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16	IN AND FOR THE COUN	TY OF SAN FRANCISCO			
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17	PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF) CASE NO. CGC-13-533693			
18	CALIFORNIA EX REL. DENNIS HERRERA, SAN FRANCISCO CITY) DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE TO			
19	ATTORNEY, inclusive) PLAINTIFF'S SEPARATE STATEMENT			
20		OF UNDISPUTED MATERIAL FACTS IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF'S MOTION			
21	Plaintiff	FOR SUMMARY ADJUDICATION			
22	VS.)			
23	ACCREDITING COMMISSION FOR	Date: September 10, 2014			
24	COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES; and DOES 1-50, inclusive,	₹ Time: 9:00 a.m.			
25		Dept.: 304 Judge: Hon. Curtis E.A. Karnow			
	Defendants.				
26		Action Filed: Aug. 22, 2013 Trial Date: October 27, 2014			
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	Defendant ACCREDITING COMMIS	-) SION FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR			

Defendant ACCREDITING COMMISSION FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES ("ACCJC") respectfully submits the following response to Plaintiff's Separate Statement of Undisputed Material Facts in Support of Motion for Summary Adjudication.

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Ichino.

See also, Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Declaration of

		Evidence: Exhibit 2 to Ichino, p. 1.
	In October 2011, the "Student Success Task Force" released draft recommendations that hewed closely to the "Student Success" model.	Undisputed that the Student Success Task Force released draft recommendations in October 2011. Disputed that the recommendations "hewed closely to the Student Success
	Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶3 & Ex. 2; Hansen Decl. ¶20.	model." The draft recommendations envisioned a restructuring of the core
3		of the community college system – teaching and learning – by forwarding
3		more structure and guidance to students so as to foster better choices
		and limit the student wandering through the curriculum.
		Evidence: Ichino Decl., Exhibit 2 at
		p. 9.
		See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Ichino Declaration and Hansen Declaration.
4	City College stakeholders, who felt the recommendations were inconsistent with the "open access" mission that had enabled City College to serve generations of San Franciscans, were vocal opponents of the Student Success Task Force. Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶¶4-7 & Exs. 3-6; Hansen Decl. ¶21-24, 26.	Undisputed that City College opposed the Student Success Task Force recommendations. The remainder of this fact is disputed. City College opposed the recommendations on the belief that the recommendations would take away funding from community colleges and transfer some of the cost burden to students, as well as the belief that the recommendations would move control from community college districts from local voters to a state bureaucracy. Evidence: Ichino, Decl., Exhibit 3, 5. See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Ichino Declaration and Hansen Declaration.
5	By December 8, 2011, ACCJC President Barbara Beno was aware that "individual colleges" were "sensitive" to the Task	Disputed. This fact misstates the evidence submitted in support and is, therefore, disputed on that basis.

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2		Force recommendations, but nonetheless expressed a desire to "get[] the	Exhibit 13 to Eisenberg's Decl. is an e-mail from Barbara Beno to Barry
3		Commission to endorse the report."	Russell that states: "I'm interested in
4		Evidence: Declaration of Sara J.	getting the Commission to endorse the
5		Eisenberg in Support of People's Motion	report in some manner that is broadly supportive of the 4CO's efforts. I
6		for Summary Adjudication ("Eisenberg Decl.") ¶13 & Ex. 13.	know individual colleges are more or
7			less sensitive to the various recommendations of the task force, so
8			the Commission may want to discuss
9			the report"
10			Evidence: Eisenberg Decl., Ex. 13.
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13		On December 9, 2011, Barbara Beno sent	
14		a letter to the Chair of the Student Success	Undisputed.
15		Task Force (on ACCJC letterhead and in	
16	6	her official capacity as ACCJC president) endorsing the Task Force	
17	J	recommendations and "commend[ing] the	
18		Task Force members for proposing these significant reforms."	
19 20		Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶13 & Ex. 14.	
21		- "	Undisputed that the Board of
22		On January 9, 2012, the BOG met to consider the Task Force recommendations.	Governors met on January 9, 2012.
23		Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶8 & Ex. 7.	Disputed that the Board of Governors
24		"	met to consider the Task Force Recommendations. The Task Force
25			recommendations were one of many
26	7		items on the agenda for the Board of Governors meeting held on January 9,
27			2012.
28			Evidence: Ichino Decl, Exhibit 7.
			See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Ichino Declaration.
	8	The January 9, 2012 BOG meeting was attended by two ACCJC Commissioners:	Undisputed.

Report.

Disputed. This fact misstates the evidence submitted in support and is disputed on that basis. Exhibit 15 to Eisenberg Decl. states that "Staff asks that the Commission consider writing a letter to Chancellor Scott endorsing

or supporting the broad directions in

Evidence: Eisenberg Decl., Exhibit

the Report."

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Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶13 & Ex. 15.

