

INTRODUCTION

The information in this document has been compiled from a careful review of a number of different source documents obtained via Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests from the University of Arkansas as well as from available public media reports and interviews. The results of the review of these different information sources have been separated into four primary topics. The summary of the available information on each topic is provided individually in the document below.

Subsequent to his collection and review of the available information sources, a concerned supporter of the Razorback athletic program, Thomas McAfee, sent two e-mails (one on March 15, 2007 and a follow-up e-mail on March 19, 2007) to each member of the Arkansas Board of Trustees, Chancellor John White, and UA President Dr. Alan Sugg as well as to a number of media personalities. These e-mails voiced his personal concerns at what he viewed as “*disturbing*” inconsistencies between public statements made by the Arkansas coaching staff and information he gleaned from the phone records of Houston and Danny Nutt made available to him via FOIA requests.

On March 20, 2007, McAfee received a letter from Byron Freeland of the Law Offices of Mitchell, Williams, Selig, Gates, and Woodward, LLC. Freeland represents University of Arkansas head football coach Houston Nutt. The letter requested that McAfee have his attorney contact Freeland as soon as possible to set up a meeting with McAfee, McAfee’s attorney, Freeland, and Houston Nutt concerning what Freeland referred to as the “malicious and defamatory statements” in McAfee’s March 15 e-mail.

A final section of this document is dedicated to McAfee’s e-mails and the subsequent response from Houston Nutt and his attorney.

TOPIC 1: COMMUNICATION WITH TERESA PREWETT

Teresa Prewett is a contributor to the Razorbacks Foundation and has been a football season-ticket holder since 1985. Prewett owns Prewett Physical Therapy in Little Rock and served as Arkansas Razorbacks running backs coach Danny Nutt’s personal therapist when he was recovering from brain surgery in 1998. Since that time, she has become a close friend to both Danny Nutt and Houston Nutt, and according to Prewett, she is “completely loyal to the Nutt family” and “they are my extended family.”

The December 6 E-mail – Background

In December 2006, Prewett sent two separate e-mails regarding members of the Arkansas Razorbacks football coaching staff and then current players. Prewett sent an e-mail about several members of the Razorbacks football team and their coaches on December 6, 2006 first to Arkansas Democrat-Gazette sports editor Wally Hall and then to an account registered to the family of Houston Nutt that Nutt acknowledged is used by his wife Diana Nutt. Diana Nutt then forwarded that e-mail to a Springdale business

with the comment *“I thought you might enjoy reading this. A person we know in Little Rock sent this to Wally Hall, but the Gus and Springdale section are quite funny.”* (The full text of this e-mail can be found in [Appendix A](#) of this document.)

In an interview with Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reporter Chris Givens on February 14, 2007, Houston Nutt stated that Diana admitted receiving and forwarding the December 6 e-mail, but that he only learned of its existence *“a couple of weeks”* before the interview date (on or about February 1, 2007).

The December 6 E-mail – Detail

- Prewett sent the December 6 e-mail to Arkansas Democrat-Gazette sports editor Wally Hall at 3:14 pm.
- At 3:16 pm, Prewett also sent the e-mail to an e-mail address registered to the Houston Nutt family that Houston Nutt confirmed to the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette was used by Diana Nutt.
- Beginning at 6:00 pm that same day, there were four text messages exchanged between Houston Nutt and Teresa Prewett.

Date	Time	Contact Type	From	To	Duration
12/06/06	6:00 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a
	6:03 pm	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a
	6:08 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a
	6:10 pm	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a

- Five minutes later, at 6:15 pm, Diana Nutt forwarded the e-mail to a business in Springdale, remarking that certain passages about the people from Springdale were funny.
- Again, according to his interview with Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reporter Chris Givens on February 14, 2007, Houston Nutt stated that he learned of the December 6 e-mail from Prewett for the first time approximately two weeks prior to the interview (on or about February 1, 2007).

