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Senator Richard Senator Alarcón  
College and University Admissions and  
Outreach, Chair  
State Capitol, Room 4035  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Alarcón:

Please assist former and current California State University faculty and staff in our efforts to persuade CSU Trustees to immediately suspend activities of the CSU whistleblower program, pending an investigation into its current policies and practices by the California Bureau of State Audits.

In its current design and application, the CSU whistleblower program, which promises protection from retaliation, frequently fuels or sanctions it. Too often, the Vice-Chancellor, who oversees the program, leaves the decision-making regarding handling of complaints to the very campus officials that complainants are seeking redress and protection from. This problem is compounded by the CSU's arrogant refusal to admit wrongdoing and to choose expensive litigation at the taxpayers' expense rather than hold wrongdoers accountable for their actions. In this kind of system, those who have valid concerns are silenced while corruption flourishes.

Please review the enclosed documents regarding the failed promises of the whistleblower program. Among them is a synopsis of my own whistleblower case, which ultimately resulted in my being fired after the respondents in my case were allowed to raise the tenure bar for me six months before my tenure portfolio was due (full details at <http://patwashington.org>).

You've stood up against wrongdoing in California's systems of higher education before. Please do so again.

Please assist in this matter.

Sincerely,

Pat Washington, Ph.D.  
(Washington v. CSU Board of Trustees)

Enclosures