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3 4 5 6 7 8 9	13	At the January 10, 2012, Commission meeting, the Commissioners agreed to send a letter to the California Community Colleges Chancellor endorsing or supporting the Task Force Report. Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶13 & Ex. 16.	Disputed. This fact misstates the evidence submitted in support and is disputed on that basis. A motion was made to consider a letter of support for the Student Success Task Force. The Commission asked ACCJC staff to send a congratulatory note to the State Chancellor and the Task Force.
10			Evidence: Eisenberg Decl., Exhibit 16 at p. 8.
11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 1	14	On February 8, Ms. Beno sent a letter to then-California Community Colleges Chancellor Jack Scott conveying the ACCJC Commission's support for the Task Force Report and commending the Task Force's efforts to "provide stimulus and opportunity for the California Community Colleges to develop new policies and practices that support student success." Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶13 & Ex. 17.	Disputed to the extent it misstates the evidence. On February 8, 2012 Barbara Beno, as ACCJC President, sent a letter to then-Chancellor Jack Scott on behalf of the ACCJC conveying the ACCJC's support for the Report's Broad directions and its goals for increased focus on student achievement. The letter further states that the "Commission commends the efforts to provide stimulus and opportunity for the California Community Colleges to develop new policies and practices that support student success. Evidence: Exhibit 17 to Eisenberg Decl.
24 25 26 27 28	15	On February 24, 2012, supporters of the Task Force introduced S.B. 1456—the "Student Success Act"—to implement six of the Task Force recommendations. Evidence: Request for Judicial Notice in Support of People's Motion for Summary Adjudication ("RJN") Ex. 1; Hansen Decl.	Disputed. This fact misstates the evidence submitted in support and is disputed on that basis. Senate Bill 1456 was introduced by Senator Lowenthal for the purpose of revising and recasting existing law known as the Seymour-Campbell Matriculation Act of 1986 and rename it the Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012. The act was to state its purpose as increasing California

community college access and success

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2				by providing effective core matriculation services of orientation,
3				assessment and placement, counseling and education planning and academic
4				interventions. The bill would specify
5				the responsibilities of students and
6 7				institutions in entering into the matriculation process.
8				Evidence: People's RJN, Exhibit 1.
9			¶25.	See also Defendant's Objection to Plaintiff's Request for Judicial Notice.
10 11			On April 9, 2012, ACCJC President	Disputed to the extent it
12			Barbara Beno wrote a letter urging State Senators to support the Student Success	mischaracterizes the evidence cited. The letter was authored by Barbara
13	1	6	Act.	Beno on behalf of the ACCJC and
14	1	O	Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶13 & Ex. 18.	was directed to Senator Lowenthal. Undisputed that the letter urged
15				Senator Lowenthal to support SB
16				1456, the Student Success Act.
17			On March 14, 2012, the City College Student Council unanimously passed a	Disputed. On March 14, 2012, City
18			resolution opposing the Student Success	College's Associated Student Council unanimously agreed to table item 7.2,
19			Act.	Student Success Act Resolution to
20			Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶10 & Ex. 8.	oppose the Student Success Act to give the Council one week to think
21	1	7		about it.
22				Evidence: Exhibit 8 at p.2, IV, Item 7.2 to Ichino Decl.
24				See also Defendant's Objections to
25				Plaintiff's Evidence, Ichino Decl.
26			On June 13, 2012, ACCJC President	Disputed to the extent it
27			Barbara Beno sent a letter to members of	mischaracterizes the evidence cited.
28	1	8	the State Assembly expressing the ACCJC's "strong support" for the Student Success Act.	The letter was authored by Barbara Beno on behalf of the ACCJC and was directed to Assembly Member
			Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶13 & Ex. 19.	Block. Undisputed as to the remainder of this fact.
				Evidence: Exhibit 19 to Eisenberg

Decl.

19	In May 2012, City College students organized a conference entitled "Keep Community in Community College." Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶11 & Ex. 9.	Undisputed. See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Ichino Decl.
20	In an open letter inviting California community college stakeholders to the "Keep Community in Community College" conference, the City College Associated Student Council referred to S.B. 1456 as "the most brazen assault on access to our system in history," decried the "rationing of education" inherent in the bill and called on everyone in the community to attend the conference to discuss the "privatization of higher education," and to plan next steps to fight against S.B. 1456 and the Task Force recommendations. Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶11 & Ex. 9.	Disputed on the grounds it misstates the evidence cited. Exhibit 9 is a letter to members of the California Community College Community. The letter indicates that "some of the topics that will be covered at the conference will includeprivatization of public higher education" and "step to fight against Senate Bill 1456 and Senate Bill 1062 and the Student Success Task Force recommendations." The letter also provides that "SB 1456 was not mentioned at all as part of the action in Sacramento and this act would be the most brazen assault on access to our system in history." Finally, the letter states that "[w]e don't believe in the rationing of education, the privatization of career development course, and much more that this Act intends to do." Evidence: Exhibit 9 to Ichino Decl. See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Ichino Decl.
21	On May 24, 2012, the SFCCD Board of Trustees passed a resolution opposing S.B. 1456.	Undisputed.
	Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶12 & Ex. 10.	
22	In March 2012, a seventeen-member evaluation team (the "2012 Evaluation Team") visited City College to evaluate City College's request for reaffirmation of	Undisputed.

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recommend that City College be placed on

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about City College's financial situation.

