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#	Name	Comments
1	Patrick Powers	
2	Chelsea Deiters	
3	Anonymous	Please withdraw this petition. Besides the fact that it's ridiculous, this effort and expense can be put toward further improvements to the University.
4	Donna M. Adamson	Skelton is the maiden name that the University knew me by when I was actively paying for my education--since money is a prime concern, along with bad publicity.
5	Anonymous	
6	Abigail Goellner	
7	Natalie Shoultz	
8	Caroline Landree	Personal vendetta - could not find a more correct term.
9	Katherine Cosgrove	
10	Theresa Voyles	I am student at a private university and uphold my right to speak freely on campus.
11	Stephanie Wilga	Avis is by far the best, most passionate professor I have EVER had. He cares about his students more than any professor I have ever known.
12	Thomas Henkey	As a SLU alumni, I can truthfully state that Professor Meyer was the best educator I had the honor of meeting during my time on campus. With that in mind, I most strongly urge the University to withdraw its current lawsuit.
13	Jeff Fister	
14	John Pauly	
15	Diana Umall	
16	Dale Sweet	A&S '97. As former UNews reporter, copy editor and commentator, I respect Dr. Meyer's selfless work with the paper and his students and advisees. After a decade away from SLU, I recently phoned Dr. Meyer (who is on sabbatical this semester), and he returned the call from his office phone almost immediately to schedule an appointment to discuss graduate studies. SLU would do well to develop more professors with Dr. Meyer's traits, dedication and advisory skills.
17	Sean Sweeney	This space is insufficient for me to convey the respect I have for Dr. Meyer.
18	Anonymous	
19	Les Hosteller	



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- 20 Julia Dever This is outrageous.
- 21 Linda Gaal
- 22 William Fronczak Middle ground can and should be found among two great leaders, who've done so much good work in the St. Louis community.
- 23 Una
- 24 Brett Underwood This beyond ridiculous. Avis Meyer is one of the more proven and distinguished individuals ever to have graced the SLU campus. Withdrawing this lawsuit would be step one in granting him the respect he deserves.
- 25 Courtney Torres
- 26 J. Leland Quarles A&S '99. I respectfully urge Saint Louis University, its administration and its Board of Trustees to withdraw the suit against Dr. Avis Meyer. For multiple decades, Dr. Meyer has served as a tremendous asset for the University and its Communications department. He has respectfully served as both a respected adviser and mentor to the campus' students as well as its student journalists affiliated with the campus newspaper. And, to this day, he remains a great guiding light for SLU alums. I am disappointed that the University would even consider taking such action against such a dignified and self-sacrificing campus icon. Please withdraw this suit immediately.
- 27 Anonymous
- 28 Emily Rosen
- 29 Lisa Watson
- 30 Lisa Watson
- 31 Holly Beretto Grad '95. "Whoever bids other folks to do right, but gives an evil example by acting the opposite way, is like a foolish weaver who weaves quickly with one hand and unravels the cloth just as quickly with the other," wrote Saint Thomas More. With this cheap, petty vendetta, SLU's message is that the thoughts, ideas and actions of its students and faculty are without value. As a member of the press and a former writer/copy editor for the University News, I am appalled that SLU's administration has brought this suit against one of its finest leaders. The UNews is a vital training ground for the tenants of a free press, free speech and for developing solid journalistic and ethical practices. Dr. Meyer's unflappable example as an advisor, thinker and editor epitomize the Jesuit motto, "Ad maiorem Dei gloriam." SLU's assault on his character and integrity is heartbreaking and shameful. I urge SLU to drop this suit against one of its most valuable educators.
- 32 Jean Trimble Pietrobono Fr. Biondi et al.: What were you thinking? I'm managing editor for finance at Consumer Reports and a proud former editor of the U. News (1975-76). Like many fellow SLU grads, I've done well in this field because of the influence of Avis Meyer-- his gentle guidance, humor, integrity, dedication, professionalism, big heart, and passion for what's right. Stop this nonsense now, and do whatever it takes to get Professor Meyer back to his position as U. News advlser. Not only are you hurling a dear friend, you're denying current students everything about a SLU education that brought me where I am. Don't damage the national reputation of SLU any further. And don't deny my profession the next generation of real journalists.
- 33 Matthew Lehner
- 34 Laura Batty
- 35 Chris Nation I don't go to school on the frost campus but I know of the distaste the board of trustees have for this professor because he fought to keep the U news alive and free. This suit is vengeful and the school is looking to do anything they can against him.
- 36 Claralyn Bollinger This is a ridiculous situation! The SLU administration has tried for years to squash the voice of the student journalists at the University News and now they are taking their dislike for the paper out on Dr. Meyer directly.
- 37 Jill Ellen Smith Obviously, Rev. Biondi has a low self esteem and is using his position to strong arm others. We call this being a "bully" in my class, which is Kindergarten!
- 38 Katherine Heidemann
- 39 Jill Ausdenmoore Professor Meyer is one of SLU's greatest assets.

