

201 EAST JACKSON STREET

SUITE 400

MUNCIE, INDIANA 47305-2847

TELEPHONE 765-288-3651

FAX 765-288-7068

June 19, 2000

Nicholas Hentoff
Legal Director
Foundation for Civil Rights and Education, Inc.
The Lafayette Building
437 Chestnut Street, Suite 200
Philadelphia, PA 19106

REED D. VORAN (1913-1994)

Re: Your Letter to Ball State University President John Worthen Concerning
Recognition of Student Religious Organizations

SAMUEL L. REED

Dear Mr. Hentoff:

RICHARD D. HUGHES

We are the attorneys for Ball State University. President Worthen asked that I respond to your above-referenced letter.

JON H. MOLL

GREGORY A. HUFFMAN

The issue raised by your letter has been under review by various bodies within the University's Student Affairs area for nearly a year. After careful study, Ball State University has determined that it will not require student religious organizations, as a condition of recognition, to include in their constitutions a provision prohibiting discrimination in member selection to the extent that doing so would be contrary to the organization's religious beliefs or tenets. However, the University will continue its current policy of limiting University funding of programs and activities to those which are open to all students without regard to race, religion, national origin, gender, age, disability, sexual orientation, or Viet Nam Veteran status.

STEVEN D. MURPHY

SCOTT E. SHOCKLEY

JENNIFER J. ABRELL

JAMES P. BORGMANN

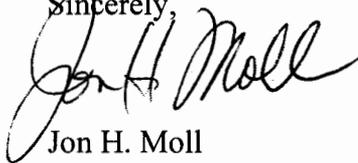
BONNIE L. MARTIN

We believe this answers the concern raised in your letter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or write.

TAMMY S. FALLER

MICHELLE L. COOPER

Sincerely,



Jon H. Moll

OF COUNSEL

WILLIAM F. RADCLIFF

JHM/cas

ADMINISTRATOR

cc: Dr. John E. Worthen
Dr. Richard C. McKee
Dr. Douglas McConkey
Dr. Barbara Jones
Ms. Kay Bales

CAROL E. GASSEN

DeFur, Voran
Hanley
Radcliff &
Reed
Attorneys
at
Law