



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

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Angelo Armenti, Jr., Ph.D.
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201 Elgin Court
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Dear Dr. Armenti:

Thank you for your letter dated May 4, 2015, in which you express concerns about the performance of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) and its adherence to the general statutory mission of the agency under Article XX-A of the Public School Code (popularly known as Act 188). Please know that I plan to share your letter with those who advise the Governor on education issues.

In addition, please be assured that as the Commonwealth agency principally responsible to serve as PASSHE's legal advisor, the Office of General Counsel will continue to work with PASSHE leaders and management to assist them in performing their public responsibilities in conformity with law.

We appreciate your continuing interest in Pennsylvania's system of higher education and welcome your comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Denise J. Smyler".

Denise J. Smyler
General Counsel