40 Krista
Goszewski

41 Phil Lyons I've always been proud to call Avis my friend.

42 Debbie
Hoffmann
Dugan

43 Aubrey
Krekeler

To the SLU Administration and Fr. Blondi, SJ: Dr. Meyer has exemplified what real learning is all about in his posts as the UNews advisor, as well as through his role as a teacher. He is passionate about what he teaches and stands for, and while his opinions may not be synonymous with SLU's, they are valid points that need to be considered, respected, and even accepted by a community that advocates care and compassion for all. The malicious tension between the two - Saint Louis University administration and Dr. Meyer - needs to end. It is my hope that the outcome will be just and not a result of petty anger or childish disagreements. Opposition cannot be treated as justification for elimination. It deserves a much higher respect and the opportunity to be discussed and not simply discarded. As a student of SLU, I reiterate the petition above in my plea that this issue can be easily resolved without legal intervention or dismissal of anyone. This institution is about learning and being men and women for others. Let us not, in our anger or annoyance, forget that vital detail. It is, in more ways than one, the duty of this university to exemplify that Christian message. Here is the perfect opportunity to support the message we (many students, faculty, alumni, etc.) are giving you. There will always be conflict within an environment of learning - it is what spawns new ideas and healthy criticism. To merely extinguish a voice of opposition is not in keeping with the essence of knowledge, or the ideals of a Jesuit education like the one supposedly offered at SLU. A higher road needs to be taken in this instance: one of compassion, respect, acceptance, and forgiveness. Sincerely, Aubrey Krekeler

44 J. Andrew
Ivers

45 Robert
Seefeldt

Lawrence Blondi's continued churlish and petty harassment of Dr. Avis Meyer is completely uncalled for. As a leader on SLU's campus Dr. Meyer has directly influenced the lives of more students than Mr. Blondi could fathom. Such an action would only increase the breach between Blondi and the student community.

46 Michael
Marquard

47 Gagan Raju

48 Annie Boken

49 Jared
Vandergriff

50 Greg Ott

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51	Eileen Heidenheimer	I am disappointed that the university that helped keep me on the path of lovingkindness and compassion, in the late 60s, is losing touch with the human element of education. I will not be making any monetary contributions to SLU until I perceive a shift in their focus, from power and control to acceptance and respect.
52	John Nieman	
53	Kate Kovarik	
54	DIANA BENANTI	
55	Teresa Clancy Jackson	
56	David Decepida	
57	Trish Cummins	
58	Mary Lisa Carenza-Keenan	What in the world is happening here? Professor Avis Meyer is one of the top 10 greatest things Saint Louis University has to offer the world. What he brings to the students of this university is extraordinary and needs to be respected. I am concerned to see this kind of action being taken against a Jesuit University professor - what in the world is happening here???
59	Tom Fischer	
60	Anonymous	
61	Anne Dailey Meyer	It seems Fr. Biondi will stop at nothing in his vendetta against Dr. Avis Meyer. This lawsuit is outrageous and without merit. That the University's Board of Trustees continues to stand beside Fr. Biondi in all of this is truly incredible and sad. Enough is enough.
62	Jim Coughlin	
63	David Coughlin	Haven't you got something better to do?
64	John voyles	My great aunt Barbara Lubin would not think of it as a christian thing to do.
66	Colleen Burke	
68	Michele Parrish	
67	Maria Baran	
68	Erica Irwin	
69	Bill Fogarty	
70	Joe Hodes	Dr. Meyer is a credit to SLU and should be praised, not litigated against. It is a

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- shame that Fr. Biondi is so blinded by personal vendetta that he cannot see that.
- 71 Meghan Nation
I feel that this lawsuit is to fulfill a personal vendetta against Professor Meyer by Rev. Biondi. As a SLU student getting ready to graduate, I have lost a lot of faith in SLU's ability to look beyond financial gain. I see my school falling apart because of large tuition increases, a hike in the average household income of incoming students, and a personal vendetta that has threatened to take away the student voice on campus.
- 72 Annette Doyle
- 73 Jay Nies
Father Biondi -- You are an ordained agent for Christ. You're supposed believe and teach the Gospel in all you say and do. Your spiteful actions regarding The University News are having the exact opposite effect and are undermining the Church and the Holy Priesthood. Be true to your priestly calling and do the right thing: Apologize to Dr. Meyer and the staff of The University News, and end your participation in this vindictive escapade.
- 74 Amy Verkamp-McArthy
- 75 Ed Dalley
- 76 Tom Downey
For what shall it profit a Jesuit university, if it shall gain the whole world, and lose its own soul?
- 77 Jeannette Cooperman
Prof. Meyer has poured out energy, intelligence, compassion and deep dedication for years, sacrificing his time and personal needs for the sake of his students. That weighs more than this battle--or it should.
- 78 Elle Hogan
- 79 Patricia Burns Binder
- 80 Dan Dalley
- 81 Jenna Steege
- 82 Laura Heistand
- 83 Jamie Hendrix
- 84 Maria Betz
- 85 Jon Quarles
Dr. Avis Meyer is an outstanding teacher, mentor and friend to students. Dr. Meyer is an asset to SLU and one to be appreciated. Fr. Biondi should cease this and refocus on positive matters.
- 86 Grace A. Woodard
- 87 Nicholas Fagan
- 88 Peter Lah S.J.
SLU administration and its Board of Trustees obviously believe that they need to protect the integrity of its trademark. By suppressing the autonomy of University News and suing its long-time advisor and professor of journalism, they risk doing it more damage than good. For decades, The University News has been a place of excellence in journalism education. To accomplish that, a newspaper needs autonomy from powers that be. It hurts any civic-minded person to see a journalistic enterprise being turned into cash cow or public relations tool. The pain is compounded when such things happen at an institution that professes the values of respect, critical judgment and civic engagement.
- 89 Margaret Weber Crane
Father Biondi should be ashamed to call himself a christian man if he goes through with this federal lawsuit. It is an insult to Jesuit teachings and traditions as well as to common sense. If Father Biondi follows through with the lawsuit, he will do nothing but cut down the morale of the university's students, alumni, fellow faculty and staff. The pending suit has already tarnished my pride of calling St. Louis University home. Dr. Avis Meyer is to this day my mentor, as he was during my university years. He is not to be treated as a business deal but as an upstanding pillar of strength and pride at St. Louis University. Protecting students is what he does best. Teaching students is what he does even better. Filing to claim the University News name, and in turn, even surrendering it has taught his students -- both past and present -- to fight for that which you believe. In Dr. Meyer's case, what he believes in one and the same: students' best interest. So now, I choose to fight on his behalf and express my sheer disgust at Father Biondi's unwillingness to be what he, as a

