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To: Membership of the International Center for Academic Integrity (ICAI)

Cc: John Wareham, Assistant Director of the Rutland Institute for Ethics

Re: Official Announcement Regarding ICAI & Clemson University

To the Membership of ICAI,

Since 2007, Clemson University has been proud to serve as the host institution for ICAI. As part of a University wide strategic planning process and in my role as the Associate Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, I was asked to perform an internal review of all institutes and centers under my authority. This past spring, a review was done of the Rutland Institute for Ethics (REI). This included a review of ICAI, which is a program center within REI. The review's main focus was alignment with the University's strategic goals and resource allocation. It was determined that Clemson University is currently not in a position to act as a strong foundation and host for ICAI and that we would work with the leadership of ICAI to transition the organization to a new host institution by June 30th, 2017.

I want to thank everyone on the current ICAI Advisory Board for their support and leadership as we work through this transition period. As we move forward, the Clemson University Staff associated with ICAI (Dr. Teddi Fishman & Sam Goodman), John Wareham (Assistant Dir. of RIE) and I will now move to a support only role for ICAI. We will maintain Clemson's role as the fiduciary authority for ICAI, and continue to support all core operations (i.e., new and renewing memberships, communications, regional conference and webinar support, as well as coordinating responses to all inquiries). However, after consultation, it was decided that the annual conference (originally scheduled for February, 2017 in Puerto Rico) will be postponed until the transition process is completed and a new location for this conference is determined. As appointed by the Provost of Clemson University and as the Acting Director of the Rutland Institute for Ethics, I am now the only administrator at Clemson University who has direct responsibility for ICAI. I want to thank Dr. Fishman and Sam Goodman for their efforts and commitment to ICAI, and wish them all the best in their future career pursuits.

As part of the transition process, I am putting the Advisory Board in abeyance in its current function and have authorized Christopher Lang (the current Chair of the ICAI Advisory Board) and Tricia Bertram Gallant (who has the most history with the Center and was on the board during ICAI's previous transition) to form a Transition Committee for ICAI and act as Co-Chairs. They will lead the transition process for ICAI in direct collaboration with me. You will hear from Chris & Tricia in the very near future and I am confident in their ability to bring ICAI successfully through this transition process.

Sincerely,

John D. Griffin