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Mr. Kenneth C. Randall, Dean
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Dear President Washington and Dean Randall:

On June 8, 2024, *The Wall Street Journal* published a troubling investigative report about former Antonin Scalia Law School (law school) professor Joshua Wright's apparent use of his influence over academic and career opportunities to seduce young female law students into inappropriate sexual relationships or to harass them sexually at various points during the period 2004-2023, when he served on the faculty.¹ Furthermore, it appears professor Wright "evaded scrutiny over affairs with students because the university, like Wilson Sonsini [law firm with which Wright associated], found him too valuable to lose," according to allegations of the women.² "His conduct was known around campus, those women said, and complaints to school officials in past years went nowhere."³

As the Chairwoman of the Committee⁴ charged with oversight of Title IX of the *Education Amendments of 1972* (Title IX),⁵ I am deeply disturbed by the allegations in the report. Accordingly, please provide to me no later than July 9, 2024 the following: (1) an explanation of all steps the law school or George Mason University (university) took to investigate each of the students' allegations, as well as the outcomes of those investigations; (2) copies of all Title IX policies and procedures in place during 2004-2023; and (3) steps the law school and the university have taken to protect against such incidents recurring in the future.

¹ <https://www.wsj.com/us-news/education/joshua-wright-student-relationships-c6377572> (published online June 8, 2024; print edition June 10, 2024).

² *Supra* note 1.

³ *Id.*

⁴ U.S. House Committee on Education and the Workforce.

⁵ See Rule X, clauses 1(e)(6), 2, & 3(d) of the Rules of the House of Representatives, 118th Congress (Jan. 10, 2023).

Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Gabriella Pistone at 202-225-4527 or Gabriella.Pistone@mail.house.gov. Thank you. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Virginia Foxx". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Virginia Foxx
Chairwoman
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