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RESOLUTION
COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES
WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
MARCH 22, 2007
PURCHASE ORDERS AND CONTRACTS

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA HEREBY APPROVES THE LIST OF PURCHASE ORDERS AND CONTRACTS IN EXCESS OF \$5,000 EXECUTED DURING JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2007 FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT, SERVICES AND SUPPLIES.

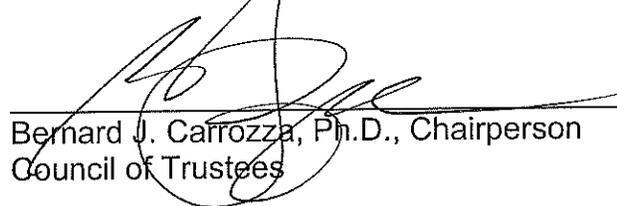
RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION BY THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES



Madeleine Wing Adler, President

3/1/07
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APPROVED BY VOTE OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES



Bernard J. Carrozza, Ph.D., Chairperson
Council of Trustees

3/22/07
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West Chester University of Pennsylvania
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Department	Vendor	Item	Document No.	Amount
Academic Computing	Apple Education Buying Service 2420 Ridgepoint Drive Austin, TX 78754	Purchase of 20 #ZODH iMac 20" computers.	4500139242	\$39,155.00
	Hewlett Packard Company 8000 Foothills Boulevard Roseville, CA 95747	Disk storage system for student e-mail storage allocation.	4500138342	\$50,238.00
	Lenevo Direct 8123 S. Hardy Drive Tempe, AZ 85284	Purchase of 60 computers and monitors for ACC student labs.	4500139254	\$56,280.00
	Lenovo Direct 8123 S. Hardy Drive Tempe, AZ 85284	Purchase of 20 IBM ThinkPad X60 tablet computers.	4500138238	\$33,500.00
	Lenovo Direct 8123 S. Hardy Drive Tempe, AZ 85284	Purchase of 5 IBM ThinkPad X60 Tablet computers.	4500138329	\$9,050.00

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Academic Computing	Lenovo Direct 8123 S. Hardy Drive Tempe, AZ 85284	Purchase of 5 IBM ThinkPad X60 Tablet computers.	4500139302	\$9,050.00
	SHI, Inc 2 Riverview Drive Somerset, NJ 08873	Studio with flash professional software -upgrade to version 8.	4500138266	\$7,282.00
Admissions	4Imprint 101 Commerce Street Oshkosh, WI 54901	Printing of folders for use at 2007 Admissions Open House.	4500137617	\$5,945.03
College of Arts & Sciences	J. Scott Catering 189 Pennsylvania Avenue Malvern, PA 19355	Catering of food services to support the Drug Information Association Conference being held April 23, thru April 26, 2007.	4500137246	\$12,357.60
College of Visual & Performing Arts	H.B. Frazer Compaany - PA 514 Shoemaker Road King of Prussia, PA 19406	Furnish labor and material for electrical services for the College of Visual & Performing Arts building.	4500137085	\$5,573.73

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College of Visual & Performing Arts	Harrison Electric P.O. Box 223 Glen Mills, PA 19342	Labor and materials to install electric to 4 roll up doors and 2 air curtains in College of Visual & Performing Arts building.	4500138120	\$6,505.00
Environmental Health & Safety	Heritage Environmental Services, Inc. 2851 South Avenue, Suite 1 Toledo, OH 43609	Renewal of the hazardous waste material services contract for the period 02/01/07 thru 02/29/08.	4300000379	\$25,000.00
Facilities Division	Compass Signs Co. 3820 Nebraska Street, P.O. Box 830 Levittown, PA 19058	New exterior ID sign for the School of Music and Performing Arts Center.	4500139956	\$5,155.00
	Crest Environmental Services, Corp. 250 Corporate Center Drive Reading, PA 19605	Open Ended Asbestos Removal Contract for 25 University Avenue.	4500140161	\$146,267.12
	Read's Moving Systems, Inc. 2600 Turnpike Drive Hatboro, PA 19040	Labor to remove furniture and salvage items from 25 University Avenue.	4500138401	\$40,844.97

