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ADMINISTRATIVE CLASS COMPLAINT

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I. PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

- 1. This complaint is filed by *Champion Women*, pursuant to Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. § 1681 *et seq.* ("Title IX") and the regulations and policies promulgated thereunder. *See* 34 C.F.R. § 106 *et seq.* Title IX prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in federally funded education programs and activities, including athletics.
- 2. Champion Women is a 501(c)(3) that provides legal advocacy for girls and women in sports.
- 3. As detailed in the Factual and Legal Allegations below, data submitted by Texas Christian University ("Texas Christian") to the Office of Postsecondary Education of the U.S. Department of Education pursuant to the Equity in Athletics Disclosure Act ("EADA"), 20 U.S.C. § 1092, as well as information collected from Texas Christian's website indicates that Texas Christian is discriminating on the basis of sex by providing women with unequal athletic participation opportunities, unequal athletic scholarship dollars, and unequal athletic recruitment and benefits, including athletic recruitment funding.
- 4. In order to address these disparities, *Champion Women* requests that the Office for Civil Rights ("OCR") investigate Texas Christian to determine whether it is providing women equal opportunities to participate in varsity sports, equal opportunities to earn athletic scholarships, and equivalent treatment and benefits, including recruitment funding as required by Title IX and, if not, to remedy any unlawful conduct.

II. JURISDICTION

- 5. The OCR is responsible for ensuring compliance with Title IX and receiving information about, investigating, and remedying violations of Title IX and its implementing regulations and guidelines. 34 C.F.R. §§ 106.71, 100.7.
- 6. *Champion Women* has not filed this complaint with any other agency or institution.
- 7. As Texas Christian currently violates Title IX's athletic equity requirements, this complaint is timely.

III. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

8. Texas Christian receives federal financial assistance and is therefore prohibited from discriminating on the basis of sex pursuant to Title IX.

9. Data submitted by Texas Christian to the U.S. Department of Education pursuant to the EADA that is publicly available on the Office of Postsecondary Education website for academic years 2003-04 through 2021-2022 indicates that Texas Christian is discriminating against women students; Texas Christian is not currently and has not in the past been providing female athletes equal opportunities to participate in athletics under Title IX's three-part participation test.

	Undergraduate Enrollment				1		Athletic Participation		
Year	Men	Women	Total	Percent Women	Men	Women Prong 2: This # should Rise Continuousl y and Steadily Over Time, Without Going Backwards	Total	Percent Women	Female Athletes Who Would Need to be Added to Achieve
2003-04	2577	3814	6391	59.68%	267	154	421	36.58%	241
2004-05	2678	4009	6687	59.95%	259	188	447	42.06%	200
2005-06	2654	4064	6718	60.49%	252	184	436	42.20%	202
2006-07	2966	4301	7267	59.19%	245	207	452	45.80%	148
2007-08	2872	4133	7005	59.00%	277	201	478	42.05%	198
2008-09	2886	4215	7101	59.36%	276	186	462	40.26%	217
2009-10	2955	4348	7303	59.54%	259	226	485	46.60%	155
2010-11	3030	4488	7518	59.70%	271	213	484	44.01%	188
2011-12	3174	4681	7855	59.59%	312	265	577	45.93%	195
2012-13	3269	4855	8124	59.76%	294	250	544	45.96%	187
2013-14	3329	4980	8309	59.94%	326	252	578	43.60%	236
2014-15	3317	5009	8326	60.16%	304	249	553	45.03%	210
2015-16	3395	5179	8574	60.40%	306	263	569	46.22%	204
2016-17	3381	5210	8591	60.64%	296	294	590	49.83%	162
2017-18	3530	5197	8727	59.55%	296	270	566	47.70%	166
2018-19	3746	5403	9149	59.06%	299	283	582	48.63%	148
2019-20	3812	5395	9207	58.60%	307	266	573	46.42%	168
2020-21	3834	5613	9447	59.42%	357	267	624	42.79%	256
2021-22	3956	6063	10019	60.52%	343	285	628	45.38%	241

10. *Champion Women* has edited the EADA data on our website https://titleixschools.com/ in just one instance: to remove male practice players who are counted

up in the tally as "women". These male practice players are not female athletes and have therefore been subtracted from the totals in the EADA.¹