The December 7 E-mail – Background

Prewett sent a second e-mail on December 7, 2006, first to then freshman quarterback Mitch Mustain and then forwarded by Prewett to at least 15 other people, including Arkansas running backs coach Danny Nutt; Lisa Herring, wife of defensive coordinator Reggie Herring; Cathy Nutt, wife of Arkansas State basketball Coach Dickey Nutt, Houston Nutt's brother; and the e-mail address registered to the family of Houston Nutt.

Ubiquitously known as the *"Hello Mr. Interception King"* e-mail (the full text of which can be found in [Appendix B](#) of this document.), its derogatory language prompted Beck Campbell (Mitch Mustain's mother) to send an e-mail to Teresa Prewett on December 8, 2006 asking her to no longer contact Mitch Mustain and to call her (Campbell) if she needed to speak with her.

Per Beck Campbell in her interview with Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reporter Chris Givens, the lack of a response to the e-mail from the Arkansas coaching staff necessitated the involvement of University of Arkansas Chancellor John White on January 5, 2007. In an e-mail sent from Campbell to Chancellor White that day, Campbell asked Chancellor White to review the *"materials related to the contact, harassment, slander and defamation"* of Mustain and determine what steps should be taken.

In his response to Mustain's family, Chancellor White stated he felt like he needed *"to take a shower to ensure that none of the filth touched me."* He went on to say that Houston Nutt stated that he had no knowledge of the December 7 e-mail until Chancellor White brought it to his attention on January 5, 2007.

(Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reporter Chris Givens provides a full description of the e-mails and the events surrounding the e-mails in his article published on February 15, 2007. The full text of his article is attached to this document as [Appendix C](#) and also can be viewed on the internet at <http://www.wholehogsports.com/adg/181954/>.)

The December 7 E-mail – Detail

- On December 7, 2006, Prewett sent the *"Hello Mr. Interception King"* e-mail to Mitch Mustain at 11:09 am.
- At 11:28 am that same day, Prewett forwarded the e-mail to 15 other people including Danny Nutt, Lisa Herring (wife of Reggie Herring), Cathy Nutt (wife of Dickey Nutt), and the e-mail address registered to the family of Houston Nutt.
- The following communications occurred between Houston Nutt, Danny Nutt, and Teresa Prewett on the day the December 7 e-mail was sent and forwarded:

Date	Time	Contact Type	From	To	Duration
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Date	Time	Contact Type	From	To	Duration
12/07/06	10:39 am	Cell Phone	Danny Nutt	Teresa Prewett	1 min
	10:51 am	Cell Phone	Houston Nutt	Teresa Prewett	3 mins
	11:09 am	<i>E-mail</i>	<i>Teresa Prewett</i>	<i>Mitch Mustain</i>	<i>n/a</i>
	3:17 pm	Text Message	Danny Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a
	6:45 pm	Text Message	Danny Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a
	6:46 pm to 7:17 pm	7 different Text Messages	Houston Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a
	10:01 pm	Cell Phone	Danny Nutt	Teresa Prewett	1 min
	10:50 pm	Cell Phone	Danny Nutt	Teresa Prewett	12 mins

- Danny Nutt and Houston Nutt also had an additional 16 text messages between each other on that day.
- The following table documents the frequency of telephone contact between Danny Nutt and Teresa Prewett around the days each of Prewett's e-mails were sent:

Date	Number of Calls between Danny Nutt and Teresa Prewett
12/04/06	3
12/05/06	2
12/06/06 <i>(e-mail sent to Hall from Prewett)</i>	15
12/07/06 <i>(e-mail sent to Mustain from Prewett)</i>	17
12/08/06 <i>(e-mail sent to Prewett from Campbell)</i>	14
12/09/06	15
12/10/06	4

- On January 5, 2007, Beck Campbell, sent an e-mail to Chancellor John White at 12:12 pm, and included Prewett's two December e-mails in the correspondence. Per Campbell, she went directly to White instead of approaching Houston Nutt or any other members of the coaching staff because they had taken no action in the month since the Prewett e-mails had been sent.
- On January 12, 2007, Houston Nutt wrote Prewett a letter of reprimand on Arkansas Razorbacks stationery, opening by saying that he had recently received a copy of the December 7 e-mail for the first time. (A copy of this letter is attached as [Appendix D](#) of this document.)
- In a letter from Chancellor White to Beck Campbell on January 18, 2007, White said Houston Nutt denied knowledge of Prewett's December 7 e-mail until January 5, when White got involved.

