Council Action on Charlotte School of Law, August 11, 2017

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ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar

As the attached letter indicates, on Friday, August 11, 2017 the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar (Council) took action denying approval of a Teach-Out Plan that had been submitted by Charlotte School of Law, as required by ABA Rule of Procedure 34(b)(3).

The next step is for Charlotte School of Law to submit a revised plan that reflects its current status with the U.S. Department of Education and its state licensing agency that either is a plan for the orderly closure of the law school or one that forms part of a revised reliable plan to continue operating as a degree-granting institution in compliance with the ABA Standards, as appropriate.

We will continue to monitor the matter. However, until additional information is received, there is nothing further to say regarding the accreditation of the Charlotte School of Law.

The law school was placed on probation by the Council effective November 14, 2016. The announcement of this action was reported in this Notice of Probation and Specific Remedial Action. This notice also spells out the process that the school must follow to remove itself from probationary status and to return to operating in full compliance with the ABA Standards. At this time, that probation status remains in effect. Although on probation, the law school remains an ABA-approved law school. Under the ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools, formal Council action is required for a school’s approval to be withdrawn.