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Grounds	Miller's Welding Service, Inc. 134-138 E. Market Street West Chester, PA 19382	Custom fabricated bollards w/chains and ground sleeves. Pedestrian control devices to protect landscape.	4500139288	\$11,680.00
	United Rentals 3880 East Thompson Street Philadelphia, PA 19137	Purchase of Safe N Sure Ice melt for use on campus walkways.	4500138422	\$7,585.20
Inventory	Document Concepts P.O. Box 241 Woodbury Heights, NJ 08087	Purchase of 8 1/2" x 11" Xerographic paper to replenish Central Stores inventory.	4500137871	\$37,968.00
	Prestige Packaging 1953 West Point Pike West Pointe, PA 19486	Purchase of C-fold paper towels to replenish Central Stores inventory.	4500139112	\$6,750.00
	T. Frank McCalls's, Inc. P.O. Box 260 Chester, PA 19016	Purchase of Toilet tissue to replenish Central Stores inventory.	4500139097	\$9,982.00

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Public Relations & Marketing	Philadelphia Newspaper, Inc. P.O. Box 822063 Philadelphia, PA 19182	Printing of the Visiting Artist series to be inserted into the Philadelphia Inquirer.	4500137590	\$6,053.25

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Academic Computing	Apple Education Buying Service 2420 Ridgepoint Drive Austin, TX 78754	Purchase of 20 Apple MacBook computers.	4500133003	\$30,460.00
	Lenovo Direct 8123 S. Hardy Drive Tempe, AZ 85284	Purchase of 25 IBM Think Centre desktop computers and flat panel Think Vision monitors.	4500135472	\$24,225.00
	SHI Inc. 2 Riverview Drive Somerset, NJ 08873	Purchase of various software license for use in the Theatre and Dance student lab. (Sony Media, Sound Forge Architect, Photoshop for windows)	4500135319	\$8,265.00
College of Arts & Sciences	Alcom Printing 140 Christopher Lane Harleysville, PA 19438	Printing of the 2007 PAWLP Advertising brochure for summer youth programs.	4500136613	\$8,102.50
	Association for Computing Machinery P.O. Box 30777 New York, NY 10087	Membership dues for the College of Arts and Sciences for the year 2006-2007.	4500133359	\$6,805.00

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College of Arts & Sciences	Beckman Coulter, Inc. 4300 North Harbor Blvd. Fullerton, CA 92834	1 year service agreement for Beckman CEQ Sequencer for the period 2/1/07 thru 1/31/08.	4500135264	\$7,301.00
	Rothwell Document Solutions 204 W. Market Street West Chester, PA 19382	Purchase of a new Gestetner DSM765 digital copier system.	4500134664	\$15,475.00
	West Chester University Foundation 201 Carter Drive West Chester, PA 19383	West Chester University Foundation staff costs for Judith Finkel.	4500133164	\$13,198.37
	West Chester University Foundation 201 Carter Drive West Chester, PA 19383	West Chester University Foundation staff costs for Judith Finkel.	4500135155	\$10,201.12
College of Education	Adina T. Iaver 3171 Colony Lane Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462	Consultant to develop and post the sections of the Digital Community focusing on the Externship and Problem Based Learning (3E Summer Institute 2006).	4500134156	\$5,000.00

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College of Health Sciences	NCS Pearson, Inc. 1313 Lone Oak Road Eagan, MN 55121	Purchase of an Opscan INSIGHT 4 Model 22 Test scanner with OMR Software package.	4500133881	\$5,430.00
College of Visual & Performing Arts	BMI Supply 571 Queensbury Avenue Queensbury, NY 12804	Theatre curtain track equipment for the School of Music and Performing Arts Center.	4500132930	\$5,626.13
	Cort Furniture Rental 600 West DeKalb Pike King of Prussia, PA 19406	Temporary rental furniture for SOMPAC offices and classrooms to be used until new furniture is delivered.	4500133583	\$9,619.72
	Donald E. Reisinger, Inc. 717 E. Washington Street West Chester, PA 19380	School of Music - Fire alarm system modifications.	4500133040	\$23,371.65
	Read's Moving Systems, Inc. 2600 Turnpike Drive Hatboro, PA 19040	Commercial move proposal. Movement of equipment from Swope and Mitchell Hall to SOMPAC.	4500133580	\$17,743.64

