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University Tribunal

November 13th, 1992

BY REGISTERED MAIL

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. A.

Oakville, Ontario

Dear Mr. A. :

At its hearing on November 9th, 1992, the University Tribunal considered the following charge against you:

1. that on or about April of 1987, you did represent as your own in an academic work submitted for credit in POL 211Y an idea or expression of an idea or work of another contrary to Section E.1.(a)(ii) of the University of Toronto Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters, 1985.

In particular, the paper you submitted was on Private Members' Bills and in it you represented as your own, ideas, expressions and work of Terry L. Hillborn in "Private Members' Bills and Resolutions in the Ontario Legislature" (Ontario Legislative Internship Paper, June 1981).

I am writing to formally advise you of the decision of the Tribunal with respect to the charge. The jury has found you guilty of the charge and has imposed the following sanctions:

- grade of 'O' in POL 211Y;
- suspension of your University of Toronto degree until such time as the course POL 211Y is repeated or replaced;
- notation of the sanction and the reasons for it on your transcript until the course has been repeated or replaced;
- that the decision and sanctions imposed be reported to the Vice-President and Provost for publication in the University newspapers.

In reaching its decision, the jury stated:

"Pertaining to a mark of zero for the course, we accept the reasons presented by the lawyer for the University of Toronto, and that this is consistent with similar practice when this offense has been detected while the course is still going on. This is also consistent with G.1.(e) of the University of Toronto Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters, coupled with the magnitude of the essay's weighted mark in the course."

"Pertaining to the suspension of the degree, the jury feels that Mr.

A.'s degree should be suspended until such time as the course in question or its equivalent will be made up. This is consistent with the fact that receiving a mark of zero for the course will result in failure of Mr. A. to qualify for his degree. Revoking Mr. A.'s degree was not felt to be acceptable as the jury would like to maintain Mr. A.'s ability to complete his degree afterward."

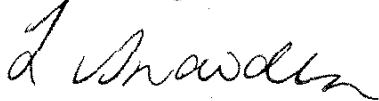
"Pertaining to the length of time that the offense will be listed on Mr.

A.'s transcript, the jury feels that the offense will be present on his transcript until such time as the course in question or its equivalent is made up. This enables him to remove this remark from his transcript in less than one year if he chooses to do so, but at the same time it does not free him from this sanction if the completion of his degree is delayed, up to the maximum time that such a remark is allowed to stay on his transcript."

"In accordance with H.5 of the University of Toronto Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters, the jury feels that a notice of the decision of the Tribunal, of the sanctions imposed should be published in campus newspapers. We feel this is necessary to uphold the standards of the University by notifying the university community that plagiarism is a serious offense and will not be tolerated."

Information concerning rights of appeal may be found in Section L of the Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters. The deadline for filing an appeal by you or by the University is December 4th, 1992.

Yours truly,



Lynn Snowden
Secretary
University Tribunal

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