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Mr. Edwin A. Grinvalds, Esq.
12 West Main Street
Springfield, Ohio 45502

Re: Wayne Doyle Appeal Decision

Dear Mr. Grinvalds:

This appeal came before me, the Clark County Public Library ("CCPL") Director, on Friday, April 15, to determine whether Mr. Wayne Doyle should be suspended from the library for violating the Library's Code of Conduct.

CCPL's Code of Conduct states that "Patrons shall respect the rights of others and shall not harass or annoy others by acts including, but not limited to: staring, following another person about the building, or behaving in a manner which reasonably can be expected to disturb others." A library patron ("Complainant") reported that Mr. Doyle was harassing her by staring and following her around the library. This behavior is in violation of CCPL's Code of Conduct.

In making my decision, I have considered the report of the security guard, my phone call to the Complainant, the affidavit of Stephanie Southers as well as Mr. Doyle's statement given at the appeal hearing. I found the Complainant's version of what happened and the security guard's report to be credible. The Complainant's statement that she made to me was consistent with what she reported to the Officer. I did not find Mr. Doyle's version of what happened on March 18, 2005 credible.

At the hearing, Mr. Doyle was given an opportunity to tell his side of the story. He denied that he followed the Complainant around the library, and was staring at anyone. Mr. Doyle did however acknowledge that he frequently sits in the Teen Room. Although he denies the Complainant's report of what happened, Mr. Doyle was not able to offer an explanation of why the Complainant would fabricate such a story.



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Therefore, I will reinstate the suspension effective immediately until March 21, 2007, from all library facilities. As detailed in my letter sent to Mr. Doyle on March 21, 2005, Mr. Doyle is not permitted to use, be in, or on the grounds of any Clark County Public Library facility. If Mr. Doyle is found on the grounds of the Clark County Public Library, he will be arrested for trespassing.

Sincerely,

John McConagha
John McConagha
Library Director

cc: Wayne Doyle
Johnny Pryor, Esq.