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Dear Ms. Hunt,

This letter is a request for public records pursuant to the Kentucky Open Records Act (KORA). The term "records" as used below, means all documents "regardless of physical form or characteristics, which are prepared, owned, used, in the possession of or retained by" Murray State University ("MSU"). KRS 61.870(2). And, as it pertains to any requests for email or text communications between named individuals, it requests all emails or messages, any responses thereto, and all attachments, sent to or from those individuals in any combination, including in communications with other parties not mentioned in the request.

- A. Records to and from **Dr. Robert Jackson**, President, **Tim Todd**, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and former WKMS Station Manager **Chad Lampe**, relating to a "Zoom" conference call and the subjects discussed between the three on or about November 23, 2020. This request includes the "invitation" sent to the parties. It is specifically inclusive of records prior to or subsequent to the meeting relevant to the purpose of the meeting (matter(s) pertaining to public radio station WKMS) that raise, memorialize, summarize, or discuss topics covered during the meeting. These records may include, but are not limited to content about, complaints received by President Jackson about WKMS, the mission and purpose of WKMS, whether investigative reporting is or should be part of the mission of WKMS, policy for managing the filing of open records requests by WKMS staff, responsibility for the WKMS approach to news, content issues, Calloway County Covid numbers and complaints from politicians. **The time period for this request is October 1, 2020 to July 1, 2022.**
- B. Records to and from David Eaton, Dean of the Arthur J. Bauernfeind College of Business, Chad Lampe, former Station Manager WKMS, Tim Todd, Provost

and Vice President for Academic Affairs relating to grants, budgeting, budget reductions, the Ohio Valley Resource, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB), Louisville Public Media, Public Media Code of Integrity, and NPR (National Public Radio). The time period for this request is December 2020 to July 1, 2022.

- C. Records to and from **Dr. Robert Jackson**, President, **Tim Todd**, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, **Eric Crigler**, then Chair, Murray State Board of Trustees, **each and every member of the Murray State Board of Regents in 2021and the current membership** relating to a meeting or conversation between Jackson and Crigler in January 2021(believed to be during the week of January 23, 2021) during which was discussed a reexamination of the mission and purpose of WKMS. The request is specifically inclusive of records prior to or subsequent to the meeting or conversation described that raise, memorialize, summarize, or discuss the meeting or conversation, and/or the mission and purpose of WKMS, political perception of WKMS, investigative reporting at WKMS, the role of WKMS in student education, donor and political feedback about WKMS, policy on Open Records requests made by WKMS and accreditation from the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication **The time period for this request is August 1, 2020 to the present date.**
- D. Records to and from Dr. Robert Jackson, President, David Eaton, Dean of the Arthur J. Bauernfeind College of Business Jacklyn Dudley, Vice-President Finance and Administrative Services and Chad Lampe, former Station Manager WKMS relating to WKMS budgeting. The request is inclusive of but not limited to records related to a \$150,000 loan for transmitter needs at WKMS. The time period for this request is January 1, 2021 to the present date.
- E. The "Self-Study" report required by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication for presentation to the site visit team of the ACEJMC earlier this fall (2022). The time period for the request is January 1, 2021 to the present date.
- F. Records to and from Dr. Kevin Qualls, Chair, Department of Journalism and Mass Communications, Asia Burnett, Interim Station Manager WKMS, Dr. Robert Jackson, President, Tim Todd, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and David Eaton, Dean of the Arthur J. Bauernfeind College of Business relating to the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communication current accreditation renewal process for Murray State University. The time period for the request is January 1, 2021 to the present date.

We remind you the General Assembly of the Commonwealth has declared that "free and open examination of public records is in the public interest" and the law "shall be strictly construed, even though such examination may cause inconvenience or embarrassment to public officials or others."

We request your timely response as required by the laws of the Commonwealth. Digital delivery of these documents is preferred. We will be happy to supply a jump drive for your convenience.

As time is of the essence, incremental fulfillment of our request would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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