



AVE MARIA
SCHOOL OF LAW

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RE: Ave Maria School of Law

Dear Editor:

The following headline in your July 17, 2007 posting was defamatory of Ave Maria Law School of Law and its faculty:

"Ave Maria Law School entangled in porn scandal. Priest directed computer staff to scrub hard drive."

Before publishing such a statement it was incumbent upon your publication to investigate the underlying facts. If you had done so, you would have discovered that:

1. The underlying blog link to the defamatory headline did not support the headline. To the contrary, it belied the headline.
2. The alleged "scrubbing" was thoroughly investigated nearly two years ago by both Ave Maria School of Law and the police. The result of the investigation revealed that no scrubbing had occurred and no one at Ave Maria School of Law had been asked to do so, much less suggested that it be done. Had you simply bothered to call the priest in question, Ave Maria School of Law, or the police you would have learned these facts. Recklessly, you failed to do so.

On behalf of Ave Maria School of Law, its faculty, and students I demand that you publish a retraction in a place of equal prominence in the *New Oxford Review*, and this letter as well.

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