## Part 7.

Questions directed to Ombudsman Gordon Claude Cannon at his deposition on April 16, 2010 about his investigation of Professor DePree with the charge of recommending whether to terminate DePree's tenure and employment:

Question: What is your definition of "cause?"

Cannon: That's one that's always sort of amazed me. My contract has that in there, as well, concerning tenure. And my understanding is that "cause" is for whatever reason the university or IHL can make a case against you.

Cause? Given the previous reports, is Ombudsman Cannon telling his colleagues that reliable evidence or truth is secondary, probably irrelevant, to the meaning of cause as "whatever reason the university or IHL can make against you"?