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To Whom It May Concern:

In February 2011, Dr. [REDACTED] brought to the American Philosophical Association (APA) a complaint of professional rights violations by DePaul University. The APA's board of officers has not made the decision to censure DePaul University in response to this complaint at this time. However, the board of officers does have serious concerns with regard to the actions of the university and has directed me to send this letter on its behalf.

On the basis of a thorough review by the APA committee on the defense of professional rights of philosophers, the board of officers of the American Philosophical Association has concluded that there is strong, un rebutted evidence that DePaul University significantly violated proper procedures in denying tenure to Professor of Philosophy [REDACTED]. DePaul University has declined our requests for further substantive information in this matter. In the absence of any such response, the board of officers of the APA, on the basis of a unanimous vote, hereby expresses its strong disapprobation of DePaul University.

The APA's board of officers will revisit this case in due time; if DePaul University has still failed to provide a substantive response to the allegations, the university may face censure. The association looks forward to the university's response.

This letter will be published on the APA's website with the complainant's name redacted.

Yours,



Michael Bratman  
Chair, Board of Officers

cc: Amy Ferrer, Executive Director  
Larry May, Chair, Committee on the Defense of Professional Rights of Philosophers  
Department of Philosophy, DePaul University, c/o Michael Naas, Chair  
[REDACTED], complainant