jesuit, preaches: a humble man following in Christ. How a university could possibly ask more from a professor like Dr. Avis Meyer is beyond me. It is an injustice to the credibility of this jesuit Institution which holds honor to such high esteem to follow through with this pitiful, absurd and selfish lawsuit. Please consider not what you "lose" Father Biondi, but what your students, alumni, faculty and staff will continue to gain with a tenured, award-winning professor like Dr. Avis Meyer on your team. Yes, team, Father Biondi. I pray you have not lost your knowledge of the word. If you have, I know a very good mentor with a vast grasp of every detail of the english language. He's in your Communications department. His name is Dr. Avis Meyer.

90 Anonymous

91 Colleen M. Schrappen

92 Stephanie Mauch-Yorn

93 Tony Krawat

94 Julie M. Schwartz

95 Andrew Hermann I am disgusted. That so-called Jesuit Biondi has been attacking Avis for for years, despite Avis' tenure and his students' love of him. Biondi needs to go, not Avis.

96 Meredith Boggess This whole thing is nonsense and yet another embarrassment to the reputation of SLU. Dr. Meyer has for years been an asset to the University's faculty and student body and should be treated with the respect someone of his tenure deserves.

97 Adam Melster I would wager most students that were involved with the The University News would say that Dr. Meyer, above all other faculty, had the greatest impact on their development and education while at SLU, whether they had him for class or not. This is no way to repay such a respected professor. If Dr. Meyer inspired even a handful of students to pursue objective, independant journalism as a career, the administration should applaud his work and impact.

98 Alycia Rivard

98 Alexis B. Crowell Avis Meyer is quite possibly the best teacher at the University. I know this because he is one of the hardest teachers there is, but students continue to want to take his class. Why? Because everyone walks out of there with a changed view of life. Not one person who has come out of his classes can say that the skills he has taught them have not come up almost every day in their lives. His standards for us are much higher than other teacher's standards for us, but there is a difference between Avis and the others. Avis sets sky high goals and standards, and then he makes it his personal mission to help us live up to those goals and standards. I have never been pushed so hard but felt so much reward from a University class. Now that I have graduated and am out in the real world, I appreciate him even more. Unlike most other classes, the things I learned in his class show themselves out here almost every day. Let me tell you, it's not often I'll back a teacher that kicked my butt...but his class is the first class I've ever learned something from a good butt kickin'. You would be losing one of the best teachers at Saint Louis University all because of your ego. I hate to have to say this because I am so much younger than you, but you need to recognize your fault, be a grown up and let it go. The University will be better for it.

100 Richard Bergin Not much of an example that Father Biondi is setting for the students of Saint Louis University.

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101	Allison Fisher	I cannot say enough of how positive of an impact Dr. Meyer had on my life while at SLU and still to this day--I cannot imagine SLU without him.
102	Elisia Cohen	Dr. Meyer was a dedicated mentor to hundreds of SLU alumni. For years he acted as a mentor and advisor with little compensation to better student journalism in an underfunded communication program. He one the University wide teaching and mentoring award. This lawsuit is an affront to all the measurable wonderful deeds Dr. Meyer has done for students and on behalf of SLU.
103	Joshua Simpson	
104	Drew Ewing	
105	Elizabeth Glueck	I am a student at SLU and an illustrator for the University News. I think its absurd for SLU to pursue a legal case after the name was given back. I also think that there shouldn't have been a dispute in the first place. The name of the paper does not have Saint Louis University in the title and it had not been trademarked previously, so how could it have been trademark infringement.
106	Larissa Sarusal	
107	Scott Hickey	
108	Anonymous	I continue to be ashamed at the lack of jesuit values that initially made me proud to be a student/alumni. Enjoy the influx of donations now, I find it hard to identify any alumni within the past 10 years who plans to support SLU since it abandoned all that it was built upon.
109	Rhonda Crane	For many years I have heard how Father Blondi is not what you would expect for a "man of the cloth". I have always defended him, pointing out all the good he has done for SLU and the whole mid-town area. I am ABSOLUTELY sickened by this whole business! He needs to quit hiding behind the church and go peddle his brand of business ethics out in the cold cruel world, NOT to our young impressionable children.
110	Annie Mulligan	There's really nothing I can say here that hasn't already been said by my former professors and colleagues on the U.News--this is absurd. What Fr. Blondi really needs to be working on is repairing the administration's relationship with the student body.
111	Theodore Heldemann	
112	Sharon P Heldemann	
113	James W. Gallen	