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College of Visual & Performing Arts	Shaffer DeSouza Brown, Inc. 17 Mifflin Avenue Havertown, PA 19083	Supply and install (2) fabric panels 12ft. AFF in the Art Gallery in SOMPAC.	4500134373	\$11,500.00
Communicative Disorders	Applied Science Laboratories 175 Middlesex Turnpike Bedford, MA 01730	Purchase of a Mobile Eye tetherless eye tracking system.	4500135092	\$19,350.00
	Deaf-Hearing Communications Centre 630 Fairview Road, Suite 100 Swarthmore, PA 19081	Interpreter services for students with disabilities.	4500135732	\$5,497.08
Facilities Division	G.E. Richards, Inc. P.O. Box 4806 Lancaster, PA 17604	Purchase of a new Savin 2400WD - Wide format copier/printer/scanner.	4500133748	\$10,454.69
	Harmony Security Products, Inc. 20 Church Road Emigsville, A 17318	Fabricate and deliver 38 fixed 2800 screens for Sanderson and Schmidt Halls.	4500132546	\$8,000.00

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Facilities Division	Harmony Security Products, Inc. 20 Church Road Emigsville, PA 17318	Fabricate and deliver 24 fixed 2800 screens standard finish for Wayne Hall.	4500132570	\$5,000.00
	Kencor, Inc. P.O. Box 1659, 882 S. Matlack St., Uni West Chester, PA 19382	Labor for removal and reinstalling hoist machine and replacement of defective components. Ramsey Hall.	4500134525	\$15,000.00
	RPA Associates, Inc. 3 Park Plaza Wyomissing, PA 19610	Professional services to evaluate geothermal system design for north campus.	4500132447	\$60,192.00
	TMA Systems, LLC 5100 East Skelly Drive, Suite 900 Tulsa, OK 74135	Consultant to provide customized documentation of the new version 8.0 TMA system and provide for on-site training and development for WCU staff on all aspects of the new system during the week of 2/12/07.	4000009961	\$9,500.00
Grounds	Allied Waste Services #319 One Briar Drive West Grove, PA 19380	Annual contract with Allied Waste Collection Services for 701 N. High Street, for the period of 1/1/07 thru 12/31/07.	4500134560	\$6,000.00

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Grounds	Arader Tree Service, Inc. 10 Balligomingo Road, A - 2 West Conshohocken, PA 19428	Removal of several trees on campus to occur during the winter break.	4500133266	\$9,275.00
	Shearon Environmental Design Co. 5161 Militia Hill Road Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462	Provide and install tree on campus for the fall planting season.	4500132086	\$7,485.00
	United Rentals 3880 East Thompson Street Philadelphia, PA 19137	Purchase of Safe N Sure Ice Melt for use on campus walkways.	4500136473	\$7,585.20
Information Services	Canon Business Solutions, Inc. 300 Commerce Square Blvd. Burlington, NJ 08016	Backfile scanning and indexing services for 1.3 million pages, for Human Resources and the Registrars Office. Part of the campus wide document management solution.	4500132915	\$117,985.00
	Canon Business Solutions, Inc. 300 Commerce Square Blvd. Burlington, NJ 08016	Purchase of software and hardware to support the campus wide document management solution. Required for implementation in the Registrar's Office and Human Resources.	4500132956	\$99,926.00

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Information Services	H.B. Frazer Company - PA 514 Shoemaker Road King of Prussia, PA 19406	Services required to provide connectivity to users. Work completed in the Honeywell trailer.	4500132656	\$8,150.00
	Hewlett Packard GEM Sales P.O. Box 281858 Atlanta, GA 30384	Purchase of 2 Hewlett Packard Proliant server blades. For replacement of production server hardware.	4500132950	\$10,556.00
	MTM Technologies 590 Century Blvd. Wilmington, DE 19808	Purchase of Aruba 61 wireless access point. Equipment used to provide wireless connectivity for tech fee funded devices.	4500136200	\$36,855.00
Inventory	Alliance Supply 11 Milton Street Brooklyn, NY 11222	Purchase of toilet tissue to replenish the Central Stores inventory.	4500135202	\$9,552.00
	UNIPAK Corp. P.O. Box 300027 Brooklyn, NY 11230	Purchase of conventional plastic bags 37" x 44" to replenish the Central Stores inventory.	4500134095	\$7,350.00

