IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION

INSTITUTE FOR CREATION RESEARCH GRADUATE SCHOOL *Plaintiff* v. RAYMUND A. PAREDES *et al.*, *Defendants*	§ §	CIVIL ACTION NO. 3-09CV0693-B

AFFIDAVIT OF RAYMUND A. PAREDES

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
§
COUNTY OF TRAVIS §

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary public, on this day personally appeared Raymund A. Paredes, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and who stated as follows:

EXHIBIT
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1. I, Raymund A. Paredes, swear that the statements of fact contained herein are within my personal knowledge, and are true and correct. I am of sound mind, over 18 years of age, and capable of making this affidavit. I am making this affidavit in my capacity as Texas Commissioner of Higher Education, chief administrator of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board ("the Coordinating Board").

2. In my capacity as Commissioner of Higher Education, I have detailed knowledge of the day-to-day administration of the Coordinating Board, and routinely attend Board meetings. I was present at the meetings of both the Academic Excellence and Research Committee and the Coordinating Board at which the actions that are the subject of this complaint were taken.

3. The offices of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board are located at 1200 East Anderson Lane, Austin, Texas, 78752. Formal meetings of the Coordinating Board are routinely held in the Board Room on the second floor of 1200 East Anderson Lane. The meeting of the Academic Excellence and Research Committee at which I presented my recommendation concerning the proposed Master of Science in Science Education program of the Institute for Creation Research was held in the Board Room at 1200 East Anderson Lane on April 23, 2008. The meeting of the Coordinating Board at which the Board voted not to grant a Certificate of Authority for the proposed program occurred in the Board Room on April 24, 2008.

EXECUTED this 11 day of May, 2009, in Austin, Texas.

Raymund A. Paredes

SUBSCRIBED AND AFFIRMED before me by Raymund A. Paredes on this 11 day of May 2009, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

Notary Public in and for
the State of Texas

MARY LOU GUERRA
Notary Public
STATE OF TEXAS
Commission Exp. 08-20-2012
Notary without Bond