This is ridiculous. I will forever remember Dr. Meyer as being my most influential collegiate professor, and I absolutely cannot believe that his name is being dragged through the mud with this. This is just the last straw in a string of events where Father Biondi has made me ashamed to call SLU my alma mater. The way he handled the firing of Brad Soderberg (and, subsequently, the hiring of Rick Majerus)



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- 114 Jennifer Bertucci
 was completely unprofessional and unethical. This situation with the UNews and Dr. Meyer is completely unfounded, and ridiculous. Truthfully, one of the main reasons that I still even view my time at SLU as time well spent is because of Dr. Meyer. He was my favorite professor while I was there, because he was constantly presenting students with new challenges, but he was also always there for all of his students if they had a personal problem that they needed to discuss with someone. I admired him from day one, and learned more from him than I did from any other professor at SLU. Dr. Meyer is a well-respected man (and for good reason) and I will forever remember him as someone who played an integral part of getting me to where I am today. He was my Editing teacher, and that was, by far, my most challenging undergraduate class. I truly believe that without that class, and without Dr. Meyer pushing me to succeed, I would not have my job that I do today (an editor/project manager at a well-known and respected publishing company). Thank you, Dr. Meyer for all that you've done for me. And to you, Father Biondi, as I said, you have made me ashamed to refer to myself as a SLU alum, and I cannot believe that you can call yourself a man of God. The Soderberg situation was ridiculous enough, but add this into the mix, and I am, plain and simple, DISGUSTED.
- 115 katie schiermeyer
- 116 Rachel Kondro
- 117 John Eckert
 To whom it may concern: It is terribly difficult to see the school I value so dearly mistreating one of the main reasons I value it in the first place in such a disgraceful manner. Dr. Avis Meyer is an essential member of the Saint Louis University community, and to treat him in such a despicable way is completely contrary to the mission of the school. As someone in formation for a religious vocation, I cannot in any way speak financially. All I can do is state my disappointment and disillusionment with an administration that is abusing the very faculty that make Saint Louis University what it is today. John Eckert Class of 2004
- 118 Anonymous
- 119 Stephen Missey
- 120 Josie Lee
- 121 Molly Seltzer
- 122 Joseph A Albert
- 123 Timothy E. Hogan
 It appears a settlement was reached before the suit was filed against Dr. Meyer. Someone needs to file a Rule 11 motion for sanctions against these folks, asap. Stop the stupidity!
- 124 Amanda Robert
- 125 Reynaldo Villar
 I was shocked to hear of this suit. This would seem to go against all the values that SLU taught me. Please withdraw this suit immediately. Sincerely, Reynaldo Villar Jr., A&S 1988, P&L 1988
- 126 Alana Beseau
 Professor Meyer is an incredible teacher and an invaluable asset to the University. Please treat him as such.
- 127 Jennie Critchlow Crabbe
 To suggest, as this lawsuit does, that Avis Meyer has a problem with ethics is patently ridiculous. He has stood up for free speech and for his students countless times over a 30-year career at SLU. He has made untold personal sacrifices for The University News and would do anything to protect it. The student newspaper has been a proving ground for dozens of professionals, myself included. Avis Meyer has taught us much about standing up for what is right. A man so key to shaping so many lives should be treated with nothing less than honor and respect.
- 128 Archi Sarkar
- 129 Anonymous
- 130 Randy Verkamp
 To continue this effort would seem to be an embarrassment to those of us dedicated to doing good.
- 131 Mary Jo Becker
- 132 john boul
 Father Biondi, the prosecution of this lawsuit is doomed to fail.
- 133 Lindsay Ryan

- 134 Roy Mueller Avis Meyer is the one professor I remember from my SLU Days. I graduated in 1982 and no other teacher has influenced me in a positive manner more than Dr Meyer. For him to be put in this position is extremely disappointing. While I do not donate a lot of money to SLU if anything truly comes of this, count on me to stop donating anything and my diploma will come down from my office wall.
- 135 Molly Niedringhaus
- 136 Anonymous
- 137 Anonymous
- 138 David Rielley
- 139 Erika Anne Jagalla Professor Avis Meyer has made a positive impact on thousands of students during his tenure at SLU. Is there no room for mediation here? Hasn't the university better things to invest in and focus on other than personal lawsuits against their own professors? Regardless of the details, I believe that the SLU should rise above what seem to be personal riffs, because in the big picture, it compromises -- and devalues-- the institution itself.
- 140 Frank Ladd
- 141 Laura Obermeier Dr. Meyer went above and beyond for all of his students, including myself, and shared so much of his wisdom and knowledge, that showing my support for him is the least I can do right now.
- 142 Nelson Davis Dr Meyer has always been my most positive memory of my 4 years at SLU. I hope you will reconsider this action.
- 143 Anonymous
- 144 Steffanie Thomas Father Biondi's behavior disgusts me. It all started with him wanting to protect his reputation by making sure he controlled the SLU news so that he would be cast in a good light. But filing a lawsuit against an esteemed member of his faculty is doing more damage to his reputation than the newspaper stories would ever do. I had thought that my alma mater was a university not a totalitarian government regime.
- 145 Amy Tocco
- 146 Elizabeth Merkel
- 147 Jonathan Zachary Bickel
- 148 Sara Jatcko I wholeheartedly support Dr. Meyer. This whole situation is ridiculous. He was one of the best teachers I had in undergrad. He should be valued rather than penalized by SLU for his advocacy and support for his students. This situation does indeed conflict with the values that SLU should support as a Jesuit institution.
- 149 Anonymous I am sure that Dr. Meyer was only thinking of the good of the news paper.
- 150 Jessica Nolen