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Inventory	UNIPAK Corp. P.O. Box 300027 Brooklyn, NY 11230	Purchase of conventional plastic bags 24" x 24" to replenish the Central Stores inventory.	4500134131	\$7,393.68
Library	Proquest Information and Learning, Dept. 77304 Detroit, MI 48277	FIAF international Index to film Periodicals purchase (one-time cost) full text subscription option. Needed to maintain library collection.	4500134561	\$13,025.00
Library Administration	Interlibrary Delivery Services of PA 705 Shady Retreat Road Doylestown, PA 18901	Renewal of annual membership dues for 2007.	4500133749	\$8,601.00
Public Safety	The Protection Bureau 197 Phillips Road Exton, PA 19341	Supply and install Chexit on 4 handicapped access student housing doors. McCarthy, Goshen, Ramsey, and Tyson.	4500135495	\$9,458.00
Residence Life and Housing	Adirondack Solutions, Inc. P.O. Box 8102 Bridgewater, NJ 08807	Yearly technical support fee for the Adirondack Solutions software shared by Residence Life and the Judicial Officer for the period 1/1/07 thru 12/31/07.	4500132964	\$10,612.00

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Residence Life and Housing	Aramark West Chester University Lawrence Cnt West Chester, PA 19383	Purchase of smallwares for daily use in Diner and Einstein Bagel in Lawrence Center.	4500133742	\$9,925.54
	Central Restaurant Supply, Inc. 642 North Salina Street, P.O. Box 185 Syracuse, NY 13206	Purchase of china for use in the Lawrence Hall dining facility.	4500136231	\$16,905.98
	Premier 2000 Kentucky Street Bellingham, WA 98226	Printing of the 2007 Guide to Residential Living (Calendar/Guide). Year 3 of a three year agreement.	4500133144	\$26,010.00
Student Health	Rubenstein, Elyse S. 185 Ladderback Lane Devon, PA 19333	Psychological evaluations, consultation and medication monitoring services for the students in the Counseling Center.	4300000376	\$25,000.00
	Turks Head Health Services D/B/A 915 Old Fern Hill Road West Chester, PA 19380	Medical coverage provided by emergency room physicians to WCU Health Center.	4300000377	\$155,000.00



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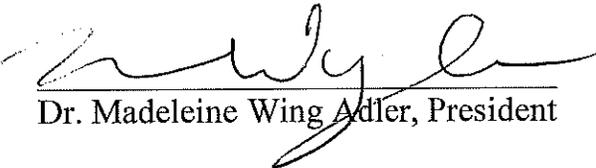
WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY

May 9, 2007

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF
WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY
DESIGNATES THE FOLLOWING
DISTINGUISHED FACULTY MEMBER AS AN AWARDEE
OF THE TRUSTEES ACHIEVEMENT AWARD.

Dr. C. James Trotman

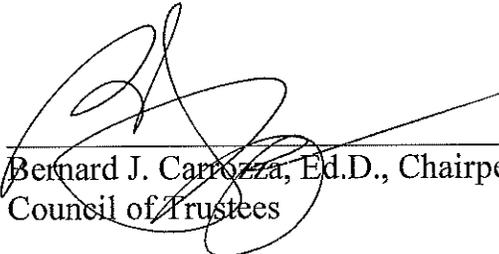
APPROVED PENDING ACTION BY THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES



Dr. Madeleine Wing Adler, President

May 9, 2007
Date

APPROVED BY VOTE OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES



Bernard J. Carozza, Ed.D., Chairperson
Council of Trustees

May 9, 2007
Date



Department of English and Philosophy

Professor Linda Lamwers, Ph.D.
Vice President for Academic Affairs/Provost
West Chester University
West Chester, PA 19383-2000

April 4, 2007

Dear Provost Lamwers:

Re: Review of C. James Trotman's Materials for the "Trustees Achievement Award"

