded "emeritus" rank, with special privileges including access to the University's East Area locker room complex. Sandusky's positions in the University did not meet the general eligibility requirements for this honor, yet University administrators found themselves in a "bind" because Spanier had promised the emeritus rank to Sandusky.
- The Special Investigative Counsel found no evidence to indicate that Sandusky's retirement was related to the police investigation of him in 1998.

## I. Sandusky's Decision to Retire

Before the May 3, 1998 incident in the Lasch Building, Curley had already spoken with Sandusky about his future role in the University's football program. On February 8, 1998, for example, Curley emailed Spanier and Schultz, stating that he had several conversations over the past week with Sandusky about taking an Assistant Athletic Director position.[n] Curley stated in the email that Paterno had also met with Sandusky about his future with Penn State football.[186]

On February 9, 1998, Curley emailed Schultz and Spanier reporting that Sandusky did not want the Assistant Athletic Director position, and would continue coaching for the next year.[o] Curley told them Sandusky "will have 30 years in the system next year, which will give him some options after next season."[187] He added, "Joe tells me he made it clear to Jerry he will not be the next head coach."[188]

Curley's reference to the "system" is the Pennsylvania State Employees' Retirement System ("SERS") to which Sandusky belonged. From July 1, 1998 to June 30, 1999, SERS provided a "30-and-out" retirement window, allowing members like Sandusky who had 30 years of service to retire at any age without the usual early retirement penalty, and receive all retirement benefits earned to that date.[189] Without the window, the SERS code required that members have 35 years of credited service at any age - or reach age 60 - before they could retire with full benefits.[190]

Sandusky and others explored the possibility of starting a Division III football program at the University's Altoona campus where Sandusky could coach. Sandusky even spoke with a businessman who was a supporter of Penn State athletics in March 1998 about financing for the plan.[191] Paterno's undated, handwritten notes, maintained in his home office and provided to the Special Investigative Counsel by his attorney, discussed the plan, and suggested that Sandusky work on making "FB at Altoona Happen" until the "window closes."[192] If Sandusky could not get the program established before the window closed, "he retires with a pension fully vested with a severance pkg. which could include deferred income or a supplemental payment for 20 year (sic)."[193]

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[n]Exhibit 3-A (Control Number 00644655).
[o]Exhibit 3-B (Control Number 03008143).



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On May 19, 1998, a senior administrator in University Development and Alumni Relations emailed Spanier, Curley, Schultz and others raising questions to consider while conducting "a limited feasibility study" of football at Altoona that Spanier had requested.[194] The administrator reported that the financial support needed for the program could not be raised.[195] The Special Investigative Counsel found no evidence that the decision regarding the establishment of a football program at Altoona was related to the incident in the Lasch Building on May 3, 1998.[196]

## II. Negotiating the Agreement

On January 19, 1999, Curley wrote to Spanier and Schultz to report on a meeting with Sandusky.[p] Curley told them that Sandusky "is interested in going one more year and then transition into a spot that handles our outreach program."[197] Curley noted as a postscript that "[Sandusky] is not pleased about the entire situation as you might expect."[198]

Several notes and documents provided by Paterno's attorney to the Special Investigative Counsel pertain to Sandusky's retirement.[199] One page of these notes, which appear to be in Paterno's handwriting, relate a conversation, or planned conversation, between Paterno and Sandusky concerning Sandusky's coaching future. The notes state:

> We know this isn't easy for you and it isn't easy for us or Penn State. Part of the reason it isn't easy is because I allowed and at times tried to help you with your developing the 2nd Mile. If there were no 2nd Mile then I believe you belief [sic] that you probably could be the next Penn State FB Coach. But you wanted the best of two worlds and I probably should have sat down with you six or seven years ago and said look Jerry if you want to be the Head Coach at Penn State, give up your association with the 2nd Mile and concentrate on nothing but your family and Penn State. Don't worry about the 2nd Mile – you don't have the luxury of doing both. One will always demand a decision of preference. You are too deeply involved in both.[q]

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[p]Exhibit 3-C (Control Number 03013385).
[q]Exhibit 3-D (JVP000017).



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One of the documents provided from Paterno's file is a letter signed by Sandusky, dated May 28, 1999. In the letter Sandusky acknowledged that he would not be the next Penn State football head coach, and outlined options for his future.[r] Sandusky wanted an on-going relationship between the Second Mile and Penn State, as well as continuing "visibility" at Penn State.[200] Sandusky also wanted "active involvement in developing an outreach program featuring Penn State Athletes"[201] and sought "ways for [him] to continue to work with young people through Penn State."[202]

Also in the file was a "Retirement Requests" list from Sandusky.[s] This list included a request for a $20,000 yearly annuity to cover the difference between Sandusky's retiring with 30 years of service and retiring with 35 years of service,[203] and a title reflecting his relationship with Penn State. Sandusky also asked to run a middle school youth football camp.[204] Handwriting on the note states: "Volunteer Position Director – Positive Action for Youth."[205] An employee who worked closely with Paterno for 10 years and knew his handwriting identified this note as written by Paterno.[206]

On June 13, 1999, Curley updated Spanier and Schultz by email advising that Sandusky was leaning toward retirement if Penn State would agree to the $20,000 yearly annuity. Curley noted, "Joe did give him the option to continue to coach as long as [Paterno] was the coach."[t] Curley suggested another option of Sandusky "coaching three more seasons and we get creative with his base salary or some other scheme that makes him whole and then some, but doesn't cost us an arm and a leg," and stated he was not comfortable with the annuity.[207] Curley noted that "[s]ince Joe is okay with [Sandusky] continuing to coach this might make more sense to all concerned."[208] The Special Investigative Counsel did not find evidence that Sandusky's retirement was caused by the May 3, 1998 incident at the Lasch Building.

On June 13, 1999, Curley emailed Spanier and Schultz that he "touched base with Joe and we are in agreement that we should not do anything more for Jerry."[209] Two days later, Curley emailed Spanier that Sandusky appeared headed for taking retirement.[210] The next day, Schultz and Sandusky met to talk "about the supplemental annuity."[211] Schultz's notes say that he told Sandusky "we wanted to help [Sandusky]

[r]Exhibit 3-E (JVP000025-26).
[s]Exhibit 3-F (JVP000027).
[t]Exhibit 3-G (Control Number 03014658).



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though [sic] this important decision."[212] Undated notes from Paterno indicated: "Jerry Annuity: Take 138 Buy Insurance > amount his retirement fund is worth. Variable Annuity and take full retirement."[213]

On June 17, 1999, Wendell Courtney, the University's then outside legal counsel, provided Curley with a draft "retirement perquisites" agreement for Sandusky that included having the University pay Sandusky a lifetime annuity of $12,000 per year.[214] The draft also provided that Sandusky and Penn State would "work collaboratively in the future in community outreach programs, such as the Second Mile."[215] A June 21, 1999 revision of the agreement added free use for life of "University weight rooms and fitness facilities available to faculty and staff."[216] On June 22, 1999, Sandusky and Curley agreed to revise the permitted use to include "a locker, weight rooms, fitness facilities and training room in the East Area locker room complex."[217]

After an issue arose over the taxation of annual annuity payments, the parties amended the draft agreement to provide Sandusky with a one-time lump sum payment of $168,000. The parties agreed to these terms on June 29, 1999.[u]

## III. Sandusky's Retirement Agreement

Penn State's payroll records show that Sandusky received a $168,000 special payment on June 30, 1999. After tax withholding and other deductions, the net amount was $111,990.18.[218] A senior official in the University Controller's office advised the Special Investigative Counsel that in his many years at the University, he had never heard of a payment being made to a retiring employee like the one made to Sandusky.[219] A retired Senior Vice President who worked at Penn State for over 32 years similarly said he had never heard of this type of lump sum payment being made to a retiring employee.[220] While the $168,000 lump sum payment made to Sandusky at his retirement in 1999 was unusual, the Special Investigative Counsel did not find evidence to show that the payment was related to the 1998 incident at the Lasch Building.

At the same time Sandusky's retirement agreement was being finalized, Curley sought to have him re-employed as an "emergency hire," because Sandusky had been "integrally involved in the planning and instructional aspects of preparation for this coming [1999] football season and is essential to the continuity of the program's success

[u]Exhibit 3-H (Control Number 006_0000043).

during this time frame."[221] Curley submitted a request for Sandusky's re-hire on June 30, 1999.[222] Sandusky was re-hired for 95 days at his existing salary plus a six percent cost of living increase.[223]

On August 31, 1999, Sandusky also was awarded "emeritus" rank, which carries with it a number of special privileges including access to the University's recreational facilities.[224] According to Penn State policy, this rank is granted to those who leave and hold the title of professor, associate professor, librarian, associate librarian, senior scientist, or senior research associate, or to personnel classified as executive, associate dean, or director of an academic unit in recognition of their meritorious service to the University.[225] Age and service qualifications also exist.[226] The President may grant or deny emeritus rank on "an exception basis."[227]

When he retired, Sandusky held the positions of assistant football coach and assistant professor of physical education, neither of which are among the positions listed as eligible for emeritus rank. On August 13, 1999, the then Assistant Vice President of Human Resources sent a fax to the Dean of the College of Health and Human Development ("Dean").[228] The fax included a draft memo from Schultz to Spanier that contained handwritten edits that changed the name of the memo's originator from Schultz to the Dean.[229] The former Dean did not recall the request but advised the Special Investigative Counsel that the request did take an unusual path.[230] The former Assistant Vice President, after being shown the Sandusky emeritus paperwork by the Special Investigative Counsel, said it was clear the request had come from Schultz or at least Schultz's office and was forwarded by the former Assistant Vice President to the former Dean for submission.[231]

When the Provost's office received the emeritus request, the staff conducted research to see if similar situations existed.[232] While not able to find "specific precedent," the staff found itself in a "bind" as Spanier had promised the emeritus rank to Sandusky.[233] A contemporaneous email from a staff member to the Provost explained that:

> [Spanier] told [Sandusky] that we would do this – he was wholly within his rights here since the policy [HR 25] says "The President may grant (or deny) Emeritus Rank on an exception basis" – then informed [Curley], who suggested going through the college and went to [the Dean], who then made the request of



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us. (I had wrongly assumed all along that the request originated with [the Dean].)[v]

On August 31, 1999, Rodney Erickson, who had been Provost since July 1, 1999, honored Spanier's promise to grant Sandusky emeritus rank given the President's broad discretion under the policy.[234] He told the staff member that he hoped that "not too many others take that careful notice." [235] In an interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Erickson described feeling "uneasiness" about the decision on Sandusky because of Sandusky's low academic title and the prior history of who was granted emeritus rank.[236] While the decision to grant Sandusky emeritus rank was unusual, the Special Investigative Counsel found no evidence to show that the emeritus rank was related to the 1998 events at the Lasch Building.

[v]Exhibit 3-I (Control Number RAE_000001).



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# CHAPTER 4
# RESPONSE OF UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS TO THE ALLEGATION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AGAINST SANDUSKY – 2001

## KEY FINDINGS

- In the Fall of 2000, a University janitor observed Sandusky sexually assault a young boy in the East Area Locker Building and advised co-workers of what he saw. Also that evening, another janitor saw two pairs of feet in the same shower, and then saw Sandusky and a young boy leaving the locker room holding hands. Fearing that they would be fired for disclosing what they saw, neither janitor reported the incidents to University officials, law enforcement or child protection authorities.
- On Friday, February 9, 2001, University graduate assistant Michael McQueary observed Sandusky involved in sexual activity with a boy in the coach's shower room in the University's Lasch Building. McQueary met with and reported the incident to Paterno on Saturday, February 10, 2001. Paterno did not immediately report what McQueary told him, explaining that he did not want to interfere with anyone's weekend.
- McQueary testified that he reported what he saw to Paterno because "he's the head coach and he needs to know if things happen inside that program and inside that building." He said that Paterno's response was that he [Paterno] needed to "tell some people about what you saw" and would let McQueary know what would happen next. After Sandusky's arrest, Paterno told a reporter that he told McQueary, "I said you did what you had to do. It's my job now to figure out what we want to do."
- On Sunday, February 11, 2001, Paterno met with and reported the incident to Curley and Schultz.
- On Sunday, February 11, 2001, Schultz reached out to then University outside legal counsel Wendell Courtney to discuss the "reporting of suspected child abuse." Courtney conducted legal research on this issue and had another conference with Schultz about it that day.
- On February 12, 2001, Schultz and Curley met with Spanier to give him a "heads up" about the report concerning Sandusky. Spanier said this meeting was "unique" and that the subject matter of a University employee in a shower with a child had never come up before



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- A contemporaneous "confidential" note of a February 12, 2001 meeting between Schultz and Curley reflects that the men "[r]eviewed 1998 history." The note states that Schultz and Curley "[a]greed [Curley] will discuss w JVP [Paterno] & advise we think [Curley] should meet w JS [Sandusky] on Friday. Unless he confesses to having a problem, [Curley] will indicate we need to have DPW [Department of Public Welfare] review the matter as an independent agency concerned w child welfare." Without ever speaking to McQueary, Schultz and Curley had already decided that not reporting Sandusky's conduct to authorities may be an option.
- On February 12, 2001, Schultz asked University Police Chief Tom Harmon if a police report still existed of the 1998 incident. Harmon replied that it did.
- By February 12, 2001, Schultz and/or Curley had: met with Paterno who reported what McQueary had told him; had a "heads up" meeting with Spanier advising him about the incident; discussed the "reporting of suspected child abuse" with outside counsel; reviewed the history of the 1998 incident; checked to see if the incident was documented in police files; agreed that Curley would discuss with Paterno the idea of approaching Sandusky to see if he would "confess to having a problem;" and researched the Board membership of the Second Mile.
- There is no information indicating that Spanier, Schultz, Paterno or Curley made any effort to identify the child victim or determine if he had been harmed.
- At a February 25, 2001 meeting, Spanier, Schultz, and Curley discussed an action plan for addressing the Sandusky incident. Schultz's handwritten notes from this meeting indicate: "3) Tell chair* of Board of Second Mile 2) Report to Dept of Welfare. 1) Tell JS [Sandusky] to avoid bringing children alone into Lasch Bldg* who's the chair??"
- On February 26, 2001 Schultz emailed Curley, confirming the plan from the prior day's meeting. This email and several that follow are written in unusually cryptic tones, without the use of proper names or titles.
- On February 27, 2001, however, after discussing the matter with Paterno the day before, Curley recommended a different course of action to Spanier and Schultz: they would offer Sandusky "professional help;" assist him in informing "his organization" (the Second Mile) about the allegation; and, if Sandusky was "cooperative," not inform the Department of Public Welfare of the allegation.
- Advising Sandusky that the February 9, 2001 assault in the Lasch Building had been reported exposed the victim to additional harm because only Sandusky knew his identity.

- On March 5, 2001, Curley met with Sandusky and told him: we are "uncomfortable" with this information about the incident, that he was going to report the incident to the Executive Director of the Second Mile; and that Sandusky was not to be in athletic facilities with any young people. According to Sandusky's counsel, Curley never accused Sandusky of abusing children or used the words "sex" or "intercourse" during the discussion.
- Schultz and Spanier, having prior knowledge of the 1998 child sex abuse allegation against Sandusky, approved Curley's revised plan. Spanier noted in an email that the "only downside for us is if the message isn't 'heard' and acted upon, and we then become vulnerable for not having reported it. But that can be assessed down the road. The approach you outline is humane and a reasonable way to proceed."
- Curley met with the Second Mile executive director in March 2001, and reported that an unidentified person saw Sandusky in the locker room with a young boy, was "uncomfortable" with the situation, and that Curley had discussed the incident with Sandusky and determined nothing inappropriate had occurred.
- Curley told the Second Mile's executive director that Sandusky would not be permitted to bring children onto the Penn State campus in order to avoid publicity issues; Curley also asked the executive director to emphasize that to Sandusky.
- The Second Mile executive director informed two Second Mile Trustees about the incident involving Sandusky and they concluded it was a non-incident for Second Mile and there was no need for further action.
- The Second Mile executive director also met with Sandusky and passed on Curley's prohibition about bringing children on campus. Sandusky replied that the prohibition applied only to the locker rooms.
- Board meeting, March 15-16, 2001: There is no record that the President briefed the Board about the ongoing investigation of Sandusky.
- On September 21, 2001, Schultz obtained Board approval for the sale of a parcel of Penn State land to the Second Mile. The Board minutes do not reflect any contemporaneous discussion of the 2001 investigation, the propriety of a continuing relationship between Penn State and the Second Mile, or the risks involved by allowing Sandusky to be prominently associated with Penn State. Schultz even issued a press release about the transaction lauding Sandusky.
- After the February 2001 incident, Sandusky engaged in improper conduct with at least two children in the Lasch Building. Those assaults may well have been prevented if Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley had taken additional actions to safeguard children on University facilities.



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## I. Janitors' Observations of Sandusky – 2000

According to the testimony of witnesses in Gerald A. Sandusky's ("Sandusky") trial in Centre County in June 2012,[237] in the Fall of 2000, a temporary University janitor ("Janitor A")[238] observed a man, later identified to him as Sandusky, in the Assistant Coaches' locker room showers of the Lasch Building with a young boy in the Fall of 2000. Sandusky had the boy pinned against the wall and was performing oral sex on him. The janitor immediately told one of his fellow janitors ("Janitor B") what he had witnessed, stating that he had "fought in the [Korean] War...seen people with their guts blowed out, arms dismembered... . I just witnessed something in there I'll never forget."

On that same night, Janitor B observed two pairs of feet in this same shower at the Lasch Building but could not see the upper bodies of the two persons.[239] He waited for the two to finish their shower, and later saw Jerry Sandusky and a young boy, around the age of 12, exit the locker room holding hands.[240] Janitor B frequently saw Sandusky in the Lasch Building after hours, usually accompanied by one or more young boys.[241] Janitor B closely followed Penn State football, and knew Sandusky from watching football games.[242]

A senior janitorial employee ("Janitor C") on duty that night spoke with the staff, who had gathered with Janitor A to calm him down.[243] Janitor C advised Janitor A how he could report what he saw, if he wanted to do so. Janitor B said he would stand by Janitor A if he reported the incident to the police, but Janitor A said, "no, they'll get rid of all of us."[244]

Janitor B explained to the Special Investigative Counsel that reporting the incident "would have been like going against the President of the United States in my eyes."[245] "I know Paterno has so much power, if he wanted to get rid of someone, I would have been gone."[246] He explained "football runs this University," and said the University would have closed ranks to protect the football program at all costs.[247w]

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[w] Some individuals interviewed identified the handling of a student disciplinary matter in 2007 as an example of Paterno's excessive influence at the University. The April 2007 incident involved a fight at an off-campus apartment in which several individuals were severely injured by Penn State football players. The former University official responsible for the student disciplinary process, who the Special Investigative Counsel interviewed, perceived pressure from the Athletics Department, and particularly

Later the same night, two of these janitors saw Sandusky in the parking lot, driving by slowly and looking into the windows of the Lasch building.[248] The first time was around 11:00 p.m., the second was around 2:00 a.m.[249] The young boy was not observed with Sandusky at these times. Janitor B thought that Sandusky had returned to determine whether anyone had called the police to report the incident.[250]

## II. McQueary's Observations of Sandusky – 2001

The November 2011 Grand Jury presentment described an incident, observed by Penn State assistant football coach Michael McQueary, of a "sexual nature" between Sandusky and a boy in the Lasch Building that allegedly took place in March 2002. During this investigation, the Special Investigative Counsel found evidence that this incident actually occurred on or about February 9, 2001 and promptly reported this information to the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office.[251]

McQueary testified at a December 2011 Grand Jury hearing, and again on June 12, 2012 at Sandusky's criminal trial, about what he saw. At the time of the incident, McQueary was a graduate assistant with the football program and had gone to the support staff locker room in the Lasch Building around 9:00 or 9:30 p.m. on a Friday night.[252] Upon opening the locker room door, McQueary heard "rhythmic slapping sounds" from the shower.[253] McQueary looked into the shower through a mirror and saw Sandusky with a "prepubescent" 10- or 12-year-old boy.[254] McQueary saw Sandusky "directly behind" the boy with his arms around the boy's waist or midsection.[255] The boy had his hands against the wall, and the two were in "a very sexual position."[256] McQueary believed Sandusky was "sexually molesting" the boy and "having some type of intercourse with him" although he "did not see insertion nor was there any verbiage or protest, screaming or yelling."[257]

McQueary testified that he slammed his locker shut and moved toward the shower.[258] He said Sandusky and the boy separated and looked directly at McQueary

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the football program, to treat players in ways that would maintain their ability to play sports, including during the 2007 incident.[-] Interview (3-9-12) When the Student Affairs Office ("SAO") sanctioned the players involved, the sanctions were subsequently reduced by Spanier to enable players to participate in football practice. [-] Interview (3-22-12) A senior staff member in the SAO advised that his office handles over 4,000 cases a year of off-campus student conduct violations. [-] Interview (12-12-11) In all of the cases he has managed over the years, this incident and one other involving a football player were the only incidents in which issued sanctions were reduced. [-] Interview (12-12-11); [-] Interview (3-22-12)



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without saying a word.[259] Seeing the two had separated, McQueary said he "thought it was best to leave the locker room."[260] McQueary went to his office and called his father[x] for advice.[261] He then went to his father's house to discuss the matter further.[262] The two decided McQueary should tell Head Football Coach Joseph V. Paterno ("Paterno"), who was McQueary's immediate superior, about the incident.[263]

McQueary testified that he called Paterno at home around 7:30 or 8:00 a.m. the next morning and told him that he needed to meet with him.[264] McQueary recalled Paterno said he did not have a job for McQueary,[y] so "if that's what it's about, don't bother coming over."[265] McQueary told him the matter was "something much more serious"[266] and Paterno agreed to a meeting. McQueary went to Paterno's home to talk, and according to his Grand Jury and trial testimony, he told Paterno he saw Sandusky and "a young boy in the shower and that it was way over the lines."[267] Recalling the activity as "extremely sexual in nature," McQueary described the "rough positioning" of Sandusky and the boy "but not in very much detail" and without using the terms "sodomy" or "anal intercourse."[268]

Paterno told the Grand Jury in 2011 that he recalled having this discussion with McQueary on a Saturday morning[269] and that McQueary told him he saw Sandusky "fondling, whatever you might call it -- I'm not sure what the term would be -- a young boy" in the showers at the Lasch Building.[270] Paterno explained, "[o]bviously, he was doing something with the youngster. It was a sexual nature. I'm not sure exactly what it was. I didn't push Mike to describe exactly what it was because he was very upset."[271]

McQueary testified that he reported what he saw to Paterno because "he's the head coach and he needs to know if things happen inside that program and inside that

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[x]John McQueary and his supervisor (a medical doctor) heard Mike McQueary's initial report of the Lasch Building events the evening it happened. Preliminary Hearing Trans. (12-16-11), 134. John McQueary advised his son to report the matter to Paterno, and neither John McQueary nor his boss advised him to immediately call the police. *Id.* John McQueary later had a conversation with Schultz about what his son saw, and how Schultz handled the situation. *Id.* The conversation may have come up in discussions John McQueary had with Schultz in mid-May 2001 about a past due amount on a lease for a medical business where John McQueary worked. *See* Control Number 00675188.

[y]McQueary was hired as a permanent assistant football coach in 2004. The Special Investigative Counsel found no information to suggest that McQueary's selection for that job was related to his witnessing Sandusky assault a boy in the shower room at the Lasch Building. Three witnesses stated that McQueary was very well-qualified for the position. [-] Interview (3-8-2012); [-] Interview (3-12-2012); [-] Interview (3-1-2012).

building."[272] He said that Paterno's response was that he [Paterno] needed to "tell some people about what you saw" and would let McQueary know what would happen next.[273] After Sandusky's arrest, Paterno told a reporter that he told McQueary, "I said you did what you had to do. It's my job now to figure out what we want to do."[274]

No record or communication indicates that McQueary or Paterno made any effort to determine the identity of the child in the shower or whether the child had been harmed.

## III. University Leaders' Response to McQueary's Observations

### A. February 11, 2001: Paterno Reports Sandusky Incident to Schultz and Curley

Paterno also testified to the Grand Jury that he "ordinarily would have called people right away, [after hearing McQueary's report] but it was a Saturday morning and I didn't want to interfere with their weekends." Paterno thought he spoke to Curley "early the next week" or "within the week."[275] Paterno had a telephone call with Curley and said, "[h]ey, we got a problem, and I explained the problem to him."[276] When asked if the "information that [he] passed along was substantially the same information that [McQueary]" had given him, Paterno said "yes."[277]

Curley testified to the same Grand Jury that Paterno called him on a Sunday and asked him and Schultz to come to Paterno's home[278] where Paterno related that an assistant coach saw "two people" in the shower of the football building locker room.[279] Curley recalled that Paterno said the assistant saw the people through a mirror, "was uncomfortable with the activity in the shower area," and had reported the issue to Paterno.[280]

Schultz testified to the same Grand Jury in 2011 that he attended the meeting with Paterno and Curley and that it occurred in Schultz's office or "possibly" at Paterno's house.[281] Schultz told the Grand Jury that Paterno said "someone" had seen Sandusky and "some unnamed boy" engaging in "some behavior in the football locker room that was disturbing." He testified, "I believe the impression I got was it was inappropriate and he wanted to bring that to Tim Curley and my attention."[282] Schultz did not recall Paterno's precise words, and said Paterno described the events "in a very general way."[283] Schultz thought the conduct might involve "wrestling around activity" and Sandusky "might have grabbed the young boy's genitals or something of that



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sort."[284] Schultz said the "allegations came across as not that serious. It didn't appear at that time, based on what was reported, to be that serious, that a crime had occurred. We had no indication a crime had occurred."[285]

### B. February 11, 2001: Schultz Discusses "Reporting of Suspected Child Abuse" with University's Outside Legal Counsel

On Sunday, February 11, 2001, Schultz had a conference call about the "reporting of suspected child abuse" with Penn State's then outside legal counsel, Wendell Courtney.[z] Courtney conducted legal research on this issue and had another conference that day with Schultz about the matter.[286] Courtney charged 2.9 hours of time to Penn State for his legal work. Courtney's work on the 2001 matter is confirmed in an email Courtney sent to Schultz in 2011 when Penn State received subpoenas for testimony by Schultz and others concerning the criminal investigation of Sandusky.[aa]

Nearly 10 years later, on January 10, 2011, Courtney emailed Schultz and said, *"Gary - Cynthia Baldwin called me today to ask what I remembered about JS issue I spoke with you and Tim about circa eight years ago* [emphasis added]. I told her what I remembered. She did not offer why she was asking, nor did I ask her. Nor did I disclose that you and I chatted about this."[287] The initials "JS" in Courtney's 2011 email appear to indicate Jerry Sandusky.

Courtney served as Penn State's outside legal counsel for 28 years and was a partner at a law firm that performed legal work for the University for nearly 50 years. Based on the advice of counsel, Courtney declined to be interviewed by the Special Investigative Counsel. Thus, the Special Investigative Counsel was unable to learn Courtney's explanation about the legal work he performed on February 11, 2001.

### C. February 12, 2001: Initial Response of Spanier, Schultz and Curley to Sandusky Incident

After the Commonwealth brought criminal charges against Schultz in November 2011, Schultz's assistant removed some of the Sandusky files from Schultz's Penn State office and delivered them to Schultz. The assistant failed to disclose in two interviews with the Special Investigative Counsel that the Sandusky files had been removed.[288]

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[z]Exhibit 5-A (McQuaide Blasko documents).

[aa]Exhibit 5-B (Control Number 11118161).



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Only in May 2012 did the existence of these important files come to light so that the documents could be retrieved.[289]

Schultz's handwritten notes, which he marked as "confidential," reflect a Monday, February 12, 2001 meeting with Curley to discuss the Sandusky allegations. According to Schultz's notes, Curley and Schultz talked and first "[r]eviewed 1998 history."[bb] The notes state that Schultz and Curley "[a]greed [Curley] will discuss w JVP & advise we think [Curley] should meet w JS on Friday. Unless he 'confesses' to having a problem, TMC will indicate we need to have DPW review the matter as an independent agency concerned w child welfare."[290] The initials "JVP" in Schultz's notes appear to indicate Joseph V. Paterno. The initials "JS" in Schultz's notes appear to indicate Jerry Sandusky. The initials "TMC" appear to indicate Curley.

In an interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Spanier said that he met with Schultz and Curley to discuss Sandusky around 2:30 p.m. on February 12, 2001.[291] Spanier said the men gave him a "heads up" that a member of the Athletic Department staff had reported to Paterno that Sandusky was in an athletic locker room facility showering with one of his Second Mile youth after a workout. Sandusky and the youth, according to Spanier, were "horsing around" or "engaged in horseplay."[292] Spanier said the staff member "was not sure what he saw because it was around a corner and indirect."[293] Spanier said this meeting was "unique" and that the subject matter of a University employee in a shower with a child had never come up before.[294] Spanier also said that he did not ask, nor did Schultz or Curley define, what was meant by "horsing around" or "horseplay."[295]

Spanier said he asked two questions: (i) "Are you sure that it was described to you as horsing around?" and (ii) "Are you sure that that is all that was reported?"[296] According to Spanier, both Schultz and Curley said "yes" to both questions. Spanier said the men agreed that they were "uncomfortable" with such a situation, that it was inappropriate, and that they did not want it to happen again.[297] Spanier says he asked Curley to meet with Sandusky and tell him that he must never again bring youth into the showers. Spanier said the men also agreed to inform the Second Mile that this direction was given to Sandusky and "we did not wish Second Mile youth to be in our showers."[298] Spanier said there was no mention of anything abusive or sexual, and he

[bb]Exhibit 5-C (Schultz documents).



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was not aware of the hour of day, the specific building involved, the age of the child, or any other prior shower incident.[299] Spanier also said he did not ask for such details.

When then-Penn State General Counsel Cynthia Baldwin first heard that the Attorney General's office planned to subpoena Schultz, Paterno, and Curley to appear before the Grand Jury, she called Spanier to inform him of the news.[300] Baldwin's notes from this call on December 28, 2010 reflect that Baldwin informed Spanier of the situation.[301] Baldwin's notes of the call reflect that Spanier said he "[m]ay have consulted w/Wendell when Tim, Gary & Graham spoke" when he first heard of the 2001 incident.[302]

On February 12, 2001, at about 11:10 a.m., Schultz researched the internet about the Board members of the Second Mile, the charitable organization Sandusky founded.[303] On February 12, 2001, Schultz also asked Penn State University Police Chief Tom Harmon if a police file still existed for the 1998 event.[304] At 9:56 p.m., Harmon emailed Schultz to report, "[r]egarding the incident in 1998 involving the former coach, I checked and the incident is documented in our imaged a[r]chives."[cc]

By February 12, 2001, Schultz and/or Curley had: (i) given Spanier a "heads up" concerning a "unique" situation involving Sandusky in the showers with a child;[305] (ii) met with Paterno, who reported to them the "same information" McQueary had given to Paterno; (iii) discussed the "reporting of suspected child abuse" with Penn State's then outside legal counsel and also with Spanier,[306] (iv) reviewed the history of the 1998 Sandusky incident;[307] (v) checked to see if the 1998 police report on Sandusky was documented in University police files;[308] (vi) agreed that Curley would discuss with Paterno the idea about approaching Sandusky to see if he "confesses to having a problem;"[309] and, (vii) researched the Board membership of the Second Mile.[310] There is no indication that Spanier, Schultz, Paterno, Curley or any other leader at Penn State made any effort to determine the identity of the child in the shower or whether the child had been harmed.

**D. Schultz and Curley Meet with McQueary – February 2001**

Schultz and Curley did not meet with McQueary to hear directly from him as to what he observed in the Lasch Building shower before taking these actions. McQueary

[cc]Exhibit 5-D (Control Number 00675162).

testified at the Grand Jury that he first heard from Curley when Curley called to arrange a meeting to discuss what McQueary had reported to Paterno on a Saturday morning, about "nine or 10" days earlier.[311] Curley could not recall how many days it was after hearing from Paterno that he met with McQueary to get the information directly from him, but he thought it was within a week.[312]

McQueary also testified to the Grand Jury that he met with Schultz and Curley either the same day he received Curley's call or the next day. McQueary said he told the men he saw Sandusky in the shower with a young boy, with Sandusky's arms wrapped around the boy.[313] McQueary said he told the men that the situation was "extremely sexual" and that McQueary "thought that some kind of intercourse was going on."[314]Curley testified to the Grand Jury that McQueary told him he had heard people in the shower who were "horsing around, that they were playful, and that it just did not feel appropriate."[315]

Schultz told the same Grand Jury that he did not recall specifically what McQueary reported, but his impression was that there was some physical conduct, some horsing around, some wrestling that resulted in contact with a boy's genitals in the context of wrestling.[316] Schultz testified that he did not understand the incident to have involved sexual conduct or intercourse.[317]

**E. February 25, 2001: Spanier, Schultz and Curley Meet Again to Discuss Sandusky Incident**

On Thursday, February 22, 2001, Schultz sent an email to Spanier and Curley, stating, "Graham, Tim and I will meet at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday in Tim's office."[318] Spanier acknowledged the 2:00 p.m. meeting in an email to Schultz and Curley on February 23, 2001.[319] The February 25 meeting was arranged 12 days after McQueary notified Paterno about seeing Sandusky in the Lasch Building sexually abusing a young boy. McQueary testified before the Grand Jury that he met with Curley and Schultz about "nine or 10" days after the Saturday morning discussion with Paterno.[320]

Among documents that Schultz held confidentially in his office and that had been withheld from the Special Investigative Counsel, were handwritten notes for a meeting on "2/25/01." The notes do not identify who was present for the meeting, but

indicate: "3) Tell chair* of Board of Second Mile 2) Report to Dept of Welfare. 1) Tell JS to avoid bringing children alone into Lasch Bldg * who's the chair??"[dd]

Spanier's hardcopy calendar of February 25, 2001 indicates a 2:00 p.m. appointment in "TMC office."[321] Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel that the February 25 meeting was with only Curley.[322] He denied that Schultz was present.[323] He also denied that any mention was made of the Department of Public Welfare.[324] He stated that Curley was worried about how to handle things if he informed Sandusky that he was forbidden to bring Second Mile youth to Penn State facilities and Sandusky disagreed.[325] Spanier explained that he was concerned with Sandusky because the situation "doesn't look good, I was concerned with what people will think, the visibility and the public relations aspects of it. I was not concerned with criminality. There was no suggestion of anything about abuse or sexual contact."[326]

The next day, on February 26, 2001, Schultz sent an email to Curley confirming the plan from the prior day's meeting. Schultz wrote: "Tim, I'm assuming that you've got the ball to 1) talk with the subject ASAP regarding the future appropriate use of the University facility; 2) contacting the chair of the Charitable Organization; and 3) contacting the Dept of Welfare. As you know I'm out of the office for the next two weeks, but if you need anything from me, please let me know."[ee]

The February 26, 2001 email and related emails that follow among Curley, Schultz and Spanier over the next two days are unique from the hundreds of thousands of other emails reviewed by the Special Investigative Counsel. These messages are the rare documents where proper names and identifying information are replaced with generic references. Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel that Curley communicated in "code" in sensitive emails because the Athletic Department was notorious for leaks.[327] When Curley communicated about other sensitive issues involving Sandusky, however, he did not use "code" words. For example, emails written between February 25 and February 28, 2001, refer to Sandusky as the "subject,"[328] the "person involved,"[329] or "the person."[330] The emails refer to the Second Mile as "his organization;" and to the Department of Public Welfare as "the other organization"[331] and the "other one."[332] This contrasts with emails written in 1998, concerning the police investigation, in which Curley and Schultz frequently referred to

[dd]Exhibit 5-E (Schultz documents).

[ee]Exhibit 5-F (Control Number 00677433).

Sandusky as "Jerry."[333] This also contrasts with emails written in 1999, concerning Sandusky's retirement, where Curley, Schultz and Spanier frequently referred to Sandusky as "Jerry."[334]

On March 22, 2011, Spanier met with members of the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office accompanied by Baldwin.[335] The General Counsel's notes of that meeting reflect Spanier's statement that Schultz and Curley met with Spanier to explain that an employee had seen Sandusky "horsing around" in a shower with a child and thought they should bring the issue to Spanier's attention.[336] The notes also indicate that Spanier said to Schultz and Curley that if "nothing more detailed was reported, Tim should tell JS that we request that he not bring children into shower again. Since JS no longer employed that we advise chair of Board of Second Mile of what we heard."[337]

**F. February 27-28, 2001: Curley Proposes Revised Response to the Sandusky Incident**

On Tuesday, February 27, 2001, Curley emailed Schultz and Spanier:

> I had scheduled a meeting with you this afternoon about the subject we discussed on Sunday. After giving it more thought and talking it over with Joe yesterday-- I am uncomfortable with what we agreed were the next steps. I am having trouble with going to everyone, but the person involved. I think I would be more comfortable meeting with the person and tell him about the information we received. I would plan to tell him we are aware of the first situation. I would indicate we feel there is a problem and we want to assist the individual to get professional help. Also, we feel a responsibility at some point soon to inform his organization and [sic] maybe the other one about the situation. If he is cooperative we would work with him to handle informing the organization. If not, we do not have a choice and will inform the two groups. Additionally, I will let him know that his guests are not permitted to use our facilities. I need some help on this one. What do you think about this approach?[ffgg]

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[ff]Exhibit 5-G (Control Number 00679428).

[gg] The Special Investigative Counsel discovered these emails after Joe Paterno died. When the Special Investigative Counsel questioned Paterno's representatives about the emails, they stated that because they did not have the benefit of the emails before Paterno's death, they were unable to inquire with Paterno about the emails.

Several people told the Special Investigative Counsel that Curley is a State College native with a long family history at Penn State, including his father and brothers who worked at Penn State.[338] A senior Penn State official referred to Curley as Paterno's "errand boy."[339] Athletic Department staff said Paterno's words carried a lot of weight with Curley, who would run big decisions by Paterno.[340] Others interviewed described Curley as "loyal to a fault" to University management and the chain of command, someone who followed instructions regardless of the consequences, and someone who avoided confrontation.[341]

Also on Tuesday, February 27, 2001, at 10:18 p.m., Spanier responded to Curley's proposal for dealing with Sandusky. Spanier emailed Curley and Schultz:

> Tim: This approach is acceptable to me. It requires you to go a step further and means that your conversation will be all the more difficult, but I admire your willingness to do that and I am supportive. The only downside for us is if the message isn't "heard" and acted upon, and we then become vulnerable for not having reported it. But that can be assessed down the road. The approach you outline is humane and a reasonable way to proceed.[342]

A reasonable conclusion from Spanier's email statement that "[t]he only downside for us is if the message isn't 'heard' and acted upon, and we then become vulnerable for not having reported it" is that Spanier, Schultz and Curley were agreeing not to report Sandusky's activity.

It also is reasonable to conclude from this email statement that the men decided not to report to a law enforcement or child protection authority because they already had agreed to "report" the incident to Second Mile. Spanier's oral and written statements to the Special Investigative Counsel do not address this "reported it" reference. Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel that the comment related "specifically and only to [Curley's] concern about the possibility that [Sandusky] would not accept our directive and repeat the practice. Were that the outcome of his discussion I would have worried that we did not enlist more help in enforcing such a directive."[343]

Spanier said that his use of the word "humane" refers "specifically and only to my thought that it was humane of [Curley] to wish to inform Sandusky first and allow him to accompany [Curley] to the meeting with the president of the Second Mile.



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Moreover, it would be humane to offer counseling to Sandusky if he didn't understand why this was inappropriate and unacceptable to us."[344]

On Wednesday, February 28, 2001, at 7:12 p.m., Schultz responded to Curley's proposal for dealing with Sandusky. Schultz wrote to Curley and Spanier:

> Tim and Graham, this is a more humane and upfront way to handle this. I can support this approach, with the understanding that we will inform his organization, with or without his cooperation (I think that's what Tim proposed). We can play it by ear to decide about the other organization.[hh]

The "other organization" mentioned by Schultz appears to be a reference to the Department of Public Welfare. Again, at no time did Spanier, Schultz, Paterno or Curley try to identify the child in the shower or whether the child had suffered harm. By advising Sandusky, rather than the authorities, that they knew about the February 9, 2001 assault, they exposed this victim to additional harm because only Sandusky knew the child victim's identity at the time.

