

April 12, 2013

Dr. Belle S. Wheelan, President
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges
1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033

Dear Dr. Wheelan:

Enclosed you will find a prospectus for Texas A&M University's (TAMU) proposed acquisition of the Texas Wesleyan University School of Law (TWUSL) in Fort Worth, Texas. Also enclosed is a teach-out plan and agreement prepared by TWUSL. As notified in a letter to SACSCOC, which is included as a prospectus appendix item, we respectfully request approval for this acquisition at the June 2013 meeting of SACSCOC Board of Trustees.

While the proposed TAMU-TAMHSC merger is part of a substantive change request that includes a proposed law school acquisition, we submit this prospectus as an independent component of that two-part request. We have consulted with SACSCOC Vice President Cheryl Cardell and other staff members about the best approach for our requests, and we understand that it would be possible for the SACSCOC Board to consider the proposed TAMU-TAMHSC merger as a separate request. We also understand this means it is possible for one or both substantive change requests to be either approved or denied independent of each other.

If approved, TWUSL would become "Texas A&M University School of Law at Texas Wesleyan University." Administratively, TAMUSL would become an additional academic school parallel to the existing ten schools and colleges currently at TAMU. The current school is fully accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA) and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools.

The attached letter from Texas Wesleyan University president Fred Slabach was written after consultation with Dr. Wheelan. It requests that, if the SACSCOC Board of Trustees authorizes the acquisition in June 2013, the official date of SACSCOC approval be deferred to **August 15, 2013** with a 30-day implementation date no later than September 14, 2013. This special request is made in order to accommodate ABA approval timelines. Our proposed implementation date, therefore, is "Within 30 days of the requested approval date of August 15, 2013." A copy of a subsequent letter from TAMU president R. Bowen Loftin to Dr. Wheelan endorsing this request for an alternative approval date is attached. Please let us know if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Bowen Loftin".

R. Bowen Loftin, President
Texas A&M University

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fred Slabach".

Frederick G. Slabach, President
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