I am very pleased to respond to your request for comments on the work of Dr. C. James Trotman, who is a candidate for the "Trustees Achievement Award" at West Chester University. Having known and, for this occasion, reviewed Professor Trotman's materials, I wish to state at the outset that I unequivocally support his application for such a high honor. Although I had known some of C. James Trotman's work and although I had seen him in action at conferences, it was when I took my time to focus on his work in detail that I realized how even more important his work is to the profession and to scholarship in general. But even before I go into the details of his scholarship, please allow me to digress with a few comments about Dr. Trotman's organizational ability and intellectual generosity which I observed first-hand as he prepared and organized the first Frederick Douglass conference—with its theme as "Roots and Realities of 19th Century America: Frederick Douglass and Multiculturalism." I was quite impressed during my correspondence and interaction with Dr. Trotman but as I received documents from other some of my other co-participants I became even more impressed with both Jim's thorough sense of what is important and when to take appropriate action: on that occasion, not only was Dr. Trotman very prompt in all of his responses, he also showed to me and others what is every conference participant's dream: an extraordinarily rich scholarly gathering conducted in an atmosphere of sheer joy and collegiality. Jim has the ability to make learning take place even among jaded professors!

Whenever I have observed Professor Trotman present materials at conferences or lectures—and I have been to quite a few, having been teaching at Drexel for more than twenty years and having always been in constant communication and working collaboratively with various members of your English department during that period—I have always seen Dr. Trotman communicate his information in ways that would make those who are less experienced feel secure and confident while leaving room for specialists to find fresh resources in and approaches to whatever he is discussing. His piece such as "Letter from Birmingham Jail: A Modern Epistle" is exemplary in the way it blends theory with practice without sacrificing one for the other. Furthermore, because of his extraordinarily rich and probing mind, I have found Dr. Trotman to be a model in the art of oral and written communication, creative in developing his own arguments across disciplinary and linguistic boundaries, while recognizing, always, the multiplicity of viewpoints that may exist.

As anyone who teaches or writes about writers as varied as Langston Hughes, Fredrick Douglass, Martin Luther King and Richard Wright can testify, writing critically about that group of writers can be a very difficult, if not daunting, proposition. Trotman's investigation, however, has often moved the light forward against the darkness. In his discussion of socio-political political problems in literature, as we see in his wonderful discussion of King's "Letter from Birmingham Jail" (a well-wrought work that has often been ignored and replaced by the more popular "I Have a Dream" speech), C. James Trotman always seems to look at a problem and ask "is this an important literary/academic/social problem" rather than "can I get easy results here?" I find his nuanced arguments of the epistolary/theological (in the finest sense of the word) to be most convincing. His approach, to me, is just the way an eminent scholar should proceed.

Moreover, having now read almost all of Dr. Trotman's other essays, in preparation for writing this report, I can say he simply reinforced my long-held views of him as a colleague who is careful, tenacious, and sensible; never shying away from difficult questions but always with an ear for what is truly important. There are few who have communicated and who will elaborate upon significant ideas in as clear and insightful a manner as Dr. Trotman often does. Instead of merely stating, without much verifiable evidence, that a writer or a critic's position is a novel one (as some of our colleagues do for writers they claim to like) or instead of being defensively dismissive of their detractors (as some

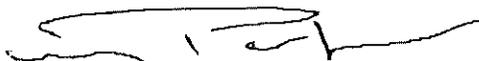
others would do), Trotman often does what he does best: do the research, provide verifiable evidence, and then allow other readers to make their own judgments. This is, of course, totally in line with C. James Trotman's personal qualities of intellectual curiosity, integrity, and congeniality.

Most of Professor Trotman's writing are important and useful pieces of work especially in the way they often engage theory without mentioning the latest high-flown "theoretical construct" or trendy subject. I believe work on Douglass and Langston Hughes in particular will continue to be consulted by scholars long after some of the more stylish pieces of scholarship on those authors have disappeared. This is largely due to Dr. Trotman's approach to his study of African American literature. Instead of adopting the ambitious and, for the most part, uninspiring attitude of generalizing about "African American" or "Black" literature, Trotman always makes the wise decision of making fine and necessary distinctions among the various—and varied—strands that make up African American or Black literatures and writers. His decision to limit himself to a few, even if varied, writers is sound on all counts. As African American/Black literatures have continued to expand, it has become increasingly clear to some scholars that they need to study more of the specific authors, styles or distinct genres of those literatures than to simply use a few examples and generalize about a whole race of people. More significantly, as Trotman reads the works of his subjects, he always demonstrates sensitivity to individual lives and to the larger patterns of behavior and values revealed in those lives. As someone who has done work and is interested the genre of autobiography and in areas such as the Bible as/and literature, I find Dr. Trotman's essays on "Frederick Douglass and the Function of Values," "A P(a)lace for Langston Hughes and "Our Myths and Wright's Realities," to be some of the most useful texts and interdisciplinary bridge-building exercises that I have read in a long time. Of course, Dr. Trotman has always impressed me with his intelligence, his level-headedness, his versatility—in discussions he often connects poetry, history, anthropology, religion and general pedagogical principles in very convincing ways—but when I was given the opportunity read in depth most of his work, I must say I felt overawed by my colleague's deep and sustained knowledge of the various connections between the fields of education and literary studies. Moreover, he has demonstrated through his sense of fairness and forthrightness that there are few people for whom the ethical and other implications of discussing our branch of learning seem to be so alive, so connected to the times in which we live. I can go on with many more examples of this type but I should perhaps point out at this time that it is not at all surprising that a person of such dedication, integrity,