On February 28, 2001, Curley emailed Schultz and Spanier, explaining in part that he was "planning to meet with the person next Monday on the other subject."[ii] Spanier replied the same day, telling Curley, "[i]f you need to start in one direction without me, do so. I think we are on the same wavelength and I will support you."[345]

## IV. Curley Meets with Sandusky – March 1998

Curley testified to the Grand Jury that he met twice with Sandusky, as Sandusky did not "initially" admit to being in the shower with a boy.[346] According to Curley's testimony, Sandusky later returned to admit he had been present.[347] Curley said he told Sandusky:

> [a]bout the information that we received, that we were uncomfortable with the information and that I was going to take the information and report it to the executive director of the Second Mile and that I did not want him in the future to be in our athletic facilities with any young people.[348]

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[hh]Exhibit 5-G (Control Number 00679428).
[ii]Exhibit 5-H (Control Number 00676529).



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While Sandusky declined an interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Sandusky's counsel stated in a telephone call with the Special Investigative Counsel that Sandusky generally agreed with Curley's version of the 2002 incident, which Sandusky thought took place in 2001.[349] Sandusky's counsel said Curley told Sandusky that they had heard Sandusky had been in the shower with a young child, and someone felt this was inappropriate.[350] According to Sandusky's counsel, Curley never used the word sex or intercourse in the discussion.[351] Counsel said Sandusky offered to give the child's name to Curley, but Curley did not accept this invitation.[352] Counsel also said Curley told Sandusky he did not want Sandusky to bring children to the shower any more.[353] Sandusky's counsel said no one accused Sandusky of abusing kids.[354]

On March 7, 2001, Schultz's assistant wrote to Curley, asking if he had updated Schultz on the actions set out in Schultz's February 26, 2001 email.[ii] Before he left for vacation, Schultz had left directions for his assistant to check on this issue.[355] Curley reported to the assistant that he had updated Schultz.[356]

Schultz testified before the Grand Jury that he had the "impression that Tim did follow through and make sure Jerry understood that he was no longer permitted to bring Second Mile children into the football facility."[357] Penn State's General Counsel's notes from a March 2011 conversation with Spanier, reflect that Spanier said he "[b]umped into Tim Curley and Tim advised" that he had a conversation with Sandusky not to bring children into the shower again.[358]

Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel that a "few days after the brief Sunday interaction, [he] saw [Curley] and he reported that both of the discussions had taken place, that those discussions had gone well and our directive accepted, and that the matter was closed."[359] Spanier did not know whether Sandusky ever received counseling.[360]

Paterno gave the following explanation to a reporter for the *Washington Post* as to why he did not more aggressively pursue the information that McQueary provided. "I didn't know exactly how to handle it and I was afraid to do something that might jeopardize what the University procedure was. So I backed away and turned it over to some other people, people I thought would have a little more expertise than I did. It

[ii] Exhibit 5-I (Control Number 00674655).



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didn't work out that way." Paterno added, "In hindsight, I wish I had done more" and regretted that he had not.[361]

## V. March 19, 2001: Curley Meets with Second Mile Leadership

Curley testified at the Grand Jury that he met "the executive director of the Second Mile. I shared the information that we had with him." The Special Investigative Counsel found no written records concerning this meeting.

The Second Mile executive director declined to be interviewed. Counsel for the Second Mile told the Special Investigative Counsel, however, that the executive director told him that the executive director had a calendar entry for a meeting with Curley on March 19, 2001.[362] He also told counsel that during the executive director's meeting with Curley that Curley related that an unidentified person saw Sandusky in the locker room shower on campus with a boy and felt uncomfortable with the situation;[363] and that Curley had discussed the issue with Sandusky and concluded that nothing inappropriate occurred.[364] According to Counsel for the Second Mile, Curley told the executive director, that "to avoid publicity issues," the University would not permit Sandusky to bring kids on campus.[365] Curley also told the executive director that he was telling Second Mile so that the executive director could emphasize the issue to Sandusky.[366]

The executive director later advised two Second Mile Trustees of the meeting, and they concluded the matter was a "non-incident for the Second Mile and there was no need to do anything further."[367] He also talked to Sandusky, who admitted showering with boys but nothing more.[368] The executive director passed on Curley's advice on the prohibition against bringing kids on campus, and Sandusky responded that it applied only to the locker rooms.[369] The executive director urged him to get the issue clarified.[370]

## VI. University Officials Do Not Notify the Board of the Sandusky Incident

The Penn State Board of Trustees ("Board" or "Trustees") met on March 15 and 16, 2001. Nothing in the Board records or interviews of Trustees indicate any contemporaneous discussions of the 2001 Sandusky incident and investigation during the meeting. The Board did not have a process or committee structure at that time for



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receiving regular reports from University officials about matters of potential risk to the University, such as the allegation against Sandusky.

On July 24, 2001, Schultz met with leaders of the Second Mile and agreed to sell a parcel to the Second Mile for $168,500.[371] The University had bought the property in 1999 for $168,500.[372] On September 21, 2001, less than eight months after the Sandusky incident, the Board approved the sale of a parcel of land to the Second Mile.[373] Nothing in the Board's records or interviews of Trustees indicate any contemporaneous discussions of the 2001 Sandusky incident and investigation, the propriety of a continuing relationship between Penn State and the Second Mile, or the risks created by a public association with Sandusky when the land transaction was discussed. Schultz, who oversaw the transaction, did not make any disclosure of the Sandusky incident during the Board's review of the land deal. In fact, Schultz approved a press release, issued September 21, 2001 announcing the land sale in which he praised Sandusky for his work with Second Mile. [374]

## VII. Sandusky's Criminal Activity After 2001

The Centre County jury convicted Sandusky in June 2012 of assaulting two boys at Penn State's football facilities and other places on campus after February 2001. These assaults occurred against Victim 3 (assaults on various dates from July 1999 to December 2001 in the Lasch Building and at other places) and Victim 5 (assault in August 2001 in the Lasch Building).

At the preliminary hearing, Curley agreed that there was no "practical way to enforce [Sandusky] not bringing children onto the campus" after he was warned not to do so.[375] There is no indication that Spanier, Schultz, Paterno, or Curley had discussions about any other enforceable actions that could have been taken to safeguard children. Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel that he did not do anything to prohibit Sandusky from using Penn State facilities, nor did he instruct anyone else to do so.[376]



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# CHAPTER 5
# RESPONSE OF UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS TO THE GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION - 2010, 2011

## KEY FINDINGS

- In early 2010 the Pennsylvania Attorney General, in connection with a Grand Jury investigation of Sandusky, issued subpoenas to the University for certain documents; in late 2010 the Grand Jury issued subpoenas for Spanier, Schultz, Paterno, Curley and various members of the Athletic Department in relation to a Grand Jury investigation of Sandusky for child sexual abuse.
- In 2011, Spanier, Schultz, Paterno, Curley and various members of the Athletic Department testified before the Grand Jury. The Grand Jury appearances and the Sandusky investigation were reported in a news story on March 31, 2011.
- Neither Spanier nor the University's General Counsel, Cynthia Baldwin, briefed the Board of Trustees about the Grand Jury investigation of Sandusky or the potential risk to the University until the Board's meeting on May 11, 2011 and, then, only at the request of a Trustee who had read the March 31, 2011 article.
- After receiving a Trustee's request for more information about the Grand Jury investigation, Spanier emailed Baldwin noting that "[the Trustee] desires near total transparency. He will be uncomfortable and feel put off until he gets a report."
- At the May 2011 Board meeting, Spanier and Baldwin briefed the Board about the investigation, but minimized its seriousness by not fully describing the nature of the allegations or raising the issue of possible negative impact to the University.
- From March 31 – November 4, 2011, the Board did not make reasonable inquiry of Spanier or Baldwin about the Sandusky investigation or potential risks to the University.
- The Board did not take steps that might have protected the University, such as conducting an internal investigation, engaging experienced criminal counsel, or preparing for the possibility that the results of the Grand Jury investigation could have a negative impact on the University.
- Spanier and Baldwin opposed an independent investigation of the Sandusky issue, with Baldwin stating that "[i]f we do this, we will never get rid of this [outside investigative] group in some shape or form. The Board will then think that they should have such a group." Spanier agreed.

- Even after criminal charges were announced against Schultz and Curley in November 2011, Spanier continued to downplay the serious harm that could result to Penn State's reputation from the criminal charges, and issued a statement of "unconditional support" for Schultz and Curley.
- Within a few hours of the criminal charges becoming public, staff members advised Spanier that the Board needed to be updated. Spanier said that any briefing "will be nothing more than what we said publicly."
- Only after the presentment of criminal charges in November 2011 did the Board call for a Special Investigations Task Force to perform an independent investigation into the allegations, and to challenge Spanier's and Paterno's actions and failures.
- Until Sandusky's arrest in November 2011, Curley continued to invite him to numerous high-profile athletic events at the University, many of which he attended. During the Spring of 2011, Baldwin advised some University personnel that Sandusky's access to the Lasch Building could not be terminated because of his emeritus status and the fact that he had not been convicted of a crime.
- The Board was unprepared to handle the crisis that occurred when Sandusky, Curley and Schultz were charged. This contributed significantly to its poor handling of the firing of Paterno, and the subsequent severe reaction by the Penn State community and the public to the Board's oversight of the University and Paterno's firing.

## I. Subpoenas Issued for the Grand Jury Testimony of Senior University Officials

On January 7, 2010, the Grand Jury issued a subpoena seeking production of all the University employment and personnel records for Gerald A. Sandusky ("Sandusky").[377] The Penn State employee handling the subpoena consulted with a lawyer at McQuaide Blasko, the State College law firm that served at the time as outside legal counsel for Penn State, about how to respond to the subpoena.[378] This lawyer, who had no grand jury experience, then spoke with colleague Wendell Courtney, although this lawyer told the Special Investigative Counsel that they did not discuss any potential reason for the subpoena or any prior incidents involving Sandusky.[379] The lawyer also did not discuss the nature of the investigation with anyone from the Attorney General's Office.[380]

Through McQuaide Blasko, Penn State agreed with the Attorney General's Office on a non-disclosure order concerning the subpoena.[381] At the time, Penn State staff compiled a list of all persons who knew of the subpoena, which included Spanier, Paterno and Curley.[382]

On September 16, 2010, a *Patriot-News* reporter contacted Spanier. The two exchanged emails as to Spanier's knowledge of an investigation of Sandusky for suspected criminal activity while he was a Penn State employee.

On December 22, 2010, the McQuaide Blasko lawyer called then-University General Counsel Baldwin to inform her that a prosecutor from the Attorney General's Office had called McQuaide Blasko to say that the Grand Jury would like to hear testimony from "some very important people" at Penn State.[383] The lawyer also provided Baldwin with background information about the January 2010 subpoena.[384]

On December 28, 2010, at 9:30 a.m., Baldwin spoke with two prosecutors from the Attorney General's office, who explained that the office would be issuing subpoenas for Schultz, Paterno and Curley to appear before the Grand Jury.[385] Baldwin explained in an interview with the Special Investigative Counsel that she asked if the University or its staff were targets of the investigation.[386] According to Baldwin, the prosecutors said that they were looking at Sandusky, although Baldwin's notes of the conversation do not reflect discussion of this issue.[387] Baldwin did not seek the assistance of an



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attorney experienced in addressing criminal investigations or conducting internal investigations at that time.

At 9:45 a.m. on December 28, 2010, Baldwin informed Spanier of the situation.[388] Baldwin's notes of the call reflect: "[m]ay have consulted w/Wendell when Tim, Gary & Graham spoke."[389] At 10:01 a.m., Baldwin[390] met with Spanier and Schultz.[391]

On December 28, 2010, after Schultz spoke to Baldwin, he contacted Courtney.[392] On December 30, 2010, Courtney emailed Schultz, "[t]he attached is the last thing in my Penn State file re Sandusky. There is nothing regarding the issues we discussed."[393] The attachment to the email was a 1999 letter concerning Sandusky's retirement.[394]

On Monday, January 3, 2011, Baldwin met with Paterno.[395] Baldwin's notes indicate that Paterno recalled McQueary coming to see him on a Saturday morning.[396] According to the notes, Paterno said McQueary "[s]aw Jerry horsing around w the kid a young man in shower inappropriate behavior. Turned it over to Tim Curley. Notified Tim Curley didn't talk to Gary. No conv. since then."[397] Baldwin told the Special Investigative Counsel that she did not investigate the Sandusky matter or look for Schultz, Paterno or Curley emails in the University system that might relate to the Grand Jury's investigation.[398] Baldwin also met with Curley on January 3, 2011.

On January 3, 2011, a Pennsylvania State Police commander visited the University Police Department and reported that an investigation of "sexual allegations against a small child" involving Sandusky had been ongoing for the past year.[399] The commander said they were "wrapping everything up but were also collecting any and all reports of similar situations."[400] The University Police Department provided the commander with a copy of the 1998 police report.[401]

The next day, January 4, 2011, when Baldwin learned that the State Police had received a copy of the 1998 police report,[402] she asked the University Police Department for a copy of the report.[403] Baldwin told the Special Investigative Counsel that she reviewed the 1998 report to find out what happened and if there had been a full investigation.[404]

On January 9, 2011, Baldwin reached out to Courtney about the Grand Jury investigation. Courtney responded by email to Baldwin stating:

> We don't have any file on the matter you and I discussed yesterday, and my recollection of events is as I stated yesterday. However, I also recall that someone (I don't think this was me, since if it was I would have written documentation of contact) contacted Children and Youth Services to advise of the situation so that they could do whatever they thought was appropriate under the circumstances, while being apprised of what PSU actions were, i.e., advising JS to no longer bring kids to PSU's football locker rooms.[405]

Baldwin advised the Special Investigative Counsel that, unknown to her at the time, Courtney emailed Schultz on January 10, 2011. In Courtney's email to Schultz he reported that: Baldwin "called me today to ask what I remembered about JS issue I spoke with you and Tim about circa eight years ago."[406] In the email Courtney said he told her what he remembered, and added that Baldwin "did not offer why she was asking, nor did I ask her. Nor did I disclose that you and I chatted about this."[407]

On January 11, 2011, Baldwin provided an update to Spanier on the Grand Jury investigation.[408] Baldwin told the Special Investigative Counsel that Spanier was surprised to hear of the subpoenas but was not excited over the matter.[409] Spanier told her that things would be fine.[410]

The next day, on January 12, 2011, Schultz, Paterno and Curley appeared before the Grand Jury. Baldwin told the Special Investigative Counsel that she went to the Grand Jury appearances as the attorney for Penn State,[411] and that she told both Curley and Schultz that she represented the University and that they could hire their own counsel, if they wished.[412]

### A. Law Enforcement Interviews of University Personnel

On February 15, 2011, Baldwin met with several assistant football coaches to interview them about Sandusky, his interactions with young boys, rumors about him in the community and his decision to retire from Penn State.[413] The next day, investigators from the Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office and the Pennsylvania State Police interviewed approximately eight coaches, with Baldwin present.[414] Between interviews, the investigators told Baldwin that they also wanted to interview Spanier so she scheduled that interview for them.[415]



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On March 22, 2011, Spanier met with the Attorney General's investigators to answer questions about Sandusky. Baldwin attended the meeting and, according to her notes, the investigators asked Spanier about the 2002[416] incident and how Penn State handled the incident, why Sandusky retired in 1999, and the relationship between Penn State and the Second Mile.[417] On March 24, 2011, the Attorney General's Office issued a subpoena for Spanier to testify before the Grand Jury.[418]

## II. *Patriot-News* Article Reveals Sandusky Investigation – March 2011

On March 28, 2011, Curley received an email from a Harrisburg *Patriot-News* reporter asking about his testimony before the Grand Jury.[419] The reporter told Curley that the paper would be running a story soon about the investigation of Sandusky. Curley advised Baldwin, the Athletic Department and Penn State's communications staffs about the call and impending article.[420] On March 28, 2011, another *Patriot-News* reporter approached Spanier at a budget hearing in Harrisburg to obtain his comments about the story.[421] On March 30, 2011, Spanier received word that the *Patriot-News* would be running a story about a "former football coach" the next day.[422]

On March 31, 2011, the *Patriot-News* ran an article under the headline, "Jerry Sandusky, Former Penn State Football Staffer, Subject of Grand Jury Investigation."[423] The article reported that Sandusky was "the subject of a grand jury investigation into allegations that he indecently assaulted a teenage boy."[424] The article referred to a 2009 incident with a boy at Central Mountain High School and the 1998 incident at Penn State involving Sandusky showering with a 12-year-old-boy in the football building on Penn State's campus.[425] The article also noted that Schultz, Paterno and Curley were among those appearing before the Grand Jury.[426]

The day after the article was published, a Trustee emailed Spanier, asking "[w]hat is the story on allegations against Jerry Sandusky that required testimony by Joe Paterno and Tim Curley, and I heard, also Garry [sic] Schultz? Is this something the Board should know a [sic] be briefed on or what?"[427] Spanier replied by email to the Trustee and copied Baldwin and then Board Chairman Steve Garban. He stated, "I believe that Grand Jury matters are by law secret, and I'm not sure what one is permitted to say, if anything." Spanier told the Trustee he would check with Baldwin on whether it was "permissible" to brief the Board.[428] The next day, Baldwin emailed

Spanier to explain that those who "testify before the Grand Jury are not held to secrecy and can disclose if they so desire."[429] Baldwin offered to put together something for Spanier to provide to the Board.

On April 13, 2011, the Trustee emailed Spanier again and asked, "[w]hat is the outcome on this? I frankly think that, despite grand jury secrecy, when high ranking people at the university are appearing before a grand jury, the university should communicate something about this to its Board of Trustees."[430]

Spanier replied to the Trustee on the same day that he had recently learned "through media reports that the Grand Jury has been investigating for two years and has not yet brought charges. They continue their investigation. I'm not sure it is entirely our place to speak about this when we are only on the periphery of this."[431] Spanier went on to say that Baldwin would report on the issue at the next Board meeting.[432] Spanier separately emailed Baldwin, noting, "[the Trustee] desires near total transparency. He will be uncomfortable and feel put off until he gets a report."[433]

Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel in July 2012 that the Grand Jury investigation "struck me as a Second Mile issue. This did not strike me as a Penn State issue."[434]

The same day that Spanier responded to the Trustee, he testified before the Grand Jury.[435] Baldwin joined Spanier for his appearance, explaining to the court and Spanier that she represented the University.

In response to the Trustee's emails concerning the Grand Jury investigation, Garban asked for a meeting with Baldwin and Spanier.[436] Garban told the Special Investigative Counsel that he met with Baldwin and Spanier in April 2011.[kk] Baldwin recalled that Spanier provided Garban with an update on the investigation and [437] that Spanier downplayed the Sandusky investigation.[438] Garban recalled Spanier saying "it was the third or fourth Grand Jury and nothing would come of it."[439] Baldwin told the Special Investigative Counsel that she believed that Spanier, as a member of the Board, and Garban, as its then Chair, would have relayed this information to the other Board members.[440]

[kk] Emails confirm the meeting was April 17, 2011.



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Beyond one Trustee's request that Spanier brief the Board on the Grand Jury investigation of Sandusky, the March 31, 2011 *Patriot News* article went virtually unnoticed by the Board. The article was not disseminated to the full Board and many Board members did not read the article. The Board members who were aware of the article should have inquired further about Sandusky and the possible risks of litigation or public relations issues, and, most importantly, whether the University has effective policies in place to protect children on its campuses.

## III. Board of Trustees Meeting – May 2011

In his interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Spanier said that at a dinner the evening before the May 12, 2011 Board meeting, he told four Board members about the status of the Sandusky investigation.[441] Spanier stated he told these Trustees at the dinner that he had testified before the Grand Jury.[442] The Special Investigative Counsel re-interviewed the four Trustees present for the dinner. None of the Trustees recalled Spanier mentioning anything at the dinner about the Sandusky Grand Jury or his testimony.[443]

In her interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Baldwin stated that she provided a briefing on the Sandusky investigation to the Board at its regular meeting on May 12, 2011. Fifty minutes were set aside for the briefing but Baldwin recalled that her report lasted 20 minutes before Spanier directed her to leave. Several Trustees described the briefing as a three to five minute, "oh by the way" presentation, at the end of the day.[444]

In an affidavit Baldwin prepared for the Board in January 2012 to provide her recollection of the May 2011 briefing, she stated that she told the Board that the University did not appear to be a focus of the investigation.[445] Furthermore, she affirmed that she had also explained to the Board: (i) what a grand jury is; (ii) how it works; (iii) the fact that the grand jury process is confidential - although those who testify are free to divulge their testimony; (iv) that Schultz, Paterno, and Curley "had been interviewed" in January 2011 and Spanier "had been interviewed" in April 2011;[446] and (v) that those who testified had been asked about a 2002 incident in the football building.[ll] She also stated that she told the Board that the University Police Department,

[ll]Exhibit 6-A (Baldwin affidavit).



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the District Attorney's Office, and Children and Youth Services had investigated an incident involving Sandusky in 1998 and that no charges had been filed.[447]

Baldwin told the Special Investigative Counsel that her affidavit had not been intended to list everything she told the Board.[448] She said that she also explained to the Board that a grand jury could return a "presentment" that, even if not alleging a crime, can nonetheless contain negative information about an institution.[449]

Board members had differing recollections of Baldwin's May 2011 report. Several Trustees had the impression that the Sandusky investigation involved issues at the Second Mile and did not involve Penn State.[450] Several Trustees recalled hearing that this was the third or fourth time a grand jury had investigated Sandusky and took that as an indication that criminal charges were not likely.[451] Some Trustees understood that some Penn State senior administrators had testified,[452] while others did not.[453] A common perception was that this was not an "important" issue for the University and the investigation was not a cause for concern.[454]

Some Trustees faulted Spanier and Baldwin for not informing the Board about the Sandusky investigation in a more useful manner.[455] The common complaint was that Spanier's and Baldwin's May 2011 report to the Board did not address the core question of why four senior Penn State officials needed to appear before the Grand Jury if the investigation did not "involve" Penn State. Their report also did not indicate that the Attorney General's investigators had spent two days interviewing the University's football coaching staff;[456] that the investigators had subpoenaed all emails dating back to 1997 for Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley;[457] that investigators subpoenaed the names of all Penn State Physical Plant employees from 1990;[458] and that more football program staff[mm] were to testify before the Grand Jury.[459]

One Trustee said that Spanier may have been "left to float too freely by himself"[460] because he felt he could fix anything.[461] Other Trustees expressed that Spanier "filtered"[462] issues in the best light of a desired outcome;[463] showed Trustees "rainbows" but not "rusty nails;"[464] and "scripted" or "baked" issues leaving no room to debate issues or confront Spanier even when disagreement arose.[465] One Trustee

[mm] On May 12, 2011, the same day as the Board meeting, Baldwin interviewed a football equipment manager who had been approached that day by Attorney General investigators. According to Baldwin's notes, the manager advised her that McQueary had told him "that [McQueary] saw something that changed his life. [McQueary] had to tell Coach Paterno." Control Number 09325388.



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called Spanier's "managing of messages" and the Board's reactive nature a "recipe for disaster."[466]

Trustees generally recalled that members asked Baldwin or Spanier few questions about the investigation.[467] The Trustees did not discuss whether the University should conduct an internal investigation to understand the facts and any potential liability issues, engage experienced criminal counsel, or prepare for the possibility that the Grand Jury investigation might result in some criticism of the University or its staff. One Trustee recalled that the Board did not ask for any investigation into the Sandusky issues because, from the way it was presented, the issue did not seem like a matter of concern.[468] In their report to the Board, Spanier and Baldwin significantly downplayed the nature of the Sandusky investigation and the potential damage it could cause the University. Given the information that was presented to them, the Board members did not reasonably inquire if the University had taken any measures to limit Sandusky's access to its facilities.

## IV. University Response to the Presentment and Criminal Charges Against Sandusky, Schultz and Curley - October and November 2011

### A. Baldwin, Spanier and Garban Learn of Presentment and Criminal Charges – October and November 2011

In late October 2011, Baldwin learned from an employee at the Attorney General's Office that "Curley and Schultz will be in our presentment," meaning that Curley and Schultz, two prominent Penn State officials, were about to be indicted.[469] Baldwin advised the Special Investigative Counsel that she understood the charges concerned the "duty to protect" and "reporting abuse." There was no mention of perjury.[470] On October 27, 2011, at 3:43 p.m., Baldwin sent Curley an urgent message to meet her and Spanier that evening.[471] They met at 8:00 p.m. and Baldwin told Curley and Schultz that they may be indicted by the Grand Jury.[472]

On October 28, 2011, Spanier and Baldwin had a series of meetings concerning the charges, including one with the Penn State Communications Office staff.[473] A staff member told the Special Investigative Counsel that during that meeting, Spanier said that he knew Curley and Schultz had done nothing wrong.[474] By 1:00 p.m. on October

28, 2011, Spanier had distributed a draft statement to Garban and the Communications staff that read:

> The allegations about a former coach are troubling, and it is appropriate that they be investigated thoroughly. Protecting children requires the utmost vigilance. With regard to the other indictments, I wish to say that Tim Curley and Gary Schultz have my unconditional support. I have known and worked daily with Tim and Gary for more than 16 years. I have complete confidence in how they have handled the allegations about a former University employee. Tim Curley and Gary Schultz operate at the highest levels of honesty, integrity and compassion. I am confident the record will show that these charges are groundless and that they conducted themselves professionally and appropriately.[475]

Spanier requested input from Baldwin and the Communications staff on the draft.[476] One of the communications staff members stated to the Special Investigative Counsel that the Communications staff member thought the phrase "unconditional support" was "horrendous" but others at the meeting were "sheep" and went along with Spanier's idea.[477] This officer remembered that Spanier said he should back up Curley and Schultz because he had asked them to take care of something, they did it, and something bad happened, and that he should not abandon them merely because things did not turn out well.[478]

In his interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Spanier stated that the media did not focus on the part of his statement that was empathetic to the victims. When asked if the six words "[p]rotecting children requires the utmost vigilance" sufficiently reflected the harm suffered by children who had been abused on the Penn State campus, Spanier said it was not his "place to jump to any conclusions or declare someone guilty before there was any due process."[479] Spanier said he had not made an effort to investigate the facts concerning Sandusky, and did not want to appear to interfere with the police work.[480]

Spanier and Baldwin met with Garban at noon on October 28, 2011.[481] Baldwin told the Special Investigative Counsel that Garban was the "conduit" to the Board, and Baldwin intended that he pass the information about the charges to the Board members.[482] Garban had a different understanding, however, telling the Special

Investigative Counsel that, in his meeting with Spanier and Baldwin, Spanier said that he still thought nothing would come of the investigation because other grand juries had reviewed the matter without bringing charges.[483]

Over the weekend of October 28-30, 2011, Garban had conversations with Trustees John Surma and Jim Broadhurst and told them what he learned from Spanier and Baldwin.[484] Garban also spoke again with Spanier who told him Baldwin was going to try to convince the Attorney General's Office that they did not have a case.[485] Garban told the Special Investigative Counsel that he was "astounded" to see Sandusky in the Nittany Lion Club at the football game on October 29, 2011, given what he had learned.[486] Neither Garban, Spanier, Broadhurst, Surma nor Baldwin spoke to the remaining Board members about the impending charges until after the charges were filed against Sandusky, Curley and Schultz on November 4, 2011.

Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel that Baldwin originally had been told that charges would not be brought until November 12, 2011.[487] Spanier said he planned to "scrap" the Board agenda for November 10 and devote the meeting to discussing Sandusky.[488] Spanier said that he took a senior Board staff person into his confidence on November 2 and told that person "we know charges are being brought. We will scrap the Trustee seminar agenda, and devote the day to this matter. It will be good timing, we will get ready."[489] After Spanier's interview, the Special Investigative Counsel re-interviewed the senior Board staff person. The staff person did not recall any conversation with Spanier about scrapping the Board agenda, or about charges that would be filed against Sandusky.[490]

On Friday, November 4, 2011, at 2:26 p.m., newspapers reported that Sandusky had been indicted on charges of indecent assault of minors, among others.[491] The initial stories, however, did not mention charges against Schultz or Curley.[492] The presentment, which was attached to the charging documents, had been inadvertently released on November 4, 2011. On Saturday, November 5, 2011, law enforcement officers arrested Sandusky on the criminal charges, and released a press statement detailing the allegations against Sandusky, Curley, Schultz and others at Penn State.[493]

In his interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Spanier said that it was his idea to bring the Board together when the presentment was released so the Board could be properly informed.

On November 5, 2011, at 1:41 p.m., a Trustee emailed Spanier and Garban, asking when the Board would be briefed.[494] Ten minutes later, Baldwin advised Spanier that "[i]t may be best to tell [the Trustee] that you are briefing the chair and the Board will be briefed next week."[495] At 2:09 p.m., Spanier wrote to Baldwin, "Steve already said we should alert the Board, but at this point it will be nothing more than what we are saying publicly." Shortly thereafter on that day, Spanier released the statement expressing his "unconditional support" for Curley and Schultz.[496] Spanier remained "confident the record will show that these charges are groundless and that they conducted themselves professionally and appropriately."[497]

**B. Board of Trustees Conference Call - November 5, 2011**

Senior administration staff suggested to Spanier that he brief the Board,[498] and schedule a conference call for 5:00 p.m. on November 5, 2011. According to the Board's notes, Spanier began the call by stating that the charges against Curley and Schultz were erroneous, unfair and unfortunate, and he expected "exoneration."[499] Some Trustees questioned the quality of the University's investigation of the 2002 incident, but Spanier denied that the charges had anything to do with the University's investigative process.[500] One Trustee suggested an "independent investigation" by outside counsel and retention of a crisis management firm.[501] Another Trustee mentioned the employment status of Curley and Schultz.[502] A meeting was called for the next day in which crisis management and legal advisors would make presentations to the Board on how to approach the crisis.[503]

Spanier and Baldwin opposed an independent investigation of the Sandusky issue. Baldwin emailed Spanier that, "[i]f we do this, we will never get rid of this group in some shape or form. The Board will then think that they should have such a group."[504] Spanier agreed.[505]

In meetings with the Special Investigative Counsel, some Trustees recalled that Spanier wanted to wait for the regular Board meeting later in the week to discuss the matter.[506] A Trustee recalled that Spanier said he managed crises every day at Penn State and he could handle this issue.[507]

**C. Board of Trustees Meeting - November 6, 2011**



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Garban called another Board meeting for Sunday, November 6, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. According to the Board notes, several members advocated for the formation of a task force to work with outside counsel on crisis management.[508] Other members questioned whether the Board had received the relevant information about the investigation.[509] One Board member suggested that Curley, Schultz and Spanier should be suspended from their duties, but Garban said Spanier should not be suspended.[510] Some Board members also observed that Spanier's public statements did not sufficiently address harm to the victims of Sandusky's crimes.[511]

Later in the evening of November 6, 2011, the University issued another press release stating that Curley asked to be placed on administrative leave and Schultz would re-retire so that both men could devote time to defending themselves.[512] The release also announced that a "task force" would review the University's policies and procedures on the protection of children.[513] The press release on November 7, 2011 reflected that Curley and Schultz had requested and been granted administrative leave. Some Board members were upset with the wording of the release, as they recalled that it was their decision to place Curley and Schultz on administrative leave.[514]

In meetings with the Special Investigative Counsel, several Trustees described the second press release as a "turning point" for Spanier.[515] Changes that Spanier made to the statement after the Board had agreed on its points angered several members.[516] This led some Trustees to grow concerned with Spanier's ability to lead.[517] In an interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Spanier denied making anything other than minor grammatical changes to the Board's statement.[518]

Some Trustees thought Garban's history of being previously employed at Penn State, where as SVP-FB he reported directly to Spanier, hampered his ability to lead the Board.[519] Garban told the Trustees that he had not advised them about the presentment when he learned of it because he was not sure it would come to fruition.[520]

On November 7, 2011, a Board member questioned whether the prior day's statement reflected the "sense of the Board," and urged the Board to have another meeting.[521]

**D. Board of Trustees Conference Call - November 8, 2011**

On November 8, 2011, the Board met again by conference call. Garban announced that he would turn the position of Board Chair over to Vice Chair John Surma. Surma then told the Board that he intended that they discuss forming a special investigative group of the Board, and deliberate on Paterno's and Spanier's leadership.[522]

The Board established the Special Investigations Task Force ("Task Force"). The Board also discussed University leadership,[523] but the members quickly decided that this type of discussion should be held in person.[524] Other members thought that no personnel action should occur until the investigation was completed.[525] The Board reached a consensus to delay decisions until the next day, and to issue a more thorough press release to express the Board's concerns.[526]

During the evening of November 8, 2011, the Board issued its own statement, expressing its outrage over "the horrifying details" of the Sandusky case.[527] The Board stated that it would appoint a special group to examine the circumstances of the charges, including "what failures occurred and who is responsible and what measures are necessary to ensure that this never happens at our University again and that those responsible are held fully accountable."[528] The Board's statement concluded: "We are committed to restoring public trust in the university."[529]

**E. Board of Trustees Meeting - November 9, 2011**

The Board met again in person on the evening of November 9, 2011. Surma chaired the meeting.[530] The Board discussed Spanier first, and the consensus was that he would be terminated without cause.[531] Executive Vice President and Provost Rodney Erickson was named interim President.[532]

In interviews with the Special Investigative Counsel, all of the Trustees who participated in the deliberations regarding the personnel actions said the decision concerning Spanier was their clear consensus.[533] The decision to terminate Paterno was more difficult because Board members had different viewpoints about his role. Nevertheless, one Board member stated that each of the Trustees reached the same decision in a different way.[534]

Some Board members felt that Paterno could have done more after learning about Sandusky's activities.[535] Some Board members recall former athletes stating that



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Paterno had tremendous control over what happened in his program.[536] Several Board members were disturbed by Paterno's attempt to usurp the Board's role by discussing his retirement plans for the end of the season and holding his own press conference.[537] Others said Paterno could not continue to function as coach in the current environment and had become a distraction.[538]

The Trustees have differing recollections of Governor Thomas Corbett's role in the Board discussion. Some Trustees recall people asking if the Governor was still on the phone line, as he was quiet during parts of the call.[539] Some Trustees, including Corbett himself, said Corbett did not assert himself more than other Trustees. At least one said Surma gave Corbett the opportunity to do so.[540] Some Trustees recall Corbett saying something right before the vote on Paterno along the lines of "I hope you'll remember the children."[541] Others described him as being vocal and playing a leadership role in the meeting.[542] One Trustee recalled Corbett saying that the Board needed to take decisive action or there might be a loss of support for Penn State. Corbett told the Special Investigative Counsel that he did not attend the May briefing on Sandusky and his representatives did not report about the meeting to him. Corbett further told the Special Investigative Counsel that, if he had attended the briefing, he would have asked more questions or prompted other Trustees to ask further questions.

Some Trustees felt that the discussion on Paterno's future with the football program was rushed and not sufficient for the situation.[543] One Trustee said the Board was seeking to act quickly when it instead should have acted in a more deliberate way, with all of the facts.[544] The same Trustee feared "getting in front of the facts."[545] Another Trustee argued for placing Paterno on administrative leave and for balancing the tremendous good Paterno did for Penn State against the "worst mistake of his life."[546] A Trustee commented that it was a sad, but necessary, action the Board had to take.[547] The Board did not explore the range of personnel actions available to them regarding Paterno's role in the football program before the Board concluded that Paterno should be removed as Head Football Coach."[548]

The Board did not have a plan in place to notify Paterno of its decision. None of the Board members seem to have considered alternative times or locations for meeting with Paterno and no one appears to have communicated with him in advance of the Board meeting that evening. In hindsight, some Trustees felt that they should have

found a way to go to Paterno's home to notify him in person but at the time they did not feel it was feasible.

Some Trustees were concerned that the crowds and media around Paterno's home precluded having Paterno come to their meeting place or having Trustees go to his home so that they could tell him of its decision. Neither University officials nor the Board contacted local law enforcement about the possible public reaction to its decision, despite the growing crowds on campus and in State College.[549]

Some Trustees also were concerned that the media would report their decision about Paterno before he could be notified. Therefore, in order to inform Paterno of its decision to remove him from his position, the Board directed a staff member from the Athletic Department to deliver a note to Paterno at his home. The note directed Paterno to call a phone number that belonged to Surma. When Paterno called, Surma advised him that the Board was removing him from his position as Head Football Coach. Paterno ended the call without speaking further to Surma. Shortly thereafter, Paterno's wife called Surma to complain about the Board's treatment of her husband. The consequences of this awkward termination resulted in an outpouring of criticism against the Trustees by students, alumni and other Penn State supporters. Students demonstrated on the campus in protest and the media coverage was extraordinary and generally unfavorable.

Most of the Trustees agreed that the Board did not properly handle the termination of Paterno.[550] Some Trustees agreed that the Board was ill-prepared to address the situation.[551]



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# CHAPTER 6
# BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## KEY FINDINGS

- The charter, by-laws and standing orders of the Penn State Board state that the Board "shall receive and consider thorough and forthright reports on the affairs of the University by the President or those designated by the President. It has a continuing obligation to require information or answers on any University matter with which it is concerned."
- In 1998 and 2001, the Board of Trustees failed to exercise its oversight and reasonable inquiry responsibilities. In that time, the Board did not have regular reporting procedures or committee structures in place to ensure disclosure to the Board of major risks to the University.
- Because the Board did not demand regular reporting of such risks, the President and senior University officials in this period did not bring major risks facing the University to the Board.
- The Board did not create a 'Tone at the Top' environment wherein Sandusky and other senior University officials believed they were accountable to it.
- Spanier and senior University officials did not make thorough and forthright reports to the Board, which itself equally failed in its continuing obligation to require information or answers on any University matter with which it is concerned.
- Some Trustees reported that their meetings felt "scripted" or that they were "rubber stamping" major decisions already made by Spanier and a smaller group of Trustees.
- After the Sandusky investigation became publicly known in late March 2011, the Board did not independently assess this information or further inquire, up to and including the May 12, 2011 Board meeting.
- After the May 2011 Board briefing on the Sandusky investigation, the Board did not reasonably inquire about this serious matter at Board meetings in July or September 2011.



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## I. Board Structure and Responsibilities

Established by Charter, the Board of Trustees ("Board" or "Trustees") of The Pennsylvania State University ("Penn State" or "University") is the corporate body that has complete responsibility for the government and welfare of the University and all the interests pertaining thereto, including students, faculty, staff and alumni.[552]

The Board is composed of 32 members. Five are ex officio members: the University President; Governor of Pennsylvania; and secretaries of the departments of Agriculture, Education, and Conservation and Natural Resources. The Governor appoints six Trustees, the alumni elect nine Trustees, the Commonwealth's agricultural societies elect six Trustees, and the Board elects six members from business and industry groups. Elected terms and appointments begin on July 1 and Trustees serve three-year terms and can be reappointed. The six gubernatorial appointments are staggered with two appointed each year for three-year terms or "until their successors are appointed and confirmed." These appointments are subject to confirmation by the State Senate.[553] On May 16, 2003, the Board adopted term limits of 15 years applicable to alumni, agricultural, and business and industry Trustees.[554] Recently, President Erickson invited five additional representatives of several University constituencies, including alumni, faculty, staff and students, to participate in the University's Board committees and meetings, effective July 2012.

The Board also can confer "Trustee Emeritus" status on any living former member of the Board who served for 12 or more years with distinction. Trustees who served 20 years as of May 13, 2011, are entitled to automatic Emeritus status. Referred to as "Emeritus Trustees" or "Trustees Emeriti," these individuals are entitled to all Trustee privileges except those of making motions, voting and holding office.[555] There are currently 16 Emeritus Trustees.[556]

The Board operates under a Charter, Corporate By-Laws and Standing Orders. In the exercise of its responsibilities, the Board is guided by the following policies:

1. The authority for day-to-day management and control of the University, and the establishment of policies and procedures for the educational program and other operations of the University shall be delegated to the President, and by him/her, either by delegation to, or consultation with, the faculty and the student body in accordance with a general directive of



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the Board. This delegation of authority requires that the Board rely on the judgment and decisions of those who operate under its authority. However, this reliance of the Board must be based upon its continuing awareness of the operations of the University. *Therefore, the Board shall receive and consider thorough and forthright reports on the affairs of the University by the President or those designated by the President. It has a continuing obligation to require information or answers on any University matter with which it is concerned.* Finally, upon request the Board shall advise the President on any University matter of concern to him/her. [emphasis added].

