



# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

WENDELLA P. FOX, DIRECTOR  
PHILADELPHIA OFFICE

**February 2, 2011**

IN RESPONSE, PLEASE REFER TO: 03-11-2033

(b)(6); (b)(7)(C)

Dear (b)(6); (b)(7)(C):

This refers to the complaint you filed with the U.S. Department of Education (Department), Office for Civil Rights (OCR), against Glenville State College (the College). You allege that the College discriminated against you (the Student) on the basis of sex. Specifically, you allege that the College:

1. Failed to respond appropriately to the complaint you filed with the College regarding a sexual assault that occurred on (b)(6); (b)(7)(C).
2. Forced you to withdraw from the College on (b)(6); (b)(7)(C).
3. Failed to notify you of its Title IX grievance procedures.

OCR enforces Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (Title IX), 20 U.S.C. § 1681, and its implementing regulation, 34 C.F.R. Part 106. Title IX prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in any education program or activity operated by a recipient of Federal financial assistance. As a recipient of Federal financial assistance from the Department, the College is subject to Title IX and its implementing regulation.

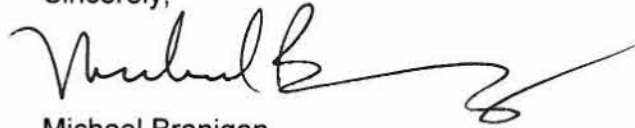
Because OCR has determined that it has jurisdiction and that the complaint was filed timely, it is opening these allegations for investigation. Please note that opening the allegations for investigation in no way implies that OCR has made a determination with regard to its merits. During the investigation, OCR is a neutral fact-finder, collecting and analyzing relevant evidence from the complainant, the recipient, and other sources, as appropriate. OCR will ensure that its investigation is legally sufficient and is dispositive of the allegations, in accordance with the provisions of Article III of the *Case Processing Manual*.

OCR can resolve complaint allegations *before* completing an investigation in two ways: Early Complaint Resolution (ECR) and voluntary resolution agreements. You have indicated that you are not interested in participating in ECR. Complaints can also be resolved before the completion of an investigation through voluntary resolution agreements between OCR and the recipient as follows:

- The recipient expresses an interest in resolving the complaint through an agreement;
- If the complaint can be resolved through a voluntary resolution agreement, OCR will draft an agreement for the recipient's review;
- If the recipient signs a voluntary resolution agreement, OCR will issue letters notifying the Complainant and the recipient that the case has been resolved;
- OCR monitors voluntary resolution agreements;
- The complainant is not a party to the agreement.

If you have any questions, please contact Cynthia Wesley at 215-656-8548 or by email at [cynthia.wesley@ed.gov](mailto:cynthia.wesley@ed.gov). If the complaint is not resolved through mediation, it will be investigated under the supervision of Vicki Piel at 215-656-8522.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael B.", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Michael Branigan  
Acting Team Leader