and sound common sense has been as involved in all aspects of the profession as he continues to be.

In conclusion, I would like to reiterate that I have been struck not only by Dr. Trotman's profound and very serious knowledge of literature and education but also by the different ways in which his writing incorporates, responds to, and invigorates, the various theoretical developments that in recent years have virtually transformed African American literary studies. On all counts, Dr. C. James Trotman exemplifies scholarship and the academy at their best. I am proud to conclude that because of his expert knowledge of his fields, his ability to avoid dogmas and preconceived notions, and the positive intellectual influence he exerts on other scholars, C. James Trotman is one of my colleagues who symbolizes the best in scholarship. Because I know that a disdain for mediocrity, a zest for excellence, and a desire to be fair to others are all hallmarks of C. James Trotman's daily life, and also because in every situation I have known or seen him perform, he shows an ability to organize, to carry through, to persist, an attention to detail as well as considerable strength of character, I am willing to throw all my support in recommending Professor Trotman for the Trustee Award. Jim—who also has an acerbic wit—will yield the outstanding rewards out of such an honor and will continue to make your university continue to shine in the future. For this and all the reasons I have stated, then, I wholeheartedly and unreservedly support the nomination of Professor Trotman for the Trustees Achievement Award. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,



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Department of Africana Studies

March 31, 2007

Dr. Linda Lamwers
Provost
West Chester University
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Dear Provost Lamwers:

I am pleased to write in support of Prof. C. James Trotman's nomination for your Council of Trustees Achievement Award. While I do not know Prof. Trotman well, we have met on numerous occasions and I am familiar with his volumes on Frederick Douglass and Langston Hughes. I moderated a session at the 1994 "Voices of the 19th Century: Roots and Realities of Multiculturalism," and have followed the maturation of the Frederick Douglass Institute into a key institution in your state and in the nation. My review of the material in Prof. Trotman's nomination portfolio has allowed me to see as a whole a career that that I have known in its impressive and important parts. I have no reservations about recommending him for West Chester University's Council of Trustees Achievement Award.

What seems most useful for me to do at this point in the nomination process is to place Prof. Trotman's accomplishments within their larger national context. Today, we almost take for granted the importance of African American literature and history and it is easy to forget the role that the work of Prof. Trotman and others played in transforming our vision of the nation's cultural and historical past. In the early 1970s when he completed his dissertation on the white regional writer George Washington Cable, African American authors were rarely studied and graduate students were frequently warned against such pursuits. There was at the time one major monograph of African American prose fiction and another on African American poetry; the works that we now consider canonical were long out of print, and there were no substantial literary biographies of major writers. Prof. Trotman is an indispensable member of the generation of scholars that transformed the place of African American literature in the American academy.

Prof. Trotman shares with members of a generation that includes John Blassingame, Henry Louis Gates and Houston Baker a commitment to institution building. Prof. Trotman reminds me most of the late John Blassingame, not only because he is a Frederick Douglass scholar, but also because he has demonstrated an astute sense of the ways knowledge lives and is disseminated through key works and institutions. As his other reviewers have agreed, Prof. Trotman's edited work have helped to define the scholarship on Langston Hughes and Richard Wright. Beginning as conferences that were as important for the informal conversations among scholars as for the papers they

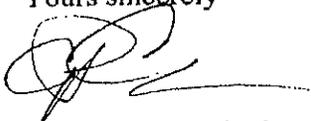
present, Prof. Trotman then made that work available to a national audience. *Langston Hughes : The Man, His Art, and His Continuing Influence* is particularly notable because many of the contributors knew Hughes.

