

PRESS RELEASE

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FROM: Jeffry Sanford

TO: NOLA (Emily Lane), WBRZ (Rob Krieger) and WAFB

RE: Statement from Kay Heath responsive to Charlie Roberts and his attorney.

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THE FOLLOWING IS A STATEMENT OF KAY HEATH IN RESPONSE TO THE
CONFLICTING STATEMENTS OF DR. CHARLIE ROBERTS AND HIS ATTORNEY, MOP

“My purpose in bringing a lawsuit against Charlie Roberts and the LSU Alumni Association was to enforce an agreement that resulted in my leaving my job and rendered my dependent on others for my support. I did not intend to address the public or press regarding the lawsuit preferring to let the litigation process establish the truth of my claims. However, yesterday, Charlie Roberts issued a statement that effectively called me a liar and my claims scurrilous and completely false. He flatly denied the agreement that underlies my lawsuit. He flatly denied making monthly payments to me as part of that agreement. And while he did not directly address having a sexual relationship with me or other LSU Alumni Association employees, he certainly implied that nothing that I claimed in my lawsuit was true.

“Remarkably, after Charlie Roberts issued an aggressive and offensive denial of every one of my claims, his attorney released a statement acknowledging that he did in fact make payments to me and implying that he had a sexual relationship with me. She did so only because she now knows that I have proof of these payments. Payments made every single month in the first week of each month. Payments that began as soon as the lump sum payment from the Association was exhausted and continued until this month. Payments made to save his job at the expense of mine. If this sounds like payments made pursuant to an agreement, it is because that is exactly the case.

“I expect this will be the norm for Charlie Roberts throughout this case, he will only admit to the truth through his lawyer and in the face of irrefutable evidence. In time, you will find that all that I claim in my lawsuit is true. In the meantime, I encourage you, the press, to accept Charlie Robert’s invitation to accept any investigation of my claims, him and the Association. If you do and if he honors his invitation, you will find that what I claim in my lawsuit is true. You will also find that he has had multiple sexual encounters with employees during their employment with the Association. You will learn that he provided those partners with advantages due to the sexual relationships. You may even learn of past settlements with former employees or inquiries from a board member as to these sexual encounters. You may learn that Charlie Roberts made the Association a very hostile place for women due to his advances, innuendo and comments. Only an open investigation with the full cooperation of the Association will reveal the complete truth.

“I would like to add one last point, the LSU Alumni Association, despite the acts and misdeeds of Charlie Roberts, is a great organization staffed by many dedicated people. The Association

through its staff and employees provides many good and valuable services to our LSU alumni. They work tirelessly in a difficult environment. It is unfortunate that the acts of a very few are tainting the good work of so many. Please consider this before you comment on the Association as a whole.

“I will not have any further comment on this matter and urge Charlie Roberts to likewise refrain from making the press his conduit for defending this case, particularly if he continues to mislead the press and public as to the facts of this case.”