

Ethics Update, October 2007

Meat & Potatoes “CoB Ethics”

Thirteen days after the event occurred, Interim Dean **Alvin Williams** concluded his investigation of the so-called “[Doty incident](#).” As reported by USMNEWS.NET, former [CoB Dean Harold Doty threatened economics professor](#) Franklin Mixon in the Greene Hall corridors on 28-Sept-07.

Let’s get it all straight: It has also been reported recently that Williams, Doty, and USM President **Martha Saunders** are all co-defendants in a federal lawsuit. Mixon testified for the plaintiff at a preliminary proceeding on 27-Sept-07. The “Doty incident” occurred on 28-Sept-07. Later that same day, 28-Sept-07, Saunders appointed co-defendant Williams to investigate the actions of a third co-defendant, Doty, that were taken against Mixon, a witness for the plaintiff. Thirteen days later, “fair and *impartial*” co-defendant Williams concluded, according to sources, that fellow co-defendant, Doty, had done nothing (to Mixon) “of any consequence,” and he (Williams) reported to his other fellow co-defendant, Saunders, that same conclusion. How’s all that for [ethics](#)?