2. The Board of Trustees shall carry out certain responsibilities as a Board, without delegation. These responsibilities are:

    a. The selection of the President of the University;

    b. The determination of the major goals of the University and the approval of the policies and procedures for implementation of such goals;

    c. The review and approval of the operating and capital budget of the University;

    d. Such other responsibilities as law, governmental directives, or custom require the Board to act upon.

3. The Board of Trustees shall inform the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of the University's performance of its role in the education of the youth of Pennsylvania.

4. The Board of Trustees shall assist the President in the development of effective relationships between the University and the various agencies of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the United States of America which provide to the University assistance and direction.[557]

The Board provides oversight to the University through its standing committees. As of 1998 the Board had three standing committees: (1) Committee on Educational Policy; (2) Committee on Finance and Physical Plant; and (3) Committee on Campus



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Environment.[558] The Board established by Standing Order a Subcommittee for Audit on March 19, 2004, and a Subcommittee for Finance on September 19, 2008.[559]

At its meeting of March 16, 2012, the Board replaced the three standing committees with five new committees: (1) Committee on Academic Affairs and Student Life; (2) Committee on Finance, Business and Capital Planning; (3) Committee on Governance and Long-Range Planning; (4) Committee on Audit, Risk, Legal and Compliance; and (5) Committee on Outreach, Development and Community Relations. Each committee oversees its designated area(s) of responsibility and makes recommendations to the full Board for actions that enhance the functionality of the University.[nn] The Board meets six times each year.[560]

## II. The Board's Duty of Oversight and Reasonable Inquiry

An effective board exercises objective and independent judgment while overseeing systems to ensure that the institution operates according to the law and its governing framework. Under Pennsylvania law concerning non-profit boards, board members have not only a duty of loyalty, but also a duty of care, including "reasonable inquiry, skill and diligence, as a person of ordinary prudence would use under similar circumstances."[561] Indeed, the standing orders of the Penn State Board reflect this duty of inquiry, directing that the Board "shall receive and consider thorough and forthright reports on the affairs of the University by the President or those designates by the President. It has a continuing obligation to require information or answers on any University matter with which it is concerned."[562]

A board can breach its duty when it "utterly fails to implement any reporting or information system or controls" or having implemented such system or controls "consciously fails to monitor or oversee its operations thus disabling themselves from being informed of risks or problems requiring their attention."[563] The board breaches its duty not because a mistake occurs, but because the board fails to provide reasonable oversight in a "sustained or systematic" fashion.[564]

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[nn]During the course of this investigation, the Special Investigative Counsel interviewed all current members of the Board, the majority of emeriti members and several former members. The Trustee interviews yielded a number of pertinent recommendations that are included in Chapter 10 of this report.



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### A. The Board's Failure of Oversight and Reasonable Inquiry in 1998 and 2001

In 1998 and 2001, the Penn State Board failed to exercise its oversight functions. In that time, the Board did not have regular reporting procedures or committee structures in place to ensure disclosure to the Board of major risks. Because the Board did not demand regular reporting of these risks, Spanier and other senior University officials in this period did not bring up the Sandusky investigations. For example, the Board met in May 1998 and March 2001, but was not advised by Spanier regarding the Sandusky incidents. While Spanier failed to disclose these facts, the Board has a continuing obligation to require information about such an important matter. Similarly, in September 2001, the Board approved a favorable land deal to Sandusky's Second Mile, just six months after Sandusky was investigated for assaulting a young boy in the Lasch Building showers. The Board should have elicited such important information from senior University officials before the sale.

Some Trustees reported that their meetings felt "scripted" or that they were "rubber stamping" major decisions already made by Spanier and a smaller group of Trustees."[565] Sometimes Trustees learned of the President's decisions in public meetings where there were no questions or discussions.[566]

### B. The Board's Failure of Reasonable Inquiry in 2011

In 2011, the Board failed to perform its duty of inquiry, especially when it was on notice that the University was facing a major risk involving the Grand Jury investigation. While Spanier and Baldwin's May 2011 briefing to the Board downplayed the nature of the Grand Jury investigation of Sandusky, the Board members did not independently assess the information or demand detailed reporting from Spanier and Baldwin on this serious matter.[567] For example, Spanier and Baldwin indicated that the investigation did not involve the University, yet they did not explain why the Grand Jury called four senior Penn State officials to testify.[568] The Board did not inquire about the details of the Attorney General's investigation, including the request for subpoenas seeking historic email information for Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley. When a Board member asked for more information, Spanier complained about this member, noting to Baldwin that "[the Trustee] desires near total transparency. He will be uncomfortable and feel put off until he gets a report."[569]

After the May 2011 briefing, Board members did not ask for further updates on the investigation at Board meetings in July and September 2011. The Board therefore did not meet its "continuing obligation to require information or answers on any University matter with which it is concerned."[570]

Further, because the Board did not push Spanier and other senior officials on such an important matter, Spanier did not feel accountable for keeping the Board immediately informed on serious developments, such as advance notice that Sandusky, Schultz and Curley faced criminal charges. The Board allowed itself to be marginalized by not demanding "thorough and forthright reports on the affairs of the University."[571]

Spanier's communications reflected his attitude toward keeping the Board informed of major developments. For example, hours after Spanier appeared before the Grand Jury, he communicated with a Trustee who asked about the status of the investigation. Spanier avoided the Trustee's question and asserted that he was "not sure it is entirely our place to speak about this when we are only on the periphery of this."[572] However, Spanier did not disclose that he had just been before the Grand Jury. Within a few hours of the criminal charges becoming public, staff members advised Spanier that the Board needed to be updated. Spanier said that any briefing "will be nothing more than what we said publicly."[573] He considered advising the Board that he was "briefing the Chair and the Board will be briefed next week."[574] When he finally briefed the Board, he focused on issues of alleged bias in the government's investigation, calling the charges "erroneous unfair and unfortunate."[575]

It was only on November 5, 2011, that members of the Board first began to press Spanier about the criminal charges. Noting that the charges presented a picture of a "sexual predator" and "perjury," one Trustee asserted that the Board had a duty of oversight and reporting.

# CHAPTER 7
# SANDUSKY'S POST-RETIREMENT INTERACTIONS WITH THE UNIVERSITY

## KEY FINDINGS

- Despite Spanier's, Schultz's, Paterno's and Curley's knowledge of criminal investigations of Sandusky regarding child abuse as early as 1998, they failed to control Sandusky's access to the University's facilities and campuses. In fact, Sandusky was allowed to have a key for, and continued to work out in, the Lasch Building until November 2011, and had keys to other Penn State facilities.
- Even after the Attorney General's investigation became public in March 2011, former Penn State General Counsel Baldwin said that because of Sandusky's "emeritus" status and because he had yet to be convicted, his access to University facilities could not be terminated.
- Between 2002 and 2008 the University also allowed Sandusky to use the University facilities at the Altoona and Behrend (Erie) campuses to run "Jerry Sandusky" summer football camps for youth. Although University policy required a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with all third parties using University facilities, Sandusky, who some admired "like a god" because he was a former football coach, was allowed to operate the camps without any MOA.
- The University continued to support the Second Mile throughout this time by providing facilities and services for the organization's day camps and fund-raisers. Sandusky was a corporate officer, volunteer and public "face" of the Second Mile throughout this time.
- The University's visible support of the Second Mile provided Sandusky with numerous opportunities to bring young boys to campus and to interact with them through various camps and activities.
- After his retirement, Sandusky retained access to the Nittany Lion Club, an exclusive seating area at Beaver Stadium. Sandusky continued to be invited by senior University officials and attend Nittany Lion Club events until his November 2011 arrest.
- If University leaders had not granted Sandusky full use of Penn State's football facilities and supported his ways to "work with young people through Penn State," sexual assaults of several young boys on the Penn State campus might have been prevented.



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## I. Sandusky's Ongoing Contacts with The University

After his retirement from Penn State on June 30, 1999, Gerald A. Sandusky ("Sandusky") continued to maintain a prominent relationship with Penn State. Sandusky was able to use that relationship and the privileges he received in his retirement agreement to continue to bring young boys to University facilities and events.

Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley were aware of the allegations against Sandusky in 1998 and 2001. Nonetheless, they put children in danger by permitting Sandusky to participate in these activities and by providing continued support to Second Mile activities.

### A. Sandusky's Continued Access to University Facilities

Sandusky had access to Penn State's exclusive football fitness facilities (i.e., the Lasch Football Building and the East Area Locker Room Building ("Old Lasch")) as part of his retirement agreement,[576] whereas emeritus rank provided him with access only to "University recreational facilities" (among other benefits).[577] Until October 31, 2011, Penn State football staff regularly saw Sandusky working out in the Lasch Building weight room.[578] Sandusky still had keys to the Lasch Building when he was arrested in November 2011.[579] As recently as 2010, Sandusky had a "sub-master" key to the press box at Beaver Stadium, as well as a key for the stadium gates.[580]

The University also provided Sandusky with an office in Old Lasch as a term of his 1999 retirement agreement and emeritus status.[581] Between 2007 and 2008, Sandusky relinquished his office for other sports teams due to a space shortage.[582] Sandusky was able to use this office to store personal notes and documents.[583] University officials were unaware that there were numerous boxes of Sandusky's documents and belongings in Old Lasch until the Attorney General's Office investigators and the Special Investigative Counsel found these documents in April 2012. The documents contained communications between Sandusky and Victim 4, as well as between Sandusky and other victims.

One of Sandusky's documents was a "contract" between Sandusky and Victim 4 that proposed various rewards, including a "possible bowl trip," for personal and school achievements.[584] Victim 4 testified at Sandusky's trial in June 2012 as to the



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existence of this contract. A former Second Mile counselor who worked with Sandusky at the Penn State camps recalled that Sandusky kept notes about campers during the camps. Campers were given written goals and benchmarks to achieve during the upcoming school year so the camper could return the following summer. [585]

**B. Sandusky's Continued Access to the Nittany Lion Club at Beaver Stadium**

After his retirement, Sandusky had regular access to premium season seats for Penn State home football games in the Nittany Lion Club, an exclusive seating area accessible by invitation only. [586] In July 2011, for the first time, Curley deleted Sandusky's name from the annual invitation list for the 2011 football season.[587] In early September 2011, Sandusky's wife called the Nittany Lion Club staff to inquire about his season tickets.[588] The staff brought the issue to Curley, who reversed his previous decision and approved season tickets for Sandusky.[589] On October 7 and 8, 2011, Sandusky participated in the 25th anniversary celebration of the 1986 Penn State national championship team.[590] Sandusky attended six home games in the 2011 season, including the game played the week before criminal charges were filed against him.[591] After his arrest, Sandusky called the Nittany Lion Club and said that he would not attend the last game of the 2011 season.[592]

Several individuals advised the Special Investigative Counsel that, because of his continued attendance at the Nittany Lion Club, they were under the impression that Sandusky was cleared of the allegations in the newspaper reports and was no longer under investigation.[593]

**C. Sandusky's Football Camps at University Campuses**

After Sandusky retired, the University allowed him to operate summer youth football camps at University facilities through his company, Sandusky and Associates. Sandusky used two University campuses for his camps, Behrend (in Erie) and Harrisburg. The Behrend campus hosted Sandusky's football camps from 2000 to 2008[594] and the Harrisburg campus hosted the Sandusky Football Camp in 2007 and 2008. Both of these campuses provided athletic and recreational facilities, food and lodging for the camps.

It was standard practice and procedure for the University to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") [595] with all external parties that utilized

University facilities. However, the Sandusky Football Camp repeatedly was allowed access to the Behrend campus for its overnight youth football camps without an MOA. The Behrend campus did obtain an insurance certificate from Sandusky and Associates but required only "a handshake" with him to permit him to run his youth football camps each year from 2000 to 2008.[596] Individuals interviewed by the Special Investigative Counsel stated that, during these years, Sandusky was treated as a celebrity and some University employees admired him "like a god."[597] He did not have to go through the usual administrative procedures because he was a former football coach at Penn State and a well-respected employee for over 30 years.[598]

**D. Sandusky's Continued Business Dealings with the University**

The University continued to conduct business with Sandusky after his retirement. According to University accounting records, Penn State made 71 separate payments to Sandusky for travel, meals, lodging, speaking engagements, camps and other activities from January 5, 2000 through July 22, 2008.[599] Some of these activities included a speech at the American Football Coaches Association meeting in 2000,[600] a speech at the 2007 Penn State Leadership Conference for Student Organization leaders,[601] attendance at a 2000 Football Coaches Clinic held at the Behrend campus,[602] presentations at the 2002 Penn State Spring Conference[603] and the 2002 National Association of College and University Food Services Region II Conference.[604] On May 14, 2010, Curley wrote a letter of recommendation for Sandusky for the American Football Coaches Association Outstanding Achievement Award.

**E. Failure to Prohibit Sandusky's Access to University Facilities**

Despite Spanier's, Schultz's, Paterno's and Curley's knowledge of criminal investigations of Sandusky regarding child abuse as early as 1998, they failed to control Sandusky's access to the University's facilities and campuses.

After news of the Sandusky investigation appeared in newspapers in March 2011, some members of the Athletic Department staff questioned Sandusky's continued access to athletic facilities.[605] Some members of the Athletics Department staff asked Penn State General Counsel Cynthia Baldwin if Sandusky could be restricted from the athletic facilities.[606] [607] She told them that the University could not take his keys.[608]



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Baldwin advised the Special Investigative Counsel that because of Sandusky's emeritus status and the fact that he had not been charged with a crime, his access could not be eliminated without the University being sued.[609] However, Baldwin said that she believed that either Curley or another Athletic Department staff member was going to ask Sandusky to return his keys voluntarily. Baldwin did not recall any further discussion of the topic until Sandusky was charged.[610] At that time, Baldwin requested a human resources supervisor in the Athletic Department to ask Sandusky's lawyer for Sandusky's keys.[611] Before that was done, however, the University changed the locks on the building so that Sandusky would no longer have access.[612][613] The supervisor told the Special Investigative Counsel that the supervisor did not know if Sandusky ever returned his keys.

## II. Sandusky's Post-Retirement Involvement In Second Mile Activities

### A. Penn State and the Second Mile Organization

The Second Mile is a non-profit organization for underprivileged youth founded by Sandusky in 1977, when he was the Defensive Coordinator for the Penn State football team. Second Mile began as a group foster home for the purpose of helping troubled boys. Over the years, it evolved into a statewide, three-region charity dedicated to the welfare of children. Since its founding, Second Mile has been closely intertwined with the University. In 2011, more than three-quarters of the Second Mile Board were University alumni. University students served as interns and volunteers at Second Mile events and solicited donations from local businesses for these charitable events.

Wendell Courtney was the outside legal counsel at Penn State from 1980 until 2010. From 2008 to 2011, he was also legal counsel for the Second Mile and sat on its Board.

Sandusky acted as a corporate officer, key fundraiser, and the "face"[614] of the organization while continuing to coach football at the University. When he retired from the University in 1999 he became a paid consultant for the Second Mile until August 2010, when he retired[615] from that role. Sandusky remained a part of Second Mile through his presence and contacts even after his retirement.



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**B. "Collaborative Relationship" Between Penn State and Second Mile**

An article posted on the University's website on July 1, 1999 announced Sandusky's retirement. In this article, Curley stated that Sandusky is "the founder of Second Mile ... [and] will continue to offer his services on a volunteer basis to the athletic department's Lifeskills and Outreach programs."[616] In the same announcement, Paterno praised Sandusky for his contributions to the University's football program and stated that Sandusky was "... a person of great character and integrity."[617] In a memorandum dated August 23, 1999 from Second Mile Chairman Robert Poole to the Second Mile Board, Poole wrote that beginning in January 2000, Sandusky would become a paid consultant for the organization and earn $57,000 per year plus travel expenses.[618]

In Sandusky's retirement agreement with the University, both parties agreed to "work collaboratively" in community outreach programs such as the Second Mile.[619] The collaboration took several forms. Penn State football staff and players helped Sandusky with annual Second Mile Golf Tournaments held at the Penn State golf course(s) from 2003 to 2011.[620] Each year the Second Mile distributed playing cards that displayed both Penn State and Second Mile logos and contained images of Penn State football players, coaches and other student-athletes. A number of the University's football players and other student-athletes routinely volunteered for Second Mile youth programs.

In addition, in February 2009, Schultz contacted a bank on behalf of Sandusky and the Second Mile. Schultz advised the bank "the Second Mile is raising funds to support an expansion of their facilities here in State College.... Would you be agreeable to meet with Jerry Sandusky ... and me? They are really good people and this is a great cause related to kids."[621] Bank officials agreed to meet with Sandusky.[622]

The University's visible support of the Second Mile provided Sandusky with numerous opportunities to bring young boys to campus and to interact with them through various camps and activities.

**C. Second Mile Camps on Penn State Campuses**

Between 1999 and 2008, the Second Mile operated six one-week long summer youth camps at the University Park campus as well as at other non-University locations.



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Sandusky operated numerous summer youth camps at various Commonwealth campuses through Second Mile and his own corporation, Sandusky and Associates.[623]

At the University Park campus, camp activities were held at various locations including classrooms, an outdoor swimming pool, athletic fields and football facilities.[624] Sandusky frequently visited the boys' camps during the swimming pool activity in the afternoon, and the night sessions, which were usually held in one of the football meeting rooms. [625]

Second Mile also offered a "Friend Program," a mentorship program that matched a college volunteer with an at-risk elementary student.[626] The Friend Program events took place in Blair, Centre, Clinton and Lancaster counties as well as in the Lehigh Valley and other locations in Pennsylvania. The Friend Program events included picnics, holiday parties, swimming and bowling.[627] Sandusky sometimes participated in the Friend Program at the Altoona campus. When he did, Sandusky often arrived accompanied by a boy from Second Mile who was not part of the invited group.[628] According to a Director of Programs for Second Mile, the last time he saw Sandusky participate in any Second Mile activities was in 2008.[629]

# CHAPTER 8
# FEDERAL AND STATE CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

## KEY FINDINGS

- The Clery Act requires the University to collect crime statistics relating to designated crimes, including sexual offenses, occurring on University property, make timely warnings of certain crimes that pose an ongoing threat to the community, and prepare an annual safety report and distribute it to the campus community. The Clery Act requires "Campus Security Authorities," including coaches and athletic directors, to report crimes to police. From approximately 1991 until 2007, University officials delegated Clery Act compliance to the University Police Department's Crime Prevention Officer ("CPO"). The delegated CPO was not provided any formal training before taking over the position nor does he recall receiving any Clery Act training until 2007.
- In 2007, the Director of the University Police Department transferred the Clery Act compliance responsibility from the CPO to a departmental sergeant and instituted some Clery Act training programs. The sergeant could only devote minimal time to these duties. Despite the efforts of the University Police Department, awareness and interest in Clery Act compliance throughout the University remained significantly lacking.
- As of November 2011, the University's Clery Act policy was still in draft form and had not been implemented. Many employees interviewed were unaware that they were required to report incidents and had been provided with little, if any, training. Although University administrators identified compliance with laws and regulations as one of the top 10 risks to the University in 2009, Clery Act compliance had never been audited by the University's internal auditors or received attention from any other University department, including the Office of General Counsel.
- The University Police Department instituted an electronic report format in 2007 for easier reporting, but it received only one completed form between 2007 and 2011.
- Paterno, Curley and McQueary were obligated to report the 2001 Sandusky incident to the University Police Department for inclusion in Clery Act statistics and for determining whether a timely warning should be issued to the University community. No record exists of such a report. While Schultz and Spanier were arguably not Campus Security Authorities under the Clery Act, given the leadership positions they held within the University, they should have ensured that the University was compliant with the Clery Act with regard to this incident.

- Spanier advised the Special Investigative Counsel that although the University was "big" on compliance, he was not aware that the Clery Act policy had not been implemented; that anyone had ever advised him that the University was not in compliance with the Clery Act; or whether there had ever been an internal or external audit of the University's Clery Act compliance.



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## I. The Federal "Clery Act"

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f) ("Clery Act"), is a federal law applicable to any institution ("Institution") of higher learning that participates in federal student financial aid programs. The Pennsylvania State University ("Penn State" or "University") participates in such programs and, therefore, must comply with the requirements of the Clery Act. The Clery Act is enforced by the United States Department of Education ("Department of Education"), which has the authority to issue fines for violations of the Clery Act or, in extreme cases, to end federal funding to the Institution.

The purpose of the Clery Act is to provide an Institution's students, parents and employees with information about campus safety so that members of the campus community can make informed decisions to protect themselves from crime. Among other things, the Clery Act requires Institutions to: (1) collect crime statistics relating to designated crimes ("Clery Crimes") occurring on designated locations associated with the Institution; (2) make timely warnings of certain Clery Crimes that pose an ongoing threat to the community; and, (3) prepare and distribute to the campus community an annual safety report that contains the crime statistics described above, as well as other information about the Institution's safety policies and procedures.[oo] Institutions are required to collect crime data from all "Campus Security Authorities."[pp]

### A. Campus Security Authorities ("CSAs")

The Department of Education establishes the regulations for implementing the Clery Act and broadly defines the term "Campus Security Authority" to include the following entities or individuals:

1. A campus police department or a campus security department of an Institution.

2. Any individual or individuals who have responsibility for campus security but who do not constitute a campus police department or a

[oo] 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(1), (3), (5). The Clery Act was originally passed in 1990, and Congress amended the law several times over the years.

[pp] 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(1)(F); 34 C.F.R. § 668.46(a).



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campus security department . . . such as an individual who is responsible for monitoring entrance into Institutional property.

3. Any individual or organization specified in an institution's statement of campus security policy as an individual or organization to which students and employees should report criminal offenses.

4. *An official of an institution who has significant responsibility for student and campus activities* including, but not limited to, student housing, student discipline, and campus judicial proceedings. [emphasis added][qq]

The Department of Education has defined the last group of CSAs to include, among others, the following individuals:

- A dean of students who oversees student housing, a student center or student extracurricular activities.
- *A director of athletics, a team coach* or a faculty advisor to a student group. [emphasis added]
- A student resident advisor or assistant or a student who monitors access to dormitories.
- A coordinator of [fraternity and sorority affairs].
- A physician in a campus health center, a counselor in a campus counseling center or a victim advocate or sexual assault response team in a campus rape crisis center if they are identified by [an Institution] as someone to whom crimes should be reported or if they have significant responsibility for student and campus activities. . . .[rr]

**B. Collecting Crime Statistics**

The Clery Act requires Institutions to collect information about all Clery Crimes,[ss] which include forcible and non-forcible sex offenses,[tt] so that the information

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[qq]34 C.F.R. § 668.46(a).

[rr]While the above citation is from 2011, the Department of Education has had similar guidance in place setting forth its interpretation of the definition of Campus Security Authorities since at least 1999. United States Department of Education, Handbook for Campus Safety and Security Reporting (hereinafter U.S. Dept. of Education Clery Handbook) (Washington D.C., February 2011), 75. *See* 64 F.R. 59060, 59063 (November 1, 1999).

[ss]20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(1)(F)(i).

can be used for reporting statistics to the public on an annual basis and determining whether to issue timely warnings to the campus community. Institutions are required to report Clery Crimes that are "reported to campus security authorities or local police agencies" on an annual basis.[uu] Institutions are required to include any Clery Crime in their collected statistics, even if there is no criminal charge filed or arrest made. The Institution must collect and report the crime if the information is reported to a CSA who believes that the allegation was made to him or her "in good faith."[vv]

**C. Issuance of Timely Warnings**

The Clery Act requires an institution to issue "timely warnings" of Clery Crimes if the crime is reported to a CSA and is "considered by the Institution to represent a threat to students and employees."[ww] If the Institution, in the exercise of its judgment, determines that the reported crime poses an ongoing threat to students and employees, the Institution must utilize appropriate procedures to notify students and employees of the threat "in a manner that is timely and will aid in the prevention of similar crimes."[xx]

**D. Preparation of an Annual Safety Report**

The Clery Act requires Institutions to prepare and distribute an annual safety report ("ASR") to the campus community, which includes, among other things, the annual Clery Act crime statistics described above. The Clery Act and accompanying regulations set forth in detail what the ASR must include, including where and how crimes should be reported, crime prevention policies, alcohol and drug information, and emergency response and evacuation information.[yy]

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[uu]Clery Crimes include: murder, manslaughter, forcible and non-forcible sex offenses, robbery, aggravated assault, motor vehicle theft, arson, and certain drug and alcohol violations. 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(1)(F)(i).

[vv]20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(1)(F)(i).

[ww]"If a campus security authority receives the crime information and believes it was provided in good faith, he or she should document it as a crime report. In 'good faith' means there is a reasonable basis for believing that the information is not simply rumor or hearsay. That is, there is little or no reason to doubt the validity of the information." U.S. Dept. of Education, Clery Handbook, 73.

[xx]34 C.F.R. § 668.46(e); see 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f)(3).

[yy]34 C.F.R. § 668.46(e).

[yy]20 U.S.C. § 1092(f).



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## II. The University's Failure To Implement the Clery Act

The Clery Act was passed in 1990 and became effective in 1991. From approximately 1991 until 2007, University officials delegated Clery Act compliance to the University Police Department's Crime Prevention Officer ("CPO").[630] The CPO was not provided any formal training before taking over the position nor does he recall receiving any Clery Act training until 2007.[631] The CPO was supervised by others in the University Police Department, including, ultimately, then Chief Thomas Harmon.[632] Before 2007, the CPO was unaware that the Clery Act included the concept of CSAs or that the University had an obligation to collect crime data from student organizations, coaches, and others who have regular contact with students. To the CPO's knowledge, his supervisors were also unaware of these requirements.[633] In fact, according to the CPO, he told one of his supervisors in 2007 that there was a need for additional personnel to assist with the Clery Act and "we could get hurt really bad here."[634] The supervisor responded by saying "we really don't have the money."[635]

In 2007, the Director of the University Police Department, Stephen Shelow, transferred the Clery Act compliance responsibility from the CPO to a departmental sergeant, because he believed that compliance with the Clery Act had not been handled well in the past.[636] However, the sergeant in the University Police Department was only able to devote minimal time to Clery Act responsibilities.

Shelow also directed a number of University police department employees to attend a training program on the Clery Act. When the trainers discussed the requirements to identify and train CSAs, the attendees realized that the University did not have a sufficient process for those tasks.[637] In fact, Shelow does not believe that anyone at the University understood, before that conference, that the Clery Act requires that information be gathered from outside the University Police Department.[638]

Realizing that the University had serious deficiencies in the way that it gathered Clery Crime information,[639] the University Police Department began to provide training and conduct outreach to the broader group of CSAs to gather crime data. They developed a crime report form to be completed by any CSA to whom a crime was reported and made the form available on the internet.[640] The sergeant created PowerPoint materials and provided some training and information sessions for groups at University Park and some of the Commonwealth campuses.[641] The University Police



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Department also held meetings with faculty and staff members involved in athletics, student activities and the fraternity and sorority system to increase awareness of the Clery Act and to explain the obligations of some of these individuals as CSAs.[642]

Despite the efforts of the University Police Department, awareness and interest in Clery Act compliance remained lacking throughout the University.[643] Since making the report form available electronically in 2007, the University Police Department has received only one completed form through 2011.[644] No record reflects that any Commonwealth campus used the form until 2009.[645] The training sessions and outreach efforts were conducted primarily for just one or two years, were "sporadic" and were not well attended.[646]

The Director and the sergeant's intention to properly follow Clery Act regulations also were stymied by their own lack of time and resources. The sergeant, in addition to her Clery Act responsibilities, also was in charge of all criminal investigations and was only able to devote minimal time to Clery Act compliance.[647] The Director suggested to the then Senior Vice President Finance and Business that the University appoint a "compliance coordinator" to assist with Clery Act implementation.[648] The Director was told that while the need for the position existed, the University had other priorities that needed attention first.[649]

In April 2009, the University's outside legal counsel provided information to the University about Clery Act compliance.[650] The Director, the sergeant and others created a "draft" Clery Act policy that would have required written notification to all CSAs of their roles and responsibilities.[651]

As of November 2011, the University's Clery Act policy was still in draft form and had not been implemented.[652] Many University employees interviewed were unaware of their CSA status or responsibilities under the Clery Act. In an interview with the Special Investigative Counsel, Spanier said that he was not aware that the Clery Act policy had not been implemented and remained in draft form.[653] Spanier said no one at Penn State had ever informed him that the University was not in compliance with the Clery Act.[654] Spanier also stated that there had been no internal or external audits for Clery Act compliance.[655] He also said he had never briefed the Board on Clery Act compliance, nor had the Board asked him questions on this issue.[656] Spanier emphasized that Penn State "was big on compliance, more than other universities."[657]



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## III. Pennsylvania Child Sexual Abuse Reporting Requirements

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania charged Curley and Schultz in November 2011 with violating Pennsylvania's statute, 23 Pa. C.S. § 6311, relating to the mandatory reporting of child abuse in 2002. That statute requires certain individuals who are "mandatory reporters" to report suspected child abuse to the appropriate state agency. The statute has been amended several times but the relevant provision in effect in 2001 states:

> Persons who, in the course of their employment, occupation or practice of their profession, come into contact with children shall report or cause a report to be made in accordance with section 6313 (relating to reporting procedure) when they have reasonable cause to suspect, on the basis of their medical, professional or other training and experience, that a child coming before them in their professional or official capacity is an abused child. . . .

The 2012 version of the statute states:

> A person who, in the course of employment, occupation or practice of a profession, comes into contact with children shall report or cause a report to be made in accordance with section 6313 (relating to reporting procedure) when the person has reasonable cause to suspect, on the basis of medical, professional or other training and experience, that a child under the care, supervision, guidance or training of that person or of an agency, institution, organization or other entity with which that person is affiliated is a victim of child abuse, including child abuse by an individual who is not a perpetrator.

Both the 2001 and 2012 versions of the law also state:

> In addition to those persons and officials required to report suspected child abuse, any person may make such a report if that person has reasonable cause to suspect that a child is an abused child.[zz]

[zz] 23 Pa. C.S. § 6312.



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## IV. Implications of The University's Failure to Report Allegations of Child Sexual Abuse

McQueary testified at the preliminary hearing on December 16, 2011 that he described the 2002[658] incident involving Sandusky and a child in the Lasch Building to Paterno as "a young boy in the shower and it was way over the lines" and "extremely sexual in nature."[659] McQueary testified at that same hearing that he later met with Curley and Schultz, and told them that he observed Sandusky in the shower with a young boy and that he "thought that some kind of intercourse was going on."[660] While Curley and Schultz dispute McQueary's version of what he told them about the incident, Paterno testified to the Grand Jury on January 12, 2011 that McQueary described the incident to him as "fondling" and "a sexual nature."[661] The conduct described by McQueary and Paterno constitutes the Clery Crime of sexual assault.

Based on the facts uncovered by the Special Investigative Counsel, Paterno, Curley and McQueary were obligated as CSAs to report this incident to the University Police Department for inclusion in Clery Act statistics and for determining whether a timely warning should be issued to the University community. The Special Investigative Counsel found no indication that Paterno, Curley and McQueary met their responsibilities as CSAs by reporting, or ensuring that someone reported, this incident to the University Police Department. As a result, no timely warning could have been issued to the University community and the incident was not included in the University's Clery Crime statistics for 2001.[662]

McQueary, Paterno and Curley did report the incident to Schultz who, as SVP-FB, was ultimately in charge of the University Police Department. However, Schultz was not a law enforcement officer and was not the person designated to receive Clery Crime reports or to collect Clery Crime statistics for the University.[aaa] Arguably, as the most senior leaders of the University, Schultz and Spanier should have ensured compliance with the Clery Act regarding this incident. There is no record that Spanier or Schultz reported, or designated someone to report, the incident to the University Police Department, which should have caused the incident to be included in the

[aaa] 34 C.F.R. § 668.46(b)(2) requires the University to include in its ASR a statement setting forth to whom individuals should report crimes. The University's ASR for 2001 did not contain any such statement; however, it generally states that the police department investigates crimes.



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University's Clery Crime statistics and may have triggered the issuance of a timely warning to the University community.

## V. Improvements in Clery Act Compliance Since November 2011

After the criminal charges against Sandusky, Curley and Schultz became known, the University assessed its implementation and compliance with the Clery Act. Notwithstanding an investigation begun on November 9, 2011 by the Department of Education concerning the same issues,[bbb] the University moved forward by hiring a reputable national consultant to conduct this assessment. The consultant's study identified several shortcomings in the University's Clery Act procedures, including those cited above.[663]

On January 19, 2012, the Special Investigative Counsel recommended several actions relative to compliance with the Clery Act's training and reporting requirements. As described in Chapter 10 of this report, some of the recommended actions were already in place and the others have now been implemented or are underway, [664] including the appointment of a full-time Clery Compliance Officer on March 26, 2012.

[bbb]As of the date of this report, the Department of Education's investigation is ongoing.



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# CHAPTER 9
# THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN UNIVERSITY FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS

## KEY FINDINGS

- The University had two main policies, *Background Check Process*, and *Protection of Minors Involved in University Sponsored Programs*, that were designed to protect children using University facilities and participating in University-supported programs. The policies for background checks on employees and volunteers were significantly inadequate.
- University staff involved with youth programs said that some persons serving as volunteer coaches and counselors "fell through the cracks" and were allowed to participate in youth programs or events without appropriate clearances.
- Factors in the inconsistent application of these policies and procedures include confusion among University staff members about what the background process entails and who is subject to the process.
- The University historically has not trained administrators of youth programs on the policies. The University also has not consistently required timely submission of background applications so as to allow sufficient time for background checks.



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## I. University Policies for the Protection of Non-Student Minors

The Special Investigative Counsel found that The Pennsylvania State University's ("Penn State" or "University") system for implementing the child protection policies was inadequate, but that corrective efforts are underway. While the identified deficiencies historically may not have had a direct impact on Sandusky's crimes, the issues are serious and reflect that the University has not sufficiently focused on the protection of children in the past.

University programs for youth are diverse and are held at nearly every Commonwealth campus. Youth programs range from summer academic and sport camps that can be day or overnight, to year-round activities and events in arts, theatre, science, sports, adventure, nature, and leadership. Penn State Outreach plays a prominent role in the youth programming offered by the University as does the Intercollegiate Athletics Department ("ICA").[665] At University Park alone, more than 20,000 non-student minors are now attending the 2012 summer sport camps offered by the ICA.[666]

Two University policies – AD 39, *Minors Involved in University-Sponsored Programs or Programs Held at the University and/or Housed in University Facilities (formerly Programs Involving Minors Housed in University Facilities)* [667] and HR 99, *Background Check Process*, are the core policies the University relies on to help protect the many thousands of children who visit its campuses each year.

All 20 Penn State campuses offer an "open-campus" environment, sharing academic and recreational facilities with the local community. The largest campus located at University Park annually invites hundreds of thousands of minors to participate in University sponsored educational, recreational, cultural and sports programs.

### A. AD 39, *Minors Involved in University-Sponsored Programs or Programs held at the University and/or Housed in University Facilities*

The Penn State policy on minors involved in University-sponsored programs or youth programs held at the University or housed in University facilities was created in October 1992 and is closely aligned with the nationally accepted American Camping Association Standards.[668] The policy was revised several times over the years and on



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April 11, 2012, the University issued another revision. The purpose of the revision is "[t]o provide for appropriate supervision of minors who are involved in University-sponsored programs, programs held at the University and/or programs housed in University facilities at all geographic locations."[669] The policy addresses background clearances; codes of conduct; legal consents; medical information; counselor/staff member training/orientation; adult-to-participant ratios; and child abuse and mandated reporting procedures.[670] Policy AD 39 also applies to any external organization that utilizes University facilities for youth activities through a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA").[671]

Recent revisions made to Policy AD 39 are intended to strengthen the University's internal controls and procedures for the protection of non-student minors on University campuses. The revised policy expands mandatory background checks for all individuals, paid or unpaid, working with minors.[672] The policy requires self-disclosure of arrests and convictions. The Office of Human Resources ("OHR") must review and approve all background check verifications. The policy also requires mandatory annual training on child protection and reporting incidents of possible abuse to appropriate authorities.

**B. HR-99, *Background Check Process***

Historically, background checks at Penn State have been conducted under two policies, Policies HR-95 and HR-96.[673] Policy HR-96 for "other-than-academic appointments," had been the governing policy for those participating in youth programs. The University also developed an implementation guide, the *Reference and Background Check Process Guideline*.

On July 5, 2012, the University implemented Policy HR-99, *Background Check Process*, which supersedes and consolidates the prior policies HR-95 and HR-96.[674] HR-99 establishes "a process for ensuring background checks are completed for any individual who is engaged by the University in any work capacity including employees, volunteers, adjunct faculty, students, consultants, contractors or other



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similar positions."[675] The revised background check process will require an additional 23,650 background checks to be conducted annually.[ccc]

The new policy requires any individual engaged by the University in any work capacity to have a University background check and/or verification of successful completion of Pennsylvania Act 34 (background check) and Act 151 (child abuse clearance). Covered staff must provide notice to the University of any criminal charges within 72 hours of their arrest.[676] The new policy also defines key terms such as "minor," "sex and violent offender registry check," and "sensitive/critical positions."[677]

## II. Implementation of the University's Child Protection Policies

Penn State staff involved with youth programs explained to the Special Investigative Counsel that some persons serving as volunteer coaches and counselors were "slipping through the cracks" [678] and were allowed to participate in youth programs or events without appropriate clearances. An Outreach employee involved in University summer sport camps stated that participation by unscreened individuals occurred "every year and all the time."[679] One senior Outreach employee described the background check process as a "sieve."[680] A report prepared by an employee in the Outreach Finance Office in May 2010 revealed that 234 of the 735 coaches paid to work at the summer sports camps in 2009 did not have a background check completed before the start of the sport camp for which they worked.[681]

When interviewed by the Special Investigative Counsel, the director of the Sport Camps Office denied that there had ever been any issues or incidents with the summer sport camps.[682] Other interviews conducted and documents reviewed, however, pointed to several instances of unauthorized participation in summer youth camps.[683] For example, in 2010, at least five coaches or counselors with criminal records were allowed to work at University Park summer youth programs.[684] One individual who registered for a coaching position for the University Park Football I camp in 2010 indicated in his self-disclosure statement that he had no criminal history, and camp personnel "cleared" him to participate in the camp. A background check initiated a day later and completed

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[ccc]This number is Penn State's estimate of the total number of background checks that the University would need to complete annually if it implemented a policy that required a background check for every category of employee and volunteers, attached hereto as Appendix B.

the following day revealed that the man had a criminal record for child endangerment. The man had already stayed overnight in a Penn State residence hall with minors.[685]

Several significant factors contributed to the inconsistent implementation of Policy AD39 and the background check process. For example, some University staff members appeared confused about the background check and child welfare policies.[686] Even those familiar with the policies had different interpretations of what the background process entailed and who was subject to the process.[687] One HR employee who was involved in the process said the policies are "clear as mud."[688] The University historically has not trained administrators of youth programs on the policies.[689] The University also has not consistently required timely submission of applications so as to allow sufficient time for background checks.[690]

Application of the background check process is not uniform across the Commonwealth campuses. The process varies from the use of a web-based computer application to conduct background checks [691] and background checks using fingerprints,[692] to campuses that never required any background check until the Sandusky charges became public, and now use only a free internet search of questionable accuracy.[693]

In past years, problems with the background check process have been brought to the attention of Penn State administrators and those responsible for overseeing youth programs at Penn State.[694] One employee who presented reports concerning shortcomings in the process felt "like [she] wasn't being heard," but did not pursue the matter because the employee "didn't feel like it was [her] place to say anything." She further stated, "I have to be careful, I had my job [to lose]."[695] Another employee who prepared the May 2010 report on background checks expressed concern for the degree of risk to the University.[696] When the employee voiced concerns to the director of the Sports Camps Office, the director dismissed the issue and said that other matters were more pressing.[697]

The Special Investigative Counsel found only one instance where a University employee was held accountable for not complying with Policy AD39 and the background check process. After multiple failures to enforce the policies in the summer of 2010, a "Memorandum of Conversation" was placed in the personnel file of a senior Sports Camp employee that states, "any future failure...might result in disciplinary



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action up to and including termination." The memorandum addressed only one of multiple incidents.[698]

Some Penn State staff expressed concerns with the complexity of the revised policies.[699] According to one employee "[w]e all understand why [a background check process is needed] but the issue now is how are we going to do this?"[700]



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## III. Use of University Facilities by Third Parties for Youth Programs

Under the University's standard MOAs for use of University facilities by third parties, [701] the party contracting with the University has the duty to ensure that its counselors and staff possess the appropriate background clearances.[702] The revised Policy AD39 provides that non-University groups using University facilities "must provide to the sponsoring unit satisfactory evidence of compliance with all of the requirements of this Policy at least (30) days prior to the scheduled use of University facilities."