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support this fact. The people in charge

of Standards III and IV expressed a

need to do more because of the

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2			Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶5 & Ex. 6 at 123:3-125:1; Eisenberg Decl. ¶13 & Ex.	seriousness of the financial concerns. Sean James who was in charge of
3			20; Declaration of Alicia Munoz in	Standard III led the discussion
4			Support of People's Motion for Summary	proposing the movement to upward on
5			Adjudication ("Munoz Decl.") ¶7.	a scale to imposing probation. Nothing in the testimony in Exhibit 5
6				or Exhibit 20 to Eisenberg Declaration
7				supports that the team's decision was
8				"mainly based on concerns about City College's financial situation."
9				Munoz' Declaration at ¶7 states only
10				that the team's biggest concern
11				involved the fiscal decondition of the institution; not that the decision to
12				recommend probation with a follow- up report and visit was based mainly
13				on concerns about City College's
14				financial condition.
15				Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. Ex. 6 at
16 17				123:3-125:1; Eisenberg Decl. Ex. 20; Munoz Decl., ¶7.
18				See also Defendant's Objections to
19				Plaintiff's Evidence, Munoz Decl.
			Nobody on the 2012 Evaluation Team	Undisputed.
20			suggested that the recommendation to the Commission should be to place City	
21		27	College on Show Cause status.	
22			Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶5 & Ex. 6 at	
23			143:17-24; Munoz Decl. ¶8.	
24			On or around June 6, 2012, the ACCJC	Undisputed.
25		20	Commissioners voted in a closed session	•
26	28	to place City College on Show Cause.		
27			Evidence: RJN Ex. 5.	
28		29	In a letter dated July 2, 2012, Barbara Beno notified City College that the Commission had voted to place the institution on Show Cause and was	Disputed. In the letter dated July 2, 2012, the Commission, by and through its President Barbara Beno, notified City College that it was
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instructed to submit a report showing why

its accreditation should not be withdrawn

by March 15, 2013.

compelled to order Show Cause and to

require the college to complete a

Show Cause Report by March 15,

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Decl.") ¶3.

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2		On August 13, 2013, after receiving a response from the ACCJC to the CFT complaint and conducting further research,	Disputed. Misstates the evidence. People's RJN, Exh 11 states that the Accreditation Group in the Office of
4		the DOE sent a letter to the ACCJC stating	Post-Secondary Education
5		that several aspects of their accreditation- review process violated federal	("Department") reviewed the allegations raised in the complaints of
6 7		regulations. Evidence: RJN Ex. 11.	the CFT for applicability to the Secretary's Criteria for Recognition
8		Evidence, RJN EA. 11.	and requested the ACCJC respond to
9			allegations regarding its accreditation review process. ACCJC provided a
10			written response and directed the
11			Department to review materials
12			already submitted in the ACCJC's petition for recognition. The
13			Department then reviewed all the
14	34		documentation for demonstrated
15			compliance with the Secretary's Criteria for recognition. Exhibit 11
16			says nothing about conducting further
17			research. Moreover, the August 13, 2013 letter was preliminary as ACCJC
18			had not yet responded to the
19			allegations in the letter, which the
20			Department asked the ACCJC to do in connection with its petition for renewal of recognition.
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22 23			Evidence: People's RJN, Exh. 11, p.1.; Johns Decl., ¶17-24.
24			See also, Defendant's Objection to
25			Plaintiff's RJN.
26		In its August 13, 2013 letter, the DOE	Disputed. The August 13, 2013 letter
27		stated, inter alia, that the ACCJC has	from the Accreditation Group from
28		violated 34 CFR sections 602.15(a)(3) and (a)(6).	the Office of Postsecondary Education states that the Accreditation Group
	35	Evidence: RJN Ex. 11 at 1-3.	determined that the ACCJC is out of compliance with 34 C.F.R. 602.15(a)(3) and 602.15(a)(6).
			Evidence: People's RJN, Exh. 11, p.1.

		See also, Defendant's Objection to Plaintiff's RJN.
36	In its petition for renewal of recognition by the DOE, the ACCJC addressed its compliance with each of the federal regulations governing accrediting agencies.	Undisputed.
	Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶14 & Ex. 26 at ¶7.	
37	On November 27, 2013, the DOE issued its Final Staff Report to the Senior Department Official concerning the ACCJC's petition for renewal of recognition.	Undisputed.
	Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶14 & Ex. 26 at ¶10; <i>id.</i> ¶15 & Ex. 27.	
38	The DOE Final Staff Report concluded that the ACCJC was out of compliance with fifteen federal regulations, including three of the sections previously identified as deficiencies in the DOE's August Decision Letter. Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶15& Ex. 27.	Disputed. The Final Staff Report did not "conclude" that ACCJC was out of compliance with fifteen regulations. The Final Staff Report indicates that it "does not appear that the agency meets the following sections of the Secretary's Criteria for Recognition"; thereafter it lists 15 criteria, only two of which are relevant to the People's claims.
		Evidence: Exhibit 26 at ¶11 to Eisenberg Decl; Exhibit 27 at pp.2-3 to Eisenberg Decl.
39	In December 2013, the DOE National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity heard testimony from, <i>inter alia</i> , President Beno and the ACCJC Commission Chair on the ACCJC's petition for renewal.	Undisputed.
	Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶13 & Ex. 11.	Undisputed
40	On January 28, 2014—after reviewing the record and a follow-up letter from the ACCJC—the DOE issued its decision on	Undisputed.