Prof. Trotman's career has earned the respect of the nation's leading scholars in African American literature and history. In his conferences, he has consistently been able to bring the most important scholars in these fields together with members of the generation who were beginning their careers. Most importantly he has brought them to West Chester University. There is a unique sense of place in his work. His work on Frederick Douglass symbolically begins with the abolitionist's 1895 lecture at the West Chester campus. Although this was one of Douglass's last public appearances, Prof. Trotman has made it the starting point for the development of a state-wide multicultural vision. As impressive as the letters from his national colleagues are, I note that the letters from his colleagues in the state system and K-12 education schools attest to his ability to reach out and inspire with his ideas and programs.

Prof. C. James Trotman has played an integral role in the establishment of the fields of African American literary and historical studies nationwide. Through his published work, conferences and directorship of the Frederick Douglass Institute he has encouraged, supported, and inspired countless other scholars, teachers, and students. He has been indefatigable in creating and spreading the knowledge that allows us to see American as a multicultural nation. His work, of true national importance, is also inextricably linked with the history of West Chester University and the state of Pennsylvania.

Again, I strongly concur with the nomination of Prof. Trotman for a Council of Trustees Achievement Award.

Yours sincerely



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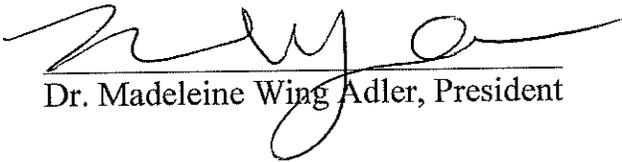
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May 9, 2007

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF
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CONFERS THE DESIGNATION OF EMERITUS UPON THE
FOLLOWING DISTINGUISHED RETIRED FACULTY:

Raymond Friday
Kenneth Laudermilch
Shirley Aliferis
Nelson Keith
Thomas Platt

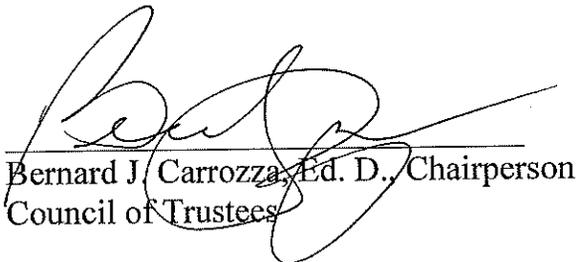
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Emeritus Designation
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Raymond Friday

Dr. Friday's tenure at West Chester University embodies the University's commitment to service and teaching. He began his association with this institution as a student. After service in the Army and earning a master's degree in music from Oberlin College, he taught briefly in the public school of Pennsylvania. Soon after his teaching career began at West Chester, he completed a doctorate in music performance at New York University. In all, Dr. Friday was a member of the WCU community for nearly three and a half decades.

Dr. Friday was an outstanding teacher. He was held in high regard by WCU students and by a large number of former students at other prestigious institutions throughout the eastern United States pursuing advanced degrees in music. His service to the institution includes repeated appointments to the Tenure and Promotion Committee, the Faculty Senate and as a union representative for the former Department of Vocal and Choral Music. He served on numerous faculty search committees, organized scholarship competitions for the voice students and founded one scholarship in honor of his mother, the Friday Freshman Voice Scholarship, which remains one of the largest awards in the Department of Applied Music each year.

By his untiring work for the betterment of the students at West Chester University, by his teaching and his service to the University, and by his ceaseless efforts to make WCU an excellent place to teach and learn, Dr. Raymond Friday richly deserves the status of Emeritus.

Kenneth Laudermilch

Dr. Kenneth Laudermilch taught at West Chester University from 1968 through 2006. During that time, he taught trumpet and was the director of the university wind ensemble. He was always available to his students and was known as an outstanding role model to students. During Dr. Laudermilch's tenure at West Chester University, his service included service on many university-wide committees. He personally founded and directed the junior high and elementary summer music camps beginning in 1985. Dr. Laudermilch is the author of "An Understandable Approach to Musical Expression". He has played frequently with the Philadelphia Orchestra, principal trumpet with the Delaware Symphony and has been a long-time member of a professional brass quintet. For decades, Dr. Laudermilch has been a highly sought after conductor for district, regional and all state band festivals. He was the winner of the State Citation for Excellence from the PMEA in 2003, and received a citation for excellence from the National Band Directors Association in both 1989 and 1993. In 1999, he was invited to present a master class at the famed Curtis Institute of Music. In his retirement, Dr. Laudermilch is the Music Director of the New Holland Band and teaches part-time at two universities. He is a man of great character, talent, perseverance and optimism. He appreciates those around him and recognizing excellence in others. He left a legacy of excellence at West Chester University and is truly deserving of the honor of Emeritus Faculty.

