



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
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Reverend James N. Laughran, S.J.  
President  
Loyola Marymount University  
7101 West 80th Street  
Los Angeles, California 90045

Dear Father Laughran:

The Office for Civil Rights of the Department of Education (OCR/ED) is in the process of resolving a number of pending requests for religious exemption from Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. OCR recently reviewed a request filed by Loyola Marymount University and determined that we needed further information to make a decision to grant an exemption.

On April 19, 1985, OCR sent a request for more information to you, specifying that the original request did not provide sufficient information regarding the specific section number(s) of the Title IX regulation from which an exemption is sought for OCR to make a determination. OCR received no response to this initial request for more information and sent a second request on July 3, 1985. OCR's second request letter indicated that if we did not hear from you within 30 days that we would assume that Loyola Marymount University no longer had need for a religious exemption to the Title IX regulation.

OCR has not received a response to either request for information. We are assuming that your institution no longer desires a religious exemption. Therefore, OCR has closed your request file. If you determine in the future that your institution requires a religious exemption from Title IX, you will need to submit a new request letter to:

John E. Palomino  
Acting Regional Civil Rights Director  
Office for Civil Rights, Region IX  
Department of Education  
221 Main Street, 10th Floor  
San Francisco, California 94105

Sincerely yours,

*James M. Littlejohn*  
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Acting Director  
Policy and Enforcement Service  
Office for Civil Rights

cc: John E. Palomino, Acting Regional Civil Rights Director, Region IX