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Mr. Adam Kissel
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601 Walnut Street, Suite 510
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Re: Your letter of January 24, 2012 regarding Professor Maurice Eisenstein

Dear Mr. Kissel:

Thank you for your letter of January 24, 2012. I respect your organization's advocacy in support of U.S. Constitutional principles.

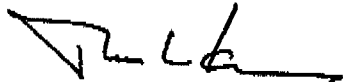
The university's commitment to these principles is expressly stated in Purdue University's Anti-Harassment policy. Specifically, our policy provides:

Freedom of thought and expression are the lifeblood of our academic community and require an atmosphere of mutual respect among diverse persons, groups and ideas. The maintenance of mutually respectful behavior is a precondition for the vigorous exchange of ideas, and it is the policy of the University to promote such behavior in all forms of expression and conduct. The University reaffirms its commitment to freedom of speech as guaranteed by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution. Accordingly, any form of speech or conduct that is protected by the First Amendment is not subject to this policy. The University reaffirms its commitment to academic freedom, which is essential to its educational mission and is critical to diversity and intellectual life.

<http://www.purdue.edu/policies/ethics/iic1.html>

While I decline your invitation to discuss Professor Eisenstein with you or other members of FIRE because it is the university's practice to communicate directly with our employees, I can assure that we will follow all applicable University policies and procedures. Thank you for your interest in Purdue University Calumet.

Sincerely,



Thomas L. Keon
Chancellor

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