Shirley Aliferis

Professor Shirley Aliferis taught piano at West Chester University from 1967 until her retirement in 2003. She served as department chair for the keyboard department for nine years. She was always considered as an outstanding teacher and was known as gifted, highly experienced and dedicated to teaching. Throughout her career, she devoted much of her time to helping piano majors prepare for competitions and recitals. In addition to her service as chair, Professor Aliferis served on many university-wide committees. She has chair of the search committee for the School of Music Dean in 1993. She served on the Faculty Senate, as a member of the General Education Task Force, and was involved in many searches and committees within her department and the School of Music. Dr. Aliferis was well known as a liaison between the community and the university and set up many concerts at the Chester County Historical Society as well as other venues. She initiated the first Sign Reading Competition for Piano Majors in 1998 which has grown into a very successful program. During her tenure at West Chester University, she was vitally involved in curricular matters.

During her tenure at West Chester University, Professor Aliferis made many significant and lasting contributions as an educator, department chairperson, musician, and colleague. For these reasons, she is truly deserving of the honor of the designation of Emeritus faculty.

Nelson Keith

Dr. Nelson Keith, a distinguished international scholar and activist, barrister, and professor of sociology at West Chester University since 1989, had a productive career at during his tenure at this institution. He has made distinguished contributions to his discipline and excelled in the classroom. His service to the department and the college were exemplary.

Dr. Keith had a full and distinguished career prior to his coming to WCU. He completed a law education equivalent to the American Juris Doctor degree at the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple, Council of Legal Education Inns of Court School of Law in London, England, being called to the bar in 1966. He served as a trial attorney, and as an attaché for Social Welfare and Development in the Overseas Diplomatic Corps of his native Jamaica. In 1974, he earned his master's degree and his doctorate in 1981, both from Rutgers University. Since he came to West Chester University in the fall of 1988, he began a robust agenda of productive scholarship and service. His scholarly work has been recognized by publication in peer-reviewed, scholarly books and journals and by invitation to speak in public forums. He has appeared as a guest on the radio and has been the invited keynote speaker and professional conferences. Dr. Keith's service to the department and the University is distinguished. His most unique contributions to the department and the University came as a result of his continuing commitment to global socioeconomic development and his record of involving the University's students, faculty and administrators in meaningful collaborations. In 1992, he founded the Institute for International Development and used the Institute as a springboard for projects involving visiting scholars from around the world. He developed a mentoring program for African-American students at West Chester University. He organized educational trips for West Chester students, faculty and administrators in developing countries including China, North and West Africa, the Caribbean and Nicaragua.

Dr. Keith left WCU with a rich legacy of contributions to the faculty, staff and students before retiring after 15 years of service as Professor of Sociology. He continues to make lasting contributions to the world, and for that reason, WCU will continue to reap the benefits of these efforts as he adds the title of Professor Emeritus of Sociology to his formal credits.

Thomas Platt

Dr. Thomas Platt arrived at West Chester University in 1968 and retired in 2005. He served as department chair for nine years toward the end of his tenure here. He was effective as chair and helped to write a new and greatly improved department constitution and helped effectively in facilitating successful searches for department faculty in 1000, 2002, 2004 and 2005. During these years, Dr. Platt was also active as a publishing scholar. His work appeared in some leading journals of social and political philosophy. Dr. Platt was also interested in the wider world of philosophy outside of the United States. In 1970's he was invited to give a paper at the World Congress of Philosophy, held in Varna, Bulgaria. In the 1990's, he would often take students to the United Kingdom, where his contacts at Oxford University facilitated the teaching of some three-week courses in British philosophy or theology. Through all of his years at West Chester University, Dr. Platt remained an active scholar and sought-after teacher. For these reasons and more, he is an excellent candidate for the designation of Emeriti.