

From: Leek, Tom <Tom.Leek@myfloridahouse.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 07, 2019 4:53 PM
To: Rubottom, Don <Don.Rubottom@myfloridahouse.gov>; Mitz, Carine <Carine.Mitz@myfloridahouse.gov>; Kiner, Kerrington <Kerrington.Kiner@myfloridahouse.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Your Request

Thomas J. Leek

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From: John Hitt <John.Hitt@ucf.edu>
Date: February 7, 2019 at 4:52:03 PM EST
To: "Tom.Leek@myfloridahouse.gov" <Tom.Leek@myfloridahouse.gov>
Cc: John Hitt <John.Hitt@ucf.edu>
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Sincerely,

From: Rubottom, Don
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2019 6:34 PM
To: 'john.hitt@ucf.edu'
Cc: Leek, Tom; Mitz, Carine
Subject: RE: Your Request

Dear Dr. Hitt,

Chairman Leek asked me to respond to your email of yesterday afternoon. The Public Integrity & Ethics Committee is very desirous to hear from you now that the UCF investigative report has been published by the Board of Trustees. The Committee has declared its desire to hear you in person on Tuesday February 19 and for you to be deposed prior to that. In light of your declining the invitation to travel to Tallahassee, would you be available for a telephone interview by House staff any time Monday morning February 18 (or sooner) and/or to call in to the committee meeting between 2 and 4 pm on Tuesday, February 19?

Please respond by close of business Monday, February 11 so that we may plan accordingly.

Respectfully,

Don Rubottom
Staff Director

PS The committee phone number is 850-717-4881 and my personal cell number is 850-322-1831 in case you would like to talk in person. I will be working Saturday as well as Monday here in Tallahassee.

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From: John Hitt <John.Hitt@ucf.edu>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 4:18 PM
To: Rubottom, Don
Subject: Your Request

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Mr. Rubottom:

I received your note. If you will send me your questions, I will do my best to answer them.

John C. Hitt

From: Rubottom, Don
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 4:24 PM
To: 'John Hitt'
Subject: RE: Your Request

Dr. Hitt,

Thank you for your reply. I will let you know what Chair Leek decides to do.

Don Rubottom

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From: Rubottom, Don
Sent: Wednesday, February 13, 2019 1:16 PM
To: 'John Hitt'
Cc: Leek, Tom; Mitz, Carine
Subject: RE: Your Request

Dr. Hitt,

Forgive my delayed response. I intended to respond last evening after our late afternoon committee meeting but Mr. Garvy dropped by my office and that conversation put me way off schedule.

Whether or not we send you questions, do you want the Florida House of Representatives to understand that you are unwilling to answer questions by telephone under any circumstances during this investigation of UCF financial practices? We are very happy to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Please reply within 24 hours if at all possible.

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Staff Director

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From: John Hitt <John.Hitt@ucf.edu>
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