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**Attorney Complained of:** Docket # 2016: 2420, Jane E. Booth, 412 Low Memorial Library, 535 West 116<sup>th</sup> St., New York, NY 10027, 212-854-0286, jeb@gc.columbia.edu

Dear Mr. Dopico,

I got your letter telling me the results of your investigation. I sent Ms. Booth an email that I reproduced below this letter. I am hoping I get a positive response from Columbia U. If not, I would like to know the details of your investigation. Did you send my complaint with all the exhibits to Ms. Booth? What was her response?

An attorney from JustAnswers.com told me that if I filed a civil lawsuit against Ms. Booth, I could subpoena your records. If I get a letter from the President of Columbia telling me not to contact the members of the Columbia U. community, I can't imagine any cause of action. However, as it stands now, all I have is a letter from an officer of the New York State Unified Court System. This seems to me to be a violation of my right to free speech.

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Dear Ms. Booth,

On October 18, 2016, I filed an ethics complaint against you with the New York State Unified Court System in an effort to understand why you sent me a letter on October 13, 2016, threatening me with legal action if I contacted students and faculty of Columbia to offer a lesson/lecture on the arguments for God's existence. The Attorney Grievance Committees recently determined that you had violated no laws or rules of conduct.

My complaint is that you maliciously conspired with the President and the University Chaplain to deprive the Religious Life Advisors and their students of my insights and knowledge about the arguments for God's existence. One possible explanation for your behavior is that you all simply assumed that you are not depriving your community of anything because I am just a retired high school teacher. If this is the case, I would appreciate your reading the essay I wrote and published on Academia.edu:

[https://www.academia.edu/23340072/WHY\\_PEOPLE\\_BELIEVE\\_GOD\\_CAUSED\\_THE\\_BIG\\_BANG](https://www.academia.edu/23340072/WHY_PEOPLE_BELIEVE_GOD_CAUSED_THE_BIG_BANG)

So far, there have been over 700 views of this article. Also, I got this response from a prominent Catholic scholar, Vittorio Hösle, of the U. of Notre Dame:

*Dear David,*

*Thank you for your courageous and intelligent fight against bad arguments for God's existence. Your lesson plan is well done. Best wishes for the New Year, Vittorio.*

While I admit that no journal accepted the article, I got this letter from the editor of Review of Metaphysics:

*Dear Dr. Roemer,*

*Thank you for the opportunity to read your essay, "Why People Believe God Caused the Big Bang." It is well crafted and I am sure would command an appreciative audience. Unfortunately, given its present commitments, the Review is not in a position to accept it.*

*John C. McCarthy, Editor*

Also, the Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy asked me to document my criticism of their entry ("Cosmological Argument") on the arguments for God's existence. My correspondence with the SEP is here:

<http://www.newevangelist.me/zalta-uri/nodelman.html>

As you may or not know, the Columbia Catholic Minister already refused my offer to give my lecture/lesson to his students. What I want to do is send all the other Religious Life Advisors on the website of the Office of University Chaplain my offer. Understanding the arguments for God's existence is important not only on a personal level, but for understanding the numerous political conflicts in the United States caused by disagreements about religion.

Very truly yours,

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