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**THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
SALT LAKE COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH**

**OLIVER DEMILLE, an individual,
SHANON BROOKS, an individual;**

Plaintiffs,

vs.

**GEORGE WYTHE FOUNDATION, a Utah
Corporation, DANIEL EARLEY, an
individual, JULIE EARLEY, an individual
DIANN JEPPSON, an individual,**

Defendants.

AFFIDAVIT OF Shawn L. Crane

Civil No. 150908687

Judge: James Gardner

The undersigned, Shawn L. Crane, being first duly sworn, deposes and says:

1. I am over the age of 18 years and am competent to testify in the above referenced matter.

2. I am the founder/director of *Crane Academy of Excellence* – a private school offering legal enrollment for homeschooling students grades K-12, and *Youth Leadership Project* – an organization offering supplemental classes for homeschooling families, both in the Los Angeles Area.

3. I am a graduate of George Wythe University, as is one of my children.
4. I received my degrees in Liberal Arts, Statesmanship and Master of Arts, Education.
5. I enrolled in George Wythe University because it offered an alternative educational model that focused more upon the individual and less upon rigid structures.
6. I knew George Wythe University was not an accredited institution and understood that its unaccredited status could affect the marketability of my educational background.
7. Despite its less than mainstream status, I still chose to enroll myself and my son in the school and I was extremely happy with the education I received there.
8. I attribute a significant amount of the quality education to the foundation established by Oliver DeMille. He is an amazing educator and an inspiring man.
9. I am shocked and saddened by the attacks “my university” has levelled at a person I so deeply admire and am dismayed by the ongoing controversy and discord promoted by the articles on the GWU website.
10. I have personally read the October 16, 2015 article titled “GWU’s Final Chapter- The Cleansing of Valid Degrees” and it is my firm desire that the article be removed.
11. I believe this article greatly and falsely maligns Oliver DeMille and Shanon Brooks and continues to promote unneeded and damaging controversy.
12. Moreover, even if GWU’s efforts are genuine in trying to preserve the integrity of its student’s degrees I believe the article promotes the controversy and discord around the issue and does far more harm than good.

13. In my opinion, Oliver Demille and Shanon Brooks were the pillars of George Wythe University for over a decade. Attacking them casts a negative light on our entire educational experience and legitimate degrees.

14. It has come to my attention that George Wythe University is using the alumni as support to keep the articles on their site. This is contrary to my wishes. It is my firm wish that the articles be removed.

15. I believe the articles have false and misleading information about Mr. Demille and Brooks and I think they are far more harmful than helpful to the school’s reputation, and therefore to the degrees awarded to myself and my son.

DATED THIS 12th day of February, 2016.

STATE OF UTAH)
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COUNTY OF SALT LAKE) ss
Shawn L. Crane

The undersigned, Shawn L. Crane, being first duly sworn acknowledged and states that the information in this Affidavit of Shawn L. Crane is true and correct.

DATED this 12th day of February, 2016.

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