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The OCR is seeking comments and my response is to the second step listed in the notice to ensure that schools have grievance procedures that provide for the fair, prompt, and equitable resolution of reports of sexual harassment and other sex discrimination, cognizant of the sensitive issues that are often involved. While this issue was addressed in the last administration with a long, robust period of commentary, it seems that this administration needs to put its own political stamp on it. I respectfully request a reading of my comments for our family has been permanently scared emotionally, mentally, morally, and financial by the lack of respectful fair procedures that occur in college Title IX procedures. Please, look at policies which are unbiased, fair, and nondiscriminatory for all parties.

The large picture of what is currently happening regarding Title IX rules fails to even look at the Title IX legislation and Supreme Court rulings, rather is being misdirected by Dear Colleague letters written not by legislation, which never passed the required Question and Answer rules, and which then threat education institutions with financial damage. The Title IX legislation and the court rulings do not look at individual student actions but at institutional actions, with regard to its students. We are creating an entire separate justice system for students which is not written into the legislation nor in the rulings. Colleges are educational institutions and the attempt to make them quasi criminal courts often leads to biased decisions which are not equal justice. Our court systems are the correct place for actions which are crimes, not educational procedural tribunals which are nothing less then rubber stamps for Title IX administrators.

While the above is a forest representative of Title IX, a personal narrative would include what happens when someone made to go through a biased, unfair, and less then through procedures. Individuals go through emotional break downs and institutionalization. Education is disrupted, and in most cases lost, and under employment ensures. Families are burdened with thousands of dollars of legal fees. A bright smart student becomes incumbered with shame humiliation to the point of suicide. At the result of a student who wanted to switch dorm rooms but was told there are none available. Ah unless, they are able to accuse someone of sexual assault.. So the saga started.