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# CHAPTER 10
# RECOMMENDATIONS FOR UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE, ADMINISTRATION, AND THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN UNIVERSITY FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS

The failure of President Graham B. Spanier ("Spanier"), Senior Vice President – Finance and Business ("SVP-FB") Gary C. Schultz ("Schultz"), Head Football Coach Joseph V. Paterno ("Paterno") and Athletic Director ("AD") Timothy M. Curley ("Curley") to protect children by allowing Gerald A. Sandusky ("Sandusky") unrestricted and uncontrolled access to Pennsylvania State University ("Penn State" or "University") facilities reveals numerous individual failings, but it also reveals weaknesses of the University's culture, governance, administration, compliance policies and procedures for protecting children. It is critical for institutions and organizations that provide programs and facilities for children to institute and adhere to practices that have been found to be effective in reducing the risk of abuse. Equally important is the need for the leaders of those institutions and organizations to govern in ways that reflect the ethics and values of those entities.

The Special Investigative Counsel provided several recommendations to the Board and the University in January 2012 to address exigent needs to reform policies and procedures, particularly those involving upcoming activities, such as summer camps. Before, but especially since November 2011, the Board and University administrators have reviewed, modified, or added relevant policies, guidelines, practices and procedures relating to the protection of children and University governance. Consistent with the recommendations in this report, members of the Board, University administrators, faculty and staff have:

- Strengthened security measures and policies to safeguard minors, students and others associated with the University and its Outreach programs.
- Improved the organization and procedures of the Board to better identify, report, and address issues of significance to the University and members of its community.



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- Increased compliance with The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, 20 U.S.C. § 1092(f) ("Clery Act") training, information collection and reporting requirements.
- Encouraged prompt reporting of incidents of abuse and sexual misconduct.
- Conducted abuse-awareness training for many University areas, including its top leadership.
- Provided better oversight and governance of the University's educational, research and athletic compliance programs.

One of the most challenging tasks confronting the University community – and possibly the most important step in ensuring that the other recommended reforms are effectively sustained, and that public confidence in the University and its leadership is restored – is an open, honest, and thorough examination of the culture that underlies the failure of Penn State's most powerful leaders to respond appropriately to Sandusky's crimes.

The following recommendations are intended to assist University administrators, faculty, staff and the Board, in improving how they govern and provide protection for children in University facilities and programs. These recommendations relate to the University's administrative structure, policies and procedures and the Office of General Counsel; the responsibilities and operations of the Board; the identification of risk; compliance with federal and state statutes and reporting misconduct; the integration of the Athletic Department into the greater University community; the oversight, policies and procedures of the University's Police Department; and the management of programs for non-student minors and access to University facilities. In addition, recommendations are included that will assist the University in monitoring change and measuring future improvement.[ddd]

[ddd]Recommendations accompanied by an asterisk are being implemented or have been completed as of June 2012.



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## 1.0 – Penn State Culture

The University is a major employer, landholder and investor in State College, and its administrators, staff, faculty and many of its Board members have strong ties to the local community. Certain aspects of the community culture are laudable, such as its collegiality, high standards of educational excellence and research, and respect for the environment. However, there is an over-emphasis on "The Penn State Way" as an approach to decision-making, a resistance to seeking outside perspectives, and an excessive focus on athletics that can, if not recognized, negatively impact the University's reputation as a progressive institution.

University administration and the Board should consider taking the following actions to create a values- and ethics-centered community where everyone is engaged in placing the needs of children above the needs of adults; and to create an environment where everyone who sees or suspects child abuse will feel empowered to report the abuse.

1.1 Organize a Penn State-led effort to vigorously examine and understand the Penn State culture in order to: 1) reinforce the commitment of all University members to protect children; 2) create a stronger sense of accountability among the University's leadership; 3) establish values and ethics-based decision making and adherence to the Penn State Principles as the standard for all University faculty, staff and students; 4) promote an environment of increased transparency into the management of the University; and 5) ensure a sustained integration of the Intercollegiate Athletics program into the broader Penn State community.

This effort should include the participation of representatives from the Special Faculty Committee on University Governance; Penn State's Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics; Penn State's Rock Ethics Institute; students, alumni, faculty and staff; as well as representatives from peer institutions with experience in reviewing and improving institutional culture in academic settings.

1.2 Appoint a University Ethics Officer to provide advice and counsel to the President and the Board of Trustees on ethics issues and adherence to the Penn State Principles; develop and provide, in conjunction with the Rock Ethics Center, leadership and ethics training modules for all areas of the University; and coordinate ethics initiatives with the University's Chief Compliance Officer.* (See also Recommendation 4.0)

**1.2.1 Establish an "Ethics Council" to assist the Ethics Officer in providing advice and counsel to the President and the Board on ethical issues and training.**

**1.2.2 Finalize and approve the proposed modifications to the Institutional Conflict of Interest Policy; identify the senior administrative and faculty positions to which the policy should apply, and implement the policy throughout the University.**

1.3 Conduct open and inclusive searches for new employees and provide professional training for employees who undertake new responsibilities.

1.4 Continue to benchmark the University's practices and policies with other similarly situated institutions, focus on continuous improvement and make administrative, operational or personnel changes when warranted.

1.5 Communicate regularly with University students, faculty, staff, alumni and the community regarding significant University policies and issues through a variety of methods and media.

1.6 Emphasize and practice openness and transparency at all levels and within all areas of the University.

## 2.0 – Administration and General Counsel: Structure, Policies and Procedures

In various ways the University's administrative structure, the absence or poor enforcement of policies relating to the protection of children and employee misconduct,[eee] and the lack of emphasis on values and ethics-based action created an

[eee]The University has policies for investigating employee misconduct: HR-78 created in 1974, and HR-70, created in 2005; and a whistleblower policy, AD67 created in 2010.



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environment in which Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley were able to make decisions to avoid the consequences of bad publicity. Standard personnel practices were ignored or undermined by the lack of centralized control over the human resources functions of various departments – most particularly, the Athletic Department.

University administrators, faculty, staff and the Board should consider taking the following actions to create an atmosphere of values and ethics-based decision making.

2.1 Review organizational structures and make adjustments for greater efficiency and effectiveness.

**2.1.1 Evaluate the span of control of the University President and make adjustments as necessary to ensure that the President's duties are realistic and capable of the President's oversight and control.**

**2.1.2 Evaluate the span of control and responsibility of the Senior Vice President – Finance and Business ("SVP-FB") and make adjustments as necessary to ensure that the SVP-FB's duties are realistic and capable of the SVP-FB's oversight and control.**

**2.1.3 Upgrade the position of the Associate Vice President for Human Resources to a Vice President position reporting directly to the University President.**

**2.1.4 Evaluate the size, composition and procedures of the President's Council and make adjustments as necessary.**

2.2 Review administrative processes and procedures and make adjustments for greater efficiency and effectiveness.

**2.2.1 Separate the University's Office of Human Resources ("OHR") from the University's Finance and Business organization.**

**2.2.2 Assign all human resources ("HR") policy making responsibilities to the OHR and limit the ability of individual departments and campuses to disregard the University's human resources policies and rules.**

2.2.3 Centralize HR functions, where feasible, such as background checks, hiring, promotions, terminations, on-board orientation and management training, while recognizing the unique requirements of University components and Commonwealth campuses, and their need for measured autonomy.*

2.2.4 Designate the Vice President for Human Resources ("VP-HR") as the hiring authority for HR representatives throughout the University and establish a "dotted-line" reporting relationship between the HR representatives and the VP-HR similar to that used in the Finance and Audit areas.

2.2.5 Develop job descriptions for all new key leadership positions and incumbent positions if none exist.

2.2.6 Evaluate the size of the OHR staff, benchmark its human capital capacity against public universities of similar size and scope of responsibility, and modify as necessary.

2.2.7 Adopt a Human Resource Information/Capital Management System ("HRIS/HCM") with sufficient growth capacity for use at University Park and all Commonwealth campuses.

2.2.8 Engage external HR professionals to assist in the development of the University's next performance management system.

2.2.9 Provide the OHR with complete access to executive compensation information and utilize the OHR, in conjunction with the University Budget Office, to benchmark and advise the administration and the Board of Trustees on matters of executive compensation.

2.2.10 Develop a mechanism to provide and track all employee training mandated by state and federal law and University policies.

2.2.11 Update, standardize, centralize, and monitor background check procedures.*

2.2.12 Require updated background checks for employees, contractors and volunteers at least every five years.*

**2.2.13 Audit periodically the effectiveness of background check procedures and the University's self-reporting system for employees.***

**2.2.14 Update computer-use policies and regularly inform employees of the University's expectations and employee responsibilities with regard to electronic data and materials.**

**2.2.15 Develop a procedure to ensure that the University immediately retrieves keys and access cards from unauthorized persons.***

2.3 Complete the development of the University's Office of General Counsel ("OGC").

**2.3.1 Develop a mission statement for the OGC that clearly defines the General Counsel's responsibilities and reporting obligations to the University and the Board of Trustees.**

**2.3.2 Select and hire a permanent General Counsel ("GC").***

**2.3.3 Expand the GC's office staff to provide broader coverage of routine legal issues including employment law.**

**2.3.4 Appropriate sufficient budget to the OGC to hire specialized outside counsel when needed.**

2.4 Advertise all senior executive positions externally and engage educational search experts to broaden the talent pools for senior executive positions.*

2.5 Integrate faculty and staff from different disciplines and areas in University-wide professional development/leadership training to increase their exposure to other University personnel, programs, challenges and solutions.*

2.6 Implement consistent, state-of-the art records management and retention procedures.

2.7 Provide sufficient support and oversight of the Office of Student Affairs to make certain that all students follow the same standards of conduct.*

2.8 Designate an individual, administrative entity or committee to approve and review all new and modified University policies.

**2.8.1 Develop guidelines for creating, standardizing, approving, reviewing and updating University policies.**

**2.8.2 Review periodically all University policies for relevance, utility and necessity, and modify or rescind as appropriate.**

## 3.0 – Board of Trustees: Responsibilities and Operations

Spanier and other University leaders failed to report timely and sufficiently the incidents of child sexual abuse against Sandusky to the Board of Trustees in 1998, 2001 and 2011. Nonetheless, the Board's over-confidence in Spanier's abilities, and its failure to conduct oversight and responsible inquiry of Spanier and senior University officials, hindered the Board's ability to deal properly with the most profound crisis ever confronted by the University.

The Board should consider taking the following actions to increase public confidence and transparency, realign and refocus its responsibilities and operations, improve internal and external communications and strengthen its practices and procedures.

3.1 Review the administrative and governance issues raised in this report, particularly with regard to the structure, composition, eligibility requirements and term limits of the Board, the need to include more members who are not associated with the University, and the role of the Emeriti. In conducting this review, the Board should seek the opinions of members of the Penn State community, as well as governance and higher education experts not affiliated with the University. The Board should make public the results and recommendations generated from the review.

3.2 Review, develop and adopt an ethics/conflict of interest policy for the Board that includes guidelines for conflict management and a commitment to transparency regarding significant issues.



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**3.2.1 Include training on ethics and oversight responsibilities in the current regulatory environment in Board member orientation.**

**3.2.2 Require full and public disclosure by Board members of financial relationships between themselves and their businesses and the University.**

3.3 Implement the Board's proposals for revised committee structures to include a committee on Risk, Compliance, Legal and Audit and subcommittees for Audit and Legal matters; and a subcommittee for Human Resources as part of the Committee on Finance, Business and Capital Planning.*[fff]

**3.3.1 Rotate Committee Chairs every five years or sooner.**

3.4 Increase and improve the channels of communication between the Board and University administrators.

**3.4.1 Ensure that the University President, General Counsel and relevant members of senior staff thoroughly and forthrightly brief the Board of Trustees at each meeting on significant issues facing the University.***

**3.4.2 Require regular Risk Management, Compliance and Internal Audit reports to the Board on assessment of risks, pending investigations, compliance with federal and state regulations as well as on measures in place to mitigate those risks.**

**3.4.3 Require that the SVP-FB, the GC and/or their designee to provide timely briefings to the Board on potential problem areas such as unusual severance or termination payments, Faculty and staff Emeriti appointments, settlement agreements, government inquiries, important litigation and whistleblower complaints.**

**3.4.4 Use the Board's Executive Session/Question Period with the President to make relevant and reasonable inquiry into substantive matters and to facilitate sound decision-making.**

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[fff] Exhibit 10-A, Pennsylvania State University Board of Trustees, Organizational Chart.



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**3.4.5 Review annually the University's *Return of Organization's Exempt from Income Tax Form (990)*, Clery Act reports, and the compensation and performance of senior executives and leaders.***

**3.4.6 Conduct an informational seminar for the Board and senior administrators on Clery Act compliance and reporting procedures.**

**3.4.7 Continue to provide all Board members with regular reports of local, national and academic media coverage of the University.***

3.5 Increase and improve the channels of communication between the Board and the University community.

**3.5.1 Establish and enforce rules regarding public and press statements made by Board members and Emeriti regarding confidential University matters.**

**3.5.2 Increase and publicize the ways in which individuals can convey messages and concerns to Board members.**

**3.5.2.1 Provide Board members with individual University email addresses and make them known to the public.**

**3.5.2.2 Use common social media communications tools to communicate with the public on various Board matters.**

3.6 Develop a critical incident management plan, including training and exercises, for the Board and University administrators.

3.7 Continue to conduct and publicize periodic internal and external self-assessments of Board performance.*



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## 4.0 – Compliance: Risk and Reporting Misconduct

The University's incomplete implementation of the Clery Act was a contributing factor in the failure to report the 2001 child sexual abuse committed by Sandusky. A strong compliance function, much like exists in the University's financial area, should encourage individuals to report misconduct more readily in the future. A regularized risk identification and management system is as prudent and consistent with best business practices.

University administrators and the Board should consider taking the following actions to ensure compliance with the multiple laws, regulations, rules and mandates that effect its operations, risk management and national reputation.

4.1 Establish and select an individual for a position of "Chief Compliance Officer,"* The Chief Compliance Officer should:

**4.1.1 Head an independent office equivalent to the Office of Internal Audit.**

**4.1.2 Chair a Compliance Council.**

**4.1.3 Coordinate compliance functions in a manner similar to the Office of Internal Audit.**

**4.1.4 Have similar access to, and a reporting relationship with the Board, as does the Internal Auditor.**

**4.1.5 Coordinate the Chief Compliance Officer's responsibilities with the Office of General Counsel, the Director of Risk Management and the Director of Internal Audit.**

**4.1.6 Direct further review of any incidents or risks reported to the Compliance Officer.**

4.2 Assign full-time responsibility for Clery Act compliance to an individual within the University Police Department and provide the individual with sufficient resources and personnel to meet Clery Act regulations.*

The individual responsible for Clery Act compliance should:

**4.2.1 Establish a University policy for the implementation of the Clery Act.**

**4.2.2 Create a master list of names of those persons with Clery Act reporting responsibilities, notify them annually of the Clery Act responsibilities and publish the list to the University community.**

**4.2.3 Require, monitor and track training, and periodic retraining for Campus Security Authorities ("CSAs") on Clery Act compliance.**

**4.2.4 Provide information to the OHR on Clery Act responsibilities, reporting suspicious activity to CSAs and whistleblower protection for inclusion in the general training for all employees.**

**4.2.5 Coordinate timely notices of incidents and threat warnings with the Vice President for Student Affairs, the Chief Compliance Officer and the General Counsel.**

**4.2.6 Review annual Clery Act reports with the President's Council, the Board of Trustees and the Compliance Officer.**

**4.2.7 Coordinate Clery Act training and compliance with responsible officials at the Commonwealth campuses.**

**4.2.8 Arrange for periodic internal and external audits of Clery Act compliance.**

4.3 Update regularly and prioritize the University's list of institutional risks; determine the appropriate implementation and audit schedule for those risks; and present the results to the Board.

4.4 Send a communication to all University students, faculty and staff at the beginning of each academic term: that encourages the reporting of misconduct; describes the channels for direct or anonymous reporting; and the University's whistleblower policy and protection from retaliation.

4.5 Publicize the employee misconduct hotline regularly and prominently throughout the University on a variety of platforms including social media networks and the webpages of individual University components.*



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## 5.0 – Athletic Department: Integration and Compliance

For the past several decades, the University's Athletic Department was permitted to become a closed community. There was little personnel turnover or hiring from outside the University and strong internal loyalty. The football program, in particular, opted out of most of the University's Clery Act, sexual abuse awareness and summer camp procedures training. The Athletic Department was perceived by many in the Penn State community as "an island," where staff members lived by their own rules.

University administrators and the Board of Trustees should consider taking the following actions to more fully involve the Athletic Department within the broader University community; provide relevant training and support to the Athletic Department staff to ensure compliance with external regulations and University policies; and maintain a safe environment for those who use the University's recreational facilities, especially children.

5.1 Revise the organizational structure of the Athletic Department to clearly define lines of authority, responsibilities and reporting relationships.

5.2 Evaluate security and access protocols for athletic, recreational and camp facilities and modify as necessary to provide reasonable protections for those using the facilities.*

5.3 Conduct national searches for candidates for key positions, including head coaches and Associate Athletic Director(s) and above.

5.4 Integrate, where feasible, academic support staff, programs and locations for student-athletes.*

5.5 Provide the University's Athletic Compliance Office with additional staff and adequate resources to meet its many responsibilities.*

**5.5.1 Benchmark against peer institutions to determine an appropriate staffing level for the office.**

**5.5.2 Establish an effective reporting relationship with the University Compliance Officer.**

**5.5.3 Realign the compliance-related responsibilities of Athletic Department staff members to ensure that the Athletic Compliance Office has oversight of the entire program.**

**5.5.4 Ensure that new hires and incumbent compliance personnel have requisite working knowledge of the NCAA, Big Ten Conference and University rules.**

5.6 Ensure that Athletic Department employees comply with University-wide training mandates.

**5.6.1 Provide and track initial and on-going training for athletic staff in matters of leadership, ethics, the Penn State Principles and standards of conduct, abuse awareness, and reporting misconduct pursuant to the Clery Act and University policy.**

**5.6.2 Include Athletic Department employees in management training programs provided to other University managers.**

## 6.0 – University Police Department: Oversight, Policies and Procedures

The University Police Department promptly responded to the 1998 complaint about Sandusky's conduct, but the sensitivity of the investigation and the need to report on its progress to a senior administrator could have compromised the extent of its inquiry. The independence of the University's law enforcement function is essential to providing unbiased service and protection to the University community. The University Police Department's recent restructuring and additional training for its employees is an important step in the continuous improvement of the Department.

The University Police Department and/or University administrators should consider taking the following additional actions to improve the functions and oversight of the University's law enforcement services:



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6.1 Arrange for an external examination of the University Police Department's structure, organization, policies and procedures through a professionally recognized accreditation body, [ggg] with a particular emphasis on the University Police Department's training for and qualifications of sex abuse investigators.*

6.2 Review the organizational placement of the University Police Department in the University's Finance and Business area in conjunction with the review of the span of control of the SVP-FB. (See Section 2.0)

6.3 Provide the Vice President/Director of Public Safety with sufficient administrative authority and resources to operate effectively and independently.

6.4 Review records management procedures and controls and revise where needed.*

**6.4.1 Establish a policy to ensure that all police reports alleging criminal conduct by Penn State students, faculty and staff are reported to the OHR.[hhh]**

**6.4.2 Establish or reinforce protocols to assign a timely incident number and proper offense classification to all complaints received.[iii]***

**6.4.3 Include the final disposition of each complaint in the original or follow-up report (e.g., founded, unfounded, exceptionally cleared).**

6.5 Establish a policy to request assistance from other law enforcement agencies in sensitive or extraordinary cases or where a conflict of interest may exist.

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[ggg]The University Police Department has engaged the Pennsylvania State Police Chiefs Association to conduct an external review. For a more expansive review, the University should utilize an organization that has extensive experience in reviewing and accrediting college and university police departments, such as the Commission on the Accreditation on Law Enforcement ("CALEA").

[hhh]Notifications regarding students, faculty and staff who are confirmed suspects of allegations of criminal conduct are made to the OHR as a standard practice, but there is no departmental policy to confirm or guide the practice.

[iii]The University Police Department has established an automatic system to assign timely incident numbers and eliminated the "Administrative" category of offenses.

6.6 Implement consistent law enforcement standards and practices, through regular training at all Penn State campuses.

6.7 Review and update, with the GC, the current policies pertaining to the investigation of various categories of offenses involving Penn State employees.

6.8 Provide specialized training to investigators in the area of sexual abuse of children.

## 7.0 – Management of University Programs for Children and Access to University Facilities

Over the years, University policies regarding programs for non-student minors were inconsistently implemented throughout the University. Enforcement of those policies was uneven and uncoordinated and, as a result, Sandusky was allowed to conduct football camps at University Park and three Commonwealth campuses without any direct oversight by University officials. The University's background check process also was arbitrarily applied and on-site supervision at camps was sometimes provided by staff members who had not been fully vetted.

University administrators and the Board of Trustees should consider taking the following actions to create a safer environment for children involved in University programs, activities, and who use its facilities. University administrators must provide better oversight of staff members responsible for youth programs and increase abuse awareness through training of responsible adults.

7.1 Increase the physical security and access procedures in areas frequented by children or used in camps and programs for children.*

7.2 Require and provide abuse awareness and mandatory reporter training to all University leaders, including faculty, coaches and other staff, volunteers and interns.[iii]

[iii] On June 6, 2012, the University implemented AD72, *Reporting Suspected Child Abuse*, requiring all University personnel to report incidents or allegations of suspected abuse or be subject to disciplinary action, up to, and including, dismissal.



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**7.2.1 Consolidate the responsibility for abuse awareness training and mandatory reporting in the OHR and coordinate an abuse awareness training program throughout the University's campuses.***

7.3 Consolidate oversight of the University's policies and procedures for programs involving non-student minors in the OHR and appoint a coordinator to oversee the implementation of those policies. The Coordinator should have sufficient authority to:

**7.3.1 Develop and maintain an inventory of all University programs for children.***

**7.3.2 Update, revise or create policies for unaccompanied children at University facilities, housing and University programs.***

**7.3.3 Enforce all policies relating to non-student minors involved in University programs at all Penn State campuses.**

**7.3.4 Assist the University's camp and youth program administrators in ensuring that staff and volunteers are appropriately supervised.**

**7.3.5 Provide information to parents of non-student minors involved in University programs regarding the University's safety protocols and reporting mechanisms for suspicious or improper activity.**

## 8.0 – Monitoring Change and Measuring Improvement

The Pennsylvania State University has taken several significant steps to improve its governance and more adequately protect the hundreds of thousands of children who use its facilities and participate in its programs every year. However, restoring confidence in the University's leadership and the Board will require greater effort over a prolonged period of time. As the institution moves forward, it is incumbent upon its leaders to monitor those changes, make adjustments as necessary and communicate their progress to the Penn State community as well as to the public.

University administrators and the Board of Trustees should consider taking the following actions to ensure that their initiatives to prevent and respond to incidents of sexual abuse of children and to improve University governance are duly enforced, monitored, measured and modified as needed:

8.1 Designate an internal monitor or coordinator to oversee the implementation of recommendations initiated, or adopted, by the Board and/or the University administration. The monitor/coordinator would:

**8.1.1 Chair a panel of the individuals responsible for developing and implementing these and other approved recommendations and for establishing realistic milestones.**

**8.1.2 Select a practical and diverse number of members of the University community and solicit input from the larger University community, to provide insights and recommendations to the monitor. (See Recommendation 1.0)**

**8.1.3 Report actions and accomplishments regularly to the Board of Trustees and University administration.***

8.2 Provide the monitor, or the Chief Compliance Officer, with the authority and resources to hire appropriate external evaluators/compliance auditors to certify that milestones for implementation of these recommendations are being met.

8.3 Conduct a review of the University's progress 12 months from the acceptance of this report using internal and external examiners and provide the findings to University administrators, the Board and the public.

8.4 Conduct a second review of the University's progress 24 months from the acceptance of this report using internal and external examiners and provide the findings to University administrators, the Board and the public.

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[72] *Id.*
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[104] *Id.*
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[106] *Id.* at 10.
[107] *Id.* at 21.
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[133] [-] Interview (4-18-12).
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[137] [-] Interview (4-11-12).
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[140] [-] Interview (4-11-12).
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[142] Penn State University Police Report at 18.
[143] [-] Interview (1-27-12).
[144] Exhibit 2-H.
[145] The May 5, 1998 notes refer to a meeting that was scheduled to take place at 9:00 a.m. on May 5 with the "local child abuse people." This reference supports the inference that these notes were taken before 9:00 a.m. on May 5.
[146] Exhibit 2-I.
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[161] Control Number 00641616.
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[163] Exhibit 2-C (Control Number 00644098).
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[191] Control Number 00643981.
[192] Control Number JVP-000021.
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[194] Control Number 00642802.
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[204] Exhibit 3-F (Control Number JVP000027).
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[206] [-] Interview (7-3-12).
[207] Exhibit 3-G (Control Number 03014658).



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[208] Exhibit 3-G (Control Number 03014658).
[209] Control Number 00650775.
[210] Control Number 00650174.
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[260] *Id.* at 19.
[261] *Id.* at 20-21.
[262] *Id.* at 22.
[263] *Id.* at 22-23.
[264] *Id.*
[265] *Id.* at 23.
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[281] *Id.* at 229.
[282] *Id.* at 206.
[283] *Id.* at 211.
[284] *Id.*
[285] *Id.* at 229.
[286] Exhibit 5-A.
[287] Control Number 11118161.
[288] [-] Interview (1-12-12); [-] Interview (4-12-12).
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[292] *Id.*
[293] *Id.*
[294] *Id.*
[295] *Id.*
[296] *Id.*
[297] *Id.*



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[298] *Id.*
[299] *Id.*
[300] [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[301] [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[302] [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[303] Schultz confidential file notes (5-1-12).
[304] Schultz confidential file notes (5-1-12).
[305] Exhibit 2-J; [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[306] Exhibit 5-A.
[307] Exhibit 5-C.
[308] Exhibit 5-D (Control Number 00675162).
[309] Exhibit 5-C.
[310] Schultz confidential file notes (5-1-12).
[311] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 30 (12-16-11).
[312] *Id.* at 202-03.
[313] *Id.* at 32-33.
[314] *Id.* at 35.
[315] *Id.* at 183.
[316] *Id.* at 225.
[317] *Id.*
[318] Control Number 00681288.
[319] Control Number 03030942.
[320] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 30 (12-16-11).
[321] Spanier 2001 Calendar.
[322] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[323] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[324] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[325] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[326] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[327] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[328] Exhibit 5-F (Control Number 00677433).
[329] Exhibit 5-G (Control Number 00679428).
[330] Exhibit 5-G (Control Number 00679428); Exhibit 5-H (Control Number 00676529).
[331] Exhibit 5-G (Control Number 00679428).
[332] Exhibit 5-G (Control Number 00679428).
[333] *See* Control Number 00642973 (6-9-1998) (email subject is "***Jerry***"); Control Number 00645223 (6-1-1998) ("The DPW investigator and our officer met discreetly with ***Jerry*** this morning"); Control Number 00646346 (6-9-1998)(" They met with ***Jerry*** on Monday and concluded that there was no criminal behavior and the matter was closed as an investigation"); Control Number 00647284 (5-19-1998)(email subject is "***Jerry***"); Control Number 00648360 (5-14-1998) ("Tim, I understand that a DPW person was here last week; don't know for sure if they talked with ***Jerry***").
[334] Control Numbers 00650775, 00650174, 00650775, 03014658, 03013385.
[335] Control Numbers 09302202, 09350582; [-] Notes of meeting with Graham Spanier (3-22-11).
[336] [-] Notes of meeting with Graham Spanier (3-22-11).
[337] [-] Notes of meeting with Graham Spanier (3-22-11).
[338] [-] Interview (2-1-12); [-] Interview (1-23-12); [-] Interview (12-12-11); [-] Interview (1-3-12).



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[339] [-] Interview (4-12-12).
[340] [-] Interview (2-6-12); [-] Interview (4-17-12).
[341] [-] Interview (2-6-12); [-] Interview (4-25-12); [-] Interview (1-24-12); [-] Interview (1-3-12); [-] Interview (2-7-12); [-] Interview (1-23-12); [-] Interview (12-12-11).
[342] Exhibit 5-G (Control Number 00679428).
[343] *See* Exhibit 2-J.
[344] *See* Exhibit 2-J.
[345] Exhibit 5-H (Control Number 00676529).
[346] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 185-86 (12-16-11).
[347] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 185-86 (12-16-11).
[348] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 182 (12-16-11).
[349] [-] File Memo (2-28-12).
[350] [-] File Memo (2-28-12).
[351] [-] File Memo (2-28-12).
[352] [-] File Memo (2-28-12).
[353] [-] File Memo (2-28-12).
[354] [-] File Memo (2-28-12).
[355] Schultz confidential file notes (5-1-12).
[356] Control Number 00680519.
[357] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 215 (12-16-11).
[358] [-]Notes of meeting with Graham Spanier (3-22-11).
[359] Exhibit 2-J.
[360] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[361] Sally Jenkins, "Joe Paterno's Last Interview," *Washington Post* (1-14-12).
[362] [-] File Memo (4-9-12).
[363] [-] File Memo (3-22-12).
[364] [-] File Memo (3-22-12).
[365] [-] File Memo (3-22-12).
[366] [-] File Memo (3-22-12).
[367] [-] File Memo (3-22-12).
[368] [-] File Memo (3-22-12).
[369] [-] File Memo (3-22-12).
[370] [-] File Memo (3-22-12).
[371] Control Number 03036051.
[372] Control Number 03036051.
[373] Control Number 00684991.
[374] Control Number 00684991.
[375] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 191-92 (12-16-11).
[376] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[377] Subpoena from Statewide Investigating Grand Jury, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, 190 M.D. Misc. Dkt. 2001, Dauphin County Common Pleas, No. 1430, M.D. 2008, Notice 29, Subpoena 671 (1-7-10).
[378] [-] Interview (3-6-12); [-] Interview (2-21-12).
[379] [-] Interview (3-6-12).
[380] [-] Interview (3-6-12); Control Number 09327800 ("The specifics of the investigation were not disclosed to us"); Control Number 09369385 (the prosecutor "kept the core of the issue very close to her vest").
[381] Notes of [-] (2-8-10); [-] Interview (3-6-12).



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[382] Notes of [-] (3-1-10); [-] Interview (3-6-12).
[383] Control Number 09327800.
[384] Control Number 09327800.
[385] [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[386] [-] Interview (11-23-11).
[387] [-] Interview (11-23-11); [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[388] [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[389] [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[390] [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[391] [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[392] [-] Notes (12-28-10).
[393] Control Number 11117847.
[394] Control Number 11117847.
[395] [-] Notes (1-3-11).
[396] [-] Notes (1-3-11).
[397] [-] Notes (1-3-11).
[398] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[399] Control Number 09354508.
[400] Control Number 09354508.
[401] Control Number 09354508.
[402] Control Number 09354508.
[403] Control Number 09361218.
[404] [-] Interview (11-23-11).
[405] Control Number 09382271.
[406] Control Number 04065904.
[407] Control Number 04065904.
[408] Control Number 166851.
[409] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[410] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[411] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[412] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[413] Control Number 06633947; [-] Notes of [-] Interviews (1-15-11).
[414] Control Number 00045093.
[415] Control Number 09405967.
[416] Spanier was questioned about a 2002 incident that was later determined to have occurred in 2001.
[417] [-] Notes of meeting with Graham Spanier (3-22-11); Control Number 09302202.
[418] Subpoena 92. Spanier suggested in recent court filings that he appeared before the Grand Jury "voluntarily and without subpoena." *Spanier v. Pennsylvania State University*, Verified Complaint in Equity (5-25-12).
[419] Control Number 00035001.
[420] Control Number 00043675.
[421] [-] Interview (1-25-12); Control Number 04046135.
[422] Control Number 4046135.
[423] Sara Ganim, "Jerry Sandusky, former Penn State football staffer, subject of Grand Jury investigation," *Patriot-News* (3-31-11).
[424] *Id.*



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[425] *Id.*
[426] *Id.*
[427] Control Number 1096008.
[428] Control Number 1096008.
[429] Control Number 9341973.
[430] Control Number 9365024.
[431] Control Number 9365024.
[432] Control Number 9365024.
[433] Control Number 9365024.
[434] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[435] [-] Notes (4-13-11).
[436] Control Number 9365024.
[437] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[438] [-] Interview (2-20-12).
[439] [-] Interview (2-20-12).
[440] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[441] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[442] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[443] [-] Interview (7-6-12); [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[444] [-] Interview (4-20-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12).
[445] Exhibit 6-A (Baldwin affidavit).
[446] Exhibit 6-A (Baldwin affidavit).
[447] Exhibit 6-A (Baldwin affidavit).
[448] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[449] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[450] *See, e.g.*, [-] Interview (3-22-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (4-12-12); [-] Interview (5-3-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (4-5-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[451] *See, e.g.*, [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-22-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (4-12-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (5-3-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12).
[452] *See, e.g.*, [-] Interview (3-22-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (4-12-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (5-3-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12).
[453] [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[454] *See, e.g.*, [-] Interview (3-8-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (4-11-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-22-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (4-12-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (4-16-11); [-] Interview (5-3-12); [-] Interview (4-20-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (4-5-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12).
[455] Control Number 12005881; [-] Interview (4-6-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-14-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (5-3-12); [-] Interview (4-11-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12).
[456] Control Numbers 06633947, 00045093, 09405967, 10615894, 06630379; [-] Notes of [-] Interviews (1-15-11); [-] Notes of [-] Interviews of [-] and [-] (1-17-11).
[457] Grand Jury Subpoena 109 (3-24-11).
[458] Grand Jury Subpoena 191 (5-11-11).
[459] Grand Jury Subpoena 183 (5-9-11); Grand Jury Subpoena 185 (5-10-11).



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[460] [-] Interview (4-20-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12).
[461] [-] Interview (4-20-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12).
[462] [-] Interview (3-8-12).
[463] [-] Interview (4-12-12).
[464] [-] Interview (3-14-12).
[465] [-] Interview (3-22-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (3-8-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-14-12).
[466] [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[467] *See, e.g.*, [-] Interview (3-8-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (5-3-12).
[468] [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[469] [-] Interview (11-25-11).
[470] [-] Interview (11-25-11).
[471] Control Number 00039079.
[472] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[473] Spanier Calendar 2011; Control Number 01000672.
[474] [-] Interview (1-25-12).
[475] Control Number 01001160.
[476] Control Numbers 01001782, 09377177, 09382920, 09388808, 09398766.
[477] [-] Interview (1-25-12).
[478] [-] Interview (1-25-12).
[479] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[480] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[481] Spanier Calendar 2011.
[482] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[483] [-] Interview (2-20-12).
[484] [-] Interview (2-20-12).
[485] [-] Interview (2-20-12).
[486] [-] Interview (2-20-12).
[487] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[488] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[489] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[490] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[491] Control Number 00510882.
[492] Control Numbers 09361376, 09368381, 09361329.
[493] Control Numbers 10245114.
[494] Control Number 1001210.
[495] Control Number 1001203.
[496] Control Number 09347465.
[497] Control Number 09347465.
[498] Control Number 1001210.
[499] [-] Notes (11-5-11).
[500] [-] Notes (11-5-11).
[501] [-] Notes (11-5-11).
[502] [-] Notes (11-5-11).
[503] [-] Notes (11-5-11).
[504] Control Number 1001228.



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[505] Control Number 1001228.
[506] [-] Interview (3-8-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (3-12-12).
[507] [-] Interview (3-8-12).
[508] [-] Notes (11-6-11).
[509] [-] Notes (11-6-11).
[510] [-] Notes (11-6-11).
[511] [-] Notes (11-6-11).
[512] Control Number 01035996.
[513] Control Number 01035996.
[514] [-] Notes (11-6-11).
[515] [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-8-12).
[516] [-] Interview (4-13-12); [-] Interview (3-12-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-8-12).
[517] [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-8-12); [-] Interview (3-12-12); [-] Interview (4-13-12)
[518] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[519] [-] Interview (3-13-12).
[520] [-] Interview (3-13-12).
[521] Control Number 1001535.
[522] [-] Notes (11-8-11).
[523] [-] Notes (11-8-11).
[524] [-] Notes (11-8-11).
[525] [-] Notes (11-8-11).
[526] [-] Notes (11-8-11).
[527] http://live.psu.edu/story/56285.
[528] http://live.psu.edu/story/56285.
[529] http://live.psu.edu/story/56285.
[530] [-] Notes (11-9-11).
[531] [-] Notes (11-9-11).
[532] [-] Notes (11-9-11).
[533] [-] Interview (5-16-12).
[534] [-] Interview (4-23-12).
[535] [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12).
[536] [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-12-12).
[537] [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12).
[538] [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (5-16-12).
[539] [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[540] [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[541] [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[542] [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[543] [-] Interview (4-23-12); [-] Interview (4-18-12).
[544] [-] Interview (4-23-12).
[545] [-] Interview (4-23-12).
[546] [-] Interview (4-23-12).
[547] [-] Notes (11-9-11).
[548] [-] Notes (11-9-11).

[549] Jessica VanderKolk, "King says PSU Gave Little Warning," *Center Daily Times* (11-16-11).
[550] [-] Interview (5-9-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (4-6-12); [-] Interview (4-11-12); [-] Interview (4-18-12).
[551] [-] Interview (4-6-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[552] Standing Orders of the Penn State Board of Trustees, Order IX(1)(a).
[553] http://www.psu.edu/trustees/selection.html.
[554] *See* Board of Trustees Minutes of Meeting at 208-12 (5-16-03).
[555] Standing Orders of the Penn State Board of Trustees, Order XI.
[556] http://www.psu.edu/trustees/membership.html.
[557] *See* Standing Orders of the Penn State Board of Trustees, Order IX. This statement on the general policies of the Board of Trustees was initially set forth and approved by the Board on June 11, 1970 and amended from time, the most recent being January 19, 1996. www.psu.edu/Trustees/governance.html.
[558] Board of Trustees Corporate By-Laws, Art. 4, Sections 7-9 (2010).
[559] Board of Trustees Minutes of Meeting, March 19, 2004 and September 19, 2008, http://www.psu.edu/trustees/archives.html#2008.
[560] Standing Orders of the Penn State Board of Trustees, Order III. During the period 1998-2002, the Board met six times per year.
[561] *See* 15 Pa. Cons. Stat. § 5712; *In re Caremark International, Inc. Derivative Litigation*, 698 A.2d 959, 970-71 (Del. Ch. 1996).
[562] Standing Orders of the Penn State Board of Trustees, Order IX(1)(b)(2).
[563] *See Stone v. Ritter*, 911 A.2d 362, 370 (Del. Ch. 2006).
[564] *See Caremark*, 698 A.2d at 970-971.
[565] [-] Interview (3-22-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (3-8-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-14-12).
[566] [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-8-12).
[567] [-] Interview (4-16-12).
[568] Control Number 12005881; [-] Interview (4-6-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-14-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (5-3-12); [-] Interview (4-11-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (3-22-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12); [-] Interview (4-12-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (4-16-12); [-] Interview (3-13-12); [-] Interview (3-15-12).
[569] Control Number 9365024.
[570] Standing Orders of the Penn State Board of Trustees, Order IX(1)(b)(2).
[571] Standing Orders of the Penn State Board of Trustees, Order IX(1)(b)(2).
[572] Control Number 9365024.
[573] Control Number 1001203.
[574] Control Number 1001203.
[575] [-] Notes (11-5-11).
[576] Control Number 006_0000043.
[577] Penn State Policy HR-25 (Control Number 014_0000034).
[578] [-] Interview (2-15-12); [-] Interview (12-7-11); [-] Interview (12-5-11); [-] Interview (12-12-11); [-] Interview (12-16-11).
[579] [-] Interview (12-15-11); [-] Interview (1-25-12).
[580] [-] Interview (1-25-12); keylist.xls.
[581] Penn State Policy HR-25 (Control Number 014_0000034); Control Number 006_0000043.
[582] [-] Interview (12-07-11).