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151	Sarah E. Hale	
152	Vicki Kromer	
153	Eric P. Anderson	No dime of my money will ever go to SLU until Larry "Beyond Me" is gone. I graduated in 2000 and "Beyond Me" has been attacking the newspaper and its editorial freedom since the days when I was a student there, when the paper criticized his handling of the sale of the hospital to Tenet. It's time for King "Beyond Me" to be toppled.... As a distant relative of former SLU President, Rev. Paul Reinert, I am sure Father Reinert is turning in his grave at what "Beyond Me" is doing.
154	Joan Skurat	Father Blondi needs to take a class in advanced ethics! Does he know anything about fairness, free speech, compassion or respect for others? Or----he needs advanced therapy for his extreme need for ultimate control.
155	Anonymous	The paper is but a shell of what it once was, a real voice of the student. Now it has become jsut another PR rag. Former SLU Employee
156	Katie Knoll	
157	Krissy Claes	
158	Katie Rouse	Professor Meyer had a profound impact on me personally and academically, during time at SLU. He has my full support.
159	Joe Palazzolo	
160	Verity Kugelmann	
161	Margaret A (Smith) Faintich	The University, its students and alumni are lucky to have a professor and mentor like Avis Meyer.
162	Kathleen R. Wallace	Dear Fr. Blondi and members of the Board of Trustees: I am proud of the education I received at Saint Louis University, but I find myself increasingly disappointed by actions taken by the university regarding the student newspaper and Dr. Avis Meyer. While there may be differing points of view regarding this situation, I would expect that a Jesuit university could be counted upon to work toward compassionate resolutions to disagreements.
163	Mallory Schwarz	As can be seen by how the paper has fallen apart this year, with nearly every existing editor and writer quitting, Dr. Meyer was more than influential to the paper and the staff, he was a necessary component. It's dissapointing that the school has completely destroyed the organization that first made me feel like I was a part of the SLU community.
164	Lucy Schuering	
165	Jennifer Rolf	The reverend and the board of trustees should try sitting down with Dr. Meyer sometime for a real face to face. He remains one of the most inspirational teachers I have ever had. EVER. And that includes 18 years of schooling. I'm sure many more



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on this list could echo my sentiment.

- 166 TERRY KYLE
Larry Biondi is still in office despite a certain incident some 17 years ago involving a foreign student wanted for rape charges who conveniently made his escape from the U.S. thereby avoiding the consequences of his actions. All with the help of a certain "priest". Dr. Meyer's offense is hardly of equal status.
- 167 Anonymous
- 168 Anonymous
At the end of the day, academic freedom and tolerance are central attributes of any top institution of higher learning. It is up to Saint Louis University's leadership in times such as these to decide what kind of institution it will be.
- 169 Jordan Fluegge
- 170 Melissa Bange
Professor Meyer is hands-down the most wonderful educator I encountered in my years attending SLU. He not only encouraged me to become a better writer and editor, but also personally helped me through a family tragedy I experienced my sophomore year. He has remained, for me, a mentor and friend. If he has done wrongdoing against the University, I petition to Father Biondi and the legal staff to work together (without malice) to come to some sort of a mutually agreeable outcome to this mess. It is hurting not only Avis, but the students, alumni, faculty and the over reputation of Saint Louis University.
- 171 John Malone
The action taken against Avis Meyer is deplorable. Dr. Meyer is one of the most distinguished professors at Saint Louis U, and has donated decades of service to his students and staff of The University News.
- 172 Patrick Finnegan
- 173 Mary M. Murphey
- 174 James Fortney
- 175 Mark Jefferies
I am most happy to sign this petition in support of Avis Meyer and the withdrawal by SLU of its trademark infringement lawsuit against Avis Meyer. Mark G. Jefferies, P.G. A&S '81, MAUA '97 Environmental Review Officer City of St. Louis Planning & Urban Design Agency 1015 Locust, Suite 1200 St. Louis, MO 63101 314-622-3400, ext. 803
- 176 Corrie Pendergrass
- 177 Ryan Noonan
- 178 Jim Santel
I am the editor in chief of St. Louis U. High's Prep News, and as a student journalist in a Jesuit school, I am appalled at Fr. Biondi's actions. Not only do they infringe on the invaluable privilege of a free press, but they run counter to all of the Jesuit ideals that I have encountered.
- 179 Andrew Teague
- 180 tony meale
- 181 tony meale
- 182 Cara Artman
- 183 Anonymous
- 184 Jay Braden
I am not a graduate of SLU or a former student of Dr. Avis Meyer; I am however a person he has called his friend for over 40 years! From this perspective I can unequivocally attest to his honesty, humbleness, and most of all his dedication and love of teaching. "Father Beyondbelief" may want to reread the "Sermon On The Mount": "The lamp of the body is the eye. If your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is evil, your whole body will be full of darkness. If all the light you have is darkness, it is dark indeed!" It wasn't enough that "The Good Father" succeeded in emasculating the spirit of the University paper, he now wants righteous Christian revenge on having been challenged in his "God given" authority! Jay Braden
- 185 Mary Eisenhauer
This lawsuit should be withdrawn, for the reasons stated above.

