

progress report: the administrators who threatened the lives of faculty members have been chased away

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You may remember getting from me an email with this subject line on Nov 9, 2018:

URGENT - the lives of two faculty members at W&M, Cathy Forestell and Michael Halleran, have been threatened

Those on campus know what I said was, or could be, true; those off campus do not, and my email explained just that. I did not attempt to defend that claim. I am FULLY aware of how I appear to you in these emails--each of you differently, by the way, depending on where you are and how long you have been in this group. The important thing is, that claim was true, and it alarmed the two people who were threatening and arresting faculty: John Poma, Chief of Human Resources, and Deb Love, University Counsel.

I knew they were scared because they began a counteroffensive, announced by Attorney General's Office the next week. See the attachment. A letter date Nov 13, 2018. For one thing, Poma and Love began a really aggressive campaign to block all communications with campus. I had to switch from Gmail to ProtonMail and I have had to change addresses each time I send a message.

In the end, I won. Poma and Love saw they could not stop me and they disappeared the first week of January.

If you don't believe I scared them away, check the W&M website. Here is what it says in the Human Resources section:

Yes. VACANT.. This is the guy who with Deb Love had me arrested six times.

Poma is gone, he's not coming back, not ever, and that is a huge victory for W&M.

When I learned that Poma was gone, I knew Love was too. I think I explained this to you all--but my emails are blocked, so I'm not sure you saw my reasoning.

If you go to the University Counsel section of the W&M website, sure enough, Deb Love is not mentioned:

Note that we have no University Counsel. I imagine Sarah is managing the office day to day.

Further evidence that Deb Love is gone. Try the link that once went to the page featuring University Counsel:

https://www.wm.edu/offices/universitycounsel/directory/love_d.phplove_d.php

It says now:

Oh heavens!

The page you desire is not within our compendium.

John Poma and Deb Love, as W&M faculty involved in this case know, were the ones doing all the intimidating, threatening, and arresting. Fact.

They have been driven away by me. Using only email. Also a fact. I can prove it by showing you what happened after I go the AG's letter. Write me and I will send you the evidence.

And look at my January 21 op-ed. And Nov 27 and Dec 5 p-eds. I am making many contributions to the College.

Is there anyone out there, in any location, who wishes to question my competence?

Look at what I have done. OR: Challenge me and I can prove my capabilities to you. I would welcome the opportunity.

Meanwhile, please know, faculty on campus are so lost they do not even know if they are safe from arrest.

Faculty on campus: You are safe. Poma and Love are never, ever coming near campus again. I explained that to you, but the email perhaps did not arrive. You can now go about your business and know that no one is going to be arrested. No more threats. No more intimidation.

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Now at the present moment, I desperately need help. From anyone who wishes to help the College of William & Mary. Here is the main task: to get the information I have gathered over the past three years to President Rowe. I also face certain developments that are threats to my life. Those are secondary. I absolutely MUST get the information I have to the president of the College of William & Mary.

For example, she probably would like to know why Poma and Love suddenly left, don't you think? I can tell her. No one else can. She is directing a major overhaul of W&M. She needs this information.

Faculty on campus--Govt Dept and Faculty Assembly--any takers?

No.

And that should be a sign to those of you at other universities that I am in the right. It was Poma and Love who terminated me. The faculty decided to

either (1) join in or (2) watch. So they do NOT want me to talk to the president.

Does the silence of the faculty at W&M in the face of my pleas to get the information I have to Pres Rowe not prove who is right and who isn't? Assuming that the faculty will refuse to help, that is. I can assure you, the faculty will work to block me from getting to President Rowe if they can. Absolutely. Which raises the issue of threats to my life. I will leave those aside for now.

I desperately need help. My best bet is now scholars outside of W&M. I have added new university names to the list. I realize mass emails are not for two-way communication. So I will be contacting some of you individually to see if you can help. In the meantime, please challenge me if you doubt my competence.

Thank you.

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