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[583] The Special Investigative Counsel and investigators with the Attorney General's Office found Sandusky's documents in April 2012.
[584] *Id.*
[585] [-] Interview (4-19-12).
[586] [-] Interview (1-5-12); [-] Interview (1-10-12); [-] Interview (2-8-12).
[587] Nittany Lion Club Records (7-8-11); [-] Interview (1-5-12); [-] Interview (2-8-12).
[588] [-] Interview (1-5-12); [-] Interview (2-8-12).
[589] Nittany Lion Club Records, November 2011; [-] Interview (1-5-12); [-] Interview (2-8-12).
[590] Letterman Club Records, Nittany Lion Club Records.
[591] Nittany Lion Club Records, September-October 2011.
[592] [-] Interview (2-8-12).
[593] [-] Interview (3-14-12); [-] Interview (12-19-11).
[594] Sandusky was scheduled to conduct a camp in 2009, but his wife called the campus and cancelled the camp.
[595] Penn State Policy AD39.
[596] *See* [-] Interview (4-24-12); [-] Interview (4-24-12).
[597] [-] Interview (4-24-12).
[598] *See, e.g.,* [-] Interview (4-24-12); [-] Interview (4-24-12).
[599] XL spreadsheet of PSU payments to Sandusky provided by the Controller's Office.
[600] XL spreadsheet of PSU payments to Sandusky provided by the Controller's Office.
[601] Control Number 014_0000054.
[602] XL spreadsheet of PSU payments to Sandusky provided by the Controller's Office.
[603] XL spreadsheet of PSU payments to Sandusky provided by the Controller's Office.
[604] XL spreadsheet of PSU payments to Sandusky provided by the Controller's Office.
[605] *See e.g.,* [-] Interview (2-1-12).
[606] [-] Interview (12-5-11); (12-5-11); [-] Interview (12-6-11).
[607] Control Number 00033853; [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[608] [-] Interview (2-22-12).
[609] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[610] [-] Interview (2-15-12); [-] Interview (2-14-12).
[611] [-] Interview (2-29-12).
[612] [-] Interview (12-16-11); [-] Interview (1-18-12).
[613] [-] Interview (12-16-11); [-] Interview (1-18-12).
[614] Armen Keteyian, "Sandusky's Second Mile charity probed for clues," *CBS Evening News* (11-11-11).
[615] [-] Interview (4-11-12).
[616] http://www.psu.edu/dept/psusportsinto/football/profiles/sanduskyretires.html.
[617] *Id.*
[618] Memorandum from [-] to The Board of Directors (8-23-1999).
[619] Control Number 006_0000044.
[620] Second Mile Golf Tournament documents provided by Controller's Office (2-9-12).
[621] Control Number 00555509.
[622] Control Number 04122803.
[623] [-] Interview (4-24-12); [-] Interview (4-24-12); Exhibit 3-F.
[624] http://www.foxnews.com/us/2011/11/19/penn-state-paid-by-sanduskys-charity-for-use-facilities-as-recently-as-2009/.
[625] [-] Interview (4-19-12).



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[626] [-] Interview (4-19-12).
[627] [-] Interview (4-19-12).
[628] [-] Interview (3-6-12); [-] Interview (4-11-12); [-] Interview (4-11-12).
[629] [-] Interview (4-11-12).
[630] [-] Interview (1-13-12).
[631] [-] Interview (1-13-12).
[632] [-] Interview (1-13-12).
[633] [-] Interview (1-13-12).
[634] [-] Interview (1-13-12).
[635] [-] Interview (1-13-12).
[636] In its 2002 ASR, for example, the University mistakenly reported that there were no sexual assaults in its Clery Act statistics. A watchdog organization noticed the discrepancy; the University discovered that it had made a mistake in its calculation and reissued the statistics. The incident resulted in negative publicity in the local newspaper. *See* Email of 1-12-2004 at 3:47:09 p.m.
[637] [-] Interview (2-1-12); [-] Interview (1-5-12).
[638] [-] Interview (2-1-12).
[639] [-] Interview (1-5-12).
[640] [-] Interview (1-5-12).
[641] [-] Interview (1-5-12).
[642] [-] Interview (1-5-12); [-] Interview (2-1-12); *e.g.*, Control Number 09503459.
[643] [-] Interview (1-5-12); [-] Interview (2-1-12).
[644] [-] Interview (1-5-12).
[645] Control Number 09528529.
[646] [-] Interview (2-1-12); [-] Interview (1-5-12).
[647] [-] Interview (1-5-12).
[648] Control Number 08036801.
[649] [-] Interview (2-1-12).
[650] Control Number 09618422.
[651] [-] Interview (2-1-12).
[652] [-] Interview (2-1-12).
[653] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[654] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[655] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[656] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[657] [-] Interview (7-6-12).
[658] The Special Investigative Counsel determined that this incident occurred in 2001.
[659] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 24-25 (12-16-11).
[660] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 34 (12-16-11).
[661] Preliminary Hearing Trans. at 175-76 (12-16-11).
[662] The University Police Department recently surveyed everyone who worked there in February 2001. None of those employees had ever been informed of this incident. The incident was not included in Penn State's Clery statistics and no timely warning was made about it. [-] Interview (6-1-12).
[663] Report prepared by [-] for Penn State, November 27, 2011.
[664] *See Chapter 9, The Protection of Children in University Facilities and Programs.*
[665] Outreach consists of five major units: Continuing Education, Cooperative Extension, Economic and Workforce Development, Public Broadcasting and Online Education.



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[666] Email from [-] to [-] (8-6-10).

[667] *See* Appendix (2), Penn State Policy AD39.

[668] Control Number 09341611.

[669] *See* Appendix (2), Penn State Policy AD39.

[670] *See id.*

[671]Additional clarifications, added June 7, 2012, include updated requirements for high school students visiting on pre-enrollment visits with Penn State students, clarification of reporting process and exclusion of client representation clinics in Dickinson School of Law from policy.

[672]Although Policy AD39 first took effect in 1992, it was not until April 28, 2010 that the Policy addressed background checks. Under the revised Policy AD39, the background check consists of a University background check or evidence of completion of Pennsylvania Act 34 (background check), Pennsylvania Act 151 (child abuse clearance) and FBI background history report clearance before being hired and/or interacting with minors.

[673] *See* Appendix (2), Penn State Policies HR-95 and HR-96.

[674] *See* Appendix (2), Penn State Policy HR-99, *Background Check Process.*

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[679] [-] Interview (3-12-12).

[680] [-] Interview (2-23-12).

[681] [-] Interview (2-23-12).

[682] [-] Interview (12-19-11).

[683] *See, e.g.* [-] Interview (3-6-12) (stating that, "it has happened here [at Altoona]" on a number of occasions over the years and coaches have always just been told not to do it again); [-] Interview (3-8-12) (stating that the use of individuals that were not registered or subjected to background checks happened once or twice each year. When those in her office would discover such individuals their response was, "guess what happened again?").

[684] [-] Interview (3-8-12).

[685] [-] Interview (2-23-12).

[686] *See, e.g.*, [-] Interview (2-23-12); [-] Interview (3-24-12) (stating that such unauthorized participation occurred every year, "all the time"); [-] Interview (3-6-12)(stating that "it has happened here [at Altoona] and on a number of occasions over the years and coaches have always just been told not to do it again); [-] Interview (3-8-12) (stating that the use of individuals that were not registered or subjected to background checks happened once or twice each year).

[687] Email from [-] to [-] (8-6-10).

[688] [-] Interview (3-1-12).

[689] *See e.g.*, [-] Interview (3-1-12); [-] Interview (3-5-12); [-] Interview (4-25-12); [-] Interview (3-6-12); [-] Interview (4-24-12).

[690] [-] Interview (3-1-12); [-] Interview (3-8-12).

[691] [-] Interview (4-16-12).

[692] [-] Interview (4-25-12).

[693] [-] Interview (4-24-12); [-] Interview (3-6-12); [-] Interview (3-21-12). Using E-PATCH, a coach or counselor can apply for a criminal background check online and, most of the time, a "no record" result is returned immediately. [-] Interview (3-5-12); see also, www.portal.state.pa.us. The coach or counselor requesting the background check bears the cost of this search. If a result of "no record" is returned, the

coach or counselor is allowed to work with youth with the limitation that the coach or counselor is not allowed to stay overnight with youth in a residence hall until the University background check is completed. [-] Interview (3-6-12).

[694] [-] Interview (4-16-12). Senior administrator interviewers were unaware that fingerprinting was being utilized at this campus.

[695] [-] Interview (3-24-12).

[696] [-] Interview (3-8-12).

[697] [-] Interview (3-12-12).

[698] [-] Interview (3-23-12).

[699] [-] Interview (3-23-12).

[700] [-] Interview (3-23-12); [-] Interview (12-19-11).

[701] [-] Interview (3-23-12); [-] Interview (12-19-11).

[702] [-] Interview (3-23-12); [-] Interview (12-19-11).



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# APPENDICES

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# EXHIBITS

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2A: EMAIL, SCHULTZ TO CURLEY, 5.6.98; RE: JOE PATERNO
2B: EMAIL, SCHULTZ TO HARMON, 5.14.98; RE: JERRY
2C: EMAIL, SCHULTZ TO HARMON, 6.9.98; EMAIL RE: JERRY; EMAIL SCHULTZ TO CURLEY 6.8.98
2D: EMAIL, SCHULTZ TO HARMON, 6.9.98; RE: CONFIDENTIAL
2E: EMAIL, SCHULTZ TO CURLEY, SPANIER, HARMON, 6.9.98; RE: JERRY
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3D: INTERPRETATION OF JVP HANDWRITTEN NOTES, FROM PATERNO RESIDENCE; RE: MEETING WITH JERRY AND TIM C
3E: LETTER, SANDUSKY TO CURLEY, 5.28.99; RE: RETIREMENT OPTIONS
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5A: TIMESHEET, MCQUAIDE BLASKO, INC., COURTNEY, 2.1.01 TO 4.30.01
5B: EMAIL, SCHULTZ TO COURTNEY, 1.10.11; RE: JSRECE; EMAIL COURTNEY TO SCHULTZ, 1.10.11; RE: JS
5C: NOTE, SCHULTZ CONFIDENTIAL HANDWRITTEN NOTE, 2.12.01
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**EXHIBIT A**

# Exhibit 2A

EXHIBIT A

**From:** Gary C. Schultz <gcs2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 06, 1998 2:06 PM
**To:** Tim Curley
**Cc:** Spanier-Graham (GBS)
**Subject:** Re: Joe Paterno

Will do. Since we talked tonight I've learned that the Public Welfare people will interview the individual Thursday.

At 05:24 PM 5/5/98 -0400, Tim Curley wrote:
>I have touched base with the coach. Keep us posted. Thanks.
>
>Tim Curley
>Tmc3@psu.edu
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**EXHIBIT A**

# Exhibit 2B

EXHIBIT A

**From:** Gary C. Schultz <gcs2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 1998 8:55 AM
**To:** Thomas Harmon
**Subject:** Re: Jerry

Good, Tom. Thanks for the update and I agree that we want to resolve quickly.

At 04:48 PM 5/13/98 EST, Thomas Harmon wrote:
>The psychologist from DPW spoke with the child. They have not spoken
>to him. It is still my understanding that they intend to do this. I
>have also been advised that they want to resolve this quickly.
>
>> Date: Thu, 14 May 1998 04:11:19 -0400
>> To: Tim Curley <tmc3@psu.edu>
>> From: "Gary C. Schultz" <gcs2@psu.edu>
>> Subject: Re: Jerry
>
>> Tim, I understand that a DPW person was here last week; don't know
>> for sure if they talked with Jerry. They decided to have a child
>> psychologist talk to the boys sometime over the next week. We won't know anything before then.
>>
>> At 02:21 PM 5/13/98 -0400, Tim Curley wrote:
>> >Anything new in this department? Coach is anxious to know where it stands.
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**EXHIBIT A**

# Exhibit 2C

EXHIBIT A

**From:** Gary C. Schultz <gcs2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 1998 2:03 AM
**To:** Harmon-Thomas (TRH)
**Subject:** Re: Jerry

Tom, I've been holding some "catch up time" on my calendar on Monday and I'd suggest that we use a piece of it to meet and discuss the status (I also recall the last time we talked you indicated that there was some aspects of this that you felt you should review with me when we had a chance to talk). Please get ahold of Joan and see what time will work. thanks

>Date: Mon, 08 Jun 1998 21:59:42 -0400
>To: Tim Curley <tmc3@psu.edu>
>From: "Gary C. Schultz" <gcs2@psu.edu>
>Subject: Re: Jerry
>
>Tim, I don't have an update at this point. Just before I left for vac, Tom told me that the DPW and Univ Police services were planning to meet with him. I'll see if this has happened and get back to you.
>
>At 10:27 AM 5/30/98 -0400, Tim Curley wrote:
>>Any further update?
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>>At 09:46 AM 5/19/98 -0400, you wrote:
>>>No, but I don't expect we'll hear anything prior to the end of this week.
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>>>At 09:37 PM 5/18/98 -0400, Tim Curley wrote:
>>>>Any update?
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>>>>At 04:11 AM 5/14/98 -0400, you wrote:
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# Exhibit 2D

**From:** Gary C. Schultz <gcs2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 1998 2:04 AM
**To:** Thomas Harmon
**Subject:** Re: Confidential

Tom, you can ignore my earlier email, unless you feel that we should talk some more about this. thanks

At 01:11 PM 6/1/98 EST, Thomas Harmon wrote:
>Gary,
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>The DPW investigator and our officer met discreetly with Jerry this
>morning. His account of the matter was essential the same as the
>child's. He also indicated that he had done this with other children
>in the past. He was advised since there was no criminal behavior
>established that the matter was closed as an investigation.
>He was a little emotional and expressed concern as to how this might
>have adversely affected the child.
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>Tom
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# Exhibit 2E

**From:** Gary C. Schultz <gcs2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 09, 1998 2:09 AM
**To:** Curley-Tim (TMC)
**Cc:** Spanier Graham (GBS); Harmon-Thomas (TRH)
**Subject:** Re: Jerry

They met with Jerry on Monday and concluded that there was no criminal behavior and the matter was closed as an investigation. He was a little emotional and expressed concern as to how this might have adversely affected the child. I think the matter has been appropriatedly investigated and I hope it is now behind us.

>Date: Mon, 08 Jun 1998 21:59:42 -0400
>To: Tim Curley <tmc3@psu.edu>
>From: "Gary C. Schultz" <gcs2@psu.edu>
>Subject: Re: Jerry
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# Exhibit 2F

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**From:** Gary C. Schultz <gcs2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2001 2:13 PM
**To:** Graham Spanier; Tim Curley
**Subject:** Re: Meeting

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Tim and Graham, this is a more humane and upfront way to handle this.  I can support this approach, with the understanding that we will inform his organization, with or without his cooperation (I think that's what Tim proposed).  We can play it by ear to decide about the other organization.  <br> <br> At 10:18 PM 2/27/01 -0500, Graham Spanier wrote:<br> <blockquote type=cite cite>Tim:  This approach is acceptable to me.  It requires you to go a step further and means that your conversation will be all the more difficult, but I admire your willingness to do that and I am supportive.  The only downside for us is if the message isn't "heard" and acted upon, and we then become vulnerable for not having reported it.  But that can be assessed down the road.  The approach you outline is humane and a reasonable way to proceed.<br> <br> At 08:10 PM 2/27/01 -0500, Tim Curley wrote:<br> <blockquote type=cite cite>I had scheduled a meeting with you this afternoon about the subject we discussed on Sunday. After giving it more thought and talking it over with Joe yesterday-- I am uncomfortable with what we agreed were the next steps.  I am having trouble with going to everyone, but the person involved. I think I would be more comfortable meeting with the person and tell him about the information we received. I would plan to tell him we are aware of the first situation. I would indicate we feel there is a problem and we want to assist the individual to get professional help. Also, we feel a responsibility at some point soon to inform his organization and and maybe the other one about the situation. If he is cooperative we would work with him to handle informing the organization. If not, we do not have a choice and will inform the two groups. Additionally, I will let him know that his guests are not permitted to use our facilities.<br> <br> I need some help on this one. What do you think about this approach?</blockquote><br> ----------<br>
Graham B. Spanier<br>
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University Park, Pennsylvania  16802<br> <br> Phone:  814-865-7611<br> email:  gspanier@psu.edu<br> </blockquote></html>



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# Exhibit 2G

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Retirement Requests

1. An office and telephone

2. $20,000/year annuity that includes protection for Dottie *Please refer to the enclosed economic justification for this request

3. A title that reflects my relationship with Penn State

4. To maintain my option to purchase tickets for games for fund-raising

5. Access to training and workout facilities

6. The opportunity to run a football camp for middle school youth

7. Discuss ways of maintaining visibility



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# Exhibit 2H

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5/4/98
5:00pm

- worked out on treadmill etc
- Jeff - to take a shower - underwear? - no other shower? 4 in here.
- Shampoo.
- Jeff came up behind & said in cheerful - said he would get out - all
- Keep clothes - socks - JUP's kept
- took knife.

Mother concerned about him, more - kid took another shower that night at the gym

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# Exhibit 2I

Tom Hallman 575

Last evening

- no interview 11½ yr old
- only things added what happened in shower
  demonstrated on chair how Jerry hugged from back
  hands around abdomen
  + down to thighs - picked him up + held him at shower head - rinse soap out of hair
  observed by BU FBI +
  concerned about getting Jerry in front - getting FBI statements

- 2 -

- Kid has been seeing psychologist
- Initially emotional getting out details + later calm
- Mother to psychologist + said she would call child abuse hotline + will operate on incident PM - until legal / later decision +
- CPS-Ary interviewed last night
  Similar act
  Confession
  something
  knives in home

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Hearing from behind
Stairs
No allegation beyond that

Kids drew diagrams of
shower room
He initially went down to
shower 3 yds stairs
[illegible] shower told
him to continue
to shower next to his
[illegible] child and stayed
[illegible] at TC, looking to
decide what to do

-4-

Either way, case worker
felt they would intervene
[illegible]

Is the writing of Pantheon
box?
Other Children?

# Exhibit 2J

EXHIBIT A

**Initial Heads Up**

More than a decade ago, Tim Curley and Gary Schultz asked to catch me after another meeting to give me a "heads up" about a matter. Looking back at my calendar for what is now presumed to be February, 2001, I surmise that meeting to have been on Monday, February 12, at about 2:30pm, following a scheduled meeting of the President's Council. It was common that members of the council would catch me individually for brief updates following such meetings.

The meeting lasted perhaps 10-15 minutes. Curley and Schultz shared that they had received a report that a member of the athletic department staff had reported something to Joe Paterno, and that Joe had passed that report on to Tim and Gary. The report was that Jerry Sandusky was seen in an athletic locker room facility showering with one of his Second Mile youth, after a workout, and that they were "horsing around" (or "engaged in horseplay"). It was reported that the staff member was not sure what he saw because it was around a corner and indirect.

I recall asking two questions:

"Are you sure that is how it was described to you, as horsing around"? Both replied "yes."

"Are you sure that that is all that was reported?" Both replied "yes."

We then agreed that we were uncomfortable with such a situation, that it was inappropriate, and that we did not want it to happen again. I asked that Tim meet with Sandusky to tell him that he must never again bring youth into the showers. We further agreed that we should inform the Second Mile president that we were directing Jerry accordingly and furthermore that we did not wish Second Mile youth to be in our showers.

**Notes:**

There was no mention of anything abusive, sexual, or criminal.

At no time was it said who had made the report to Joe Paterno. (I never heard Mike McQuery's name associated with this episode until November 7, 2011, when I read it in a newspaper story.)

The hour of the day was not mentioned.

The specific building and locker room were not mentioned.

The age of the child was not mentioned. I had presumed it was a high school age child under Jerry's guardianship or sponsorship, since that is all I knew about the Second Mile.

There was no mention in that meeting of any prior shower incident, and I had no recollection of having heard of a prior incident.



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**Follow Up**

In reviewing my calendar for February, 2001, I note a double entry for Sunday, February 25. I had been out of town for several days and was scheduled to return in time to see a Penn State women's basketball game at 2pm. My assistant noted on the calendar that I should stop in to see Tim Curley briefly in my way into the game. I have no recollection of that meeting other than that Tim was worried about how he should handle things if he informed Sandusky that we were forbidding him from bringing Second Mile youth into our facilities and then Sandusky disagreed with this directive. I do not recall knowing about any prior incidents, but it is apparent from emails recently released to the media that Tim also indicated that there had been an earlier occasion when Sandusky had showered with a minor. We also now know that I was copied on two emails in 1998 that may have alerted me to that (the first one being a vague reference with no individual named) and the second essentially saying that the matter had been closed. I had absolutely no recollection of that history in 2001 nor do I recall it today. I don't believe I replied to those emails nor was I briefed verbally.

Tim Curley sent me a follow up email that has recently been shared with the news media. My use of the word "humane" refers specifically and only to my thought that it was humane of Tim to wish to inform Sandusky first and to allow him to accompany Tim to the meeting with the president of the Second Mile. Moreover, it would be humane to offer counseling to Sandusky if he didn't understand why this was inappropriate and unacceptable to us. My comment that we could be vulnerable for not reporting it further relates specifically and only to Tim's concern about the possibility that Jerry would not accept our directive and repeat the practice. Were that the outcome of his discussion I would have worried that we did not enlist more help in enforcing such a directive. I suggested that we could visit that question down the road, meaning after Curley informed Sandusky of our directive and learning of his willingness to comply and after talking with Second Mile executives who had responsibility for the Second Mile youth.

A few days after the brief Sunday interaction, I saw Tim Curley and he reported that both of the discussions had taken place, that those discussions had gone well and our directive accepted, and that the matter was closed.

I never heard another word about this from any individual until I learned of the investigation into Sandusky. I was eager to assist the attorney general and was completely honest to the best of my recollection. I had absolutely no idea until midway through my voluntary grand jury testimony that this inquiry was about anything more than the one episode in the shower.

**Notes:**

I do not recall that I was privy to any follow up discussions between Curley, Schultz, legal counsel, or others. February 2001 was an extraordinarily pressured period for Penn State and me: I had five out of town trips that month, my appropriations hearings, THON, a packed calendar with 164 appointments, an average of 100 incoming and 50 outgoing emails a day, and the turmoil of the Black Caucus disruption and the takeover of the student union.



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I do not recall being involved in any discussions about DPW or the police, although I now assume that DPW is the "other organization" being referenced by Curley and Schultz in their emails.





**EXHIBIT A**

# Exhibit 3A

EXHIBIT A

**Shared Mailbox**

**From:** Tim Curley <tmc3@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Sunday, February 08, 1998 11:19 AM
**To:** gspanier@psu.edu; gcs2@psu.edu
**Subject:** Sandusky update

Jerry and I had several conversations this past week about the Assistant AD position. He visited with Joe last week and is to let me know early this week if he is interested. I told him he would continue with his base salary and that he would give up his camp and bowl compensation. Also, I indicated that his dealer car may be a concern since Sue Scheetz is not provided one.
We talked about his involvement with the Second Mile and my expectations for the position. I did not get any indication which way he was leaning. I will keep you informed as the week progresses. Thanks.

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Tim Curley
Tmc3@psu.edu



**EXHIBIT A**

# Exhibit 3B

**EXHIBIT A**

**Shared Mailbox**

**From:** Graham Spanier <gspanier@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 10, 1998 9:40 PM
**To:** Curley, Tim
**Cc:** Schultz, Gary C.
**Subject:** Re: Sandusky update

Thanks for this update. We are looking for a dean of the Eberly College Science. Does Joe Sarra have any background there?

At 08:51 PM 2/9/98 -0500, Tim Curley wrote:
>Jerry is not interested in the Assistant AD position. Joe and Jerry
>have agreed that he will continue in the coaching capacity for the next year.
>Jerry will have 30 years in the system next year, which will give him
>some options after next season. Joe tells me he made it clear to Jerry
>he will not be the next head coach. Joe did indicate that he still
>plans to make a change on the defensive side of the ball. He wants to
>talk to me at a later date about what might be available for Joe Sarra.
>Do you two need an administrative assistant?
>_____
>Tim Curley
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# Exhibit 3C

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**Shared Mailbox**

**From:** Graham Spanier <gspanier@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 19, 1999 11:12 PM
**To:** Curley, Tim
**Subject:** Re: Jerry

Thanks. Let me know if I can be helpful as this moves forward.

At 10:14 PM 1/19/99 -0500, Tim Curley wrote:
>I had a good meeting with Jerry today. He is interested in going one
>more year and then transition into a spot that handles our outreach
>program. We talked about his benefits situation and his expectations
>about salary. I told him that we needed to get with Billie about his
>benefits and that I would take a look at what kind of position we could
>develop and how we might handle his salary situation. Additionally, we
>need to have Joe in support. I plan to follow-up and will keep you in the loop. PS--He is not pleased about
>the entire situation as you might expect.
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>Tim Curley
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The following is typewritten interpretation of handwritten notes of JVP on document JVP- 000017 from Sandusky file kept at Paterno residence.

Meeting with Jerry and Tim C

Jerry

We know this isn't easy for you and it isn't easy for us or Penn State. Part of the reason it isn't easy is because I allowed and at times tried to help you with your developing the 2nd Mile. If there were no 2nd Mile then I believe you belief (sp?) that you probably could be the next Penn State FB Coach. But you wanted the best of two worlds and I probably should have sat down with you 6 or 7 years ago and said "look Jerry if you want to be the Head Coach at Penn State, give up your association with the 2nd Mile and concentrate on nothing but your family and Penn State. Don't worry about the 2nd Mile – you don't have the luxury of doing both. One will always demand a decision of preference. You are too deeply involved in both.

(Interpretation of notes by T. Cloud)

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May 23, 1999

Attention: Tim Curley

As I struggle with the difficult decision of a career change, many factors enter my mind. Foremost, I am concerned about my mental health, the financial security of my family and Mother, and the well-being of The Second Mile.

Based on my conversations with Coach Paterno, his concern with the inevitable transition into a new era of Penn State football, the realization that I am not going to be the next head coach and the opportunity that exists with a thirty-year window, the timing may be right for me to retire from the University and work for The Second Mile. I also appreciate the help that the University has offered to me during this process. However, there are questions that I am struggling to answer.

> What impact will my retirement have on The Second Mile's growth and development? Can a relationship be maintained between Penn State (Athletics) and The Second Mile? Is there a way for me to maintain visibility with Penn State? Is my active involvement in developing an outreach program featuring Penn State Athletes a possibility? Are there ways for me to continue to work with young people through Penn State? What is a fair financial arrangement?

I believe that Penn State football has played a significant role in the foundation of The Second Mile. Additionally, The Second Mile has promoted and enhanced Penn



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State football. This is a unique situation and an attempt to satisfy my desire to maintain an long-term relationship with the University.

Many factors have played a significant role in my decisions to stay at Penn State and forego other more lucrative options. One element that was important was the probability of becoming the next head football coach at Penn State. In addition to the personal satisfaction that this would have afforded me this would have also enabled me to better secure my family's economic future. As I have been informed that this will not happen. I continue to make an effort to find avenues of fulfillment and to remain positive about a tremendous experience. With all of this in consideration I enclose a list of requests. Thank you!

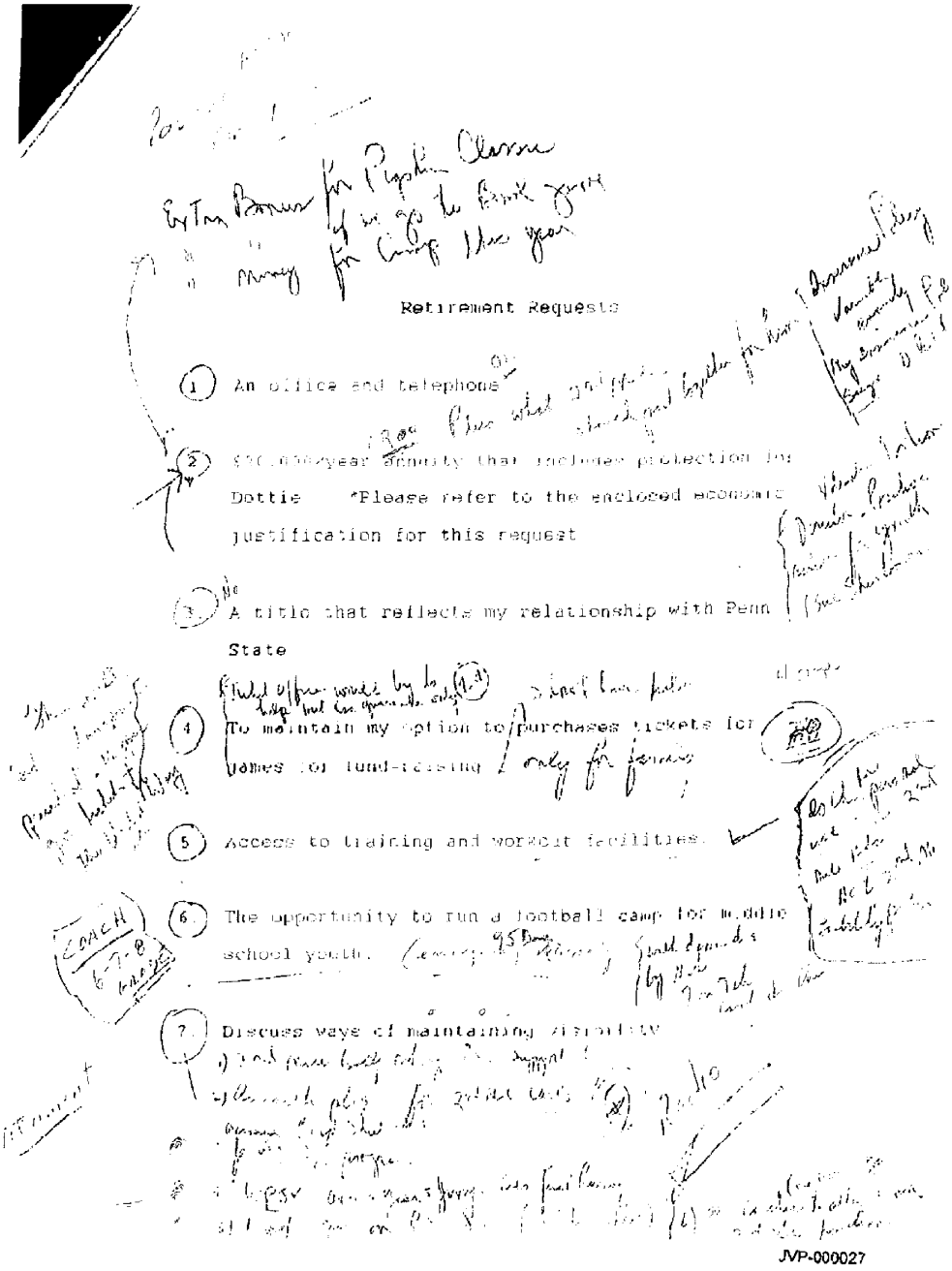
Jerry

Jerry Sandusky



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# Exhibit 3F



Retirement Requests

1. An office and telephone
2. $[illegible]/year annuity that includes protection for Dottie "Please refer to the enclosed economic justification for this request
3. A title that reflects my relationship with Penn State
4. To maintain my option to purchases tickets for games for fund-raising
5. Access to training and workout facilities
6. The opportunity to run a football camp for middle school youth.
7. Discuss ways of maintaining visibility

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# Exhibit 3G

**Shared Mailbox**

**From:** Tim Curley <tmc3@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Sunday, June 13, 1999 8:19 PM
**To:** Spanier, Graham
**Cc:** Schultz, Gary C.
**Subject:** Jerry

Jerry just called and said he is leaning towards the retirement window option if we will agree to the $20,000 annuity and two basketball tickets in addition to the other items he requested. I am at home and do not have the projected costs for the annuity, but my recollection was it would cost us about $268,000. Joe did give him the option to continue to coach as long as he was the coach. I am not comfortable with the $20,000 annuity, but wanted to check to see if you feel the same way. Perhaps we could suggest another option of him coaching three more seasons and we get creative with his base salary or some other scheme that makes him whole and then some, but doesn't cost us an arm and a leg. Since Joe is okay with him continuing to coach this might make more sense to all concerned. I do need some help on what this third option might be if you agree. Also, I need to run it by Joe. I can get with Gary and Billie first thing tomorrow to see what we can work out if you are in agreement.. We need to respond to him asap since time is running out. I need some help on this one. Thank you.



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# Exhibit 3H

Rec'd
2-28-11
6:28 p.m.

June 29, 1999

**CONFIDENTIAL - HAND DELIVERED**

Gerald A. Sandusky
130 Grandview Road
State College, PA 16801

**IN RE: Retirement Perquisites**

Dear Mr. Sandusky:

In accordance with our discussions regarding your retirement from University service effective June 29, 1999, and in recognition of your many contributions to the University and its Intercollegiate Athletics Program during the tenure of your employment, I am pleased to confirm the following perquisites to be extended to you upon and after your retirement on June 29, 1999:

1. The University will pay you the amount of One Hundred Sixty-eight Thousand and 00/100 ($168,000.00) Dollars in lump sum, less applicable withholdings as required by law, on or before July 31, 1999.

2. The University will give you four (4) complimentary football season tickets in your current location, and in addition, you will be given the option to purchase four (4) more football season tickets within the thirty-five yard lines and below the walkway. This benefit will continue for the balance of your lifetime.

3. The University will give you two (2) complimentary men's basketball season tickets and two (2) complimentary women's basketball season tickets. The location of these tickets will be within the normal Football Staff ticket location. This benefit will continue for the balance of your lifetime.

4. The University will permit you to use, at no charge, a locker, weight rooms, fitness facilities and training room in the East Area locker room complex. This benefit will continue for the balance of your lifetime.



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5. For a period of five (5) years commencing July 1, 1999, and subject to renewal upon concurrence of both parties, you and the University agree to work collaboratively with each other in the future in community outreach programs, such as the Second Mile, and other programs which provide positive visibility to the University's Intercollegiate Athletics Program. It is understood that the nature and extent of such collaborative efforts, which will include continuation of the Nittany Lion TIPS and PEAK Programs and occasional recognitions of the Second Mile in the Beaver Stadium Pictorial and the Penn State Football Story Show, will be as mutually agreed by you and me.

6. For a period of ten (10) years, commencing July 1, 1999, and subject to renewal upon concurrence of both parties, you will be given an office and a phone in the East Area locker room complex for purposes of the collaborative arrangements referenced in no. 5 above.

If the foregoing understandings are agreeable, kindly indicate your acceptance by signing on the line below and returning a copy to me.

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Curley
Director of Athletics

APPROVED BY UNIVERSITY OFFICER:

Gary C. Schultz, Senior Vice President for
Finance and Business/Treasurer

I hereby accept the above-mentioned terms on June 29, 1999.

Gerald A. Sandusky

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To: Robert Secor[rxs2@psu.edu]
From: Rodney A. Erickson
Subject: Re: Fwd: Re: Emeritus Question

Bob,

Let's go ahead and grant it if Graham has already promised it. We can hope that not too many others take that careful notice. These requests would have to come through the deans in any case, and I can't imagine many deans lobbying for assistant professors.

Rod

At 10:23 AM 8/31/99 -0400, you wrote:
>In addition to the exchange below, I've talked with Billie Willis.
>Although she said we have made exceptions in the past for assistant profs,
>she could not give any particulars because any information would have been
>filed with the faculty member's file and she wouldn't know where to look.
>In other words, if this really happened (and without particulars it is hard
>to know), it may have been way past, and so not terribly helpful if we
>don't have a specific precedent to point to. But we are in a bind.
>Apparently, Graham told [redacted] that we would do this--he was wholly
>within his rights here since the policy says "The President may grant (or
>deny) Emeritus Rank on an exception basis"-- then informed Tim, who
>suggested going through the college and went to Barbara, who then made the
>request of us. (I had wrongly assumed all along that the request
>originated with Barbara.) [redacted] is also going to be honored by the college
>as an Alumni Fellow this fall,and I think they may want to present the
>emeritus status to him on that occasion (or at least announce it then,
>although I'm not positive about this connection). I'm not sure what our
>best options are at this point. Maybe we need to go along with the
>Assistant Professor Emeritus of Physical Education/Assistant Coach
>recommendation, since by tying the two there is nobody else with that
>double designation who can claim they have the exact same credentials and
>are not being given the emeritus title.
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>>X-Sender: rey2@mail.psu.edu
>>X-Mailer: Windows Eudora Pro Version 2.2 (32)
>>Date: Mon, 30 Aug 1999 09:07:06 -0400
>>X-PH: V4.1@f04n07
>>To: rxs2@psu.edu
>>From: Rebecca Young <rey2@psu.edu>
>>Subject: Re: Emeritus Question
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>>Dr. Secor,
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>>Here are Jeanie's comments regarding emeritus rank for [redacted]. All
>>good points she raises. --Becky
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>>>X-Sender: jss3@email.psu.edu
>>>Date: Mon, 30 Aug 1999 08:39:34 -0400
>>>X-PH: V4.1@f04n01
>>>To: Rebecca Young <rey2@psu.edu>
>>>From: Janine Andrews <jss3@psu.edu>
>>>Subject: Re: Emeritus Question
>>>
>>>Hi Becky. I had an opportunity to look into your question from a previous
>>>e-mail with regard to exceptions for Assistant Professors. Historically,



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>>>we have made exceptions, although not for this exact title, i.e., Assistant
>>>Professor Emeritus of Physical Education/Assistant Coach! In my opinion,
>>>given the circumstances, the most appropriate title would be the one
>>>requested -- Assistant Professor Emeritus of Physical Education/Assistant
>>>Coach. I say this because if we keep the professorial connection out of
>>>the title and just use something like Assistant Coach Emeritus, we then
>>>establish a new precedence by giving someone a "Coach" emeritus status --
>>>which we have never done based on what I could gather. So . . . the
>>>requested title serves two purposes: it keeps the professorial connection,
>>>yet is very inclusive by adding in the "coach" connection.
>>>
>>>Please let me know if you need anything else. Have a great day.
>>>
>>>Jeanie
>>>
>>>
>>>At 01:20 PM 8/25/99 -0400, you wrote:
>>>>Hi, Jeanie. Just wanted to update you on the [redacted] question. Dr.
>>>>Spanier has received the request, as we anticipated. It's for the title
>>>>Assistant Professor Emeritus of Physical Education/Assistant Coach.
>>>>
>>>>Another thought from here. If it's not well advised to grant the
>>>>professorial emeritus rank, how about Assistant Coach Emeritus? We'll wait
>>>>to hear from you. --Becky
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Working Attorney(s): Select 9

| Matter I.D. Description | Task Activity | Hours | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 02-08-01 | | | |
| 4000-465063 PSU - Labor - Human Resources PS010 | | 0.60 | |
| Conference with J Purdum re holiday pay issue; Conference with R Maney re same | | | |
| 4000-490106 PSU - Personnel - Continuing & Distance Educat | | 0.50 | |
| Conference with J Elliott re J Marshall; Conference with G Schultz | | | |
| 4000-490143 PSU - Personnel - Mont Alto Campus | | 2.20 | |
| Conference with J Leathers re D Goldenberg; Preparation of correspondence to G Spanier; Review of files; Preparation of correspondence to G Spanier et al; Conference with J Leathers | | | |
| 4000-481582 PSU - Students - Student Affairs | | 2.90 | |
| Interoffice conference re camping policy; Legal research re same | | | |
| 4000-481582 PSU - Students - Student Affairs | | 1.70 | |
| Study/analyze documents re LGB tenant; Interoffice conference re same; Legal research; Preparation of correspondence to G Spanier et al re same | | | |
| 4000-490163 PSU - Personnel - Human Resources | | 0.30 | |
| Conference with R Maney re R Khalliq | | | |
| 4000-465026 PSU - Labor - COM - General | | 1.50 | |
| Preparation of documents re HMC parking | | | |
| ** Total for2/8/2001 ** | | 9.70 | 0.00 |
| 02-09-01 | | | |
| 4000-490143 PSU - Personnel - Mont Alto Campus | | 1.60 | |
| Review of documents re D Goldenberg; Preparation of correspondence to G Spanier; Preparation of correspondence to J Leathers; Legal research | | | |
| 4000-451558 PSU - Gifts & Grants - Develop and Alumni Rela | | 0.20 | |
| Review of files re Hagan estate | | | |
| 4000-490117 PSU - Personnel - College of Liberal Arts | | 1.10 | |
| Conference with J Battista re R Echemendia; Interoffice conference | | | |
| 4000-425562 PSU - Contracts - Hershey Medical Center | | 0.80 | |
| Review of documents re Purchase of Services Agreement; Interoffice conference re same | | | |
| 4000-465026 PSU - Labor - COM - General | | 2.60 | |
| Conference with L Kushner re HMC parking fees; Preparation of correspondence to L Kushner re same; Preparation of documents; Legal research | | | |
| 4000-465063 PSU - Labor - Human Resources PS010 | | 0.70 | |
| Review Schaeffer brief | | | |
| ** Total for2/9/2001 ** | | 7.00 | 0.00 |
| 02-11-01 | | | |
| 4000-450061 PSU - General - Finance/Business - Central | | 2.90 | |
| Conference with G Schultz re reporting of suspected child abuse; Legal research re same; Conference with G Schultz | | | |
| 02-12-01 | | | |



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# Exhibit 5B

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**From:** Schultz, Gary C.
**Sent:** Monday, January 10, 2011 8:34 PM
**To:** First Administrative Group/cn=Recipients/cn=WVCOURTNEY; GCS2@psu.edu
**Subject:** Re: JSRece

Thanks for letting me know.

