March 30, 2015

MEMORANDUM

TO: Deans of ABA-Approved Law Schools
University Presidents
Chief Justices of State Supreme Courts
Bar Admission Authorities
Licensing Agency for the State of Delaware:
   Delaware State Department of Education
Licensing Agency for the State of Pennsylvania:
   Pennsylvania Department of Education
Middle States Commission on Higher Education
U. S. Department of Education
Deans of Unapproved Law Schools
Leaders of Organizations Interested in Legal Education
Student Bar Association Presidents
ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar –
Website Posting

FROM: Barry A. Currier, Managing Director of Accreditation
and Legal Education

SUBJECT: Widener University to Formally Separate into Two Fully
Approved Law Schools

The Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar
of the American Bar Association, at its meeting on March 13-14, 2015, granted
acquiescence in the application submitted by Widener University School of Law
operating at campuses in Wilmington, Delaware and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, to
complete a process to formally separate those campuses into two separate law
schools, each with its own full ABA approval. The two schools are:

Widener University, Delaware Law School
4601 Concord Pike
P.O. Box 7474
Wilmington, DE 19803
Main: (302) 477-2100
http://delawarelaw.widener.edu
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and

Widener University, Commonwealth Law School (effective July 1, 2015)
Widener University, Harrisburg Law School (effective immediately and
until July 1, 2015)
3800 Vartan Way
P. O. Box 69380
Harrisburg, PA  17106-9380
Main:  (717) 541-3900
http://harrisburglaw.widener.edu

While the Council’s acquiescence in the separation is effective as of
March 14, 2015, the names and status of the two schools, in accordance with
Widener University’s announced plans, will not become operational until July 1,
2015.  Until July 1, 2015, Widener (Harrisburg) will be known as Widener
Harrisburg Law School, and will change to Widener University, Commonwealth
Law School on July 1, 2015.  Thus, as of March 14, 2015, Widener University
School of Law, as formerly recognized by the Council for its Wilmington and
Harrisburg campuses, is removed from the list of law schools approved by the
Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the
American Bar Association and the two law schools listed above are added to that
list, each with full ABA approval.

cc: Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar
Accreditation Committee