- 11. Texas Christian counts 15 men as women. *Champion Women's* chart cannot account for the new numbers, but we can in our narrative.
 - 225 Women are given the opportunity to compete at Texas Christian.
 - 288 Men are given the opportunity to compete at Texas Christian.
 - The gap between men and women a loss for women, is 256, not 241.
- 12. Texas Christian does not and has not provided athletic opportunities to female students in numbers substantially proportionate to their enrollment pursuant to part one of the Title IX participation test. Women are 60.52% of the student body, but just 45.38% of the student-athletes.
- 13. In 2021-2022, the most recent academic year for which EADA data is available that is not corrupted by disruptions related to Covid-19, Texas Christian's participation gap was 256 athletes. In other words, Texas Christian must add 256 additional athletic opportunities for women in order to provide athletic opportunities substantially proportionate to enrollment. To put this into perspective, 256 additional opportunities are enough for approximately 10 new women's sports teams, assuming teams comprise approximately 25 female athletes each.
- 14. The EADA data and evidence gathered on Texas Christian's website show that Texas Christian does not have a history and continuing practice of expanding athletic participation opportunities for women pursuant to Prong 2 of the Title IX participation test. The number of women athletes does not consistently increase over time.
- 15. Over the 19 academic years covered by the available EADA data, Texas Christian's opportunities for women have fluctuated frequently. Texas Christina slid backward in women's opportunities in 2007, 2009, 2010, and between 2011 and 2016. Texas Christian achieved its high point in 2016, and since then, Texas Christian has removed 9 opportunities for women.

During this same time period, Texas Christian added 30 male athletes.

Champion Women cannot know the 28-year history of adding sports between 1975 and 2003, but Texas Christian cannot show a history of continuous program expansion that is demonstratively responsive to women's growing interest in sports of all kinds, as the facts will show.

16. A review of Texas Christian's website did not show any policy or procedure for adding new sports or elevating existing club sports to varsity status. Nor did it reveal any athletic gender equity plan, or any gender equity committee.

¹ See *Champion Women* website for every college and university receiving federal funds: https://titleixschools.com/2023/05/20/eada-data/ High school data for these schools receiving federal funds is available here: https://titleixschools.com/2023/06/06/check-your-high-school/

- 17. Texas Christian sponsors nine men's varsity sports (Baseball, Basketball, Cross Country, Football, Golf, Track, Swimming & Diving, and Tennis) serving 288 men, and 13 women's varsity sports (Basketball, Beach Volleyball, Cross Country, Equestrian, Golf, Track, Rifle, Soccer, Swimming & Diving, Tennis, Triathlon, and Volleyball), serving 240 women.
- 18. Information available on Texas Christian's website suggests that the university is not accommodating the interests and abilities of female athletes as required by part three of the Title IX participation test.
- 19. Texas Christian women participate in the club sports of Elite Dancing, Climbing, Golf, Ice Hockey, Power Lifting, Lacrosse, Gymnastics, Sailing, Rowing, Ultimate Frisbee, Wake Boarding, Polo, and Rugby. *Campus Recreation and Wellness Promotion*, Texas Christian University, 2023 (last visited August, 2023). The existence of these women's club teams indicates that there is unmet interest in women's athletics at Texas Christian.
- 20. Texas Christian is a member of the Big 12 Conference. Member schools are from Texas, Utah, Florida, Ohio, Iowa, Kansas, West Virginia Oklahoma. Affiliate members hail from California, Colorado, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, Tennessee, Wyoming. Other universities within this conference include Baylor University, Brigham Young University, University of Central Florida, University of Cincinnati, University of Houston, Iowa State, University of Kansas, Kansas State University, University of Oklahoma, Oklahoma State University, University of Texas at Austin, Texas Tech University, and West Virginia University Competitive geographic region will pose no obstacles for Texas Christian to find more competitors in its new women's sports.
- 21. The Big 12 sponsors Championship sports in Gymnastics, Softball, and Rowing, while Texas Christian does not sponsor these four sports. Champion sports unique educational experiences. And the existence of these Championships demonstrates that there is sufficient interest and abilities from women, and competition in the geographic area from which Texas Christian draws its students, and with whom it competes, to sustain additional varsity sports.
- 22. Schools in the Big 12 sponsor Lacrosse, Skiing and Water Polo; sports that Texas Christian does not sponsor any of these women's sports. The existence of these teams demonstrates that interest and competition exist in the geographic area from which Texas Christian draws its students and with whom it competes to sustain additional varsity sports.
- 23. Texas Christian recruits nationally and internationally for its student body and its athletes. High school-age girls in the competitive geographic region compete in both school and club sports in traditional sports and others. These sports include Wrestling, Badminton, Table Tennis, Team Handball, Sailing, Field Hockey, Fencing, Swimming & Diving, Skateboarding, Water Polo, Archery, Field Hockey, Rifle, Triathlon, Ice Hockey, Sport Climbing, Artistic Swimming, Skiing, Snowboarding, Gymnastics, Rowing, Wrestling, Rugby, and all sorts of combat sports, like Judo, Karate, and Taekwondo, to name a few.