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2		the ACCJC's petition.	
3		Evidence: RJN Ex. 12.	
4		In its January 28, 2104 decision letter concerning the ACCJC's petition for	Disputed. The January 28, 2014 letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary
5		renewal of recognition, the DOE	provides that she will "continue the
6		continued the ACCIC's recognition but	Department's recognition of ACCJC
7		stated that the ACCJC was out of compliance with fifteen sections of the	as a nationally recognized accrediting agency within the scope of recognition
8		Secretary's Criteria for Recognition, and	as detailed below, for the time
9		gave the ACCJC one year to come into full compliance or risk having its	necessary to permit ACCJC 12 months from the date of this letter to
11		recognition limited, suspended or terminated.	achieve compliance, and to submit a compliance report within 30 days
12	41	Evidence: RJN Ex. 12.	thereafter documenting compliance
13	41	Evidence, KJN EA. 12.	and to permit the Department to
14			review and make a final recognition decision in light of compliance
15			report." The ACCJC was reminded
16			that if ACCJC does not come into full compliance, "the Department may be
17			compelled to limit, suspend, or
18			terminate ACCJC's recognition."
19			Evidence: People's RJN, Exh. 12.
20			See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's RNJ.
21		The ACCJC Violated Section 17200 By	
22		Have Effective Controls Against Conflic	
23		Selection Of Members (of The Commission.
24		In 2010, the Accreditation Task Force of the Consultation Council of the California	Disputed. Misstates the evidence. The
26		Community Colleges Chancellor's Office	Accreditation Task Force of the Consultation Council of the California
27		filed a complaint with the DOE regarding	Community Colleges Chancellor's
28	40	flaws in the ACCJC's Commissioner selection process.	Office submitted a complaint with the Accreditation Division of the Office
	42	Evidence: Eisenberg Dec. ¶13 & Exs. 21-23; Declaration of Brice Harris in Support of People's Motion for Summary Adjudication ("Harris Decl.") ¶3 & Ex.1.	of Postsecondary Education alleging the ACCJC did not follow its processes and procedures in the selection of Commissioners.

Evidence: Exhibits 21-23 to

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2			Eisenberg Declaration.
3			See also Defendant's Objection to
4			Plaintiff's Evidence, Harris Decl.
5		In a letter dated May 6, 2010, from former	Disputed. Misstates evidence. A letter
6		Chancellor Jack Scott to Acting Deputy	dated May 6, 2010 from Jack Scott,
7		Assistant Secretary in the Office of Post- Secondary Education at the DOE David	Chancellor, on behalf of Accreditation Task Force addressed "Dear David"
8		Bergerson, Chancellor Scott stated that the	states the Commission has "failed to
9		ACCJC's failure to follow proper procedures for appointing Commissioners	follow its own bylaws in the selection of Commissioners."
10 11	43	"ha[d] led to hand-picked commissioners who tend to support the views of the	Evidence: Exhibit 21 to Eisenberg
12		Executive Director (i.e., Barbara Beno)	Decl.
13		rather than these commissioners being truly representative if the institutions	See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Harris Decl.,
14		within ACCJC."	Exh. 1.
15		Evidence: Eisenberg Dec. ¶13 & Ex. 21;	
16		Harris Decl. ¶3 & Ex. 1.	
17		On May 12, 2010, the DOE sent a letter to ACCJC President Barbara Beno	Undisputed that a letter dated May 12, 2010 was sent to ACCJC President
18		requesting that the ACCJC provide a "full	Barbara Beno requesting the ACCJC
19		and documented" response to the complaint submitted by the Accreditation	provide a "full and documented
20		Task Force of the Consultation Council of	response." Disputed as to the characterization of the submission by
21	44	the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office by June 11, 2010.	the Accreditation Task Force as a "complaint." The May 12, 2010 letter
23		Evidence: Eisenberg Dec. ¶13 & Ex. 22	from the Accreditation Division in the
24		"	Office of Postsecondary Education characterizes it as a "letter of
25			concern."
26			Evidence: Exhibit 22 to Eisenberg
27			Decl.
28	 45	On August 24, 2010, the DOE sent a letter to ACCJC President Barbara Beno stating, <i>inter alia</i> , the DOE's conclusion that the ACCJC lacked "clear and effective controls against conflicts of interest, or the appearance of conflicts of interest, in the	Disputed. Misstates evidence. The August 24, 2010 letter to ACCJC President Barbara Beno states that its "lack of formal documented process does not provide transparency to the selection process and, therefore, does

not provide clear and effective

[Commissioner] selection process, as

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2 3 4 5 6	47	In response to the DOE's August 24 letter, the ACCJC agreed to amend its bylaws with respect to commissioner selection to address the DOE's findings in January 2011 and to implement the new bylaws by spring of 2011. Evidence: Eisenberg Dec. ¶13 & Ex. 24 at	Disputed. The ACCJC agreed to change its Bylaws to respond to all of the Department's concerns and findings. The ACCJC intended to change its Bylaws by voting on the proposed amendments at its meeting of January 2011. The ACCJC informed the Department it would be
8 9		p.3.	able to implement its new process for the Election of Commissioners during Spring 2011.
10 11			Evidence: Exhibit 24 at p. 3 to Eisenberg Decl.
12 13 14		Fourteen of the nineteen Commissioners who served in June 2012 (when the Commission voted to place City College on Show Cause) were appointed prior to	Disputed. Twelve of the Nineteen Commissioners who served in June 2012 were appointed pursuant to the prior selection process.
15 16 17	48	spring 2011. Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶¶14-15 & Ex. 12.	Evidence: Declaration of Krista Johns at ¶10 in Support of Defendant's Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Adjudication
18 19 20 21			("Johns Decl."). See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Ichino Decl.
22 23 24 25 26 27 28	49	Thirteen of the nineteen Commissioners who served in June 2013 (when the Commission voted to termination City College's accreditation) were appointed prior to spring 2011. Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶¶14, 16 & Ex. 12.	Disputed. Nine of the Nineteen Commissioners who served in June 2013 were appointed pursuant to the prior selection process. Evidence: Declaration of Krista Johns at ¶11 in Support of Defendant's Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Adjudication ("Johns Decl."). See also Defendant's Objections to
			Plaintiff's Evidence, Ichino Decl.

