



Via Email: aniela@vetsedsuccess.org

Ms. Aniela Szymanski Veterans Education Success 1250 H Street, NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20005 JAN 1 7 2020

Re: Freedom of Information Act Tracking Number 20-03209-F

Dear Ms. Szymanski,

This letter acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) dated January 7, 2020, in which you are seeking:

- Any and all records and communications Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) possesses
  regarding any meetings, interactions, emails, or other correspondence between VA and
  Career Education Corporation (CEC) or its subsidiaries American Intercontinental University
  and Colorado Technical University, or any other owner or representative acting on behalf of
  CEC or its owners, between January 1, 2019 and January 1, 2020.
- Specifically, we seek records of interactions and communications pertaining to any actual or potential adverse actions (such as sanctions, suspensions, fines, preliminary findings from the FTC) by the VA, or any other federal agency, as well as any discussions regarding CEC schools' eligibility for VA educational benefit programs. This includes interactions and communications with VA's Office of General Counsel.

The FOIA Service received your request on January 8, 2020, and assigned it FOIA tracking number **20-03209-F**. Please refer to this number when communicating with the VA about this request.

The records you requested, if they exist, would be maintained at the Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Education Service and the Office of General Counsel (OGC). Therefore, we are redirecting your request to this office for a file search and a direct response to you. If you wish to know the status of your request, please contact them directly at the following address:

Department of Veterans Affairs
Attention: Ms. Cheryl Amitay
VBA, Education Service
810 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20420

Email: 22FOIA.VBACO@va.gov

Phone: (202) 632-8907 Fax: (202) 275-2636

Questions regarding the status of your request should be directed to Ms. Amitay.

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Department of Veterans Affairs Attention: M. Renee Baxter OGC, (026H) VACO 810 Vermont Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20420

Email: ogcfoiarequests@va.gov

Phone: (202) 461-7860 Fax: (202) 273-9299

Questions regarding the status of your request should be directed to Ms. Baxter.

We appreciate your interest in the VA. If you have any questions concerning this letter, you may contact Jacqueline Short, of my staff at 202-632-7426.

Sincerely,

Ms. Doloras Johnson

Director, VACO FOIA Service

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