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Professor Jerry Platt, Dean  
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Dear Dean Platt:

As an alumna of State's business school, I have been tasked to offer you an opportunity for comment on certain events occurring in your predecessor's regime. These matters centered on the business faculty's publication of a petition memorialized here:

<http://www.sfecon.com/Quotes/SFState.htm>

This citation has recently become part of our website in order to support a line of reasoning presented here:

<http://www.sfecon.com/Religion.htm>

Professors James Southam and Julien Wade should be able to supply you with any further particulars you might need.

SFEcon's policy is to permit unrestricted rights of reply to any party we cite in a potentially unfavorable manner. If you wish to add anything to Dean Cunningham's disposition of this matter, you can do so at:

<http://www.sfecon.com/GMBoard/wwwboard.shtml>

Alternately, you might wish to have a response posted at State's website, where you have absolute control over its content. In either case, we will at your request link to whatever you have to say, without comment, from the point at which State is cited.

Absent a response, we will continue with the following rendering of our project's intersection with SF State:

1. Certain members of the business faculty, known to Dean Cunningham, appropriated software donated for academic purposes, pirated it; and forced students to purchase it from them in order to complete their course obligations.
2. Microsoft was notified by students of this practice, and forced State to cease these practices.

3. The dean was himself compromised in this matter for having appropriated two computers donated for academic purposes. One computer was assigned to a departmental office; the other arrogated for the dean's private use.
4. Professor Roemer resigned as manager of the computer laboratory when his complicity was required by a department chair.
5. Professor Roemer was the business school's top-rated instructor during the semester in which he was dismissed – this being the semester following the events involving the pirated computers and software, and creation of the faculty petition.
6. Students formally petitioned Dean Cunningham to retain Professor Roemer, and received no response. I believe there were fifty signatures on that petition when I signed it.
7. Several of State's professors gave interviews to the local papers in which these events were portrayed differently.

If any further particulars are required, please contact me by email.

Very truly yours,

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cc: The Honorable Quentin L. Kopp

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The Honorable Quentin L. Kopp  
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County of San Mateo  
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Dear Judge Kopp:

SFEcon's policy is to permit unrestricted rights of reply to any party we cite in a potentially unfavorable manner. We have recently added a page to our website referencing a matter in which you, in your former capacity as State Senator, had some involvement:

<http://www.sfecon.com/Religion.htm>

Our position is 1) that you were personally appealed-to in regard to the particulars outlined in the enclosed copy of our letter to Dean Platt; and 2) that SF State's Provost explained these matters to your satisfaction, to the end that 3) you informed Professor Roemer, in writing, that he was dismissed for "good and stated reasons."

If Professor Roemer's recollection of these particulars is incorrect, we would be pleased to have your notice of our error.

If you wish to add anything to our presentation, you can do so at:

<http://www.sfecon.com/GMBoard/wwwboard.shtml>

Alternately, you might wish to have a response posted at San Mateo County's website, where you have absolute control over its content. In either case, we will at your request link to whatever you have to say, without comment, from the point at which you are cited.

Very truly yours,

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