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Re: OCR Docket #15-11-2117 and #15-12-2048

Dear (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

This letter concerns the complaint you filed on July 27, 2011, with the U.S. Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights (OCR), against Xavier University (the University). This complaint was identified in OCR's acknowledgement letter to you as OCR Docket #15-11-2117. In your complaint, you allege that the University failed to respond appropriately when you reported that you were repeatedly sexually harassed by a male student during the (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) school years. In addition, your complaint alleges that the University does not have appropriate grievance procedures that inform complainants of the result of investigations and that allow for complainants to appeal the results.

OCR is investigating this same type of alleged sex discrimination in another complaint against the University filed by a different party, designated as OCR docket #15-12-2048, which alleges that the University has failed to promptly and appropriately respond to alleged sexual harassment, thus allowing a sexually hostile environment against female students to continue at the University, and that the University does not have Title IX grievance procedures. Under our case processing procedures, we will merge your complaint allegations with this other complaint, and your complaint allegations will be processed under OCR docket #15-12-2048. Please refer to that docket number in any further contacts with our office, as we are closing out OCR docket #15-11-2117 effective the date of this letter.

*The Department of Education's mission is to promote student achievement and preparation for global competitiveness by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access.*

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Vincent Cheverine, one of the attorneys assigned to investigate this complaint, by telephone at (216) 522-2676 or by e-mail at [Vincent.Cheverine@ed.gov](mailto:Vincent.Cheverine@ed.gov).

Sincerely,

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