	The ACCJC Violated Section 17200 By Have Effective Controls Against Confli Selection Of Evaluation	cts Of Interest With Respect To The
50	Peter Crabtree served on 2012 Evaluation Team that visited and evaluated City College in March 2012.	Undisputed.
50	Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶¶9-10 & Ex. 9, 10 (People's RFA No. 1 and ACCJC's Amended Response to RFA No. 1).	
	Peter Crabtree is married to ACCJC President Barbara Beno.	Undisputed.
51	Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶4 & Ex. 4 at 53:14-18.	
	Peter Crabtree has been married to Ms. Beno since at least 2006.	Undisputed.
52	Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶4 & Ex. 4 at 53:19-54:5.	
	At the time the 2012 Evaluation Team visited and evaluated City College, other members of the team did not know that Mr. Crabtree was married to ACCJC President Beno.	Undisputed that Jeannette Redding and Alicia Munoz were not aware that Mr. Crabtree was married to ACCJC President Barbara Beno. No evidence was submitted as to any "other members of the team." As such this
53	Evidence: Munoz Decl. ¶¶3-5; Eisenberg Decl. ¶5 & Ex. 5 at 91:3-10; Eisenberg Decl. ¶¶9-10 & Ex. 9, 10 (People's RFA No. 1 and ACCJC's Amended Response to RFA No. 1).	fact is disputed as to the knowledge of any "other members of the team" on the grounds there is no evidence to support the knowledge of any member other than Redding and Munoz.
		See also, Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Munoz Decl.
54	At the time the 2012 Evaluation Team visited and evaluated City College, City College officials did not know that Mr. Crabtree was married to ACCJC President Beno.	Undisputed that Lawrence Klein, former Accreditation Liason Officer for City College did not know that Mr. Crabtree was the husband of Barbara Beno, the ACCJC President. No
	Evidence: Declaration of Lawrence C. Klein in Support of People's Motion for	evidence was submitted as to the knowledge of any other "City College

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2 3 4 5		Summary Adjudication ("Klein Decl.") ¶7.	officials." As such this fact is disputed as to the knowledge of "City College officials" other than Lawrence Klein on the grounds there is no evidence to support the knowledge of any other official.
6 7			See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Klein Decl.
8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	55	Other members of the 2012 Evaluation Team were "shocked" when they learned, after the site visit had concluded, that Mr. Crabtree was married to ACCJC president Barbara Beno. Evidence: Munoz Decl. ¶5; Eisenberg Decl. ¶5 & Ex. 5 at 91:11-16.	Undisputed that Jeannette Redding and Alicia Munoz were shocked when they learned that Mr. Crabtree was married to ACCJC President Barbara Beno. No evidence was submitted as to any "other members of the 2012 Evaluation Team." As such this fact is disputed as to the knowledge of any "other members of the 2012 Evaluation Team" on the grounds there is no evidence to support the knowledge of any member other than Redding and Munoz. See also, Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Munoz Decl.
20 21 22 23 24	56	Barbara Beno has been president of the ACCJC since August 1, 2001. Evidence: People v. ACCJC, Case No. CGC-13-533693, Declaration of Barbara Beno, Ph.D. in Support of Defendant's Motion to Abstain (filed Dec. 5, 2013) ¶ 1.	Undisputed.
25 26 27 28	57	The president of the ACCJC is the Chief Executive Officer of the ACCJC and is responsible for "general supervision, direction, and control of the operations of the ACCJC, including its business and accreditation operations." Evidence: RJN Ex. 10 at Article VII, Section 6.	Disputed. Misstates the evidence. Article VII, Section 6 of the ACCJC's current Bylaws states: "The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of ACCJC, and the general supervision, direction, and control of the operations of ACCJC, including its business and accreditation operations, shall reside with the President."

