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Re: Reconsideration of Oklahoma Open Records Act request

To the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents and Open Records Office:

I represent NonDoc Media in connection with a request for public records sought by Tres Savage under the Oklahoma Open Records Act (“ORA”), Okla. Stat. tit. 51, §§ 24A.1-24A.32. NonDoc Media is a non-profit, award-winning media outlet in Oklahoma that works on behalf of the public interest. Mr. Savage is the Editor in Chief and a seasoned reporter at NonDoc Media, where he covers a variety of topics including education.

On May 1, 2019, Mr. Savage submitted an ORA request (a copy of which follows at page two) to the University of Oklahoma for “[a]ny and all reports created by the law firm Jones Day for the University of Oklahoma relating to David Boren or Jim ‘Tripp’ Hall.”

The Open Records Office denied Mr. Savage’s ORA request on June 12, 2019, citing Okla. Stat. tit. 51, §§ 24A.5(1)(a), 24A.7(A), and 24A.12. I respectfully ask you to reconsider your decision and release the requested records to Mr. Savage. If you remain firm in your original decision, please further detail your reasons for denial so that we may intelligently balance them against the public interest in these records.

Do not hesitate to reach out with any questions. Otherwise, I look forward to a response from you within ten days from the date of this letter. If we do not receive the requested records or a written response from you within ten days, we will accept this as a willful decision to withhold the requested public records. NonDoc Media and Mr. Savage reserve all rights in relation to this matter.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Respectfully,



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Wednesday, May 1, 2019

To: Ms. Brookey or the subsequent party in charge,

My name is William W. Savage III (Tres), editor in chief of NonDoc.com. We are a news organization in Oklahoma, and I am hereby requesting the following public records under the Oklahoma Open Records Act:

- Any and all reports created by the law firm Jones Day for the University of Oklahoma relating to David Boren or Jim "Tripp" Hall.

If possible, I request digital copies of this information in PDF or Excell format. Please contact me at (405) 808-0308 with any questions regarding this request. You may also reach me by e-mail at Savage@nondoc.com. Any estimate you can provide as to the timeframe for completion would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you very much for your time and effort.

Sincerely,

William W. Savage III

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William W. Savage III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.