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Dear President Alexander and Chancellor Weiss:

I am writing to report to you the action of the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, taken at its meeting on March 13-14, 2015, with respect to the application of Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law Center, for acquiescence in a Major Change.

On March 13, 2015, the Council considered the School's application for acquiescence in light of the report and recommendation ("Report and Recommendation") adopted by the Accreditation Committee of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar ("the Committee"), at its meeting on January 22-24, 2015, as transmitted to you on behalf of the Committee by my letter to you dated February 18, 2015. In addition to the Committee's Report and Recommendation and all material considered by the Committee, as listed in my February letter, and the transcript of the appearance of the School's representatives before the Committee, the Council had the benefit of a personal appearance made before it by Chancellor Weiss.

The Committee's January 2015 Conclusions were as follows:

**CONCLUSIONS:**

(1) The Law Center's proposal for a realignment of the Law Center within the University constitutes a Major Change within the

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meaning of current Standard 105(a)(6) and current Rule of Procedure 29(a)(6).

(2) In accordance with current Standard 105(b), the Committee concludes that the Law Center has demonstrated that the proposed realignment will not detract from the Law Center's ability to remain in compliance with the Standards.

(3) Acting under current Rule of Procedure 3(a)(3), the Committee recommends that the Council grant acquiescence in the Law Center's application regarding the proposed realignment of the Law Center within the University.

(4) If the Council grants acquiescence in the proposed Major Change, the Committee recommends that the Council, in accordance with current Rule 30(g), appoint a fact finder within six months of the effective date of acquiescence to verify that the Law Center remains in compliance with the Standards.

Following the appearance by Chancellor Weiss and the Council's review of both the written materials submitted on behalf of the School and the record created by the Accreditation Committee, the Council adopted a motion, pursuant to Rule 25(b)(1) of the ABA Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools, to accept the Report and Recommendation of the Committee and granted acquiescence in the application submitted by Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law Center to realign the Law Center within the University. In accordance with the Committee's recommendation and the Council's action, and pursuant to the requirements of current Rule 30(g) of the ABA Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools, a fact finder will be appointed within six months to verify that the Law Center is in compliance with the Standards.

Please feel free to contact me, Deputy Managing Director William E. Adams, Jr., or Executive Assistant Cathy A. Schrage if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Handwritten signature of Barry A. Currier in blue ink, with the initials 'WEA' written to the right of the signature.

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cc: Dean Emeritus Joseph D. Harbaugh