Evidence: People's RJN, Exhibit 10

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1 2			at Article VII, Section 6.
3			See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's RJN.
4 5 6 7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5	58	Tom Lane, who has worked as Admin Support at the ACCJC since 1996, testified as follows during his deposition: "Q. But your loyalty to Dr. Beno is stronger than your loyalty to the ACCJC? A. No, they're inseparable. Q. And why are they inseparable? A. Because they are both the same. Dr. Beno is the president of the ACCJC; it's one and the same." Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶2 and Ex. 1 at 73:2-8 & 85:10-16.	Undisputed that this fact cites accurately to a portion of Tom Lane's testimony. See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence.
6 7 8 9 9 1 1 2 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	59	The August 13, 2013 decision letter from DOE Accreditation Group Director Kay Gilcher to ACCJC President Barbara Beno states that "the participation of the spouse of the president of the ACCJC on an evaluation team has the appearance to the public of creating a conflict of interest (i.e., an appearance of bias of the Commission in favor of the team's position over that of the institution's)." Evidence: RJN Ex. 11 at 3.	Disputed as the characterization of the DOE's August 13, 2013 letter as a "decision letter." Undisputed as the content of the letter. The August 13, 2013 letter was a preliminary decision. Evidence: People's RJN Exhibit 9; Johns Decl.¶¶17-24.
4 5 6 7 8	60	At time he served on 2012 Team, Peter Crabtree was a Dean at Laney College. Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶¶9-10 & Ex. 9, 10 (People's RFA No. 1 and ACCJC's Amended Response to RFA No. 1); Eisenberg Decl. ¶4 & Ex. 4 at 47:3-10.	Disputed on the grounds this fact misstates the evidence. At the time Peter Crabtree Served on the 2012 Evaluation Team, he was employed as the Division Dean of Instruction, Career and Technical Education at Laney College. Evidence: Exhibit A to Exhibit 9 to Eisenberg Decl.
	61	Laney College is part of the Peralta Community College District.	Undisputed.

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	Evidence: RJN Fact 1.	
62	Laney College is located in Oakland, California. Evidence: RJN Fact 2.	Undisputed.
	Garmond "Jack" Pond is responsible for compiling evaluation teams—selecting all members other than the team chair and team assistant.	Undisputed.
63	Evidence: Bezemek Decl. ¶5 & Ex. 1 at ¶29; Eisenberg Decl. ¶3 & Ex. 3 at 67:11-14; Eisenberg Decl. ¶¶7-8 & Ex. 7, (People's Interrogatory No. 7 and ACCJC's Further Amended Response to Interrogatory No. 7).	
64	Mr. Pond considers it to be an "obvious conflict" if an individual being considered for an evaluation team works in a district abutting the institution being evaluated. Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶3 & Ex. 3 at 99:6-11; 102:6-12.	Disputed. Misstates the evidence. The term "obvious conflict of interests" in the context of placing an individual from a district abutting the institution was a phrase used the by the individual asking the question, not by Mr. Pond.
		Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶3 & Ex. at 99:6-11; 102:6-12.
65	Mr. Pond believes it is a conflict for someone who works in an abutting district to serve on institution's evaluation team because the institutions and/or districts "could share students." Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶3 & Ex. 3 at 99:6-11; 102:6-12.	Disputed, Misstates the evidence. Mr Pond testified that he tries not to put individuals on a team if the team if their districts actually butt up against one another because they could share students. Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶3 & Ex.
66	The Peralta Community College District is one of sixteen institutions or districts that	at 99:6-11; 102:6-12. Undisputed that Exhibit 25 to Eisenberg Decl. indicates Peralta
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2 3 4 5	70	The DOE sent a copy of the complaint filed by Chancellor Harris to ACCJC President Beno and asked the ACCJC to provide a thorough and detailed response to the issues raised therein. Evidence: Bezemek Decl. ¶¶6-9 & Ex. 9.	Disputed. The evidence submitted in support of this fact does not support that the DOE sent a copy of the complaint filed by Chancellor Harris to the ACCJC. This fact is further disputed on the grounds it is not supported by competent evidence. Evidence: Bezemek Decl., Exhibit 9.
3 ∋ ⊃			See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Bezemek Decl., Exhibits 2-9.
2		The ACCJC Violated Section 17200 By Include Sufficient Academic	
3 4 5 6 7 8 9	71	The 2012 Evaluation Team, which was comprised of 16 people (plus a team assistant), included only 1 professor. Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶¶9-10 & Ex. 9, 10 (People's RFA No. 1 and ACCJC's Amended Response to RFA No. 1).	Disputed. Evidence: Declaration of Jack Pond submitted ISO of Defendant's MSA ("Pond Decl.")., ¶14; Johns Decl., ¶21; Exhibit D to Riso Decl., Deposition of Jeannette Redding at 22:1-9; Exhibits E-G to Riso Decl.
0 1 1 2 3 4 5 6	72	The 2013 Show Cause Visiting Team, which was comprised of eight people (plus a team assistant), included only 1 professor. Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶¶9-10 & Ex. 9, 10 (People's RFA No. 2 and ACCJC's Amended Response to RFA No. 2).	Undisputed.
7 8	73	The August 13, 2013 decision letter from DOE Accreditation Group Director Kay Gilcher to ACCJC President Barbara Beno states that the ACCJC was not in compliance with section 602.15(a)(3).	Disputed as to the characterization of the August 13, 2013 letter as a "decision letter." The August 2013 letter was preliminary and, therefore, there was no "decision" at that time.
		Evidence: RJN Ex. 11 at 1-2.	Evidence: Johns Decl., ¶17-19, 22.