- 24. Sport Governing Bodies and the NCAA, for member schools, make it very easy to see where other competitors are located. The NCAA publishes the "NCAA Sports Sponsorship and Participation Rates Report, 1956 2022" for schools to find competitors within the school's normal competitive region: NCAA Sports Sponsorship and Participation Rates Report.²
- 25. Wrestling, Rugby, Equestrian, and Triathlon are NCAA emerging sports. There are 163 college women's Wrestling programs, 42 NCAA schools sponsor Triathlon, 26 colleges sponsor women's varsity Equestrian, and at least 32 colleges currently sponsor women's varsity Rugby.
- 26. A review of the Texas Christian website does not reveal that the school undertook any athletic interest surveys or other research into interest and competition to support the addition of women's varsity sports. While surveys are never sufficient to deny women sports opportunities, they are often helpful in determining *which sports* the school should add.
- 27. The failure to provide women with equal opportunities to play impacts the availability of athletic scholarship dollars for women. These are important sources of funding for educational attainment that women are being denied because of their sex. If Texas Christian provided its male and female students with the same opportunities to participate, Texas Christian would need to add \$8,933,430 additional athletic scholarship dollars, to balance out the amount Texas Christian provides to its male students.
- 28. If, for some reason, the OCR determines that Texas Christian is not discriminating against women in providing opportunities in sport, the ratio used is the student-athletes, instead of the student body, no more scholarship dollars would be required.

² See

https://ncaaorg.s3.amazonaws.com/research/sportpart/2022RES SportsSponsorshipParticipationRatesReport.pdf See individual sports' governing bodies for more, e.g.,

Women's College Rugby: https://www.urugby.com/teams/womens-teams

Collegiate Equestrian: https://collegiateequestrian.com/sports/2020/5/6/schools.aspx

Women's Collegiate Wrestling: https://wrestlelikeagirl.org/college-opportunities

 $Collegiate\ Competitive\ Cheer\ Teams:\ \underline{https://www.ncsasports.org/cheerleading/colleges}\ (not\ to\ be\ confused\ with\ sideline\ cheerleading)$

Women's Collegiate Triathlon: https://www.usatriathlon.org/multisport/ncaa-triathlon

Collegiate Sailing is governed by the Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association (ICSA) with 220 schools: https://www.collegesailing.org/about/overview

Women's Collegiate Ice Hockey: https://www.uscho.com/teams/#d1women

Collegiate Field Hockey: https://www.teamusa.org/USA-Field-Hockey/PLAYERS/College/Team-Websites Collegiate Synchronized/ Artistic Swimming: https://www.collegexpress.com/lists/list/colleges-with-notable-synchronized-swimming-teams/581/

Collegiate Bowling - https://collegebowling.bowl.com/teams

Collegiate Rifle - https://competitions.nra.org/competitions/nra-national-matches/collegiate-championships/collegiate-shooting-sports-directory/

Collegiate Skiing – https://www.uscsa.org/

Collegiate Water Polo - https://collegiatewaterpolo.org/

Collegiate Women's Gymnastics https://www.ncaa.com/sports/gymnastics-women

- 29. Texas Christian's EADA data further indicates that the university provides inadequate and unequal funding for the recruitment of female athletes. In 2021-2022, Texas Christian spent \$1,227,549 on men's recruitment and only \$398,416 on women's recruitment; women were allocated only 24.50 percent of the recruiting budget even though they account for 45.38% percent of the athletic population and 60.52 percent of the full-time undergraduate population. If Texas Christian provided its male and female students with the same opportunities to participate, Texas Christian would need to add an *additional* \$1,482,936 in recruiting dollars for women's teams to balance out the amount Texas Christian provides to its male teams.
- 30. If, for some reason, Texas Christian is, in fact, not discriminating against women in providing opportunities in sport, Texas Christian would still need to provide its women's sports teams and women's coaches with \$314,726 more recruiting dollars in order to be consistent with the school's investment in men's sports.

