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Mr. Kevin A. Lahn
108 Ridgecote Lane
Kennett Square, PA 19348-1722

Re: Notice of Disassociation

Dear Mr. Lahn:

This letter is to provide you formal notification of your disassociation from the University of South Carolina and its athletics programs and student-athletes, pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 19.5.2.6.

Last year, the NCAA initiated an inquiry into aspects of the University of South Carolina athletics programs. In connection therewith, at the request of the NCAA, you were interviewed on more than one occasion by representatives from the NCAA Enforcement Staff and the University to obtain your response to information received by the NCAA that you provided or were involved in the provision of impermissible benefits and recruiting contacts to one or more prospective student athletes being recruited by University athletics programs, and that you provided or were involved in the provision of extra benefits to one or more current student athletes, in violation of NCAA rules. Based on your testimony and other available evidence, the University has determined that at least some of the alleged violations involving you were accurate.

Pursuant to NCAA legislation, you are a considered a representative of the University’s athletics interests by virtue of, among other things, your membership in the Gamecock Club and your financial support of the athletics programs. As such, the University is responsible for your conduct and is subject to possible action from the NCAA for any violation in which you are involved. Because of your involvement in violations of NCAA legislation, the University has determined that it must formally disassociate you from the institution and its athletics programs for an indefinite period.
Under NCAA legislation, disassociation is defined as follows:

19.5.2.6 Disassociation of Representatives of Athletics Interests. The disassociation of relations with a representative of an institution's athletics interests may be imposed on a permanent basis, for the duration of the applicable probationary period or for another specified period of time. When an institution is required to show cause why a representative of the institution's athletics interests should not be disassociated from its athletics program, such disassociation shall require that the institution:

(a) Refrain from accepting any assistance from the individual that would aid in the recruitment of prospective student-athletes or the support of enrolled student-athletes;

(b) Not accept financial assistance for the institution's athletics program from the individual;

(c) Ensure that no athletics benefit or privilege be provided to the individual that is not generally available to the public at large; and

(d) Take such other actions against the individual that the institution determines to be within its authority to eliminate the involvement of the individual in the institution's athletics program.

Accordingly, effective immediately, you are disassociated from all activities associated with the University of South Carolina. With respect to athletics, you are prohibited from being present in the University's athletics facilities other than for events and in areas open to the general public. This prohibition includes but is not limited to your presence in University property frequented by student-athletes such as the academic support facilities, the football offices, the weight room, the locker room, and University residence halls.

You should also understand that even though you are no longer a representative of the University's athletics interests, NCAA rules regarding preferential treatment based upon a person's status as an athlete prohibit you from providing any benefit of any nature to any student-athlete enrolled in the University or their relatives. The same is true with regard to prospective student-athletes. In other words, except in very limited circumstances, you must not provide any benefit of any kind to (a) any person who is a current student-athlete at the University, (b) any person considered to be a prospective student-athlete under NCAA rules, or (c) any relative or friend of the persons listed in (a) and (b). Failure on your part to abide by this and other NCAA rules will be a factor in determining the period of your disassociation. A copy of NCAA Bylaw 12.1.2.1.6 and the NCAA's June 6, 2000 interpretation explaining the preferential treatment rule is attached.
Furthermore, you are also disassociated from other University-related activities such as involvement with the alumni association and University development due to the possibility that involvement with these activities may result in contact with, or otherwise impact, student-athletes or prospective student-athletes.

Please be advised that your level of cooperation with the terms of your disassociation will be a factor in determining the period of your disassociation. At the present time, the length of the disassociation is indefinite. If you have any specific questions about the terms or details of your disassociation with respect to athletics, please contact Judy Van Horn, Senior Associate Director of Athletics/Senior Woman Administrator, at (803) 777-7865. If you have any specific questions about the terms or details of your disassociation with respect to other aspects of the University, please contact Walter H. Parham, General Counsel, at (803) 777-7854.

The University regrets that your conduct has necessitated this action. However, we intend to take every step necessary to comply with NCAA rules and regulations and to ensure that the rich athletic tradition that is a vital part of the University is not jeopardized.

Sincerely,

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Director of Athletics

Walter H. Parham
General Counsel

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