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Superior Court Rules in Favor of The Claremont Colleges

Key Clarifications Issued in On-Going Litigation with Claremont School of Theology

On Tues., Jan. 4, the Superior Court issued key rulings in favor of The Claremont Colleges (TCC) in its litigation with the Claremont School of Theology (CST). Both the Court of Appeals (Jan. 2021 and Jun. 2021) and the Superior Court (Jan. 2022) have conclusively ruled in favor of TCC and its legal right to own and control CST's former campus property.

- The original 1957 agreement between TCC and CST is enforceable as originally written.
- The Right of First Offer created in the 1957 agreement has been triggered.
- CST must promptly give TCC an offer to sell the property in accordance with the Right of First Offer, including the pricing formula prescribed by that right.
- CST is prohibited from seeking to lease, sell or transfer the property to any third parties, including Yalong Investment Group, LLC.
- Yalong is prohibited from using, occupying, or possessing any part of the property.

The litigation has been complex and taken several years, but TCC is the prevailing party. The rulings issued provide a clear path forward for resolution of this matter.

We are pleased with the Court's rulings. We remain steadfast in our commitment to protect the legacy of the Scripps family and ensuring that the land donated to TCC and provided to CST in 1957 is used in a manner consistent with the higher education mission of The Claremont Colleges. As invested members of the Claremont community for 135 years and firmly committed to our home, The Claremont Colleges are duty bound to protect the property entrusted to us for the benefit of our students, faculty and staff as well as the community. TCC will continue to keep our community apprised of the resolution of this matter as well as the future use of the property, preserving it for higher education use.

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About The Claremont Colleges

The Claremont Colleges is comprised of five undergraduate liberal arts colleges and two graduate institutions including Pomona College, Claremont Graduate University, Scripps College, Claremont McKenna College, Harvey Mudd College, Pitzer College and Keck Graduate Institute. Located on contiguous campuses in the Southern California city of Claremont, each institution has its own student body, faculty, governance, curricular emphasis, culture, and mission. Intercollegiate cooperation provides university-scale services and facilities. With almost 10,000 students and 3,300 faculty and staff, located on more than 540 acres of land, The Claremont Colleges benefit from the diverse missions, character and culture, as well as the integration of academic and extracurricular programs that make up this truly unique consortium.

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