IV. LEGAL ALLEGATIONS

- 30. Title IX provides that "[n]o person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." 20 U.S.C. §1681(a).
- 31. Title IX regulations prohibit athletic programs from discriminating on the basis of sex in interscholastic, intercollegiate, club or intramural athletics offered by the institution. 34 C.F.R. §106.41(a) (2000).
- 32. Title IX regulations require institutions that offer athletics programs to provide equal athletic opportunities to members of both sexes to participate in athletics. 34 C.F.R. §106.41(c)(1).
- 33. Pursuant to the 1979 Title IX Policy Interpretation, compliance with Title IX's equal athletic participation requirement is measured by determining whether the educational institution meets one part of the following three-part test:
 - 1. Prong 1: Whether intercollegiate level participation opportunities for male and female students are provided in numbers substantially proportionate to their respective enrollments; or
 - 2. Prong 2: Where the members of one sex have been and are underrepresented among intercollegiate athletes, whether the institution can show a history and continuing practice of program expansion which is demonstrably responsive to the developing interests and abilities of the members of that sex; or

3. Prong 3: Where the members of one sex are underrepresented among intercollegiate athletes, and the institution cannot show a history and continuing practice of program expansion, as described above, whether it can be demonstrated that the interests and abilities of the members of that sex have been fully and effectively accommodated by the present program.

United States Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Office for Civil Rights, *Policy Interpretation; Title IX and Intercollegiate Athletics*, 44 Fed. Reg. 71413 (Dec. 11, 1979) [hereinafter *Policy Interpretation*].

- 34. In determining substantial proportionality under part one of the three-part test, OCR considers the number of opportunities that would have to be added to achieve proportionality and whether it would be sufficient to support another team. If there are a significant number of unaccommodated women, it is likely that a viable sport could be added and therefore the institution has not satisfied part one of the three-part test. United States Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, *Clarification of Intercollegiate Athletics Policy Guidance: the Three-Part Test* (Jan. 16, 1996) [hereinafter *1996 Clarification*].
- 35. In 1975, schools were given three years to be in compliance with the equal participation mandate under Title IX. Schools had only one year to end sex discrimination in all other areas of Title IX's non-discrimination mandate. Only athletics gave schools three years to add athletic opportunities and to stop discriminating against women or until 1978. That deadline passed 45 years ago. 34 C.F.R. §106.41(d).³

It is worth noting how odd Prong 2 is as a legal test, in comparison to other non-discrimination civil rights. For a school to be able to argue that it is still playing catch-up with non-discrimination – exists nowhere else in law. This is especially true 51 years after the passage of Title IX, and 48 years after the passage of the regulations OCR depends on, regulations that were passed by Congress. When a school uses Prong 2, it is admitting that it is not providing women with equal educational opportunities, but that their actions are acceptable, because the school is "improving." Title IX's Prong 2 allows schools to provide girls and women with less.

36. In determining whether an institution has a history and continuing practice of expansion under Prong 2 of the three-part test, OCR reviews the entire history of the athletic program and evaluates whether the institution has expanded participation opportunities for the underrepresented sex in a manner that was demonstrably responsive to their developing interests and abilities, considering a number of factors, including:

³ 34 C.F.R. §106.41(d) "Adjustment period. A recipient which operates or sponsors interscholastic, intercollegiate, club or intramural athletics at the elementary school level shall comply fully with this section as expeditiously as possible but in no event later than one year from the effective date of this regulation. A recipient which operates or sponsors interscholastic, intercollegiate, club or intramural athletics at the secondary or post-secondary school level shall comply fully with this section as expeditiously as possible but in no event later than three years from the effective date of this regulation."

- an institution's record of adding intercollegiate teams, or upgrading teams to intercollegiate status, for the underrepresented sex;
- an institution's record of increasing the numbers of participants in intercollegiate athletics who are members of the underrepresented sex;
- an institution's affirmative responses to requests by students or others for addition or elevation of sports; and
- whether the institution has effective ongoing procedures for collecting, maintaining and analyzing information on the interest and abilities of students of the underrepresented sex, including monitoring athletic participation, and assessing interest and ability on a periodic basis.

United States Department of Education, Office for Civil Rights, *Intercollegiate Athletics Policy Clarification: The Three-Part Test- Part Three* (Apr. 20, 2010) [hereinafter 2010 Clarification]; 1996 Clarification.