Gary

*Sent via DROID on Verizon Wireless*

-----Original message-----
**From:** Wendell Courtney <WVCourtney@mqblaw.com>
**To:** "Schultz, Gary C." <GCS2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Mon, Jan 10, 2011 23:59:28 GMT+00:00
**Subject:** JS

Gary-Cynthia Baldwin called me today to ask what I remembered about JS issue I spoke with you and Tim about circa 8 years ago. I told her what I remembered. She did not offer why she was asking, nor did I ask her. Nor did I disclose that you and I chatted about this.

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Date: 2/12/09.

From: Gary C. Schultz

To:

Talked w TMC
- renewal FRB history
- agreed TMC will discuss w JVP & advise we think TMC should meet w VPs on findings
- matter to be [illegible] re having a portfolio, TMC will [illegible] to use need to have OPW review the matter as an independent agency consultant re child welfare.
- TMC will keep me posted.

Senior Vice President for Finance and Business/Treasurer

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**From:** Thomas R. Harmon <HARMON@SAFETY-1.SAFETY.PSU.EDU>
**Sent:** Monday, February 12, 2001 4:57 PM
**To:** gcsZ@psu.edu
**Subject:** Incident in 1998

Regarding the incident in 1998 involving the former coach, I checked and the incident is documented in our imaged achives.

Thomas R. Harmon
Director, University Police
The Pennsylvania State University
30-B Eisenhower Parking Deck
University Park, PA 16802
(814) 865-1864
harmon@police.psu.edu



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(2) Report to

(1) T.O. S to avoid
alone into

# Exhibit 5F

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**From:** Gary C. Schultz <gcs2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2001 1:57 PM
**To:** TMC3@psu.edu
**Cc:** Coble-Joan (JLC)
**Subject:** Confidential

Tim, I'm assuming that you've got the ball to 1) talk with the subject ASAP regarding the future appropriate use of the University facility; 2) contacting the chair of the Charitable Organization; and 3) contacting the Dept of Welfare. As you know I'm out of the office for the next two weeks, but if you need anything from me, please let me know.



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# Exhibit 5G

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**From:** Gary C. Schultz <gcs2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2001 2:13 PM
**To:** Graham Spanier; Tim Curley
**Subject:** Re: Meeting

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Tim and Graham, this is a more humane and upfront way to handle this.  I can support this approach, with the understanding that we will inform his organization, with or without his cooperation (I think that's what Tim proposed).  We can play it by ear to decide about the other organization.  <br> <br> At 10:18 PM 2/27/01 -0500, Graham Spanier wrote:<br> <blockquote type=cite cite>Tim:  This approach is acceptable to me.  It requires you to go a step further and means that your conversation will be all the more difficult, but I admire your willingness to do that and I am supportive.  The only downside for us is if the message isn't "heard" and acted upon, and we then become vulnerable for not having reported it.  But that can be assessed down the road.  The approach you outline is humane and a reasonable way to proceed.<br> <br> At 08:10 PM 2/27/01 -0500, Tim Curley wrote:<br> <blockquote type=cite cite>I had scheduled a meeting with you this afternoon about the subject we discussed on Sunday. After giving it more thought and talking it over with Joe yesterday-- I am uncomfortable with what we agreed were the next steps.  I am having trouble with going to everyone, but the person involved. I think I would be more comfortable meeting with the person and tell him about the information we received. I would plan to tell him we are aware of the first situation. I would indicate we feel there is a problem and we want to assist the individual to get professional help. Also, we feel a responsibility at some point soon to inform his organization and and maybe the other one about the situation. If he is cooperative we would work with him to handle informing the organization. If not, we do not have a choice and will inform the two groups. Additionally, I will let him know that his guests are not permitted to use our facilities.<br> <br> I need some help on this one. What do you think about this approach?</blockquote><br> <br>
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President<br>
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University Park, Pennsylvania  16802<br> <br> Phone:  814-865-7611<br> email:  gspanier@psu.edu<br> </blockquote></html>



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# Exhibit 5H

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**From:** Gary C. Schultz <gcs2@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Thursday, March 01, 2001 4:06 PM
**To:** Tim Curley
**Subject:** Re: Fwd: Re: Schedule

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OK, Tim.  You can reach me anytime thru my office.<br> <br> At 07:34 AM 3/1/01 -0500, Tim Curley wrote:<br>
<br> <blockquote type=cite cite>Gary: I will be sure to keep in touch with you on the basketball situation.<br> <br> <br>
<br> <blockquote type=cite cite>X-Sender: gspanier@mail.psu.edu<br>
X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Pro Version 4.2.0.58<br>
Date: Wed, 28 Feb 2001 21:18:24 -0500<br>
X-PH: V4.1@f04n01<br>
To: Tim Curley <tmc3@psu.edu><br>
From: Graham Spanier <gspanier@psu.edu><br>
Subject: Re: Schedule<br>
<br>
Tim:  I'll be in Australia, and it might be difficult to reach me--a 15 hour time difference.  But call if you need me--Carolyn has my phone numbers.  I will try to check email from time to time, but who knows how easy that will be.  I will return late Saturday night (but that involves starting my return sometime on Friday, US time), so you might try calling me at home on Sunday afternoon if we haven't communicated earlier via email.  If you need to start in one direction without me, do so.  I think we are on the same wavelength and I will support you.<br> <br>
At 08:19 PM 2/28/01 -0500, Tim Curley wrote:<br> <blockquote type=cite cite>Graham: I know you are going out of town. When will you be returning? I may need to touch base with you regarding the basketball situation towards the end of next week. We will play next Thursday and pending the outcome of the next two games I will need to make a recommendation to you next Friday. I am planning to meet with the person next Monday on the other subject. Have a great trip!! You sure deserve a break!!!</blockquote><br> ----------<br>
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# Exhibit 5I

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**From:** Joan Coble <jlc9@psu.edu>
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2001 8:54 AM
**To:** TMC3@psu.edu
**Cc:** gcs2@psu.edu
**Subject:** Fwd: Confidential

Tim - Have you updated Gary lately? Before he left for FL, he asked me to ck. w/you re this.

Pls. know that he is doing e-mail, but will not be reading until Sun., 3/11. He is spending a few days with Dave Schuckers and you may either phone him on his cellphone at 777-7393 or @ Schuckers at 941/388-3034. Pls. know that the Schuckers live in a Condominium & you may have to go through some referrals to get to speak w/them, so be patient if you go that route.

Thx. Joan

X-Sender: gcs2@imap.cac.psu.edu
X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 4.3.2
Date: Mon, 26 Feb 2001 08:57:16 -0500
X-PH: V4.1@f04n01
To: TMC3@psu.edu
From: "Gary C. Schultz" <gcs2@psu.edu>
Subject: Confidential
Cc: jlc9@psu.edu

Tim, I'm assuming that you've got the ball to 1) talk with the subject ASAP regarding the future appropriate use of the University facility; 2) contacting the chair of the Charitable Organization; and 3) contacting the Dept of Welfare. As you know I'm out of the office for the next two weeks, but if you need anything from me, please let me know.
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# Exhibit 6A

## AFFIDAVIT OF CYNTHIA A. BALDWIN

The undersigned, Cynthia A. Baldwin, having been duly sworn according to law, hereby states that the following is true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information and belief:

1. I have been employed with The Pennsylvania State University as Vice President and General Counsel since February, 2010.

2. I was asked to brief the Board of Trustees by President Graham Spanier who was also a member of the Board of Trustees in the month of April,2011.

3. On Thursday, May 12, 2011, I presented a report on an investigation by The Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General into allegations of child sexual abuse by Jerry Sandusky, an employee who had retired from Penn State in 1999, to the Trustees who were in attendance. (See Attachment I)

4. The following items were included in my report:

- Definition and description of a Grand Jury and how it works;
- That the Grand Jury process was confidential, but those who testified before the Grand Jury are free to divulge their testimony;
- That Tim Curley, Gary Schultz and Joe Paterno had been interviewed in January and Graham Spanier had been interviewed in April;
- That the people who had testified had been asked about a 2002 incident in the football building;



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- The fact that there had been a 1998 incident involving Mr. Sandusky that had been investigated by the University Police, the District Attorney's Office and Children and Youth Services and that no charges had been filed against Mr. Sandusky; and
- That the University did not appear to be a focus of the investigation;

After the report, I responded to several questions. At that point Dr. Spanier said that he would take over. I left and the Board continued in Executive Session.

The undersigned hereby verifies that the facts set forth in the foregoing Affidavit are true and correct to the best of her knowledge, information and belief and that false statements herein are made subject to penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4094, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Date: January 16, 2012

Cynthia A. Baldwin

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA }
} ss
COUNTY OF CENTRE }

On this 16th day of January, 2012, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared, known to me or satisfactorily proven to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged the same for the purposes therein contained.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

Elizabeth P. Sapp
Notary Public

Notarial Seal
Elizabeth P. Sapp, Notary Public
State College Boro, Centre County
My Commission Expires June 8, 2012
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries



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FEBRUARY 1998 COMMITTEE LIST

# ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

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# APPENDIX B
# PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
# POLICIES: AD 67, AD 72, HR 99

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PENNSTATE POLICY MANUAL
General University Reference Utility

**PENN STATE - ADMINISTRATIVE**

# Policy AD39 MINORS INVOLVED IN UNIVERSITY-SPONSORED PROGRAMS OR PROGRAMS HELD AT THE UNIVERSITY AND / OR HOUSED IN UNIVERSITY FACILITIES (Formerly *Programs Involving Minors Housed in University Facilities*)

## Contents:


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## PURPOSE:

To provide for appropriate supervision of minors who are involved in University-sponsored programs, programs held at the University and/or programs housed in University facilities at all geographic locations with the exception of the Penn State Hershey Medical Center campus (including the College of Medicine), the client representation clinics of the Dickinson School of Law, and University Health Services which will follow separate policies that reflect their unique activities. Supervision of minors who are involved in University research is addressed by Institutional Review Board processes as outlined in RA14, and is not addressed by this policy. This policy also does not apply to general public events where parents/guardians are invited/expected to provide supervision of minors.

## DEFINITIONS:

**Minor -**
A person under the age of eighteen (18) who is not enrolled or accepted for enrollment at the University. Students who are "dually enrolled" in University programs while also enrolled in elementary, middle and/or high school are not included in this policy unless such enrollment includes overnight housing in University facilities.

**University Facilities -**
Facilities owned by, or under the control of, the University with the exception of the Penn State Hershey Medical Center campus (including the College of Medicine) and the Student Health Center (University Park) which will follow separate policies that reflect the unique activities that occur in those locations.



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**Programs -**

Programs and activities offered by various academic or administrative units of the University, or by non-University groups using University facilities subject to Policies AD02 or AD03. This includes but is not limited to workshops, sport camps, academic camps, conferences, pre-enrollment visits, 4H or Cooperative Extension programs and similar activities.

**Sponsoring Unit-**

The academic or administrative unit of the University which offers a program or gives approval for housing or use of facilities pursuant to AD02 or AD03.

**Authorized Adult-**

Individuals, age 18 and older, paid or unpaid, who interact with, supervise, chaperone, or otherwise oversee minors in program activities, or recreational, and/or residential facilities. This includes but is not limited to faculty, staff, volunteers, graduate and undergraduate students, interns, employees of temporary employment agencies, and independent contractors/consultants. The Authorized Adults' roles may include positions as counselors, chaperones, coaches, instructors, etc. Authorized Adults are considered to be mandated reporters as defined by Pennsylvania law. Further guidance on mandated reporters is provided in University Human Resources policy(ies).

**Direct Contact -**

Positions with the possibility of care, supervision, guidance or control of minors and/or routine interaction with minors.

**One-On-One Contact -**

Personal, unsupervised interaction between any Authorized Adult and a participant without at least one other Authorized Adult, parent or legal guardian being present.

## POLICY:

A sponsoring unit offering or approving a program which involves minors or provides University housing for minors participating in a program, or a non-University group being sponsored for a program, whether utilizing University housing or not, shall:

1. Establish a procedure for the notification of the minor's parent/legal guardian in case of an emergency, including medical or behavioral problem, natural disasters, or other significant program disruptions. Authorized Adults with the program, as well as participants and their parents/legal guardians, must be advised of this procedure in writing prior to the participation of the minors in the program.

2. Provide a list of all program participants and a directory of program staff to the campus unit(s) responsible for police services (their contact information will be provided to the sponsors by the University). This list shall include participant's name; local room assignment (if applicable); gender, age, address, and phone number(s) of parent or legal guardian, as well as emergency contact information.



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3. Provide information to parent or legal guardian detailing the manner in which the participant can be contacted during the program.

4. Provide a Medical Treatment Authorization form to the campus unit responsible for health services. Any request to amend the approved form must be approved by the Director of University Health Services prior to its distribution or use. All forms must include the following:

a. A statement informing the parent/legal guardian that the University does (or does not, as applicable) provide medical insurance to cover medical care for the minor.
b. A statement authorizing the release of medical information (HIPAA) and emergency treatment in case the parent/legal guardian/emergency contact cannot be reached for permission.
c. A list of any physical, mental or medical conditions the minor may have, including any allergies that could impact his/her participation in the program.
d. All emergency contact information including name, address and phone number of the emergency contact.

5. Follow guidance from University Health Services concerning communicable diseases.

6. University Policy SY21 shall be followed concerning first aid kits and epinephrine ("epi") pens. Participants' medicines may be distributed by program staff, under the following conditions:

a. The participant's family provides the medicine in its original pharmacy container labeled with the participant's name, medicine name, dosage and timing of consumption. Over-the-counter medications must be provided in their manufacturers' container.
b. Staff shall keep the medicine in a secure location, and at the appropriate time for distribution shall meet with the participant.
c. The staff member shall allow the participant to self-administer the appropriate dose as shown on the container.
d. Any medicine which the participant cannot self-administer, must be stored and administered by a licensed healthcare professional associated with the campus or, if no one is available, arrangements must be made with another health care professional in advance of the participant's arrival. The event coordinator should consult with the location's health service and the Office of Affirmative Action ADA Coordinator to discuss reasonable accommodations in the above situation.
e. Personal "epi" pens and inhalers may be carried by the participant during activities.

7. Arrange to access emergency medical services at all locations and, for events at University Park, access to these services must be pursuant to ADG04. Medical care appropriate for the nature of the events, expected attendance and other variables should be discussed with the Director of University Health Services.

8. Follow appropriate safety measures approved by the Office of Environmental Health & Safety for laboratory and research work as outlined in SY01.



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9. Ensure adequate supervision of minors while they are on University property. All activities involving minors must be supervised by at least two or more Authorized Adults or by their parent(s) or legal guardian(s) at all times. Some of the factors to consider in determining "adequate supervision" are the number and age of participants, the activity(ies) involved, type of housing if applicable, and age and experience of the counselors. See also, item 15 below.

When Penn State students are hosting High School students, including prospective athletes, participating in pre-enrollment visitation, the requirement for two Authorized Adults will be waived. The requirement also does not apply to licensed psychologists providing psychological and counseling services to minors.

All supervised participants in a University program or a program taking place on University property are permitted in the general use facilities [e.g. athletic fields, public spaces, academic buildings] but may be restricted from certain areas of the facilities [e.g. storage rooms, equipment rooms, athletic training rooms, staff/faculty offices] or from utilizing certain equipment.

10. Develop and make available to participants the rules and discipline measures applicable to the program. Program participants and staff must abide by all University regulations and may be removed from the program for non-compliance with rules. The following must be included in program rules:

a. The possession or use of alcohol and other drugs, fireworks, guns and other weapons is prohibited.
b. The operation of a motor vehicle by minors is prohibited while attending and participating in the program.
c. The parking of staff and participant vehicles must be in accordance with University parking regulations.
d. Rules and procedures governing when and under what circumstances participants may leave University property during the program.
e. No violence, including sexual abuse or harassment, will be tolerated.
f. Hazing of any kind is prohibited. Bullying including verbal, physical, and cyber bullying are prohibited.
g. No theft of property regardless of owner will be tolerated.
h. No use of tobacco products (smoking is prohibited in **all** University buildings) will be tolerated.
i. Misuse or damage of University property is prohibited. Charges will be assessed against those participants who are responsible for damage or misusing University property.
j. The inappropriate use of cameras, imaging, and digital devices is prohibited including use of such devices in showers, restrooms, or other areas where privacy is expected by participants.

11. Obtain all media and liability releases as part of the program registration process. All data gathered shall be confidential, is subject to records retention guidelines, and shall not be disclosed, except as provided by law.



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12. Assign a staff member who is at least 21 years of age to be accessible to participants. The staff member must reside in the housing unit, if applicable. Additional Authorized Adults will be assigned to ensure one-on-one contact with minors does not occur and that appropriate levels of supervision are implemented. See also item 15 below.

When there are High School students, including prospective athletes, participating in pre-enrollment visitation, the hosting Penn State University student(s) will not be required to be at least 21 years of age and the requirement for two Authorized Adults will also be waived.

13. All Authorized Adults who have direct contact with minors are required to have a current background check on record with the University at the time of hire and/or beginning work with minors. This background check must be reviewed and approved by the applicable Human Resources department prior to being hired and/or working with minors.

When there are High School students, including prospective athletes, participating in pre-enrollment visitation, the hosting Penn State University student(s) will not be required to undergo a background check.

- New hires will be required to complete the University background check process at the time of hire.
- All other individuals must complete the University background check process **or** provide evidence of completion of PA State Criminal History Record, PA Department of Public Welfare Child Abuse Report and FBI criminal history report clearance dated within 6 months of the initial date of assignment. This includes current employees who have not previously had a background check completed, as well as all other individuals, paid or unpaid.
- If PA State Criminal History Record, PA Department of Public Welfare Child Abuse Report, and FBI criminal history report clearances are to be considered as a replacement for a University background check, verifications must be reviewed and approved by the applicable Human Resources department prior to being hired and/or interacting with minors.
- All Authorized Adults must also complete a self-disclosure form confirming that they have disclosed any arrests and/or convictions that have occurred since the date of a background check and/or clearance and will disclose any arrest and/or convictions within 72 hours of their occurrence. The cost for completion of PA State Criminal History Record, PA Department of Public Welfare Child Abuse Report, and FBI criminal history report clearances for non-employees will be the responsibility of the individual unless specifically authorized for processing and/or payment by the hiring unit.
- Overall guidance for background checks is provided in University Human Resources policy(ies).

14. If applicable, require the program to adopt and implement rules and regulations for proper supervision of minors in University housing. The following must be included:

a. Written permission signed by the parent/guardian for the minor to reside in University housing.
b. A curfew time which is age-appropriate for the participants, but in no case shall it be later than midnight.



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c. In-room visitation to be restricted to participants of the same gender.
d. Guests of participants (other than a parent/legal guardian and other program participants) are restricted to visitation in the building lobby and/or floor lounges, and only during approved hours specified by the program.
e. The program must comply with all security measures and procedures specified by University Housing Services and Police Services.
f. Pre-enrollment visit programs for high school students housed overnight in residence halls must be registered with the Office of Residence Life.

15. Require the program to provide and supervise trained counselors (also considered to be Authorized Adults) who must be at least 18 years of age, in accordance with the following:

a. The ratio of counselors to program participants must reflect the gender distribution of the participants, and should meet the following:

**Standards for resident camps are:**

- One staff member for every five campers ages 4 and 5
- One staff member for every six campers ages 6 to 8
- One staff member for every eight campers ages 9 to 14
- One staff member for every 10 campers ages 15 to 17

**Standards for day camps are:**

- One staff member for every six campers ages 4 and 5
- One staff member for every eight campers ages 6 to 8
- One staff member for every ten campers ages 9 to 14
- One staff member for every twelve campers ages 15 to 17

b. Training for the counselors must include, at a minimum, information about responsibilities and expectations; policies, procedures, and enforcement; appropriate crisis/emergency responses; safety and security precautions; confidentiality issues involving minors; and University responsibility/liability. Counselors must know how to request local emergency services and how to report suspected child abuse (counselors are considered to be mandatory reporters as defined by Pennsylvania law).
c. Responsibilities of the counselors must include, at a minimum, informing program participants about safety and security procedures, University rules, rules established by the program, and behavioral expectations. Counselors are responsible for following and enforcing all rules and must be able to provide information included herein to program participants and be able to respond to emergency(ies).

16. Each Authorized Adult, who will be participating in a program covered by this Policy shall attend annual mandatory training on the conduct requirements of this Policy, on protecting participants from abusive emotional and physical treatment, and on appropriate or required reporting of incidents of improper conduct to the proper authorities including, but not limited to, appropriate law enforcement authorities. If a program participant discloses any type of assault or abuse (at any time previously or during the program), or an Authorized Adult has reason to



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suspect that the participant has been subject to such assault or abuse, the Authorized Adult, as a mandatory reporter should inform the Program Director (Department Manager/Director for non-camp activities) immediately, unless the Authorized Adult believes that the Program Director (Department Manager/Director for non-camp activities) may be involved in the allegations of assault or abuse. The Program Director (Department Manager/Director for non-camp activities) and the Authorized Adult will then call the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's reporting ChildLine (800-932-0313) together and provide written notification to the Department of Public Welfare within 48 hours of filing the oral report (utilizing form CY 47 available from the County Children and Youth agencies). In addition, the Program Director (Department Manager/Director for non-camp activities) will immediately notify University Police Services, Penn State's Office of General Counsel and Penn State's Risk Management Department. If the Program Director (Department Manager/Director for non-camp activities) is unavailable, or if the Program Director or his/her designee does not call Childline, the Authorized Adult should immediately call the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's reporting ChildLine (800-932-0313). Authorized Adults must make all reasonable efforts to ensure the safety of minors participating in programs and activities covered by this Policy, including removal of minors from dangerous or potentially dangerous situations, irrespective of any other limitation or requirement. If a situation is felt to present imminent danger to a minor, University Police Services should be called immediately.

17. Authorized Adults participating in programs and activities covered by this Policy shall not:

a. Have one-on-one contact with minors: there must be two or more Authorized Adults present during activities where minors are present. Authorized Adults also shall not have any direct electronic contact with minors without another Authorized Adult being included in the communication.
b. In the case of adults supervising minors overnight, Authorized Adult should not enter a minor's room, bathroom facility, or similar area without another Authorized Adult in attendance, consistent with the policy of not having one-on-one contact with minors.
c. Separate accommodations for adults and minors are required other than the minors' parents or guardians.
d. Engage in abusive conduct of any kind toward, or in the presence of, a minor.
e. Strike, hit, administer corporal punishment to, or touch in an inappropriate or illegal manner any minor.
f. Pick up minors from or drop off minors at their homes, other than the driver's child(ren), except as specifically authorized in writing by the minor's parent or legal guardian.
g. Authorized Adults shall not provide alcohol or illegal drugs to any minor. Authorized Adults shall not provide prescription drugs or any medication to any minor unless specifically authorized in writing by the parent or legal guardian as being required for the minor's care or the minor's emergency treatment. Participants' medicines may be distributed by program staff, following the conditions outlined in Policy IV. 5 in this document.
h. Make sexual materials in any form available to minors participating in programs or activities covered by this Policy or assist them in any way in gaining access to such materials.

Items 17a, 17b, and 17c, do not apply when there are High School students, including



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prospective athletes, participating in pre-enrollment visitation, hosted by Penn State University student(s).

Item 17a does not apply to licensed psychologists providing psychological and counseling services to minors.

18. If an allegation of inappropriate conduct has been made against an Authorized Adult participating in a program, s/he shall discontinue any further participation in programs and activities covered by this Policy until such allegation has been satisfactorily resolved.

Authorized personnel/signatories for non-University groups using University facilities must provide to the sponsoring unit satisfactory evidence of compliance with all of the requirements of this Policy at least thirty (30) days prior to the scheduled use of University facilities, as well as sign an approved agreement for use of University facilities, if applicable.

19. Any exceptions to the application of the policy must be approved by the Office of Human Resources Recruitment and Compensation Division.

## CROSS REFERENCES:

Other Policies in this Manual should also be referenced, especially the following:

AD02 - Non-University Groups Using University Facilities,

AD03 - Conducting Educational Programs Using the Name of The University,

AD26 - Sales of Food and Beverages at University Locations,

AD27 - Commercial Sales Activities at University Locations,

AD34 - University Recycling Program,

AD42 - Statement on Nondiscrimination and Harassment,

AD72 - Reporting Suspected Child Abuse,

ADG04 - Providing Emergency Medical Services at University Events at University Park,

HR02 - Employment of Minors,

SY01 - Environmental Health and Safety Policy,

SY05 - Persons, Other Than Students or Employees, Who are Injured or Become Ill on University Property,

SY21 - First Aid Kits,

SY28 - Emergency Evacuations and Fire Drills - Residence Halls, and

RA14 - The Use of Human Participants in Research



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- June 7, 2012 - Additional clarifications, including update of requirements for high school students visiting on pre-enrollment visits with Penn State students, clarification of reporting process and exclusion of client representation clinics in Dickinson School of Law from policy.

**Revision History (and effective dates):**

- April 11, 2012 - Major revisions, reflecting improvements to the process. Revisions include clarifications about procedure, training, clearances, responsibilities and reporting of incidents for individuals who supervising minors that are participating in programs and activities covered by this policy.
- April 28, 2010 - Multiple changes, clarifying policy details pertinent to the administration of youth programs involving minors housed in University facilities.
- June 15, 2006 - Revision History added.
- June 1, 1998 - Added reference to Administrative Guideline ADG04, EMT Services.
- August 28, 1995 - Major Revisions.
- October 20, 1992 - New Policy.



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# Policy AD67 DISCLOSURE OF WRONGFUL CONDUCT AND PROTECTION FROM RETALIATION

**Contents:**


- Purpose
- Policy
- Definitions
- Reporting Wrongful Conduct
- Investigating Allegations of Wrongful Conduct
- Protection From Retaliation
- Disciplinary Sanctions
- Cross References


## PURPOSE:

The University is committed to maintaining the highest standards of ethics and conduct, consistent with applicable legal requirements and University policies. Through the establishment of this policy, the University wishes to encourage and protect from **Retaliation** those who desire to report potential violations of these standards.

## POLICY:

It is the policy of the University to encourage and enable any member of the University faculty, staff, or student body to make **Good Faith Reports** of suspected **Wrongful Conduct**, and to protect such individuals from **Retaliation** for making such reports to the University or an **Appropriate Authority**, participating in any investigation, hearing, or inquiry by the University or an **Appropriate Authority** or participating in a court proceeding relating to an allegation of suspected **Wrongful Conduct** at the University.

## DEFINITIONS:

For purposes of this policy, the following definitions shall apply:

> **"Good Faith Report"** means any report, communication or other disclosure about actual or suspected **Wrongful Conduct** engaged in by a member of the University faculty, staff, or student body, which is made with a good faith reason to believe that **Wrongful Conduct** has occurred.



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**"Wrongful Conduct"** includes a violation of University policy (including guidelines and codes of ethics or conduct which are available on GURU, or as hot links through a policy contained within GURU); a violation of a federal, state, and/or local law, rule, regulation, or ordinance; and the substantive use of University tangible and intangible assets, equipment, supplies and services for personal gain or for another purpose not authorized by the University.

**"Appropriate Authority"** means a federal, state or local government body, agency, or organization having jurisdiction over criminal law enforcement, regulatory violations, professional conduct or ethics, or waste; or a member, officer, agent, representative or supervisory employee of the body, agency or organization.

**"Retaliation"** means any adverse action taken by a member of the University faculty, staff, or student body against any individual on the basis of a **Good Faith Report** made by such individual, or on the basis of such individual's participation in an investigation, hearing, or inquiry by the University or an **Appropriate Authority,** or participation in a court proceeding relating to suspected **Wrongful Conduct** at the University. **Retaliation** shall include, but not be limited to, harassment, discrimination, threats of physical harm, job termination, punitive work schedule or research assignments, decrease in pay or responsibilities, or negative impact on academic progress.

## REPORTING WRONGFUL CONDUCT:

Any individual having reason to believe that a member of the University faculty, staff, or student body has engaged in **Wrongful Conduct** can report such suspected **Wrongful Conduct** to the designated contacts below. A report should include a description of the facts, avoid speculation and predetermined conclusions, and be based on a good faith reason to believe that suspected **Wrongful Conduct** has occurred.

An individual desiring to submit a **Good Faith Report** should contact the appropriate person as identified under the applicable University policy. Some key contacts are referenced on the University Ethics website. Members of the University community may also report suspected **Wrongful Conduct** on an anonymous, confidential basis through the University's Ethics and Compliance Hotline at 1-800-560-1637.

## INVESTIGATING ALLEGATIONS OF WRONGFUL CONDUCT:

Upon receiving a **Good Faith Report** of suspected **Wrongful Conduct**, the University will investigate and resolve the matter. The University may notify the individual suspected of **Wrongful Conduct** and may interview members of the faculty, staff and student body to gather all information necessary to resolve the matter. The University will make every reasonable effort to conduct all investigations in the most confidential manner possible.

## PROTECTION FROM RETALIATION:

No individual who makes or advises the University that he or she intends to make a **Good Faith Report** of suspected **Wrongful Conduct** to the University or an **Appropriate Authority,** participates in an investigation, hearing, or inquiry by the University or an **Appropriate Authority** or participates in a court proceeding involving suspected **Wrongful Conduct** at the University shall be subject to **Retaliation** from any member of the University faculty, staff, or student body. Any individual who believes that he or she



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may have been subject to prohibited **Retaliation** should notify one of the key contacts identified in the link above. Upon receiving a report of Retaliation, the University will investigate and resolve the matter. Protection from **Retaliation** for persons reporting under this policy is also provided by Pennsylvania's Whistleblower Law, 43 P.S. Section 1421 et seq.

## DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS:

No member of the University faculty, staff, or student body may retaliate against any individual for making a **Good Faith Report** of suspected **Wrongful Conduct** to the University or an **Appropriate Authority,** for participating in an investigation, hearing, or inquiry by the University or an **Appropriate Authority** or for participating in a court proceeding involving suspected **Wrongful Conduct** at the University. Any member of the University who retaliates against any individual in violation of this policy will be subject to disciplinary sanctions, which may range from a disciplinary warning to termination or expulsion from the University.

In addition, any member of the University faculty, staff, or student body who knowingly, or with reckless disregard for the truth, provides false information in a report of **Wrongful Conduct**, or in a report of **Retaliation**, will be subject to disciplinary sanctions ranging from a disciplinary warning to termination or expulsion from the University. Allegations of suspected **Wrongful Conduct** or Retaliation that are not substantiated but are made in good faith are excused from disciplinary action.

## CROSS REFERENCES:

AD12 - Sexual Assault, Relationship and Domestic Violence, and Stalking

AD41 - Sexual Harassment

AD42 - Statement on Nondiscrimination and Harassment

FN19 - Policy for Handling and Distributing Confidential Internal Audit Reports and Other Documents

HR01 - Fair Employment Practices

HR11 - Affirmative Action in Employment at The Pennsylvania State University

HR76 - Faculty Rights and Responsibilities

HR79 - Staff Grievance Procedure

RA10 - Handling Inquiries / Investigations into Questions of Ethics in Research and in Other Scholarly Activities

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# Policy AD72 - REPORTING SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE

## Contents:


- Purpose
- Definitions
- Policy
- Cross References


## PURPOSE:

To provide guidance to University employees, regarding mandated reporting requirements, per the University and the Pennsylvania Child Protective Services Law.

## DEFINITIONS:

**Child abuse** - is defined in Pennsylvania as a child under 18 years of age who has experienced:

- **Serious Physical Injury:** must cause the child severe pain or it must significantly impair functioning, either temporarily or permanently.
- **Serious Mental Injury:** a condition diagnosed by a physician or licensed psychologist that renders the child chronically and severely anxious, agitated, depressed, socially withdrawn, psychotic, or in reasonable fear that his/her safety is threatened, or seriously interferes with the child's ability to accomplish age-appropriate developmental and social tasks.
- **Sexual Abuse or Exploitation:** the use or coercion of any child to engage in any sexually explicit conduct, or any simulation of any sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing any visual depiction, or the rape, sexual assault, involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, aggravated indecent assault, molestation, incest, indecent exposure, prostitution, sexual abuse, or sexual exploitation of children.
- **Serious Physical Neglect:** any condition that arises from prolonged or repeated lack of supervision or the failure to provide essentials of life, including adequate medical care, which endangers a child's life or development or impairs the child's functioning.
- **Imminent Risk:** any act, or failure to act, that creates an imminent risk of serious physical injury or sexual abuse and exploitation of a child. (23 Pa.C.S. 6303)

## POLICY:

Pennsylvania law requires certain individuals to report child abuse, whenever they have reasonable



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suspicion of child abuse. However, ANY person may report abuse if they have reasonable suspicion that a child has been abused.

Pennsylvania law requires the following individuals to make a report about the suspected child abuse:

- A person who, in the course of employment comes into contact with children, and the person has reasonable cause to suspect that a child is a victim of child abuse.
- Specifically named professionals include, but are NOT limited to: any licensed physician, osteopath, medical examiner, coroner, funeral director, dentist, optometrist, chiropractor, podiatrist, intern, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, hospital personnel engaged in the admission, examination, care or treatment of persons, Christian Science practitioner, member of the clergy, school administrator, school teacher, school nurse, social services worker, day-care center worker or any other child-care or foster-care worker, mental health professional, peace officer or law enforcement official. Two exceptions are made in the law for reporting requirement which involve confidential communications to a member of the clergy, and for confidential communications made to an attorney (23 Pa.C.S. § 6311).

Penn State University requires all University employees who have reasonable suspicion of abuse to make a report, with an exception to any confidential communications made to a University-employed attorney, or confidential communication made to University-employed member of the clergy.

As Penn State University is committed to research, Penn State policy (RA14) provides for ethical treatment and protection of human research participants. All human subjects research is safeguarded by the Institutional Review Board. The research environment presents unique circumstances related to reporting of child abuse, and reporting procedures must be reviewed, approved, and monitored by the IRB. The Principal Investigator is responsible for all aspects of the research, including reporting any child abuse identified through the research.

How to make a report of suspected child abuse:

1. If you suspect child abuse, immediately contact ChildLine, which is operated by the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare at 1-800-932-0313. This hotline is staffed at all times of day and night. If the call is not answered, then immediately contact the county child welfare agency in the county in which the incident occurred. If you do not reach an individual either through ChildLine or through the local county child welfare office, the reporter must continue calling until they reach an individual to complete the reporting process.
2. If a child is in imminent danger, the employee should contact police at 911 to obtain immediate protection for the child.
3. Finally, if you are considered to be an Authorized Adult as defined in policy AD39, follow the reporting procedure as described in AD39.

Liability

As per Pennsylvania law, any person or institution participating in good faith in the making of a report or testifying in any proceeding arising out of an instance of suspected child abuse shall have immunity from any liability, civil or criminal, that might otherwise result by reason of such actions.



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Any person or official required by law to report a case of suspected child abuse who willfully fails to do so shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree for the first violation and a misdemeanor of the second degree for subsequent violations. Most importantly, without making a report, a child may continue to be at risk. *23 Pa.C.S. §6318 and §6319.*

Compliance

All University employees will be required to complete mandated reporter training annually through the Office of Human Resources, Center for Workplace Learning and Performance.

If any University employee willfully fails to report a case of suspected child abuse, it will result in disciplinary action, up to and including, dismissal.

## CROSS REFERENCES:

Other Policies in this Manual should also be referenced, especially the following:

AD39 - Minors Involved in University-Sponsored Programs or Programs Held at the University,

HR05 - "Regular" and "NonRegular" University Employees,

HR70 - Dismissal of Tenured or Tenured-eligible Faculty Members,

HR78 - Staff Employee Failure to Meet Acceptable Standards of Performance, and

RA14 - The Use of Human Participants in Research

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# Policy HR99 Background Check Process

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## PURPOSE:

This policy establishes a process for ensuring background checks are completed for any individuals, age 18 and over, (paid or unpaid) who are engaged by Penn State in any work capacity effective on or after the date of this policy. This includes employees; volunteers, working with minors; adjunct faculty; consultants; contractors; or other similar positions. In addition, it establishes a process requiring all individuals engaged by the University, including those engaged prior to, as of, or after, the effective date of this policy, to self-disclose criminal arrests and/or convictions as outlined in the Penn State Arrest and Conviction self-disclosure form within a 72-hour period of their occurrence.

Background checks will be used solely to evaluate candidates' eligibility to be engaged in any work capacity by the University, and will not be used to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religious creed, gender, disability or handicap, age, veteran's status, gender identity or sexual orientation.

Criminal convictions will be reviewed with respect to the nature and gravity of the offense(s); time since conviction; completion of sentence or any other remediation; relevance to the position for which the candidate is being considered/employee is performing; and discrepancies between the background check and what the candidate/employee self-reported. When a finding adversely impacts eligibility to be engaged by



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the University in a specific position, the candidate will be notified of the decision and given associated information required by law.

(Note: Nothing herein is intended to contradict or lessen application of applicable federal or state laws or regulations.)

## OVERVIEW:

Penn State strives to provide the safest possible environment for its students, faculty, staff and visitors; to preserve University resources; and to uphold the reputation and integrity of the University. This policy supports the University's efforts to minimize institutional risk, provide a safe environment, and assist hiring authorities in making sound hiring decisions.

## INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THIS POLICY:

Any individual engaged by Penn State in any work capacity beginning on or after the date of this policy including, but not limited to, the following positions:

- Staff
- Faculty (including Adjunct Faculty)
- Technical Service
- Temporary Employees not sponsored by a staffing agency (wage payroll)
- Administrators and Academic Administrators
- Executives
- Volunteers (if working with minors)
- Graduate Assistants
- Graduate and undergraduate student employees
- Work study students
- Interns (paid or unpaid)
- Third-party employees such as consultants, contractors and temporary staffing agency employees
- Any individual not previously described who is either paid directly by the University or who is working in a sensitive/critical position (defined below)

## DEFINITIONS:

### Consumer Report

Defined by the Fair Credit Reporting Act as: "Any communication of information by a Consumer Reporting Agency bearing on a consumer's credit worthiness, credit standing, credit capacity, character, general reputation, or personal characteristics." This includes background check information such as criminal history, child abuse checks, motor vehicle record checks, educational checks, etc. if provided by a Consumer Reporting Agency. Penn State's use of credit history checks will be limited to circumstances described below in "credit history check" definition.

### Consumer Reporting Agency

Defined by the Fair Credit Reporting Act as: "Any person or entity which, for a fee, dues or on a



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cooperative nonprofit basis, regularly engages in the practice of assembling or evaluating consumer credit information, or other information, on consumers for the purpose of furnishing Consumer Reports to third parties." For the purposes of this policy, a Consumer Reporting Agency refers to the vendor used by Penn State to conduct Background Checks.

**Credit History Check**

Review of the individual's detailed credit history, as contained in a Consumer Report in accordance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act. Penn State's use of credit history checks will be consistent with Pennsylvania law that states "it shall be an unlawful discriminatory practice for any employer or any employer's agent, representative or designee to require an employee or prospective employee to consent to the creation of a credit report that contains information about the employee's or prospective employee's credit score, credit account balances, payment history, savings or checking account balances or savings or checking account numbers as a condition of employment unless one of the following applies: (1) Such report is substantially related to the employee's current or potential job. (2) Such report is required by law. (3) The employer reasonably believes that the employee has engaged in a specific activity that constitutes a violation of the law." Federal laws prohibit discrimination against an applicant or employee as a result of bankruptcy.

**Criminal Conviction**

Being found guilty, entering a guilty plea or pleading no contest to a felony and/or misdemeanor as outlined in the Penn State Arrest and Conviction self-disclosure form. Convictions for which the individual's record has been expunged may not be considered.

**Criminal History Check**

Verification that the individual does not have any undisclosed criminal convictions in any jurisdiction where he or she has resided or where he or she currently resides.

**Educational Verification**

Confirmation of the individual's educational credentials listed on the application, resume or cover letter, or otherwise cited by the individual.

**Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA)**

A Federal law designed to promote the accuracy, fairness and privacy of information in the files of Consumer Reporting Agencies, codified at 15 U.S.C. §1681 et seq.

**License Verification**

Confirmation that the selected candidate or employee possesses all licenses listed on the application, resume or cover letter, or otherwise cited by the candidate or employee, including verification of the disposition of such licenses. This includes any motor vehicle driver's licenses required for a position.

**Minor**

A person under the age of eighteen (18) who is not enrolled or accepted for enrollment at the University. Students who are "dually enrolled" in University programs while also enrolled in elementary, middle and/or



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high school are not included in this policy unless such enrollment includes overnight housing in University facilities.

**Penn State University**

Any campus, unit, program, association or entity of Penn State with the exception of the Penn State Hershey Medical Center campus (including the College of Medicine) which will follow a separate policy that reflects the unique activities that occur on that campus.

**Senior Leader**

For the purposes of this policy, the Senior Leader will be considered as one or more of the following:

- President
- Provost
- Vice Presidents
- Chancellors
- Assistant or Associate Vice Presidents
- Vice Chancellors
- Vice Provosts
- Deans
- Department Heads and Chairs

**Sensitive/Critical Positions**

Positions whose responsibilities may include the following:

- Master key access to all, or the majority of all, offices/facilities within buildings (including residences or other on-site or off-site facilities)
- Direct responsibility for the care, safety and security of people, or the safety and security of personal and University property (includes child care workers, physicians, student affairs officers, residence hall supervisors, coaches, transit drivers, etc.)
- Direct responsibility for the care, safety and security of animals
- Direct responsibility for providing legal counsel to the University and/or outside parties
- Direct access to or responsibility for cash, cash equivalents, checks, credit card account information, or University property disbursements or receipts
- Extensive authority for committing the financial resources of the University
- Direct access to or responsibility for controlled substances or hazardous materials
- Direct access to or responsibility for protected, personal or other sensitive data (includes auditors, information systems personnel, human resources and payroll staff, registrars, etc.)
- Administrator, Academic Administrator and Executive positions, if background check is not completed by executive search firm or other similar agency
- Other positions as defined by units that have a job-related need for additional background checks

**Sex and Violent Offender Registry Check**

Verification that the selected individual does not have undisclosed convictions of certain sex and violent crimes in every jurisdiction where he or she has resided or currently resides.



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**Volunteers (working with minors)**

Unpaid individuals working with minors as defined and covered by Policy AD39 - Minors involved in University-sponsored Programs or Programs held at the University and/or Housed in University Facilities.

## BACKGROUND CHECK INQUIRIES:

Verification of credentials and other information about an employee or other individual (paid or unpaid) may include any or all of the following:

**Standard Background Check:**

- Criminal History Check
- Sex and Violent Offender Registry Check

**Additional Background Check items as required for specific positions based on job-related need:**

- Education Verification (required for all academic positions)
- Motor Vehicle Record (required for positions where it can be regularly anticipated that a responsibility of the position will be to drive a University-owned vehicle)
- Credit History Check (conducted only for sensitive/critical positions with extensive authority to commit financial resources of the University including Administrator and Executive positions; or as required by law; or due to a reasonable belief that an employee has engaged in a specific activity that constitutes a violation of the law)
- Employment Verifications
- License Verification
- Other verifications, as needed, based on job requirements

## BACKGROUND CHECK PROCESS:

A successful background check must be completed prior to the first day of work/engagement with the University in the position identified. Any exceptions will need to be approved by the Office of Human Resources' Recruitment and Compensation Division.

**Employees:**

Employees are considered to be any person whose wages are paid directly by Penn State, whether full-or part-time and regardless of whether the position is benefits-eligible. Candidates will be informed that the offer is contingent on a satisfactory background check that will be conducted by a consumer reporting agency for review by the University. The candidate will be required to complete self-disclosure and consent forms authorizing Penn State to complete the background check process.

Candidates for employment who fail to participate fully or who provide inaccurate information in a background check will be eliminated from consideration for the position. Candidates may decline to authorize a background check; in such cases, no background check will be performed, but the candidate will not be considered further.

The existence of a criminal conviction will not automatically disqualify an individual from employment or



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employment consideration. The University will consider the nature and gravity of the offense(s); time since conviction; completion of sentence or any other remediation; relevance to the position for which the candidate is being considered/employee is performing; and discrepancies between the background check and what the candidate/employee self-reported. When a finding adversely impacts employment eligibility, the candidate will be notified and may be withdrawn from employment consideration after Human Resources consults with the Senior Leader on the matter.

The University will provide candidates access to a copy of their background check reports upon request, regardless of outcome and without charge to the candidate. In cases where information in the background check report will result in an adverse hiring decision, the University will provide a copy of the report to the candidate without his or her request. In cases in which information in a Consumer Report, such as a background check showing criminal convictions affecting the candidate's ability to perform the specific job in question, will result in an adverse employment decision, the University will provide the candidate with all required notifications pursuant to the Fair Credit Reporting Act and applicable law(s).

Executives, Administrators, and Academic Administrators hired through an executive staffing agency or similar staffing company must complete either a Penn State background check consistent with position requirements or have confirmation of a background check of the required criteria having been completed by the staffing agency.

For employees, a break in service of six months or less does not require a new background check unless the individual returns to an assignment requiring a check(s) which was not previously performed. Individuals with a break in service of six months or less should be reminded that the self-disclosure requirement to report arrests and/or convictions within 72 hours of their occurrence is still in force. Approved employee leaves such as sabbatical leave, maternity leave, or other types of approved leaves of six months or longer will require the employee to complete a Penn State Arrest and Conviction self-disclosure form before returning to work. Other breaks in service for employees of greater than six months require a new background check to be completed.

**Unpaid Individuals:**

This includes interns, adjunct faculty or other individuals working for or engaged by the University. Depending upon the responsibilities of the position, the individual must either:

1. Follow the instructions for completion of background checks described in Penn State Information for Completing PA Publicly Available Background Checks. Complete Pennsylvania criminal history check via the Pennsylvania State Police website, Pennsylvania child abuse clearance via the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare website and an FBI criminal history report clearance via the Cogent Applicant Fingerprint Registration System website. All clearances must be dated within two years prior to the date of the assignment. The cost for these clearances will be the responsibility of the individual unless specifically authorized for reimbursement processing by the sponsoring organization. In addition, the individual must self-disclose any arrests or convictions as outlined in the Penn State Arrest and Conviction self-disclosure form that occur between the time of clearance and the date work begins.
2. Be sponsored by the engaging unit to have a background check(s) completed by the University based on the job requirements of the position. The background check must be satisfactorily completed prior to beginning work.



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Volunteers working with minors must follow the requirements of Policy AD39 which requires that successful background checks are dated within 6 months prior to the initial date of assignment.

Successful completion of Pennsylvania criminal history check, Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare child abuse clearance and FBI criminal history report clearance may be substituted for the Penn State background check process for unpaid individuals unless additional background checks are outlined as being required for the position.

**Third-party Employees:**

This includes consultants, contractors and temporary staffing agency employees working for or engaged by the University. Depending upon the responsibilities of the position, the individual must either:

1. Follow the instructions for completion of background checks described in Penn State Information for Completing PA Publicly Available Background Checks. Complete Pennsylvania criminal history check via the Pennsylvania State Police website, Pennsylvania child abuse clearance via the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare website and an FBI criminal history report clearance via the Cogent Applicant Fingerprint Registration System website. All clearances must be dated within two years prior to the date of the assignment. The cost for these clearances will be the responsibility of the individual unless specifically authorized for reimbursement processing by the sponsoring organization. In addition, the individual must self-disclose any arrests or convictions as outlined in the Penn State Arrest and Conviction self-disclosure form that occur between the time of clearance and the date work begins.
2. Be covered by a signed contractor's/vendor's agreement that confirms its employees have had background checks that meet or exceed the University's standards for the type of work being performed.
3. Be sponsored by the engaging unit to have a background check(s) completed by the University based on the job requirements of the position. The background check must be satisfactorily completed prior to beginning work.

Successful completion of Pennsylvania criminal history check, Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare child abuse clearance and FBI criminal history report clearance may be substituted for the Penn State background check process for third-party employees unless additional background checks are outlined and communicated to the candidate and/or employee as being required for the position.

## PERIODIC UPDATES OR ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND CHECKS:

Penn State retains the right to conduct relevant background checks of current employees when it has reasonable grounds to do so, e.g., no prior check was performed, a workplace incident has occurred, upon self-disclosure of criminal activity, update of information due to designation as sensitive/critical position, or upon a change of assignment.

Further, all individuals engaged by the University (whether paid or unpaid) are required to notify the appropriate Human Resources representative of any criminal activities with which they are charged, as well as, upon final conviction of a felony or a misdemeanor within 72 hours of knowledge of the arrest or conviction. The Penn State Arrest and Conviction self-disclosure form provides the list of arrests and/or convictions that must be disclosed and this form must be used to provide the information in writing to the appropriate Human Resources representative for review. This includes any arrests or convictions that occur



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either between the date of disclosure for a University run background check and the date work begins, or the date of issuance of the Pennsylvania criminal history check via Pennsylvania State Police website, Pennsylvania child abuse clearance via the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare website and an FBI criminal history report clearance via the Cogent Applicant Fingerprint Registration System website and the date work begins. Failure to report such incidents may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

Information will be used only if job related and will not necessarily affect employment. Human Resources will notify the employee's department of an arrest or conviction only if it is determined that the arrest and/or conviction is pertinent to the employee's ability to carry out the duties or functions of his or her position. If reported to the employee's department, such arrests and/or convictions, depending on the facts and the employee's involvement in the events leading to arrest and/or conviction, may subject the employee to discipline, up to and including termination.

Positions where it can be regularly anticipated that a responsibility of the position will be to drive a University-owned vehicle or where an individual may be asked to transport minors, must pass a motor vehicle record check. Motor vehicle checks will be updated every three years for positions, as relevant, and it is the department's and supervisor's responsibility to initiate the process. Employees must comply with the self-disclosure requirement by notifying Human Resources of any arrests or convictions for driving while under the influence or the loss of the individual's driver's license due to traffic violations or other similar charges/convictions. This disclosure must be made within 72 hours of occurrence using the Penn State Arrest and Conviction self-disclosure form. Such convictions may subject the employee or individual to discipline, up to and including termination. Failure to report such incidents may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.

State or federal law or regulations, professional associations, licensing entities or contracting partners may impose background screening check requirements upon certain individuals. In these cases, the affected individual and department should coordinate the need for such a check with the Office of Human Resources' Recruitment and Compensation Division. Under no circumstances should employees conduct, or seek to conduct, a background check, without first consulting with and receiving approval from Recruitment and Compensation.

## RECRUITMENT NOTICES:

All job postings (paid or unpaid) that require more verifications than the standard background check will include language identifying the need for all individuals (including current University employees) to undergo a background check appropriate to the position's responsibilities. All offers of employment to new hires of the University will be made contingent upon the results of the background check. If a current employee applies for a position that requires a non-standard background check, the offer for the new position will be contingent upon the results of the background check. All unpaid positions will be contingent upon the results of the background check or verified successful results from Pennsylvania criminal history check via Pennsylvania State Police website, Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare child abuse clearance via the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare website and an FBI criminal history report clearance via the Cogent Applicant Fingerprint Registration System website. Individuals should review the information concerning completion of background checks described in Penn State Information for Completing PA Publicly Available Background Checks.



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## ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

College/Campus/Unit Human Resources Responsibilities:

1. Issue all offer letters as "contingent upon successful background check".
2. Initiate the background check process via methodology proscribed by Recruitment and Compensation; communicate procedures to candidates.
3. Ensure that all individuals engaged by the University (paid or unpaid) have successfully completed a background check or provided evidence of completion of acceptable background checks (Pennsylvania criminal history check; Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare child abuse clearance and FBI criminal history report clearance; executive search firm background clearance; police officer background check) before beginning any assignments/work responsibilities.
4. Review information provided by Recruitment and Compensation that results from the third-party vendor's background check of an individual and determine whether the information may be relevant to the hiring/engaging decision.
5. Confirm any authorization for payment for background checks for non-employees.

Recruitment and Compensation Responsibilities:

1. Secure contracts with consumer reporting agency for consumer reports including background screening services.
2. Develop procedures for oversight of the background check policy and communicate methodology, forms, and/or computer access needs to college/campus/unit Human Resources departments.
3. Coordinate with the hiring/engaging Human Resources department and the consumer reporting agency throughout the background check process.
4. Review all information resulting from the consumer reporting agency's background check of an individual and determine whether the information may be relevant to the hiring/engaging unit's decision. Forward information along with recommended guidance to the hiring/engaging unit for further review and decision.
5. If a candidate may no longer be considered for a position based on the background check results, provide written notice to the candidate including a copy of the background check report. The written notification will include a specified period of time in which the candidate may respond, which will be no less than five calendar days.
    a. If the candidate fails to respond within the specified time period, issue a second letter informing the candidate that he/she is no longer being considered for the position.
    b. If the candidate responds within the specified time period, review any appeal submitted by the candidate challenging the accuracy of information contained in the report.
6. Implement and interpret this policy and provide guidance to hiring/engaging units.

## EVALUATION OF RESULTING REPORT:

The following are among the factors that Human Resources will consider when evaluating the results of the background screening check:

- Nature and gravity of the offense(s),
- Time since conviction, completion of sentence or any other remediation,
- Relevancy to the position for which the candidate is being considered/employee is performing; and



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- Discrepancies between the background check and what the candidate/employee self-reported.

The background screening check of a candidate who also is a current employee, may impact the current employee's employment, particularly absent full self-disclosure.

## CONFIDENTIALITY:

Records gathered as a result of a background screening check are part of an employee's personnel file. However, Human Resources will keep such records in files separately from the individual's general personnel file.

Records gathered as a result of a background screening check for non-employees will be maintained by the appropriate college/campus/unit Human Resources department.

The records related to the background screening check will include:

- Authorization, Consent and Release forms;
- Information collected from the check;
- Analysis and decision if criminal activity substantially relates to the position; and,
- Correspondence related to criminal background screening check

Alternatively, these records may be maintained in a secure database. Any records related to a candidate or an employee must be returned to Human Resources and will be maintained in accordance with the Penn State records retention schedule.

## RELATED DOCUMENTS:

Summary of rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act:

www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/pubs/consumer/credit/cre35.pdf

Penn State Arrest and Conviction self-disclosure form

Penn State Information for Completing PA Publicly Available Background Checks

## CROSS REFERENCES:

Other Policies in this Manual should also be referenced, especially the following:

AD12 - Sexual Assault, Relationship and Domestic Violence, and Stalking

AD29 - Statement on Intolerance

AD33 - A Drug-Free Workplace

AD39 - Minors involved in University-sponsored Programs or Programs held at the University and/or Housed in University Facilities



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AD41 - Sexual Harassment

AD42 - Statement on Nondiscrimination

AD72- Reporting Suspected Child Abuse

HR05 - "Regular" and "Nonregular" University Employees

HR06 - Types of Appointments

HR07 - University Appointments without Remuneration

HR08 - Establishment of a Staff or a Technical Service Position

HR11 - Affirmative Action in Employment at The Pennsylvania State University

HR13 - Recommended Procedure for Hiring New Faculty

HR14 - Forms to be Filled Out by and for Each New Regular Employee

HR34 - Employment Conditions for Staff Employees



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**REMARKS OF LOUIS FREEH IN CONJUNCTION WITH ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLICATION OF REPORT REGARDING THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY**

Philadelphia, PA, July 12, 2012 – Louis Freeh today issued prepared remarks in conjunction with today's publication of his report of the investigation into the facts and circumstances of the actions of The Pennsylvania State University surrounding the child abuse committed by a former employee, Gerald A. Sandusky. Mr. Freeh will summarize these remarks during his press conference at 10 a.m. today.

Mr. Freeh and his law firm, Freeh Sporkin & Sullivan, LLP, were retained in November 2011 on behalf of the Special Investigations Task Force of the Board of Trustees of The Pennsylvania State University to conduct the independent investigation.

The full text of the remarks follows:

## I. Introduction

Good Morning.

We are here today because a terrible tragedy was allowed to occur over many years at Penn State University, one in which many children were repeatedly victimized and gravely harmed. Our hearts and prayers are with the many children – now young men – who were the victims of a now convicted serial pedophile.

I want to remind everyone here, and those watching this press conference, of the need to report child sexual abuse to the authorities. In Pennsylvania you can report child sexual abuse to the Department of Public Welfare's ChildLine. That number – which is on the screen before you – is **(800) 932-0313**. It is our hope that this report and subsequent actions by Penn State will help to bring every victim some relief and support.

Penn State University is an outstanding educational institution, which is rightly proud of its students, alumni, faculty and staff, who, in turn, hold the institution in very high esteem. We understand and respect their support and loyalty, and the spirit of community surrounding the University, which we witnessed first-hand during our seven and one half months of work on the Penn State campus. We also fully appreciate the strong emotions which surround these tragic matters and our work.

All of us here today understand that it is the duty of adults to protect children and to immediately report any suspected child sexual abuse to law enforcement authorities. Our team was reminded of this on a daily basis because Henderson South, our base at Penn State, was the former Child Care Center at State College, with some of the children's art work still in the space.



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On November 21, 2011, the Special Investigations Task Force established by the Board of Trustees of The Pennsylvania State University retained my firm, Freeh Sporkin & Sullivan, to conduct a full, fair and completely independent investigation into the facts and circumstances raised by the Grand Jury report and the criminal charges against former Assistant Coach Gerald Sandusky.

I commend Ken Frazier, Chairman of the Task Force, and Ron Tomalis, Vice Chairman of the Task Force, and their colleagues for the steps they took to ensure the independence and thoroughness of our investigation. We would also like to acknowledge, in particular, the three Task Force members who are not members of the Board of Trustees – a faculty member, a student and a distinguished alumnus.

To conduct this independent investigation, we assembled an outstanding team of former law enforcement, lawyers (one of whom is a former Navy SEAL) and officials, including former prosecutors, FBI Agents and Pennsylvania and Delaware State Police Officers, with many decades of experience conducting sensitive investigations. I am pleased to be joined this morning by some members of our team.

Working exceptionally hard in a very short amount of time for an investigation of this magnitude, my team conducted over 430 interviews of various individuals that included current and former University employees from various departments across the University, as well as current and past Trustees, former coaches, athletes and others in the community. We also analyzed over 3.5 million emails and other documents. The evidence found by our investigators included critical, contemporaneous correspondence from the times of these events. Our investigative team made independent discovery of critical 1998 and 2001 emails – the most important evidence in this investigation. We also confirmed, through our separate forensic review, that the correct year of the Sandusky sexual assault witnessed by Michael McQueary was 2001, and not 2002 as set forth in the original Grand Jury presentment.

In performing this work, we adhered faithfully to our original mandate: to investigate this matter fully, fairly, and completely, without fear or favor. We have shown no favoritism toward any of the parties, including the Board of Trustees itself, our client. I can tell you that at all times we felt that our demand for total independence – the primary condition of our engagement – was respected.

We took the unusual step of not providing any draft of the report to the Board of Trustees or to the Task Force prior to its posting this morning. They are seeing it at the same time and in the same manner as everyone else, namely by accessing the independent website we established for this purpose, www.TheFreehReportonPSU.com. To be absolutely clear, this public release is the first time anyone outside of our investigative team has seen this report.

In our investigation, we sought to clarify what occurred, including who knew what and when events happened, and to examine the University's policies, procedures, compliance and internal controls relating to identifying and reporting sexual abuse of children. Specifically, we worked to identify any failures or gaps in the University's



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control environment, compliance programs and culture which may have enabled these crimes against children to occur on the Penn State campus, and go undetected and unreported for at least these past 14 years. As you will read in our report, Penn State failed to implement the provisions of the Clery Act, a 1990 federal law that requires the collecting and reporting of the crimes such as Sandusky committed on campus in 2001. Indeed, on the day Sandusky was arrested, Penn State's Clery Act implementation plan was still in draft form. Mr. Spanier said that he and the Board never even had a discussion about the Clery Act until November 2011.

While independent, our work was done in parallel with several other active investigations by agencies and governmental authorities, including the Pennsylvania Attorney General, Pennsylvania State Police, United States Attorney, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and U.S. Department of Education. We continuously interfaced and cooperated with those agencies and authorities. We also received assistance from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC). As promised, we immediately turned over any relevant evidence we found to these authorities, such as the critical February 27, 2001 emails between Messrs. Spanier, Schultz and Curley. The complete emails are now available on our website.

Unfortunately, portions of these emails have been leaked to the media. We strongly condemn and deplore those leaks. Let me assure you that none of these leaks came from the Special Investigative Counsel team. As you will see by reading our report this morning, not one conclusion, phrase, or any content of our report has been published or quoted prior to today.

Last month Sandusky was found guilty after trial on 45 of 48 counts. He awaits sentencing. We were exceedingly careful not to do anything that would have impeded that investigation and trial. Criminal proceedings are still pending against Mr. Schultz and Mr. Curley. We respect the criminal justice process and their rights to a fair trial.

Some individuals declined to be interviewed. For example, on the advice of counsel, both Mr. Curley and Mr. Schultz declined to be interviewed. Also, the Pennsylvania Attorney General requested that we not interview certain potential witnesses. We honored those requests. Mr. Paterno passed away before we had the opportunity to speak with him, although we did speak with some of his representatives. We believe that he was willing to speak with us and would have done so, but for his serious, deteriorating health. We were able to review and evaluate his grand jury testimony, his public statements, and notes and papers from his files that were provided to us by his attorney.



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## II. Findings

Our most saddening and sobering finding is the total disregard for the safety and welfare of Sandusky's child victims by the most senior leaders at Penn State. The most powerful men at Penn State failed to take any steps for 14 years to protect the children who Sandusky victimized. Messrs. Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley never demonstrated, through actions or words, any concern for the safety and well-being of Sandusky's victims until after Sandusky's arrest.

In critical written correspondence that we uncovered on March 20th of this year, we see evidence of their proposed plan of action in February 2001 that included reporting allegations about Sandusky to the authorities. After Mr. Curley consulted with Mr. Paterno, however, they changed the plan and decided not to make a report to the authorities. Their failure to protect the February 9, 2001 child victim, or make attempts to identify him, created a dangerous situation for other unknown, unsuspecting young boys who were lured to the Penn State campus and football games by Sandusky and victimized repeatedly by him.

Further, they exposed this child to additional harm by alerting Sandusky, who was the only one who knew the child's identity, about what McQueary saw in the shower on the night of February 9, 2001.

The stated reasons by Messrs. Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley for not taking action to identify the victim and for not reporting Sandusky to the police or Child Welfare are:

(1) Through counsel, Messrs. Curley and Schultz have stated that the "humane" thing to do in 2001 was to carefully and responsibly assess the best way to handle vague but troubling allegations.

(2) Mr. Paterno said that "I didn't know exactly how to handle it and I was afraid to do something that might jeopardize what the university procedure was. So I backed away and turned it over to some other people, people I thought would have a little more expertise than I did. It didn't work out that way."

(3) Mr. Spanier told the Special Investigative Counsel that he was never told by anyone that the February 2001 incident in the shower involved the sexual abuse of a child but only "horsing around." He further stated that he never asked what "horsing around" by Sandusky entailed.

Taking into account the available witness statements and evidence, it is more reasonable to conclude that, in order to avoid the consequences of bad publicity, the most powerful leaders at Penn State University – Messrs. Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley – repeatedly concealed critical facts relating to Sandusky's child abuse from the authorities, the Board of Trustees, Penn State community, and the public at large. Although concern to treat the child abuser humanely was expressly stated, no such sentiments were ever expressed by them for Sandusky's victims.



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The evidence shows that these four men also knew about a 1998 criminal investigation of Sandusky relating to suspected sexual misconduct with a young boy in a Penn State football locker room shower. Again, they showed no concern about that victim. The evidence shows that Mr. Paterno was made aware of the 1998 investigation of Sandusky, followed it closely, but failed to take any action, even though Sandusky had been a key member of his coaching staff for almost 30 years, and had an office just steps away from Mr. Paterno's. At the very least, Mr. Paterno could have alerted the entire football staff, in order to prevent Sandusky from bringing another child into the Lasch Building. Messrs. Spanier, Schultz, Paterno and Curley also failed to alert the Board of Trustees about the 1998 investigation or take any further action against Mr. Sandusky. None of them even spoke to Sandusky about his conduct. In short, nothing was done and Sandusky was allowed to continue with impunity.

Based on the evidence, the only known, intervening factor between the decision made on February 25, 2001 by Messrs. Spanier, Curley and Schulz to report the incident to the Department of Public Welfare, and then agreeing not to do so on February 27th, was Mr. Paterno's February 26th conversation with Mr. Curley.

We never had the opportunity to talk with Mr. Paterno, but he did say what he told McQueary on February 10, 2011 when McQueary reported what he saw Sandusky doing in the shower the night before: "You did what you had to do. It is my job now to figure out what we want to do." Why would anyone have to figure out what had to be done in these circumstances? We also know that he delayed reporting Sandusky's sexual conduct because Mr. Paterno did not "want to interfere" with people's weekend. To his credit, Mr. Paterno stated on November 9, 2011, "With the benefit of hindsight, I wish I had done more."

Their callous and shocking disregard for child victims was underscored by the Grand Jury, which noted in its November 4, 2011 presentment that there was no "attempt to investigate, to identify Victim 2 or to protect that child or others from similar conduct, except as related to preventing its reoccurrence on University property."

None of these four men took any responsible action after February 2001 other than Mr. Curley informing the Second Mile that Mr. Sandusky had showered with a boy. Even though they all knew about the 1998 incident, the best they could muster to protect Sandusky's victims was to ask Sandusky not to bring his "guests" into the Penn State facilities.

Although we found no evidence that the Penn State Board of Trustees was aware of the allegations regarding Sandusky in 1998 and 2001, that does not shield the Board from criticism. In this matter, the Board – despite its duties of care and oversight of the University and its Officers – failed to create an environment which held the University's most senior leaders accountable to it. Mr. Spanier resisted the Board's attempt to have more transparency. In fact, around the time that Mr. Sandusky, Mr. Curley and Mr. Schultz were arrested, Mr. Spanier was unwilling to give the Board any more information about what was going on than what he was providing to the public.



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After a media report on March 31, 2011, the Board was put on notice about serious allegations that Sandusky was sexually assaulting children on the Penn State campus. The Board failed in its duty to make reasonable inquiry into these serious matters and to demand action by the President.

The President, a Senior Vice President, and General Counsel did not perform their duty to make timely, thorough and forthright reports of these 1998 and 2001 allegations to the Board. This was a failure of governance for which the Board must also bear responsibility.

We also found that:

- The Board did not have regular reporting procedures or committee structures to ensure disclosure of major risks to the University;
- Some Trustees felt their meetings were a "rubber stamp" process for Mr. Spanier's actions;
- The Board did not independently ask for more information or assess the underreporting by Spanier about the Sandusky investigation after May 2011 and thereby failed to oversee properly his executive management of the worst crisis in Penn State's history;
- The Board was over-confident in Spanier's abilities to handle crises and was unprepared to deal with:
    - the filing of criminal charges against senior University leaders and a prominent former football coach in November, 2011; and,
    - the firing of Coach Paterno.

From 1998–2011, Penn State's "Tone at the Top" for transparency, compliance, police reporting and child protection was completely wrong, as shown by the inaction and concealment on the part of its most senior leaders, and followed by those at the bottom of the University's pyramid of power. This is best reflected by the janitors' decision not to report Sandusky's horrific 2000 sexual assault of a young boy in the Lasch Building shower. The janitors were afraid of being fired for reporting a powerful football coach.

## III. Recommendations

The other important part of our charge was to make recommendations to prevent such catastrophic failures to report from ever again occurring at Penn State. The Board of Trustees had requested recommendations as soon as possible, in order to improve policies and procedures regarding the protection of children on its campuses. Just this summer alone, over 20,000 non-student minors are participating in sports camps on the University Park campus. To ensure that these children would be better protected, we



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gave the Board of Trustees 14 of our preliminary recommendations in January, almost all of which have now been implemented.

Further, we suggested some longer term changes, including the creation of a comprehensive and stringent Compliance Program, including Board oversight through a Compliance Committee. That committee would have oversight responsibility for all regulatory obligations, including the Clery Act, and the Chief Compliance Officer would have a direct reporting line to the committee. The University has commenced a national search for a highly qualified Chief Compliance Officer and adopted two new policies for the protection of children: one provides for annual training on child abuse and mandatory reporting for all employees; the other revises and strengthens the University's background check process.

In addition to our interim recommendations, we have added 119 recommendations set forth in today's report. One of the most important of our recommendations is for Penn State itself to study, evaluate and make any needed additional changes. The goal should be to create a more open and compliant culture, which protects children and not adults who abuse them.

## IV. Conclusion

With the presentation of this Report to the Special Investigations Task Force and the Board of Trustees, our work is largely completed. We will make ourselves available to the Task Force and Board to answer any questions they may have, but we will not have an ongoing role with the University. We will also make ourselves available to the students, faculty and staff of the University at the appropriate time at State College. We hope such an interaction might assist the Penn State community in moving forward.

The release of our report today marks the beginning of a process for Penn State, and not the end. It is critical that Old Main, the Board and the Penn State community never forget these failures and commit themselves to strengthening an open, compliant and victim sensitive environment – where everyone has the duty to "blow the whistle" on anyone who breaks this trust, no matter how powerful or prominent they may appear to be.

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# Statement from Louis J. Freeh

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*The following is a statement issued by Louis J. Freeh in response to an investigation released Sunday by the family of Joe Paterno:*

**STATEMENT OF LOUIS J. FREEH February 10, 2013**

I respect the right of the Paterno family to hire private lawyers and former government officials* to conduct public media campaigns in an effort to shape the legacy of Joe Paterno.

However, the self-serving report the Paterno family has issued today does not change the facts established in the Freeh Report or alter the conclusions reached in the Freeh Report. Joe Paterno's own testimony under oath before the grand jury that investigated this horrific case is of critical importance. Mr. Paterno testified in 2011 that he knew from Michael McQueary in 2001 that McQueary had seen Sandusky "fondling, whatever you might call it -- I'm not sure what the term would be -- a young boy" in the showers at the Lasch Building. Mr. Paterno explained, "[o]bviously, he was doing something with the youngster. It was a sexual nature. I'm not sure exactly what it was. I didn't push Mike to describe exactly what it was because he was very upset." Years later, Mr. Paterno would explain to a reporter he chose to discuss the event with that he told McQueary, "I said you did what you had to do. It's my job now to figure out what we want to do."

As detailed in my report, the e-mails and contemporary documents from 2001 show that, despite Mr. Paterno's knowledge and McQueary's observations, four of the most powerful officials at Penn State agreed not to report Sandusky's activity to public officials. As made clear in the attachments to our report, on February 25, 2001, Messrs. Spanier, Curley and Schulz agreed to report Sandusky's abuse to the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare. On February 27, 2001, these men agreed that reporting to DPW was not required, reasoning in the words of Graham Spanier that "[t]he only downside for us is if the message isn't 'heard' and acted upon, and we then become vulnerable for not having reported it." The only known, intervening factor between the decision made on February 25, 2001 and the agreement not to report on February 27, 2001, was Mr. Paterno's February 26th conversation with Mr. Curley regarding what to do about Sandusky. Again, this conversation was memorialized in the contemporary email, where Mr. Curley said " [a]fter giving it more thought and talking it over with Joe yesterday -- I am uncomfortable with what we agreed were the next steps." Curley's message continued:

*I am having trouble with going to everyone, but the person involved. I think I would be more comfortable meeting with the person and tell him about the information we received. I would plan to tell him we are aware of the first situation. I would indicate we feel there is a problem and we want to assist the individual to get professional help. Also, we feel a responsibility at some point soon to inform his organization and [sic]*



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*maybe the other one about the situation. If he is cooperative we would work with him to handle informing the organization. If not, we do not have a choice and will inform the two groups. Additionally, I will let him know that his guests are not permitted to use our facilities. I need some help on this one. What do you think about this approach?*

During the investigation, we contacted Mr. Paterno's attorney in an attempt to interview Mr. Paterno. Although Mr. Paterno was willing to speak with a news reporter and his biographer at that time, he elected not to speak with us. We also asked Mr. Paterno's attorney to provide us with any evidence that he and his client felt should be considered. The documents provided were included in our report.

Further, the Pennsylvania Attorney General specifically requested our staff not to interview Mr. McQueary so as to not interfere with the criminal prosecution of Sandusky. Nevertheless, we had access to sworn testimony by Mr. McQueary at the preliminary hearing as well as the Sandusky trial, where Mr. McQueary was thoroughly cross examined by several defense lawyers. Mr. Curley and Mr. Schultz declined to speak with our staff on advice of their lawyers, despite our numerous interview requests.

Mr. Paterno was on notice for at least 13 years that Sandusky, one of his longest serving assistants, and whose office was steps away, was a probable serial pedophile. Mr. Paterno was aware of the criminal 1998 investigation into Sandusky's suspected child sexual abuse. Indeed, the evidence shows that Mr. Paterno closely followed that case. Later, in 2001, another one of his assistants, Mr. McQueary, directly reported to Mr. Paterno that Sandusky was sexually abusing a young boy in Mr. Paterno's Penn State football locker room. The evidence shows that Mr. Paterno purposefully ignored this evidence.

I stand by our conclusion that four of the most powerful people at Penn State failed to protect against a child sexual predator harming children for over a decade. These men exhibited a striking lack of empathy for Sandusky's victims by failing to inquire as to their safety and well-being, especially by not even attempting to determine the identity of the child who Sandusky assaulted in the Lasch Building in 2001.

In the past months, Penn State has made a dedicated effort to reform the problems that led to Sandusky's ability to victimize children on the university campus. I trust that the changes and improvements that Penn State has put in place will help to build a constructive and protective environment where children will not again suffer abuse.

** In 1989, then-Attorney General Richard Thornburgh selected me from the thousands of federal prosecutors in the Justice Department to lead the investigation into the bombing murders of federal judge Robert Vance in Alabama, and NAACP leader Robbie Robinson in Georgia. Thornburgh then highly praised my investigative abilities, and the cases were successfully prosecuted. Thornburgh personally signed my certificate appointing me as a federal judge.*

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Execution counterpart

## CONFIDENTIAL SEPARATION AGREEMENT

This Confidential Separation Agreement ("Agreement") is entered into by and between The Pennsylvania State University ("University") and Graham B. Spanier, Ph.D. ("Dr. Spanier"). The University and Dr. Spanier, each intending to be legally bound and in consideration of the following mutual promises and covenants, do agree as follows.

1. Effective November 9, 2011, Dr. Spanier was terminated from the position of President of the University without cause pursuant to Section H.2 of his Employment Agreement dated July 1, 2010 ("Employment Agreement"). By virtue of Dr. Spanier's termination from the position of President, it is understood and agreed that he likewise relinquishes his position on the University's Board of Trustees, the presidency of The Corporation for Penn State (the "Corporation"), all ex-officio positions held with respect to any board of any subsidiary of the Corporation and all other ex-officio positions tied to the Presidency of the University, except that in the case of Dr. Spanier's membership on the National Security Higher Education Advisory Board, Dr. Spanier shall resign as soon as practicable under the policies and practices of such Advisory Board.

2. By virtue of Dr. Spanier's termination from the position of President of the University, it is also understood and agreed that except as otherwise provided below, Dr. Spanier's Employment Agreement was terminated as of November 9, 2011. Dr. Spanier may remain employed by the University, however, as a tenured member of the faculty in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies of the College of Health and Human Development, with the titles of President Emeritus, University Professor and Professor of Human Development and Family Studies, Sociology, Demography, and Family and Community Medicine.

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3. Pursuant to the Employment Agreement and in return for Dr. Spanier agreeing to the terms of this Agreement, Dr. Spanier shall be provided with the following:

(a) A lump sum payment equal to Dr. Spanier's current base salary for a period of eighteen (18) months, with payment to be made on December 15, 2011. This payment is subject to tax withholdings required by federal, state and local laws. Dr. Spanier shall also be eligible to continue to participate in all of the employee benefit plans of the University applicable to senior executives for a period of 18 months from November 9, 2011 pursuant to Section E(1) of the Employment Agreement, and he shall be eligible to continue to receive for a period of 18 months from November 9, 2011 the supplemental life insurance, supplemental health insurance, and disability coverage as provided in Sections E(2), E(3) and E(4) respectively of the Employment Agreement. The University will also comply with the provisions in Section E.2 of the Employment Agreement regarding life insurance at the conclusion of the Term of the Employment Agreement (other than the provision with respect to continued escalation of the death benefit) and in Section E.3 regarding health insurance coverage at the conclusion of his presidency.

(b) The Retirement Plan Equivalency payment (referenced in Section C(5) of the Employment Agreement) in the gross amount of $1,248,204.60 payable in two installments: (1) an amount equal to the applicable federal, state and local tax withholding amount due on the Retirement Plan Equivalency gross payment amount shall be payable to Dr. Spanier on December 15, 2011, and remitted to the applicable taxing authorities; and (2) the remainder shall be paid to Dr. Spanier on June 30, 2017. No taxes shall be withheld from the payment of the second installment and the second installment shall not be reported as taxable income, since the first installment is intended to satisfy the entire tax liability with respect to the Retirement Plan Equivalency payment.

(c) For as long as Dr. Spanier remains employed by the University, the University will continue to contribute, at its normal Alternate Retirement Plan contribution rate (currently 9.29%), as it does for all employees under such Plan, to the purchase of an annuity contract within the meaning of Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code. In addition, the University shall make the 2011 payment to Dr. Spanier as provided in Section C.4(b) of the Employment Agreement, at the time such payments have been made in the past, with the amount of such payment prorated to cover the period from January 1, 2011 to November 9, 2011.

