

DECLARATION OF [REDACTED]

I, [REDACTED], state as follows:

1. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth below, and I am competent to testify.

2. On April 23, 2018, Trish Murphy sent me an email stating that she wanted to talk to me. I emailed her back with some available times, and she then called me back. A copy of Ms. Murphy's email is attached hereto.

3. Ms. Murphy informed me that she was hired by CWU as an investigator, and that she was looking for information pertinent to her investigation. Specifically, Ms. Murphy stated she wanted to ask me about an incident involving a film and politics class I took from Professor Manweller in the summer of 2006. I felt that it was odd for her to be asking me about a class I took from Professor Manweller 12 years ago.

4. After telling me she was investigating an unspecified incident regarding the 2006 film and politics class, Ms. Murphy proceeded to ask me if Professor Manweller had ever offered to trade sexual favors with me in exchange for grades. I told her no. I found her question to be rather comical, because I have taken at least three (3) courses from Professor Manweller, and, based upon my interactions with him, I do not believe he would ever do such a thing.

5. Ms. Murphy also asked me if Professor Manweller ever made any inappropriate advances or comments towards me, and again I said no. She also asked whether I ever used Professor Manweller's office after hours, and I said yes. Ms. Murphy then asked if I felt comfortable doing so, and I again said yes.

6. Ms. Murphy also asked me if I could think of anyone who might have had negative experiences with, or negative feelings towards, Professor Manweller. I again told her no. I also told Ms. Murphy that Professor Manweller has always been fair and treated students with respect, and that I had a hard time believing the allegations that were being made against him. Everyone that I still talk to from my time at CWU also holds Professor Manweller in high regard.

7. After I told Ms. Murphy about my positive opinion of Professor Manweller, she basically said, "Okay, thanks; that's all I needed", and hung up. I was left with the impression that Ms. Murphy did not care to hear any positive information about Professor Manweller.

8. I was also left with the impression that Ms. Murphy was specifically trying to find anyone who had any issues with Professor Manweller, not just students, to support what the media had been saying, and that she was looking only for things that could be used against him.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

8/4, 2018
Ellensburg, WA
Olympia

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confidential CWU investigation - response requested

Trish Murphy <trish@nwworkplacelaw.com>

Mon, Apr 23, 2018 at 3:00 PM

Cc: trish@nwworkplacelaw.com

Dear [Redacted]

My name is Trish Murphy, and Central Washington University has retained me as a neutral fact finder to investigate some concerns raised about a faculty member. Some of these concerns go back several years. (You are not a subject of this investigation.)

Based on the information I have gathered so far, it is possible that you may have some information relevant to my investigation. I would appreciate an opportunity to ask you a few questions.

Is there a good day/time for me to call you? I can make myself available outside of business hours or on the weekend, if that would be most convenient for you.

I look forward to hearing from you, and please don't hesitate to let me know if I can answer any questions.

Best regards,

Trish Murphy

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