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May 9, 2014

Brigadier General John L. Finan, USAF, Retired
Chairman,
South Carolina Commission on Higher Education
220 Holiday Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29223

Re: Charleston School of Law

Dear General Finan:

I am honored to represent a group of faculty at the Charleston School of Law who, out of fear of retribution, wish to remain anonymous; but who also wish to voice their strong opposition to the proposed sale of the School to InfiLaw.

Up until now, most of the school's faculty has remained silent on the pending transaction. Many of the faculty believed—and continue to believe—that speaking against the proposed sale to InfiLaw will result in reprisal or even termination.


Nevertheless, the faculty that I represent wish to make clear that—although fear for their jobs prevents them from signing a public letter to the Commission—they join their fellow faculty members in opposing the sale. Like their colleagues, my clients do not wish to see the Charleston School of Law mirror the admissions practices, attrition rates, transfer rates, or educational programs at the InfiLaw consortium schools. My clients believe, therefore, that the Commission should not approve InfiLaw's application for a license to operate the Charleston School of Law.

To date, I believe the Commission has received at least three letters from or on behalf of the Charleston School of Law faculty: (1) the letter of January 21, 2014 by Professors Randall Bridwell and Gerald Finkel, (2) the letter of May 9, 2014 by eleven members of the faculty, and (3) this letter on behalf of my clients. Taken together, these letters represent a super majority of the faculty opposed to the proposed transaction, who do not believe that granting InfiLaw a license to operate the Charleston School of Law is in the best interests of the students, the faculty, the bench, the bar, or the public of South Carolina.

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On behalf of the dedicated faculty members of the Charleston School of Law I urge the Commission to deny this application, as in the best interests of the people of South Carolina.

Respectfully yours,



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cc: Members, South Carolina Commission on Higher Education (See attachment)
Richard C. Sutton, Executive Director
1122 Lady Street, Suite 300, Columbia, SC 29201

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