



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS—REGION VII

October 4, 2010

Thomas Couram  
P.O. Box 42253  
Frederick burg, VA 22404

Re: Case # 07102112

Dear Mr. Couram:

The U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR), Kansas City Enforcement Office, received your complaint against Friendship University, Wichita, Kansas on September 29, 2010. We are currently evaluating your complaint to determine whether we have authority to investigate your allegations.

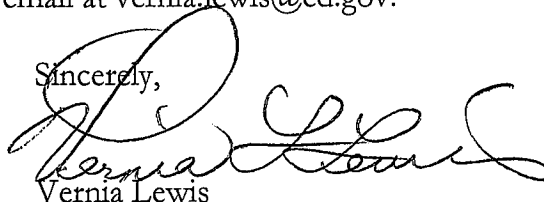
Please read the enclosed document entitled *OCR Complaint Processing Procedures*. Additional information about OCR and the laws we enforce is available on our website at <http://www.ed.gov/ocr>.

We have also enclosed a Consent Form. Please sign and date the enclosed Consent Form and return it to us as soon as possible. You may send the form to us by regular mail or by faxing it to (816) 823-1404. You can also scan the consent form and return it via email to the OCR staff person referenced below. If OCR does not receive the signed consent form within 20 calendar days from the date of this letter, OCR will close your complaint.

If you have additional documentation related to your complaint you would like OCR to consider, you may submit this information to the OCR staff person referenced below. Your submission may be in hard copy or documents scanned into an electronic format, i.e., PDF. For instance, if the scanned data is copied to removable media, such as USB drives or CD/DVD disks, this data may be submitted to OCR as an alternative to reproducing the information in a hard copy format.

OCR is committed to providing prompt and effective service. We will contact you in the near future concerning the status of your complaint. If you have any questions, please contact Vernia Lewis, Equal Opportunity Specialist, at (816) 268-4705 (voice) or (877) 521-2172 (telecommunications device) or by email at [vernia.lewis@ed.gov](mailto:vernia.lewis@ed.gov).

Sincerely,



Vernia Lewis

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