- 37. In determining whether an institution has a continuing practice of program expansion under Prong 2, OCR will consider a number of factors, including:
 - an institution's current implementation of a non-discriminatory policy or procedure for requesting the addition of sports (including the elevation of club or intramural teams) and the effective communication of the policy or procedure to students:
 - an institution's current implementation of a plan of program expansion that is responsive to developing interests and abilities; and
 - an institution's efforts to monitor developing interests and abilities of the underrepresented sex, for example, by conducting periodic nondiscriminatory assessments of developing interests and abilities and taking timely actions in response to the results.

2010 Clarification, 1996 Clarification.

- 38. OCR will not find a history and continuing practice of program expansion where an institution increases the proportional participation opportunities for the underrepresented sex by reducing opportunities for the overrepresented sex alone or by reducing participation opportunities for the overrepresented sex to a proportionately greater degree than for the underrepresented sex. 2010 Clarification, 1996 Clarification.
- 39. Courts have found that schools must have both a history *and* continuing practice of expanding opportunities for women for Prong 2 compliance. *Mansourian v. Bd. Of Regents of Univ. of Cal.*, 594 F. 3d 1095, 1108. (9th Cir. Cal. 2010).
- 40. Prong 3 of the three-part test requires an examination of whether there is an unmet interest in a particular sport, a sufficient ability to sustain a team in the sport, and a reasonable expectation for competition for a team in the sport. 2010 Clarification, 1996 Clarification.

- 41. Whether there is unmet interest and ability will be determined by examining a broad range of indicators, including whether the institution uses non-discriminatory methods of assessing interest and ability, the elimination of a viable team for the unrepresented sex, multiple indicators of interest and ability, and frequency of conducting assessments. 2010 Clarification.
- 42. Sufficient interest can be established by student requests to add a sport or elevate a club sport, increases in club or intramural sport participation, responses to interviews and interest surveys, assessments of student athletic participation before entering the institution or in the secondary schools from which the university draws its students, and assessments of participation in intercollegiate sports in the institution's normal competitive regions. *Id*.
- 43. Ability may be established by the athletic accomplishments and competitive experience of club sports and admitted students, the opinions of coaches, administrators, and athletes, and student participation in other sports. *Id.*
- 44. Expectation of competition may be established through athletic opportunities offered by other schools with which the school competes or opportunities at other schools in the school's geographic area, including those against which the institution does not compete. *Id.*
- 45. Under Prong 3 of the three-part test, OCR will also examine an institution's recruitment practices. If an institution recruits potential student-athletes for its men's teams, OCR will examine whether the institution is providing women's teams with substantially equal opportunities to recruit potential student-athletes. *Id*.
- 46. Title IX also requires schools to provide equal scholarship dollars, in proportion to the number of students of each sex participating in athletics. 34 C.F.R. §106.37(c) (2000). NCAA limits on scholarships per team is not a legal defense; schools cannot blame a third party for sex discrimination; recipients are responsible for equality. Schools choose which sports to sponsor, and some schools have chosen scholarship-dense sports for men, such as football and basketball, and scholarship-light sports for women, such as track.
- 47. Title IX also requires equal opportunity in the recruitment of student-athletes where equal athletic opportunities are not present for male and female students. Compliance will be assessed by examining the recruitment practices of the athletic programs for both sexes and evaluating whether the financial and other resources made available for recruitment in male and female athletic programs are equivalently adequate to meet the needs of each program. 1979 *Policy Interpretation*.
- 48. Title IX requires schools to provide women with equal treatment, including equipment and supplies; game and practice times; travel and per diem allowances; coaching and academic tutoring; assignment and compensation of coaches and tutors; locker rooms, practice and competitive facilities; medical and training facilities and services; housing and dining facilities and services; and publicity. 34 C.F.R. §106.41(a) (2000), *Policy Interpretation*.

