## EXHIBIT 9

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STUDENTS FOR FAIR ADMISSIONS,
Plaintiff,

Civil Action No.
1:14-cv-14176-ADB

DEPOSITION OF ERICA J. BEVER, a witness called on behalf of the Plaintiff, taken pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, before Alexander K. Loos, Registered Diplomate Reporter and Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, at the Offices of WilmerHale, 60 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts, on Thursday, July 13, 2017, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

## PRESENT:

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Reported By: Alexander K. Loos
Job No: 127040

ERICA J. BEVER
Q. And when you say "personal qualities and character," what are you referring to?
A. A variety of things.
Q. Such as?
A. Again, concern for others.
Q. What else?
A. Qualities described by recommenders.
Q. Anything else?

MS. ELLSWORTH: Objection.
A. The student's own application materials.
Q. Like their academic application materials?

MS. ELLSWORTH: Objection.
A. I'm referring to their essay, how they spend their time.
Q. In your experience does -- is a student's race sometimes factored into their personal --

MS. ELLSWORTH: Objection.
Q. -- into their personal score?

MS. ELLSWORTH: Objection.
A. No.
Q. Do you think that's true with respect to all readers?

MS. ELLSWORTH: Objection.
A. I cannot say what other readers do.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS)

SUFFOLK, SS.
I, Alexander K. Loos, RDR and Notary Public in and for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby certify that there came before me on the 13th day of July, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., the person hereinbefore named, who was by me duly sworn to testify to the truth and nothing but the truth of her knowledge touching and concerning the matters in controversy in this cause; that she was thereupon examined upon her oath, and her examination reduced to typewriting under my direction; and that the deposition is a true record of the testimony given by the witness. I further certify that I am neither attorney or counsel for, nor related to or employed by, any attorney or counsel employed by the parties hereto or financially interested in the action.

Under Federal Rule 30:
__ Reading and Signing was requested
___ Reading and Signing was waived
_X_ Reading and Signing was not requested

