

Lawsuit: Student might settle case out of court

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ley has also made sexual advances toward other students and that University officials were aware of those advances but continued to allow Moseley to have contact with students.

"The University of Oregon was previously informed by other students and employees that [Gerard] Moseley had engaged in inappropriate sexual contact directed at male students of the University of Oregon, had sexually pursued male students and had demonstrated a propensity for continuing this behavior in the future," the lawsuit alleges.

Reed first contacted the University about the sexual misconduct around March 29. He talked to Kenneth Lehrman, director of the Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity, and Moseley's supervisor, John Moseley, provost and vice president of academic affairs, according to a tort claim notice filed with the state Attorney General June 6. (John Moseley is not related to Gerard Moseley.)

Reed was prepared to file a formal complaint against Gerard Moseley on April 10 but waited until April 29 because he was told that University President Dave Frohnmayer had ordered a presidential investigation, according to the notice.

A presidential investigation takes place only when two or

more formal complaints have been filed against a faculty member, Lehrman said. He declined to comment on whether such an investigation had been launched or on any complaints filed against Moseley, saying it would be an invasion of Moseley's privacy.

In the lawsuit filed Sept. 15, Reed accuses the University of failing to provide an effective means for complaining about inappropriate sexual conduct by University employees and of not taking appropriate action against employees who have been accused of sexual misconduct.

Peter Swan, legal affairs assistant for the president, chose not to comment on the University's response to the lawsuit.

The University does not have a standard set of actions to take against faculty members who have repeatedly sexually harassed students, Lehrman said. Punishment can range from pay sanctions to termination.

Reed is suing for an undetermined amount to pay for attorney fees, doctor bills and lost time in school that resulted from the emotional trauma of the alleged incident. Reed is willing to settle out of court if Moseley and the University will give him financial compensation, said Susan Chanti, Reed's attorney.

"We would still like to resolve this case without continued litigation," she said.

Religion: Ram's horn signals Jewish New Year

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often couldn't schedule their classes on time because they were in temple.

"I think it is about time that students and faculty are recognized as a visible Jewish community," he said. "It doesn't feel good to feel ignored."

Former University President Myles Brand proposed delaying the first day of classes to recognize Rosh Hashanah two years ago and the Oregon State

System of Higher Education supported the change, Registrar Herb Chereck said.

Sills compared the importance of Rosh Hashanah to Jews to the importance of Christmas to Christians.

Traditionally Rosh Hashanah marks the first of 10 days during which God records everyone's names in either the book of life or the book of death, Gechter said.

During the 10 days people

pay debts and seek forgiveness from those they have hurt during the year. The last of the 10 days is Yom Kippur.

Sills blew a shofar, which is a ram's horn, Sept. 21 and 22 at the EMU Terrace to alert people the two holidays are fast approaching.

People also blew shofars at the green knoll between the Bean and Hamilton residence halls and the overlook of Prince Lucien Campbell Hall.



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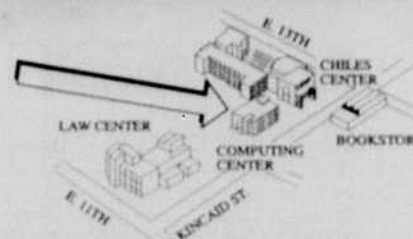
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