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3 4			Evidence: Exhibit 27 to Eisenberg Decl.; Johns Decl., ¶¶24-31.
5 6 7 8 9 10	76	The November 2103 Final Staff report stated: "[T]he inclusion of individuals whose principal activities are administrative may affect the evaluation team's ability to adequately review an institution in the related areas of the agency's standards." Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶15 & Ex. 27 at p.15.	Undisputed that this fact recites a partial citation included in the November 2013 Staff Report.
12	77	The November 2103 Final Staff report noted that the ACCJC improperly counted "an interim academic dean with no teaching responsibilities for the past few years an academic dean that had not taught in over 10 years, and a vice chancellor for student affairs who had never taught" as "academics" in an October 2013 evaluation team. Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶15 & Ex. 27 at p.15.	Disputed. This fact misstates the evidence cited. The November 2013 Staff Report does not state that the ACCJC "improperly counted" an "interim academic dean with no teaching responsibilities for the past few years an academic dean that had not taught in over 10 years, and a vice chancellor for student affairs who had never taught" as academics. The November 2013 staff report merely cites to observations made at an on-site evaluation and draws no conclusions as to whether any individuals were "improperly counted" as academics. Evidence: Exhibit 27 at p. 15 to Eisenberg Decl.
27 28	78	In its January 28, 2104 decision letter concerning the ACCJC's petition for renewal of recognition, the DOE the concluded that the ACCJC was not in compliance with, <i>inter alia</i> , 34 C.F.R. section 602.15(a)(3), and gave the	Disputed to the extent it mischaracterizes the evidence. The DOE makes no such "conclusion" in its January 28, 2014 letter. Moreover, the DOE makes no statement that the ACCJC will "risk" having its

recognition, limited, suspended or

ACCJC one year to come into full

	compliance or risk having its recognition limited, suspended or terminated. Evidence: RJN Ex. 12.	terminated. The People take liberties with its characterization of the content of this letter and it is disputed on that basis.
		Evidence: People's RJN, Exhibit 12. See also Defendant's Objection to Plaintiff's Request for Judicial Notice
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79	On May 20, 2013, the ACCJC provided City College with a copy of the final Show Cause Evaluation Report, which set forth the findings and conclusions of the team that visited City College in April 2013.	Undisputed.
	Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶2 & Ex. 2 at pp.2-3; <i>see also id.</i> ¶2 & Ex. 1 at 211:1-214:7.	
80	The Show Cause Evaluation Report provided to City College indicated that City College had fully addressed four of the recommendations made by the 2012 Evaluation Team and had "partially addressed" the other ten.	Undisputed.
	Evidence: RJN Ex. 6 at 66-77.	
81	The Show Cause Evaluation Report provided to City College concluded that City College was still out of compliance with several accreditation standards, but also indicated that City College had made enormous progress and was on track to resolve many of the outstanding issues in the near future.	Disputed. Misstates the evidence. The evidence cited in support does not support the fact "City College had made enormous progress and was on track to resolve many of the outstanding issues in the near future." The content of RJN 6 speaks for itself Moreover, the Ichino Decl., at 17-26 lacks foundation.
	Evidence: RJN Ex. 6; Ichino Decl. ¶¶17-26.	Evidence: People's RJN, Exhibit 6; Ichino Decl., ¶¶17-26. See also Defendant's Objections to Plaintiff's Evidence, Ichino Decl.
82	City College was given an opportunity to	Disputed. After City College received

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the final Show Cause Evaluation

correct inaccuracies in the Show Cause

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17		Visiting Report by submitting a letter to ACCJC President Beno, and was offered an opportunity to request an appearance before the Commission at its June meeting "to discuss the Report." Evidence: Eisenberg Decl. ¶2 & Ex. 2 at pp.2-3; see also id. ¶2 & Ex. 1 at 211:1-214:7.	Report, City College was invited to submit in writing any assertion of factual errors in advance of the Commission meeting. City College also was provided an opportunity to submit errors to the draft report directly to the team chair. ACCJC policy provided City College an opportunity to respond in writing to the final Show Cause evaluation report on any issues of substance and to any deficiencies. CCSF was also invited to appear before the Commission, pursuant to policy, when the report was considered. Evidence: Eisenberg Decl., Exhibit 2; Declaration of Sandra Serrano submitted ISO Defendant's MSA ("Serrano Decl."), ¶26; Exhibit H at ¶21 to Johns Decl.
18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	83	On July 3, 2013, City College received a letter from Barbara Beno stating that the Commission had voted to terminate the college's accreditation (the "July 2013 Termination Letter"). Evidence: RJN Ex. 7; Declaration of Robert Agrella in Support of People's Motion for Summary Adjudication ("Agrella Decl.") ¶3. The July 2013 Termination Letter indicated that the Commission had based its decision in part on its determination that City College was not in compliance with thirty accreditation standards. Evidence: RJN Ex. 7 at 2.	Undisputed. Undisputed.
	05	The July 2013 Termination Letter	Disputed. Misstates evidence. The

July 2013 action indicates that the

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indicated that the Commission had based