- 186 Ken Walk Give it up and move on. Life is short enough and frustrating enough as it is.
- 187 jacqueline kinnear
- 188 Mary Chollet-Lordan Father Biondi's lawsuit is only the latest event in his bizarre, years-long vendetta against Dr. Meyer. This is incredible, indefensible harassment of a highly regarded, much-awarded professor.
- 189 Edward J. Lordan, Ph.D. Dr. Meyer's contributions to the university and his students are the equal of those of any other member of the Saint Louis U. family - past or present. He has always put the interests of his students before all else, and he is now under attack for that. Let this go and give the man the respect he deserves.
- 190 Debbie Boyer I am embarrassed by the example the Saint Louis University administration is setting for the students that are counting on this institution for leadership.
- 191 Jerry Boyer Justice and fairness are basis tenants of every ethical system. This action seems to be driven by pure hatred and a personal opinion by the head of this university.
- 192 Anonymous
- 193 Lisa M. Amann
- 194 Jason Gonulsen
- 195 Susan Smorodin
- 196 Richie
The point appears to be Moot if the name has been relinquished. And seriously, someone should hit the Mute button on Father Biondi. Father Biondi should get a clue. SLU will never be the finest Catholic University in the land if he is filing suit against one of the very professors that makes a SLU education worthwhile and great. If this suit does not end in SLU dismissing the suit, I will never donate another alumni penny to any fund of SLU or its law school ever again.

A&S, '99, Law '02. I didn't realize until I reviewed my post that I failed to list my last name. Just to be clear, I will make certain that SLU will NOT receive significant donations from undergrad alumni and law school alumni. The amount I will influence from heading SLU's way will exceed the amount they are trying to extort from Dr. Meyer. As I alluded to earlier, Dr. Meyer is a terrific professor and a true inspiration. He was there during the great times and the bad times for all of his students--I saw him reach out to students that few realize!! I see several signatures posted on this petition of individuals who were in school at the same time as myself. While I was not close friends with all of these people, every single student of Dr. Meyer's had a respect for each other as a result of the fact that Dr. Meyer was our favorite professor and that he taught us more about life than Father Biondi ever could begin to understand. Go ahead SLU.....Make your Choice.....Will you continue forward against Dr. Meyer in this lawsuit or will you risk losing significant donations from both undergraduate and law school alumni? The Choice is yours. I respectfully request that you dismiss this lawsuit immediately so my fellow alumni can once again acknowledge our respect for Dr. Avis Meyer and SLU can move forward!
- 197 Richie Milzark
- 198 Lisa Horwitz
- 199 Peg (Battis) Craft I studied under Avis Meyer around 1982 and will never forget his excellent teachings. He's A Man for All Seasons. Looks like they want Avis towered and beheaded like Thomas More. This is vindictive and anti-gospel just like the land grab for Twenty North. No wonder so many leave the church. I'll pray Biondi has a conversion before the permanent kind. Rock on Avis and U.News and SLU Alum!!!
- 200 Sara

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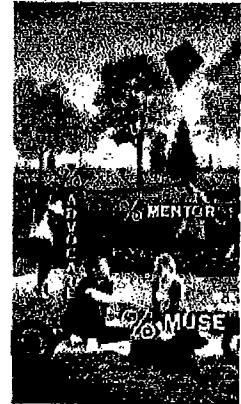
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201	Teryl Franklin	(A&S '90) This suit defies everything I learned at SLU.
202	Joseph Roppo	I am outraged after reading what is happening to Professor Meyer. I am an alumni from 1985 and have always thought Avis to be a fair, principled and upstanding individual. He is one of the finest teachers that SLU has ever had. Please, drop this horrific suit. Do not soil this man's good name.
203	Anonymous	
204	Cory Weaver	
205	Amy George Rush	
206	Eric Hotthaus	Vote No Confidence in the administration!
207	Beth O'Malley	To support an inspirational teacher.
208	Christian Schaeffer	
209	Mark Chmiel	Dr. Avis Meyer is a mensch. We need more like him.
210	Katie Rule	
211	Erica Oldani	
212	Lindsay Ryan	
213	Michele Parrish	
214	Katy Willis Carl	"If we lived in a State where virtue was profitable, common sense would make us good, and greed would make us saintly... but since we see that anger, avarice, pride, and stupidity commonly profit far beyond charity, modesty, justice, and thought, then perhaps we must stand fast a little, even at the risk of being heroes." Here's to Avis Meyer, SLU hero: may he continue to stand fast.
215	Melinda Carney	I am saddened and disgusted by the action taken against Dr. Meyer. He was my undergrad advisor back in the late 80s and when I returned recently for my MA, he was the primary reason. He taught me more in the classes I had with him than nearly everything else put together - he expected great things and because of his dedication, passion for words and commitment to our learning, I wanted, more than anything, to make him proud. I've witnessed his compassionate and passionate dedication to his students for almost 20 years, and I find it hard to believe that my alma mater would, administratively, stoop so very low.
216	Christina Ferrino	
217	Elizabeth Glueck	
218	Tom Ernst	
219	Samantha	