- 49. Lack of money is not a legal defense to sex discrimination. See, e.g., Roberts Colorado State Univ., 814 F. Supp. 1507, 1518 (D. Colo. 1993) ("[A] financial crisis cannot justify gender discrimination."); Favia v Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 812 F. Supp. 578, 585 (W.D. Pa. 1993) (finding that financial concerns alone cannot justify gender discrimination); Cook v. Colgate University, 802 F. Supp. 737, 750 (1992) ("[I]f schools could use financial concerns as a sole reason for disparity of treatment, Title IX would become meaningless."); Haffer v. Temple, 678 F. Supp. 517, 520 (1987) (finding that financial concerns alone cannot justify gender discrimination).
- 50. Monies and in-kind benefits from third-party sources, such as donors, sponsorships, television rights, ticket sales, and student fees, are not a defense to a sex discrimination charge, whether those resources were used to build facilities, fund scholarships, provide equipment and uniforms, or any other benefit of sports participation. None of those sources of money creates a legal defense against sex discrimination. Schools must ensure that their students are not receiving second-class educational opportunities because they are female. See 20 U.S.C. § 1687 (2005); See Office for Civil Rights, *Department of Education, Further Clarification of Intercollegiate Athletics Policy Guidance Regarding Title IX Compliance* (June 11, 2003), *Cohen v. Brown Univ.*, 809 F. Supp. 978, 996 (D.R.I. 1992) (concluding that "all monies spent by Brown's Athletic Department, whether originating from university coffers or from the Sports Foundation [booster club] must be evaluated as a whole under § 106.41(c)").
- 51. It is *Champion Women's* experience that most athletes and former athletes are acutely aware of all the ways they are treated as second-class within their athletics department, because they are women. As NIL monies become more available, equal promotion and publicity will be important for female athletes. *Champion Women* asked current collegiate athletes what equality would look like under this list. Here's what the athletes came up with:
 - i. Men's and Women's sports would be equally featured, with equal prominence, on school and Athletic Department websites and social media.
 - ii. Schools would invest equally in cameras and production equipment for Women's and Men's sports.
 - iii. Schools would optimize Google searches for their Men's and Women's teams to receive equal search results.
 - iv. Women's and Men's sports would employ an equal caliber of talent in their sports information and marketing departments, and they would be paid and promoted equally.
 - v. Women's and Men's sports jerseys, apparel, and memorabilia would be equally and easily accessible.
 - vi. The needs of Women's teams would not revolve around Men's football and men's basketball teams.
 - vii. The Women's and Men's teams would have equal access to dining halls, nutrition, etc. at times equally convenient to both teams.

- viii. Men's and Women's teams would have equal access to optimal practice times when they share facilities.
- ix. Men's and Women's sports marketing efforts would focus on performance; Broadcasters and schools would not focus on a woman athlete's appearance or sexuality.
- x. Women's and Men's medical care and athletic training access would be equal; Neither male nor female athletes would have priority accessing these resources.
- xi. Schools would hire competition officials of the same quality, with equal compensation, for the Women's and Men's teams.
- xii. Men's and Women's sports performance staff would be equal and would be paid and promoted comparably.
- xiii. Schools would intentionally use language that equally prioritizes Men's and Women's sports.
 - 1. Teams would be referred to as "Women's Basketball" and "Men's Basketball."
 - 2. "Basketball" would not be used to refer to Men's Basketball.
 - 3. Schools would have Social Media handles that referred to men's and women's teams; "Oregon Soccer" would be changed to "Oregon Men's Soccer."
- 52. Texas Christian's own data, as outlined in the Factual Allegations above, demonstrate that it is not providing equal opportunities for its female students to participate in sports under Title IX's three-part participation test, in addition to scholarship, treatment, and recruitment requirements.

V. RELIEF REQUESTED

- 53. *Champion Women* requests that OCR:
- a. <u>Investigate</u> Texas Christian University to determine whether they are discriminating against women; whether it is providing female students with equal participation opportunities in varsity athletics, equal and proportionate athletic scholarship dollars, and receiving equal treatment and benefits, including but not limited to equal recruiting budgets.
- b. Take all necessary steps to <u>remedy</u> any unlawful conduct that you identify in your investigation, as required by Title IX and its implementing regulations.
- c. If any violations are found, secure assurances of compliance with Title IX from the Texas Christian University, that include full remedies for all the violations found.
- d. Among other steps to achieve compliance with Title IX, require the Texas Christian University to elevate interested existing women's club teams to varsity status, add more athletic opportunities for women, accord to additional teams and athletes the full range of benefits accorded to men's varsity teams and athletes, increase recruiting budgets and opportunities, and adopt and implement a plan to achieve compliance with Title IX.
- e. <u>Monitor</u> any resulting agreement with Texas Christian University to ensure that the school achieves full compliance with Title IX, now and in the future.

I give OCR my consent to disclose my name and *Champion Women's* name contained in this letter to others for OCR's investigation of, and enforcement activities related to, the Discrimination Complaint.

Nancy Hogshead, J.D., OLY September 8, 2023