

Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals Hands Down Historic Title IX Victory in Cyber Sexual Harassment Case of Feminist Majority Foundation v. University of Mary Washington

Washington DC— In a groundbreaking decision with national implications, the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit ruled on Wednesday that universities have obligations under Title IX and the Constitution to investigate and take steps to end online sex-based harassment and threats targeting students on campus. Furthermore, a university cannot hide behind the First Amendment as an excuse for not taking action against online threats and harassment. Plaintiffs, their lawyer, and Title IX experts will speak at a press conference hosted by the Feminist Majority Foundation to be held on Thursday, December 20, 2018 at the National Press Club in Washington, DC.

Who: Debra Katz, plaintiff's attorney, Katz, Marshall & Banks

Paige McKinsey, plaintiff, former UMW student, former president of Feminists United on Campus

Kelli Musick, plaintiff, former UMW student, national campus coordinator, Feminist Majority Foundation

Eleanor Smeal, president, Feminist Majority Foundation

Randy Weingarten, president, American Federation of Teachers

Nina Chaudhry, general counsel & senior advisor for education, National Women's Law Center

Lisalyn Jacobs, Title IX expert (invited)

When: Thursday, December 20, 2018 at 1:00 PM EST

Where: Murrow Room, National Press Club, 529 14th St NW, Washington DC 20045