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- Hickey
- 220 Lauren Begley
- 221 Mary Santanello
- 222 Anonymous
- 223 Andrea Roewe This is a disgrace. I think Biodini really needs to reevaluate his priorities. and SLU.
- 224 Emily Jones
- 225 Andrea Mollett For one of the most inspirational and competent professors at SLU.
- 226 Ashly Fitzwater
- 227 Joselyn Howell
- 228 Kristin Kelley
- 229 Elizabeth S. Coz
- 230 Amber Boland
- 231 Jennifer Rolf Unbelievable way to treat a man that has had such a positive impact on the lives of so many and who has dedicated 30+ years to SLU.
- 232 Sidney Fey Dr. Avis Meyer is one of the greatest influences in my life; future generations of SLU students should be as fortunate as I was to have benefited from this amazing man.
- 233 John O'Brien I saw this coming while I was working at SLU and it's complete bullshit. Another fight in Biondi's quest for world domination. Perhaps this will all get battled out in the new Biondi Thunderdome. Don't let up everyone, it's not just about Avis. The whole issue is about Biondi trying to silence his opposition. In this case, the editor/moderator of the student paper.
- 234 Colleen Edghill
- 235 Luwani
- 236 Tricia Pool
- 237 Shawn M. Fusco Biondi wishes he could be half the man that Doc is.
- 238 Justin Giessman
- 239 Anonymous
- 240 Sean Sheehan
- 241 Mary Noel George
- 242 Kate Swigelson
- 243 Mary Noel George
- 244 Anonymous Let it be.
- 245 ANTHONY BARBIERI A&S 91
- 246 Katie Knoll

I'm not sure why everybody is so hard on Father Biondi, he was a great example of a Jesuit leader when I was at SLU - always involved in the student activities,

- 247 Ted Saunders genuinely cared for the students and was always there if anyone had problems. Walt.... that was Father Doody, Biondi was the guy rolling around in the Lexus that fired Doody when he stood up for the students. Nevermind.
- 248 Emily Schiltz
- 249 Laura Goddard
- 260 Matt Sutherland

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251	Elizabeth Coz	
252	Dave Wieland	
253	Jennifer Henkhaus	
254	Brian Kittinger	
255	James Wieland	It is very disturbing to think a Jesuit Priest would even consider pursuing this course of action. And for what purpose? Sincerely, Long Time Practicing Catholic
256	Colleen Piel	
257	Erin Borrini	
258	Gregory Stohr	
259	Paul McCaslin	
260	Tim Durbin	
261	Molly McHugh	
262	RoyLee H Mueller	Avis was the best teacher I ever had in my entire life. When I think back to my Saint Louis University days, it is impossible for those thoughts NOT to include Avis Meyer. As far as I am concerned, if not for Avis, that diploma would be worthless.
263	Tiffany	
264	Andrea Ludwa	
265	Mona Monteleone	
266	tara perry	
267	Mike Kapilla	As a former student of Avis and someone who wrote for the U-News, I stand behind him. He was one of the few profs who made an meaningful impact on me.
268	Tim Feldbruegge	
269	Virginia Dickes	
270	George Williams	As a staffer on the UNews during my tenure as a student in the 70's, Avis had a profound influence on me. Even then, SLU and Avis were in adversarial positions, yet he overcame the oppression. I think of him often, and wish him well now.



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- 271 Beth Hrdlicka As Vice President of Human Resources for a Fortune 500, I know the value of understanding both sides. So I don't pretend to know all the details of this case. So let me tell you what I DO KNOW!!! Dr. Avis Meyer is singly one of the best teachers I had at SLU. He truly made a difference in my life and growth. He has impacted 1000's of student's lives. At the end of the day, isn't SLU there for the benefit of it's student population? Are you doing right by them through these actions? It certainly does not sound like it. I would hope that egos could be put aside and some common ground found. Dr. Meyer makes a positive difference. Let him teach!
- 272 Chris Kienstra Avis Meyer is one of the best teachers I had at SLU. I was just telling my kids another story about something I learned from him the other day. Please keep him on the faculty. Klds need to be exposed to people like him. I should know I have a 17 and 20 year old and I would love for them to have him as a teacher. The focus of the university is to educate young minds in the Jesuit tradition. Please uphold that tradition by retaining great teachers like Avis Meyer
- 273 Jen Fuhler Bevel As a former Dr. Meyer student and a current instructor at a local college, I've modeled my own pedagogy after that of Dr. Avis Meyer. The loss of his inspirational teaching methods would be detrimental to current and future SLU students.
- 274 Nancy Muller
- 275 Katie Stockmann
- 276 Abby Warren
- 277 Anonymous
- 278 Anonymous
- 279 Lynn Wilson
- 280 William Scott Kettner
- 281 Karla Dean
- 282 Mary (Traub) Mayhall BA communications 1982. Dr. Meyer inspired us to be the very best we could be. He instructed with passion, critiqued with genuine care and flair. I'm still working on those commas he said I scattered like grass seed! I was, and SLU still is, blessed to have him.
- 283 Scott J. Androff Avis is simply one of the best teachers at SLU. He engages and gets the best out of his students.
- 284 Brandy Woolford
- 286 Zachary Borowiak Now that the suit is in the papers, it has become an embarrassment to the university. Furthermore, the University News was more than a school paper. It was a place where classroom lessons were put to the test and refined--ultimately making the students better writers and thinkers. I fear this suit has taken away from that experience, and will continue to be a black mark on SLU's reputation.
- 286 Cynthia Zirwes Finken Keller How sad that the head of a Jesuit university tries to stifle dissent. Isn't a university supposed to be about the debate of ideas?
- 287 Steve Begany
- 288 Shannon (Shepherd) Howard I graduated from the SLU communications department in 1995 as the Johnston award winner. And now, 13 years later as a professional writer, I am STILL drawing on the many valuable lessons that I learned from Avis Meyer. Dr. Meyer is a great asset to the student newspaper and the SLU community, and I think it's a travesty that the university is trying to make an example of him.
- 289 Don Kaag Dr. Meyer is one of SLU's greatest treasures, and it hurts to see the deplorable treatment given to one of the true educators in the St. Louis area.
- 290 Brooke Hardesty
- 291 Bill Victor Dr. Meyer was my favorite professor during my times at SLU (A&S '88). Passionate about his subjects, never boring in the classroom and real mentor to his students.
- 292 Chris Androff van Hillo I quote Albert Einstein on the importance of balance, which is what I believe Dr. Avis Meyer contributes to the U News - "In a healthy nation there is a kind of dramatic balance between the will of the people and the government, which

