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University Tribunal

September 1, 1994

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Ms T

Toronto, Ontario

Dear Ms T.

At its hearing on August 31st, 1994, the University Tribunal considered the following charge against you:

THAT on or about January 31, 1994, you did represent as your own in an academic work and submitted for credit, an idea or an expression of an idea or work of another, contrary to Section B.I.1.(d) of the University of Toronto Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters.

In particular, in the fall of 1993, you were enrolled in CRI 3150L, taught by Professor Beattie. On January 31, 1994, you handed in an essay for credit entitled: "Women and Crime: A Literary Review", in which you represented as your own the work of the following people and copied it without acknowledgment: Roy Porter (from a review in New Statesman and Society and chapter ten of the book, Rape (eds. Porter and Tomaselli), and the entire review of Anna Clark's book Women's Silence, Men's Violence by Joyce Sanders Pedersen in the Journal of Society History.

I am writing to advise you formally of the decision of the Tribunal with respect to this charge. The jury found you guilty of the charge, and agreed to impose the following sanctions:

- assignment of a failing grade in the course CRI 3150L;
- a suspension from the University of Toronto for a period of five years;
- that both the above sanctions be recorded on your transcript for a period of five years; and
- that the sanctions imposed be reported to the Vice-President and Provost for publication in the University newspapers.

The spokesperson for the jury gave the following reasons for its decision: "The jury agrees with the counsel for the University that this was a case of blatant and massive plagiarism. While the jury feels that the offence was not premeditated, but rather was an act of desperation, nevertheless, the seriousness of the offence, and the fact that it was committed by a graduate student, a mature student, warrants a severe penalty that carries with it a profound deterrence effect."

Information concerning rights of appeal may be found in Section C.III of the Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters. The deadline for filing an appeal by you or by the University is September 30th, 1994.

Yours truly,

Lynn Snowden

Secretary,

University Tribunal

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