(d) Pursuant to Section E(6) of the Employment Agreement, a paid one-year post-presidency transition period during which Dr. Spanier will be paid his current annual salary of $700,000 (subject



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to tax withholdings required by law) and receive the benefits described in Sections E(1) through E(4) of the Employment Agreement. Dr. Spanier agrees to provide substantial services to the University as required by Section 457(f) of the Internal Revenue Code during such period.

(e) Following completion of the one-year post-presidency transition period, Dr. Spanier may continue as a tenured member of the faculty, with a salary of $600,000 annually for a period of five years, with all provisions of Section E(6) of the Employment Agreement being applicable. Thereafter, Dr. Spanier's employment and compensation as a tenured faculty member shall be governed by the University's policies, rules and regulations applicable to other tenured members of the faculty of the University.

(f) With respect to the contents of Schreyer House, as has been the case with prior presidents, it is agreed that all furniture purchased by the University in the public spaces of the house belong to the University and will remain the property of the University. Furniture and contents purchased by the Spanier family will remain the property of the Spanier family. Furniture and contents purchased by the University for the private family spaces of Schreyer House may, at the discretion of the Spanier family, be purchased by the Spanier family at a fair market value to be determined according to existing property inventory unit procedures under the purview of the Corporate Controller. Payment for such any such furniture or contents will be made within 30 days of departure from the residence.

4. In exchange for Dr. Spanier waiving the 90-day notice period described in Section H(2) of the Employment Agreement, the University shall provide the following to Dr. Spanier:

(a) Dr. Spanier shall be paid a lump sum payment equal to ninety (90) days pay at the rate of his current annual salary of $700,000 (subject to tax withholdings required by law), in lieu of the ninety days' notice required by Section H.2 of his Employment Agreement, with payment to be made on December 15, 2011.

(b) Dr. Spanier and his family may remain in the President's Residence for up to seventy-five (75) days from November 9, 2011. The University shall reimburse Dr. Spanier for the reasonable expenses of moving his personal property from the President's Residence as provided in Section F of the Employment Agreement.

(c) Dr. Spanier may retain the automobile provided under Section C(9) of the Employment Agreement for up to sixty (60) days from November 9, 2011.



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(d) During the post-Presidency transition period referred to in Section E.5 of the Employment Agreement, the University will provide Dr. Spanier with administrative support to assist him with his responsibilities, including computer access and IT support, in the manner previously provided to past presidents of the University, in addition to all support referred to in the last paragraph of Section E.6 of the Employment Agreement. Following the post-Presidency transition, the University will provide Dr. Spanier with administrative support commensurate with that provided with other tenured faculty members and University Professors, and will continue to provide the administrative support referred to in the last paragraph of Section E.6 of the Employment Agreement.

(e) Dr. Spanier shall be reimbursed promptly for reasonable travel and business expenses incurred up to November 9, 2011 and not submitted prior to the execution of this Agreement as provided in Section E.7 of the Employment Agreement.

(f) In addition to its obligations under paragraph 6 below, the University shall reimburse Dr. Spanier for the attorneys' fees and expenses he has incurred in connection with matters relating to the grand jury presentment and his termination from the position of President of the University.

5. The parties shall cooperate in obtaining an opinion of mutually acceptable independent compensation counsel to the effect that the terms and conditions of this Agreement result in "reasonable compensation" for Dr. Spanier, meaning that the total compensation hereunder is comparable to that paid to similarly situated university officials in similar circumstances. The parties agree to negotiate in good faith to modify the terms of this Agreement if necessary to obtain such opinion. The University shall pay the fees and costs of such compensation counsel.

6. The University agrees to indemnify Dr. Spanier in accordance with the terms of Section J of the Employment Agreement and with the by-laws of the University.

7. Dr. Spanier, on behalf of himself, his heirs, representatives, estates, successors and assigns, does hereby irrevocably and unconditionally remise, release and forever discharge The Pennsylvania State University, its predecessors, parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, constituent organizations, benefits plans, and any successor



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thereto, and their past, present and future trustees, officers, directors, administrators, agents, attorneys, insurance carriers, consultants or employees, as well as the heirs, successors and assigns of any such persons or such entities (severally and collectively called "Releasees"), jointly and individually, from any and all claims, known and unknown, that Dr. Spanier has or may have against any of the Releasees for any acts, omissions, practices or events up to and including the effective date of this Agreement and the continuing effects thereof, it being the intention of Dr. Spanier to effect a general release of all such claims. This release includes any and all claims under any possible legal, equitable, tort, contract, common law, statutory, or constitutional theory, including, but not limited to, any claims under 42 U.S.C. Section 1983, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act, the Older Workers Benefit Protection Act, the Americans With Disabilities Act, and other federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances, executive orders, regulations and other laws prohibiting discrimination in employment or benefits, and federal, state or local law claims of any kind whatsoever arising out of or in any way related to Dr. Spanier's employment as President of the University and his termination from the position of President of the University.

8. The University, on behalf of itself and the Board of Trustees, does hereby irrevocably and unconditionally remise, release and forever discharge Dr. Spanier from any and all claims, known and unknown, that the University has or may have against Dr. Spanier for any acts, omissions, practices or events up to and including the effective date of this Agreement and the continuing effects thereof, to the extent such acts or omissions relate to his position as President of the University, it being the intention of the University to effect a general release of all such claims.



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9. It is expressly understood and agreed that by entering into this Agreement, the University in no way admits that it has treated Dr. Spanier unlawfully or wrongfully in any way.

10. Dr. Spanier agrees, and shall use reasonable efforts to cause his attorneys to agree that, except as required by law or to comply with legal obligations, they shall keep the terms and conditions of this Agreement **COMPLETELY CONFIDENTIAL** and they will not discuss, disclose, or reveal those terms and conditions, directly or indirectly, to the media or to any person, corporation, or other entity, other than to Dr. Spanier's attorneys, spouse, accountants and financial advisors or to any government agency or entity with jurisdiction over matters relating to this Agreement.

11. Dr. Spanier acknowledges that the University may be required to make the terms and conditions of this Agreement public in accordance with its policies and procedures or as required by applicable law or regulatory authority. If the University makes the terms and conditions of this Agreement public in accordance with this paragraph, Dr. Spanier will be relieved of his obligations in paragraph 10, but only to the extent of the provisions of this Agreement that are made public by the University.

12. Dr. Spanier will not make any negative comments to the media, to his professional colleagues or to any other members of the public regarding the University, its Board of Trustees or any member of the Board of Trustees, unless required by law or to comply with legal obligations and/or to provide truthful information in connection with ongoing or forthcoming investigations.

13. The University will not, and will use reasonable efforts to cause the members of the Board of Trustees not to, make any negative comments about Dr. Spanier to the media, to their professional colleagues or to any other members of the



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public, unless required by law or to comply with legal obligations and/or to provide truthful information in connection with ongoing or forthcoming investigations.

14. In the event of any breach of any provision of this Agreement, the prevailing party in any litigation over such breach shall be entitled, in addition to all relief otherwise available under law, to an award of reasonable counsel fees and expenses incurred in investigating and litigating such breach.

15. Dr. Spanier acknowledges that he has been given the opportunity to consider this Agreement for at least 21 calendar days, which is a reasonable period of time, and that he has been advised to consult with his attorneys about this Agreement prior to executing it. Dr. Spanier further acknowledges that he has had a full and fair opportunity to consult with his attorneys, that he has carefully read and fully understands all of the provisions of this Agreement, and that he is voluntarily executing and entering into this Agreement, intending to be legally bound by it. If Dr. Spanier executes this Agreement in less than 21 days, he acknowledges that he has thereby waived his right to the full 21-day period.

16. For a period of seven calendar days following Dr. Spanier's execution of this Agreement, he may revoke it by delivery of a written notice of revocation to the office of Cynthia A. Baldwin, Esq., Vice President and General Counsel, The Pennsylvania State University, 108 Old Main, University Park, PA 16802. This Agreement shall not become effective or enforceable before the seven-day revocation period has expired.

17. The parties hereto further understand and agree that the terms and conditions of this Agreement constitute the full and complete understandings and arrangements of the parties with respect to the terms of Dr. Spanier's termination from

the position of President of the University and that there are no agreements, covenants, promises or arrangements other than those set forth herein with respect to that subject.

18. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

19. If any of the provisions of this Agreement are declared or determined by any court to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions and portions of this Agreement shall be unaffected thereby and shall remain in full force to the fullest extent permitted by law.

20. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the aforesaid parties, having read this Confidential Separation Agreement and intending to be legally bound hereby, have read, signed, sealed and delivered it, voluntarily, without coercion and with knowledge of the nature and consequences thereof.

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

By:_____
Steve A. Garban
President, Board of Trustees

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Date

Graham B. Spanier

11/15/2011
Date



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*Jul 12, 2012*

# Penn State issues statement on Freeh Report

July 12, 2012, SCRANTON, PA - Today's comprehensive report is sad and sobering in that it concludes that at the moment of truth, people in positions of authority and responsibility did not put the welfare of children first. The Board of Trustees, as the group that has paramount accountability for overseeing and ensuring the proper functioning and governance of the University, accepts full responsibility for the failures that occurred. The Board, in cooperation with the Administration, will take every action to ensure that events like these never happen again in our university community.

The focus of all of our actions going forward will be on driving a culture of honesty, integrity, responsible leadership and accountability at all levels and within all units of our institution.

Judge Freeh's report concludes that certain people at the University who were in a position to protect children or confront the predator failed to do so. There can be no ambiguity about that. The defenseless victims and their families are at the forefront of our thoughts and prayers. We are deeply sorry for the failure to protect these vulnerable young boys from the pain and anguish they suffered. At the same time, we are filled with admiration for the bravery shown by the young men and their families who came forward to ensure that justice will be done.

While today's issuance of the Freeh Report provides some level of clarity for our community, it does not undo the pain that the victims of Jerry Sandusky have experienced, and continue to experience. We will continue to offer counseling to Mr. Sandusky's victims, listen to them and take affirmative steps to address the harm they have suffered.

Beyond our campuses, the University is undertaking a number of actions to help build greater awareness of the societal issue of child sexual abuse. We are partnering with the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape {PCAR} and have also created the Center for the Protection of Children at the Hershey Medical Center. Penn State University intends to be a constructive leader in preventing, reporting and responding to such abuse. This is a problem that plagues our nation, and we have a special duty to increase awareness, prevention and treatment of child sexual abuse.

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Judge Freeh's investigation was intended to identify where failures occurred and what changes should be made for the future. As the Freeh report noted, the University has already taken steps to begin addressing some of the shortcomings.

The Board of Trustees acknowledges that it failed to create an environment of accountability and transparency and did not have optimal reporting procedures or committee structures. Beginning in March 2011 and continuing until the publication of the Grand Jury presentment in November 2011, the Board failed to make proper inquiry of President Spanier and others regarding the Sandusky matter. As a result, the Board was unprepared to deal with the events that occurred in November 2011.

The Board has begun taking a more active oversight role and has implemented specific oversight committees, focused on Risk, Audit, Legal, Compliance, Academic Excellence, Governance and Human Resources. Furthermore, the Board is committed to greater transparency and communications with the entire University community.

Additionally, the University Administration has strengthened policies and programs involving minors, child abuse and mandated reporter training; ensuring a process for prompt reporting of abuse and sexual misconduct; hiring a new, full-time Clery Compliance Coordinator and providing Clery Act training for employees; and establishing a position of, and commencing a national search for, a director of University Compliance. Further information can be found here: www.progress.psu.edu.

In the weeks ahead, the University will carefully review and consider each of the report's recommendations. Tomorrow at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Board of Trustees will consider a series of immediate next steps. President Rodney Erickson has appointed three members of his senior leadership team to coordinate and implement operational changes suggested by the Freeh Report.

As the Freeh Report notes Penn State "is an outstanding institution, nationally renowned for its excellence in academics and research." Nothing in this report detracts from the many significant accomplishments of our faculty, staff, students and alumni. We also remain proud of the accomplishments of Penn State's student athletes over many years, and we reaffirm the fundamental premise that academic excellence and athletic achievement are wholly consistent and complementary goals.

With the release of the Freeh Report we are beginning to correct our failures, promote healing and build a stronger tomorrow for Penn State. We are continuing the process of addressing the most painful chapter in the University's history so that we can heal and move forward.

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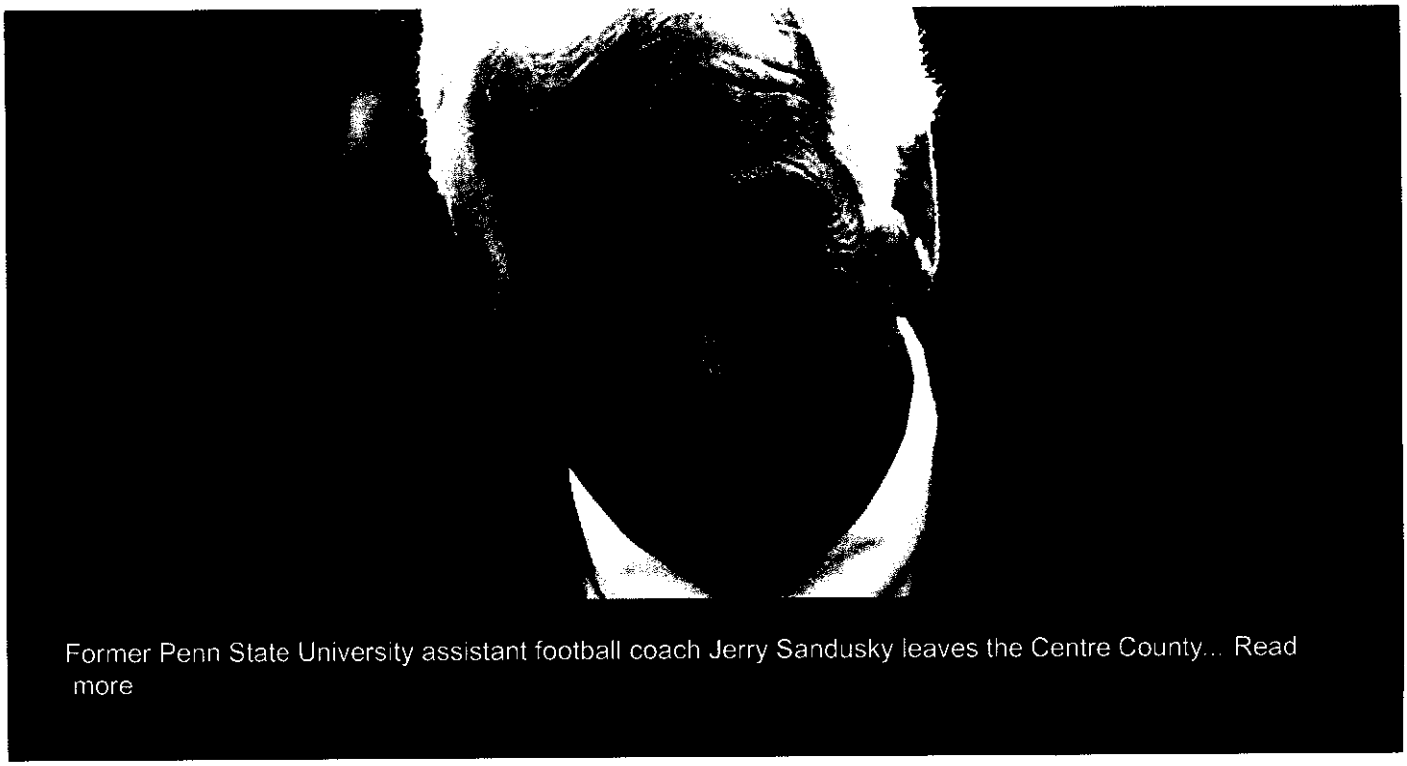


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# Testimony at Sandusky trial shows missed chances

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The eyewitness testimony that confronted jurors in Jerry Sandusky's child-molestation trial this week was disturbing not only for its graphic descriptions of sex with boys, but for what it said about the people who surrounded and maybe even protected the once-revered Penn State assistant coach.

Eight accusers took the witness stand and described how Sandusky molested them in campus showers, hotel bathrooms, a basement bedroom, a sauna used by the football team — right under the noses of his friends, colleagues, family members and acquaintances.

The Sandusky story, the way authorities have framed it, is one littered with missed chances to stop a rapist who preyed on children for years.

Prosecutors have hinted that top university officials knew far more about Sandusky's alleged proclivities than they

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have either, submitting a document Monday that says Penn State's former vice president — himself facing charges related to the scandal — maintained a file on Sandusky a decade ago. A Penn State trustee told The Associated Press of new suspicions & cover-up.

Yet evidence and testimony from the trial also show there were plenty of people — not just those at the highest levels of the university who had ample opportunity to stop a man accused of molesting 10 boys over 15 years.

A janitor failed to tell authorities he allegedly caught Sandusky performing oral sex on a boy in a campus shower a dozen years ago.

A district attorney with a reputation for prosecuting cases involving children and sexual abuse victims declined to charge Sandusky over a 1998 molestation allegation even though the detective who investigated thought it was a solid case. The DA, Ray Gricar, disappeared in 2005 and was declared legally dead last year.

— School district officials were skeptical of abuse claims brought by the young man known in court papers as Victim 1 because, the accuser testified, Sandusky was considered to have a "heart of gold." Victim 1's allegations eventually triggered the state investigation that produced charges.

— One accuser testified he screamed out for help at least once when Sandusky's wife, Dottie, was in the house. He doesn't know whether she heard his cries.

— And famously, coaching assistant Mike McQueary saw Sandusky having what he believed to be anal sex with a young boy in 2001. But his report to Athletic Director Tim Curley and Vice President Gary Schultz went nowhere. McQueary's dad testified that during a conversation Schultz said he was suspicious of Sandusky, and R30 revisited this week that emails between former university President Graham Spanier and Schultz aiming to keep McQueary's allegation from going further were turned over to the attorney general.

— Others also saw Sandusky engaging in behavior that was at least odd. A retired, longtime assistant coach Tom Bradley walked into the shower when one boy was with Sandusky, the accuser testified, and a wrestling coach told jurors he saw Sandusky and a child rolling on the floor.

— Several accusers said their parents or caregivers failed to grasp what was happening to them. Victim 4 testified that one weekend he did not want to go with Sandusky and told his mother, "I'm pretty sure he's gay," but she dismissed the idea. "She said, 'Oh. Whatever, this is just one of your lies,'" he told jurors. He also said at one point he told his grandmother to tell Sandusky he wasn't home when he called.

Victim 1 testified that when he asked his mother about "a place for people who do things to children," and she asked why, he said it was "to see if Jerry was on there." He said he don't think she totally understood. And Victim 9 told jurors he described Sandusky to his mother as "a touchy-feely type of a person," but she pressured him to spend time with the former coach.

Kohn Vasser, a Penn State trustee, said in an interview that he initially thought the scandal was about a failure of administrative oversight of the football program. Now no suspects it goes deeper.

When the board of trustees ousted Spanier on Nov. 9, four days after Sandusky's arrest, it was "because we don't have confidence in his ability to lead us through this crisis," Vasser said. "We had no idea (at the time) he

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would be involved in a cover-up.'

Masser stressed he was speaking for himself and not the board at large, and said he wants to be careful not to draw premature conclusions. But he said it now appears like top administration officials and top athletic officials were involved in making the decision to not inform the proper authorities.'

With prosecutors focused on the sex-abuse allegations against Sandusky, the trial isn't intended to yield evidence of a possible cover-up. That's the job of Louis Freeh, the former FBI director hired by the board of trustees to investigate the scandal. His report could be released in late summer.

Spanier, who has not been charged with any crime, did not respond to e-mail and phone messages. His attorney did not return a phone call.

The law firm defending Curley and Schultz against charges they lied in their grand jury testimony and failed to report suspected abuse said in a statement this week they "consistently considered" McQueary's account and "deliberated about how to responsibly deal with the conduct and handle the situation properly." They did not respond to follow-up questions posed by the AP.

Masser said the Freeh investigation is helping Penn State get to the bottom of the scandal.

"I hope the truth comes out, and from a board standpoint it was to get Freeh's investigation that found these emails that relate Spanier, Curley and Schultz to the suspected cover-up," he said. "I want the alumni to understand and the stakeholders to understand that this independent investigation is uncovering this information."

Sandusky was charged in November and December with more than 50 counts of abuse. The scandal brought disgrace to Penn State and led to the ousters of both Spanier and Paterno, the all-time major college coach who died in January at age 85.

The testimony of eight of the 10 alleged victims named in a grand jury report prompted disgust and revulsion from Penn State alumni and others who took to Twitter last week to express their dismay — and to call for the heads of anyone involved in concealing abuse. "Anyone who knew and didn't report should burn," tweeted one.

The grim depictions of abuse also hit at least one former player hard.

The accuser known as Victim 4 told jurors that Sandusky let him wear star linebacker LaVar Arrington's jersey and gave him a magazine autographed by the former NFL All-Pro, who played at Penn State in the late 1990s.

Arrington apologized to the man a day after his testimony, writing in The Washington Post that he felt awful for having missed the warning signs.

"He always seemed mad or kind of distant. I remember distinctly asking him: 'Why are you always walking around all mad like a tough guy?'" Arrington wrote. "I guess with everything that I had going on, it certainly wasn't a priority for me to try to figure him out."

Arrington continued, "I hate everything that has happened, and now, I must admit I feel even worse, knowing what allegedly was happening so close to me, and that I was unaware."

Ann Tenbrunsel, a professor of business ethics at the University of Notre Dame, attributes the failure to stop

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Sandusky to a phenomenon she calls "motivated blindness," a tendency, whether subconscious or deliberate or sometimes both, to ignore unethical or even criminal behavior by others when you perceive it to be in your best interest to do so. Motivated blindness "means I don't probe, I don't ask, I don't believe," Tenbrunsel said. "I have evidence in front of me but choose to disregard facts."

Some people could have kept quiet about their suspicions because they wanted to protect Penn State and its beloved — and highly lucrative — football program, or their own jobs, she said. Others might not have wanted to believe the sainted Sandusky capable of the abuse he's now charged with.

"You have all kinds of examples of people who either did not notice, or when they did notice didn't engage in behaviors that would have stopped it because it wasn't in their best interests to do so," said Tenbrunsel, co-author of "Blind Spots," a book that explores why otherwise decent people sometimes fail to do the right thing.

Some of the alleged assaults appear to have been interrupted, if unwittingly. One young man said Sandusky coerced him into engaging in oral sex in a hotel bathroom in Texas around the time of the 1999 Alamo Bowl — Sandusky's last game before retiring — stopping only when the coach's wife entered the hotel room. The same accuser, Victim 4, testified about another occasion in which Bradley was showering in the team headquarters while the alleged victim and Sandusky were behind a curtain in another stall.

"I can't say what (Bradley's) thoughts were, but I think he was suspicious of something because he stayed in the shower until everything was done," the man testified without elaborating.

Bradley did not return several messages from The Associated Press.

A wrestling coach told jurors that he found Victim 1 and Sandusky rolling around on the floor in the high school weight room one evening.

Joseph Miller said that while he found it odd, he gave the famed coach a pass. "It was Jerry. Jerry Sandusky. He's a saint. What he's doing with kids, it's fantastic," Miller recalled thinking. "So I didn't think anything of it."

The trial is scheduled to enter its fifth day Monday as prosecutors near the end of their case. Sandusky denies all the charges, saying that while he showered with boys, he never touched them sexually. His attorney has suggested the accusers are twisting the truth because they intend to sue.

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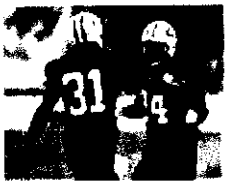

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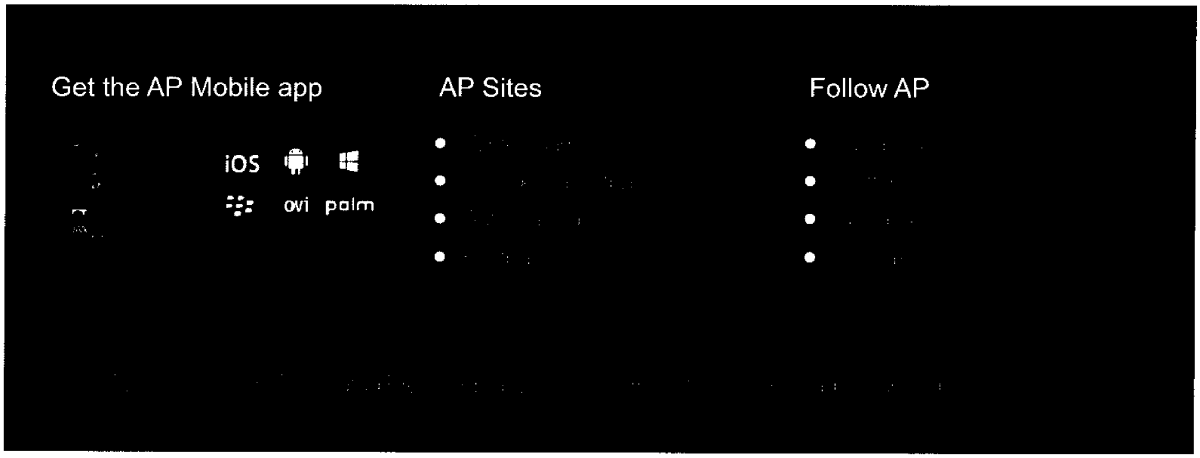



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# Penn State's Trustees Recount Painful Decision to Fire Paterno

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It was growing late on the night of Nov. 9, 2011. John P. Surma, the chief executive of U.S. Steel and the vice chairman of Penn State University's board of trustees, sat at a rectangular table at the Penn Stater Hotel. Gov. Tom Corbett of Pennsylvania was on the speaker phone. Other trustees were present, many emotionally spent.

The board, scrambling to address the child sexual abuse scandal involving the university and its football program, had already decided to remove Graham B. Spanier as president. Then, many of those present recalled this week, the tension in the room mounted. Joe Paterno's future was next up. Surma announced that an agreement appeared to have been reached to fire Paterno, too — the trustees having determined that he had failed to take adequate action when he was told that one of his longtime assistants had been seen molesting a 10-year-old boy in Paterno's football facility.

Surma, those present recalled, surveyed the other trustees — there are 32 — for their opinions and emotions before asking one last question: "Does anyone have any objections? If you have an objection, we're open to it."

No one in the room spoke. There was silence from the phone speakers. Paterno's 46-year tenure as head coach of one of the country's storied college football programs was over, and the gravity of the action began to sink in.

"It was hard for us to want to get to the point where we were going to say that," said Ira M. Lubert, a board member who works in private equity. "I was laying in bed that night shaking. And I couldn't sleep — thinking: We just terminated Joe Paterno."



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The 100 or so hours beginning with the arrest of Jerry Sandusky, a former defensive coordinator for the football team, had built to a crescendo by that Wednesday night's meeting of the trustees. By then, the campus was aflame with discontent. Penn State students and faculty, its alumni and its growing number of outside critics had been roiled by anger and confusion, embarrassment and sorrow. Reporters had inundated State College. It was, plainly put, the most trying time in Penn State's 156-year history.

On Wednesday, in a conference room in New Jersey, a group of 13 trustees spoke to The New York Times in detail about that week — a somewhat frantic, certainly exhausting week that led to the firings of Paterno and Spanier and to the disturbances on campus that those dismissals set off.

The board decided to share its story because it grew weary of hearing criticism, which included calls from alumni who started a group known as Penn Staters for Responsible Stewardship in an effort to replace the current board members. The trustees, over three hours, described how they had felt blindsided by Spanier's failure to keep them informed of the nature and scope of the Pennsylvania attorney general's investigation of Sandusky, along with the investigation of university officials.

Spanier, two other senior university administrators and Paterno had all given testimony before a criminal grand jury by late spring of 2011. They had been questioned extensively about what they had done after learning of a report in 2002 that said Sandusky had molested a young boy in the showers of the football building. According to the trustees, Spanier never informed them of any of that before Sandusky's arrest on Nov. 5.

The trustees also laid out what they said were three key reasons for firing Paterno: his failure to do more when told about the suspected sexual assault in 2002; what they regarded as his questioning of the board's authority in the days after Sandusky's arrest; and what they determined to be his inability to effectively continue coaching in the face of continuing questions surrounding the program.

The trustees, who had not spoken publicly in any detail since the firings, also disclosed that, while having fired Paterno, they were still honoring the terms of his contract and are treating him financially as if he had retired at the end of the 2011



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season.

To some trustees, Paterno failed in not reporting to the police what he had been told of Sandusky's suspected assault. Some of the trustees were also upset that Paterno was seen leading "We are Penn State" cheers on his lawn with students and fans who had gathered after Sandusky's arrest, which some board members viewed as insensitive.

That Paterno knew of the nature of the suspected 2002 assault, which he stated in his grand jury testimony, was enough for some to decide that he had not acted appropriately in simply informing the university's athletic director, Tim Curley, and another top official, Gary Schultz. Both of them have been charged with failure to report to the authorities what they knew about the incident and for subsequently lying to a grand jury.

"To me, it wasn't about guilt or innocence in a legal sense," the trustee Kenneth C. Frazier, the chief executive at Merck, said of Paterno's decision not to go to police. "It was about these norms of society that I'm talking about: that every adult has a responsibility for every other child in our community. And that we have a responsibility not to do the minimum, the legal requirement. We have a responsibility for ensuring that we can take every effort that's within our power not only to prevent further harm to that child, but to every other child."

**Saturday, Nov. 5**

At 5 p.m., the trustees met via telephone for an emergency session.

The trustees on the conference call who had read the details of the charges against Sandusky and the two senior university officials felt a distinct lack of urgency by the university. Many were irked that Spanier had released a statement in full support of Curley and Schultz, who were indicted for perjury. The trustees were floored, they said, that Spanier did not seem to recognize the severity of the situation.

"We deal with crisis every day at this university," they recalled Spanier saying. "We won't have a problem with this."

The trustees, meanwhile, were shocked by the charges — and caught completely unaware. There had been reports in The Patriot News of Harrisburg that a grand jury was investigating a claim that Sandusky had molested a local high



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school boy. But Sandusky had been retired from Penn State for years.

"There was a lack of information being provided to us," said Mark H. Dambly, a trustee and the president of a real estate development company. "We found out about it when the rest of the world found out about it."

Lubert, for his part, had just dropped off his son and daughter-in-law after brunch when he got a call from his son while driving home to Philadelphia. His son told him that Curley and Schultz had just been indicted on perjury charges.

"That's impossible," Lubert said. "If they were, I would know that."

His son responded: "Do yourself a favor and when you get home turn on the television. It doesn't matter what channel."

Anne Riley, another trustee, said she would always remember being at the opera, sitting in seat 15, Row B, of the balcony, when she heard the news. The trustee Keith E. Masser was playing golf in Naples, Fla., and found out by peeking at his phone. Frazier heard about the severity of the situation while sitting in his car outside a burger place.

The trustees quickly realized that Spanier had chosen not to keep them informed.

During a board meeting last May, after Spanier had testified before the grand jury, the board received a short briefing — the trustees estimated it was 5 to 10 minutes — on Sandusky's being under investigation by a grand jury.

The briefing, which took place during a "seminar" session not open to the public, included an explanation of what a grand jury investigation was by the university counsel Cynthia Baldwin. (Baldwin had sat in on the grand jury testimony but was not legally allowed to speak to the trustees about the contents of the testimony, according to Lanny J. Davis, external counsel and crisis management adviser to the office of the Penn State president and to the board of trustees.)

The trustees this week said that they were disappointed that Spanier, who was legally allowed to speak about his grand jury testimony, did not brief the board on the nature of the questions by the grand jury about the 2002 episode.

"He should have told us a lot more," Lubert said. "He should have let us know much more of the background. He was able to legally share his testimony and I



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think that he had an obligation to do that with the board so we could get more engaged with the problem."

The mention of the grand jury investigation by Baldwin and Spanier was so brief that Surma barely remembered it. No one asked questions.

"Part of being a leader at that level is to be a risk manager and to think through what might happen," the trustee Karen B. Peetz, an executive with Bank of New York Mellon, said of Spanier.

Spanier has not been charged in the perjury case. He told the grand jury he was never told that Sandusky's encounter with the young boy in the showers in 2002 involved sexual assault.

Spanier declined to comment for this article when reached on his cellphone. He listened, but would not respond, when told how the trustees had described his actions.

Paul Suhey, a former football captain for Paterno and an orthopedic surgeon in the State College area, was the only trustee on campus for the 5 p.m. conference call as others dialed in from around the country.

"I was pretty upset," Suhey said. "I knew we had a problem."

Steve Garban, the board's chairman, admitted to not reading the grand jury's charges until late Sunday night, more than 24 hours after it went public. After he did, he felt that Paterno, his former coach, lifelong friend and occasional drinking buddy, needed to be let go.

But the trustees concluded their call with a deepening skepticism about how the university administrators would handle it.

Peetz, the bank executive, said she came to a simple conclusion: "We are up against the challenge of our lives."

**Sunday, Nov. 6**

The trustees met again Sunday night, some of them now on the scene in State College, having arrived by private plane or car. When they met, they realized that Spanier and others had already arranged for lawyers from two firms to be present, as well as representatives from a public relations firm. They were meant to brief the trustees on how to handle the crisis.

"It was indicative of the culture," Dambly said. "We showed up and it was



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already determined what law firm it was going to be."

The Sunday meeting ended with the trustees eager to issue a news release, expressing a commitment to a full internal investigation and sympathy for any victims.

In the interviews this week, they accused Spanier of having altered the release. It was made to appear as a joint release from Spanier and the board, and diluted the language involving the promised investigation.

"I got up the next morning to read the press release online and it really didn't reflect what we had come to the conclusion of as a board," Lubert said. "I remember reading that, and I was sick. I then knew we had a serious problem."

Surma added: "The big difference that I remember was that we had very explicit comments about the independent investigation and what it would investigate and its freedom of access. What came out was something much different than that."

Garban said he soon informed Spanier that he could no longer speak for the university on the issue.

"I have to take some blame for this," Garban said. "I still sort of thought Graham could get us through this or help get us through this. And he participated in writing the press release, and after it came out, I knew it wasn't right."

Garban read the grand jury report after the meeting and regretted not reading it sooner: "It was like, 'Oh my God, Steve, where've you been?' It floored me."

**Tuesday, Nov. 8**

On Tuesday, Surma and Garban met to have breakfast at the Nittany Lion Inn around 7:30 a.m. Sandusky's arrest had been headline news for four days. Paterno was supposed to meet with reporters for his weekly conversation about the team's next game.

A 1959 Penn State graduate, Garban was a former captain of the football team, and he subsequently had a 33-year career at the university. But several members of the board were upset with his leadership during the days after Sandusky's arrest. Garban had remained loyal to Spanier for too long, some felt; other trustees wanted Spanier gone.

The trustees, indeed, were clamoring for a change. Garban recognized the



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discontent among the board members. So Garban and Surma asked for time alone. Sitting at the breakfast table, Garban broached the subject of changing the board's leadership before Surma could even bring it up.

"John, let's not go there," Garban recalled telling Surma. "You need to take this over. And let's agree — take it over."

Stepping into the power vacuum, Surma joined Garban at Old Main, the central administration building on campus, to meet with university personnel, including Spanier. Surma said that it became clear to him that Spanier was no longer in control of the university. Surma said Spanier seemed to realize as much himself.

"Do I have support of the board?" Spanier asked Garban.

"I can't answer that question," Garban recalled replying.

The trustees promptly canceled Paterno's weekly news conference. It was evidence of how much the board's confidence in Paterno had eroded.

Then Surma said he started making preparations for what might come next with Spanier. He handed out orders to the university's counsel and the public relations firms working on its behalf.

Perhaps the most important moment came when Surma met with Rodney A. Erickson, the university's executive vice president and provost. Erickson explained to Surma that he did not know anything about the allegations until shortly before Sandusky was arrested. Surma believed Erickson was sincere.

Then Surma hinted that Erickson, who had been looking to retire in the near future, might be asked to take over the presidency.

"If it comes to it, we may need you," Surma told Erickson.

Erickson simply replied, "O.K."

Spanier's inquiry about the board's support set the agenda for what would be a conference call among trustees at 7 p.m. The call lasted two to three hours. Surma chaired the discussion and told the trustees that Erickson could be an alternative to Spanier.

That Erickson, who was widely respected by the trustees for his broad understanding of the university, said he would be willing to replace Spanier gave the trustees confidence about firing Spanier. But the trustees still had to make a



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final decision on Paterno. The seriousness of the task was not lost on the board members, and it was decided that the board would meet in person the next night.

"I'd like everyone to come together tomorrow and look people in the eyes," Lubert recalled saying during the call.

**Wednesday, Nov. 9**

The trustees glumly descended on State College for what they knew would be a long and painful day. Lubert said that he had trouble sleeping. Peetz recalled feeling as if she were an executioner going to the guillotine. Stephanie Nolan Deviney, a trustee and a partner at the law firm Fox Rothschild in Exton, Pa., remembered going to the bedroom of her 7-year-old to kiss him before she left for State College.

"I thought of the mothers of all those boys in the presentment," Deviney recalled this week. "And I thought about what they must feel when they kiss their sons good night."

The trustees gathered in a conference room at the Penn Stater at 7 p.m. In a rare occurrence, the governor joined the meeting by telephone for its duration. However, the soberness of the discussion was broken up by the clamor of tool-belted workers crawling around under the table trying to fix the telephone line. "Governor," Surma asked every few minutes, "are you still with us?"

The trustees first discussed Spanier's status. The trustees said that they sensed there was a consensus about Spanier's future as the president. Earlier, Spanier had tried to submit his resignation, but Garban and Surma did not accept it. Garban told Spanier that the board felt it needed to deal with the matter itself. So, instead, the trustees paged through Spanier's contract, and then decided to fire him. They named Erickson the interim president.

Then the trustees decided the fate of Paterno, who had come to Penn State as a young assistant coach in 1950 and who had helped build it into a national university, to which he donated more than $4 million. The 13 trustees interviewed Wednesday said that Paterno did not reach out to them before the Nov. 9 board meeting, and some said that it would not have mattered, because they did not believe that he could say anything to save his job.

Wick Sollers, Paterno's lawyer, issued a statement Wednesday in response to



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the accounts offered by the trustees: "After learning of the alleged incident in 2002, Joe Paterno reported it immediately and fully to his superiors at the university. He believed these officials, who had the authority and responsibility to conduct investigations, would act appropriately. He did what he thought was right with the information he had at the time. Blaming Joe Paterno for the failure of administration officials and the board to properly investigate Jerry Sandusky is unjustified."

On that Wednesday night in November, though, the only thing left for the board to do was to figure out how to carry out the firing. Could representatives safely show up at Paterno's home amid the media frenzy? Was it realistic to expect Paterno, then 84, to meet with the trustees? The trustees decided to fire him by telephone, a decision that many board members interviewed expressed as their biggest regret.

Shortly before 10 p.m., Fran Ganter, the associate athletic director for football, delivered an envelope to Paterno's home, just off Penn State's campus. Inside the envelope was a telephone number. Paterno called the number, and Garban answered. Then he passed the telephone to Surma, who was seated next to him. Surma asked if Paterno could hear him O.K. Paterno said that he could. Then Surma told Paterno of the trustees' decision. "The board of trustees has determined effective immediately you are no longer the football coach," Surma recalled saying.

Then he heard a click. Paterno hung up.

Surma and Garban sat at the table for a moment, numb. Then the telephone rang again. Surma answered. It was Paterno's wife, Sue, who said, during a short conversation: "After 61 years, he deserved better." Then she hung up on Surma.

Board members at the meeting lingered and eventually decided that they would join Surma at a news conference at a ballroom elsewhere in the Penn Stater. The ballroom quickly filled as hundreds of onlookers gathered. Trustees sat on a raised dais behind Surma, who sat stoically as Garban turned over the news conference to him.

Then Surma announced to a room full of reporters and television cameras, and to the country watching at home, that Penn State's board of trustees had fired Joe Paterno.

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