prevents its degeneration into tyranny."

293 Tim Wade Dr. Meyer was a big influence on me in my time at SLU. I loved his classes. It is an absolute crime for him to be barred from the U News. His priority is and always has been the education of his students.

294 Peter Erschen

295 John P. Jewell When Avis Meyer was being considered for tenure there was some worry that the University would not grant it . Students and alumni rallied, letters were written, tenure was given. Back then I wrote to the late Father J. Barry McGannon and explained were it not for Avis Meyer, I probably would not have finished my undergraduate degree '77 and not even thought about completing my Masters'83. In this current situation I just can't get past feeling there are some sour grapes at the administration level.

296 Paul Brinkmann Practice what you preach.

297 Katie Anderson Avis Meyer is one of the best instructors that I've ever had at SLU. Lawsuits like this guarantee that there will never be an alumni donation from me once I've graduated due to the agenda that SLU has in place.

298 Julie TenEyck

299 Daniel O'Connell Hamilton Once again, Rev. Biondi has disgraced the University with his Machiavellian antics. The U. News was never immune from criticism or need for improvement; however, the naked, petty exploitation of power over the student journalists displayed by the charter change and the bizarre hostility towards a beloved professor shows once again the urgent need for the Province to send Father Biondi back to the vineyards of secondary school teaching and out of the personality cult he has tried to foster at our University. He is long overdue for a change of scenery. We are long overdue for a leader whose strength of character will lead the ailing soul and spirit of our alma mater to the heights of its buildings and real estate. I suggest to the Board that this latest offense is a suitable moment to commemorate the end of the Biondi era, and to send him packing with the unlamented Archbishop who leaves our city not a minute too soon.

300 Andrew Plassmeyer

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301 Pete Cerneka

I find this law suit to be egregiously repugnant and dishonorable in its' intent. The actions of Rev. Biondi clearly display his flawed character. Biondi's repetitive arrogant behaviors, and his blatant disregard of Christian values should not be tolerated by an otherwise fine Jesuit Institution, such as St. Louis University. Rev. Biondi has so frequently displayed his arrogance and utter disregard of the rules that others are expected to abide by; that University Alumni, Faculty members, students and other affected parties should demand his immediate resignation. And, should his arrogance come into display once again, then this same group should demand that University Officials terminate the Rev. for conduct detrimental to the School.

303 Karla Batarse

304 maureen bryan

305 Jeanine Freeman Benanti

It breaks my spirit to have watched my daughter, Diana Benanti, being dragged through this terrible ordeal and I can never forget how the SLU provost called her into his office to deliver Biondi's veiled threats until she was forced to leave the University just before her senior year. But before she left, Diana refused to back down on printing the truth in the U News as any editor-in-chief would be expected to do, before or after her. Long live the U News.

306 Michael Kurtz

Act like a priest and shepard of your flock Father Biondi.

307 S. Graf

Fr. Biondi, Your actions are a horrible, horrible mistake. Little are you aware of Avis' reach amongst alumae. These alumnae are now citizen of the working world -- as you know, money talks and money can also walk. Think long and hard about the University's actions. The UNEWS would have been nothing notable had it not been for Avis' untethered dedication to journalism and his students.

308 Steve and Julie Leftridge

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310 Carol Steimel Truesdale (A&S '81)

Avis Meyer is probably one of the best things that has ever happened to SLU. Many moons ago, he helped me get my start in journalism--both in his writing classes and as a staff reporter for the UNews. Father Biondi...you're badly in need of a heart and a brain. "Forgive and forget"...perhaps that is in the Jesuit mission somewhere!

311 scott goddard

Dr. Meyer is a good man who is now forced to fight a GOOD fight. I am at his side. I know that he will prevail, because he has done no wrong.

312 Margaret Heldger

313 Anonymous

I think it might be too late but I thought I'd sign anyway to show my support!

1. Until this is resolved in a manner I consider fair, I will not donate to any SLU programs. I donate to the Larry J. Baricevic A&S Fund annually, but I know Dr.



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- 314 Stephanie M. Johnson Baricevic would understand my refusal to do so this year. 2. Why would I want to encourage any prospective student (including my own child) to attend a university that treats its student newspaper and such a respected professor in this way? Again, unless this is resolved in a fair manner, we'll look elsewhere. Do not take this lightly: In my current position, I work directly with hundreds of outstanding BA and high school graduates.
- 315 Eliza Gano Avis Meyer is a remarkable teacher who made a great impression on me with his character, concern and his trademark green pen.

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