

Regulating Your Sex Life

Federal Mandate Throws

Due Process Out the Window

The federal government has issued a Directive that revokes students' fundamental civil rights, turns unwitting women into victims, and silences the real victims of sexual assault.

Issued by the U.S. Department of Education (DED), its "Dear Colleague" mandate is now the law of the land at every college and university in the country.

Presumption of Guilt

The new DED Directive:

- Radically expands the definition of rape. If a woman goes into a bar, drinks a single beer, and then has sex -- *yes, she's now a victim of sexual assault or rape!*
- Requires campus disciplinary committees, which often lack legal expertise to deal with complicated sex cases, to handle allegations of sexual assault.
- Mandates use of the 51% "preponderance of evidence" standard of proof, instead of the long-accepted "clear and convincing" (70-80%) level of proof.

Harvey Silverglate, former board member of the Massachusetts ACLU, warns that thanks to the DED law, "a mere accusation ends the accused student's college career."

Students have already been kicked out of William and Mary College, the University of North Dakota, and other universities -- *even though police found no basis for the charges.*

Groups Speak Out

Leading faculty and civil rights groups have come out against the DED mandate:

1. American Association of University Professors
2. National Association of Scholars
3. Foundation for Individual Rights in Education

Columnists: 'Is this for real?'

Over 20 editorialists have sharply criticized the Directive. Three examples:

- Nathaniel Zelinsky: *Title IX and the Death of Free Speech at Yale*
- Christina Hoff Sommers: *In Making Campuses Safe for Women, a Travesty of Justice for Men*
- Wendy McElroy: *Dumbing Down the Charge of Rape*
- **False Allegations Hurt Real Victims**

It's no secret that false allegations of rape are a problem on campuses -- remember the Duke lacrosse case? The problem will only get worse, now that long-standing due process protections have been removed.

So what happens after a high-profile rape accusation turns out to be bogus? Will the real victims of rape be willing to come forward? Will they be believed?

Join the Accusing U. Campaign

The Department of Education is engaging in an outrageous assault on students' civil rights, and silencing the real victims of crime.

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