its decision in part on its determination

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2 3		that only two of the recommendations made by the 2012 Evaluation Team had been fully met and only one had been	on its determination that eleven out of the fourteen recommendations provided in the 2012 Evaluation Team
4		partially met.	Report and the Commission's action
5		Evidence: RJN Ex. 7 at 3.	letter of July 2, 2012 were not adequately dressed, including the
6 7			recommendations identified in the 2006 comprehensive evaluation as
8			noted in the 2012 evaluation team report and Commission action letter.
9			Evidence: People's RJN, Exhibit 7 at
10			p.3.
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12		The Show Cause Evaluation Report	Undisputed that the Show Cause
13		provided to City College had expressly	Evaluation Report for City College
14		determined that eleven of the thirty accreditation standards the Commission	indicates that the college met standards I.A.3, I.B.1, I.B.2, I.B.3,
15		found not to be met—specifically	II.A.6, II.B.4, III.B.1, III.C.1, III.C.2,
16		standards I.A.3, I.B.1, I.B.2, I.B.3, II.A.6, II.B.4, III.B.1, III.C.1, III.C.2, III.D.1, and	III.D.1, and IV.A.1.
17	86	IV.A.1—had beet met.	
18		Evidence: Compare RJN Ex. 7 at 2 with	
19 20		RJN Ex. 6 at 10 (I.A.3), 11-12 (I.B.1), 12-14 (I.B.2), 14-15 (I.B.3), 25-26 (II.A.6),	
21		31-32 (II.B.4), 42-43 (III.B.1); 45-46	
22		(III.C.1), 46-47 (III.C.2), 47 (III.D.1), 55- 56 (IV.A.1).	
23		Prior to receiving the July 2013	Disputed. This fact assumes there
24		Termination Letter from Barbara Beno,	were additional deficiencies to which
25		City College administration was not	City College was entitled to receive
26		informed that the Commission was considering additional deficiencies that	notice. There were no additional deficiencies noted that required notice
27		were not included in the Show Cause	to City College.
28	87	Evaluation Report.	Evidence: Johns Decl., ¶¶42-45.
		Evidence: Agrella Decl. ¶¶3-5; Declaration of Rafael Mandelman in Support of People's Motion for Summary Adjudication ("Mandelman Decl.") ¶¶7-9.	

88	City College was not given additional time to respond to the additional perceived deficiencies listed in the July 2013 Termination Letter that had not been included in the Show Cause Visiting Report. Evidence: Agrella Decl. ¶3-5; Mandelman Decl. ¶¶7-9.	Disputed. This fact assumes there were additional deficiencies to which City College was entitled to receive notice. There were no additional deficiencies noted that required notice to City College. Evidence: Johns Decl., ¶¶42-45.
89	Prior to receiving the July 2013 Termination Letter from Barbara Beno, City College administration received no notice that the Commission disagreed with the Show Cause Evaluation Team's findings with respect to the recommendations made by the 2012 Evaluation Team. Evidence: Agrella Decl. ¶¶6-7;	Disputed. This fact assumes there were additional deficiencies to which City College was entitled to receive notice. There were no additional deficiencies noted that required notice to City College. Evidence: Johns Decl., ¶42-45.
90	Mandelman Decl. ¶¶7-9. City College was not given additional time to respond to the additional perceived deficiencies noted in the July 2013 Termination Letter concerning City College's compliance with the recommendations made by the 2012 Evaluation Team. Evidence: Agrella Decl. ¶6-7; Mandelman Decl. ¶¶7-9.	Disputed. This fact assumes there were additional deficiencies to which City College was entitled to receive notice. There were no additional deficiencies noted that required notice to City College. Evidence: Johns Decl., ¶¶42-45.
91	The ACCJC's Policy on Commission Good Practice in Relations with Member Institutions provides: "If the Commission's action lists any deficiency, which was not noted in the External Evaluation Report, before making any decision that includes a sanction, denying or terminating accreditation, or candidacy, the Commission, through its president, will afford the institution additional time to respond in writing to the	Undisputed.

perceived deficiency before finalizing its

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2		action at the next Commission meeting."	
3		Evidence: RJN Ex. 8 at pp.43-44 (Policy on Comm. Good Practice in Relations	
<u> </u>		With Member Institutions #20b); RJN Ex.	
·		9 at p.44 (Policy on Comm. Good Practice in Relations With Member Institutions	
		#21b).	
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)		The ACCJC utilizes a system of sanctions	To the extent this fact is
		against institutions who fail to meet accreditation standards. Those sanctions	characterizing the sanctions that a Commission may impose are imposed
		from most lenient to most severe include	incrementally from less severe to most sever, this fact is disputed. ACCJC
} ↓	02	warning, probation, show cause, and termination of accreditation. Evidence: RJN Ex. 9 at 40-41 (Policy on Commission Actions on Institutions Part IV).	does not have a "system" of incremental sanctions. Nevertheless, it is undisputed that ACCJC has a range of sanctions that may be
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,			imposed on an institution.
3 3			Evidence: Johns Decl.¶¶39-41, Exhibit G at 40 to Johns Decl.
		Several California community colleges	Disputed as to the characterization of
		have lengthy sanction histories, being subject to a variety of ACCJC	"several community colleges" as having "lengthy sanction histories."
		accreditation sanctions over several years.	The phrase "lengthy sanction histories" is ambiguous in the context
	93	Evidence: Ichino Decl. ¶¶40-67 & Exs. 25-46.	of this fact; How long is lengthy? As
,		23-40.	such, this fact is disputed on the grounds it is unintelligible. The
			documents attached as exhibits speak
			for themselves. Moreover, the Ichino Decl. lacks foundation.
		In 2006, the ACCJC reaffirmed City College's accreditation without imposing any sanction at all.	Undisputed that City College's accreditation was reaffirmed, but it was reaffirmed with a progress report
	94	Evidence: RJN Ex. 2.	with a visit and a focused mid-term report. Moreover, the evidence cited to this fact does not support it; RJN

Exh. 2 is the 2006 Evaluation Report,