Additional Communication between Houston Nutt and Teresa Prewett

- On January 12, 2007, (the same day as his reprimand letter to Prewett), Houston Nutt phoned Prewett at 9:49 pm and had an eight minute conversation.
- The following table documents additional text messages between Houston Nutt and Teresa Prewett prior to her December e-mails:

Date	Time	Contact Type	From	To	Duration
11/03/06	8:25 am	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a
	8:30 am	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a
	8:41 am	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a
11/11/06	11:55 am	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a
	11:18 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a
11/17/06	5:20 pm	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a
11/23/06	6:08 pm	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a
12/04/06	8:39 pm	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a
	9:02 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a
	9:12 pm	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a
12/05/06	7:47 pm	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a
	7:49 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a
	8:01 pm	Text Message	Teresa Prewett	Houston Nutt	n/a

Date	Time	Contact Type	From	To	Duration
	8:01 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Teresa Prewett	n/a

TOPIC 2: THE DAVID LEE HIRING

Former Dallas Cowboys' offensive assistant and former Razorback assistant coach David Lee was named offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at the University of Arkansas on January 17, 2007, replacing Gus Malzahn who resigned on January 16, 2007 to accept the co-offensive coordinator position with the Tulsa Golden Hurricane football team. Lee has joined the Razorback staff for the third time in his career after serving under both Ken Hatfield and Nutt previously. Lee worked as the quarterbacks and fullbacks coach from 1984-88 under Hatfield before moving on to a head coaching job at the University of Texas at El Paso. Nutt hired Lee as the quarterbacks coach again in 2001. He spent two seasons with the Hogs in that position before accepting an offer to join the Cowboys.

David Lee Hiring – Background

On February 9, 2007, Arkansas Democrat-Gazette sports editor Wally Hall published a column regarding the media not being responsible for a series of events, actions and circumstances regarding the Arkansas Razorbacks football program. (The complete text of this article is attached to this document as [Appendix E](#) and may be found on the internet at [http://www.wholehogsports.com/adg/181358/.](http://www.wholehogsports.com/adg/181358/))

That morning, Houston Nutt called in to Little Rock radio station KABZ 103.7 where Wally Hall serves as its morning show co-host to address the points made by Hall in his article. Regarding the statement made by Hall that *"No one in the media tried to hire David Lee as co-offensive coordinator behind Malzahn's back (after a 10-victory season),"* Nutt responded:

"David Lee . . . that, that hiring was done exactly right after the Capitol One . . . Went to Gus Malzahn's office and said, 'Gus, ...Alex Wood is interviewing right now in North Carolina and he's got an interview with the Cincinnati Bengals. If that happens, I want to get the QBs and Receivers better, and got a chance to get an All Pro-type teacher in David Lee. I think he will come back. In order to get him, he will have to be a co-coordinator.' That was a face to face, Wally, face to face. No one goes behind anybody's back." (Nutt's full response via telephone may be heard at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZNsV-yWJrXU.>)

David Lee Hiring – Detail

- Between November 12, 2006 and December 19, 2006, there were 23 calls placed between Houston Nutt and David Lee.
- Between January 1, 2007 and January 11, 2007, there were an additional 19 calls made between the two.
- According to The Morning News reporter Alex Abrams, Houston Nutt told Gus Malzahn on January 13, 2007 of his plans to add David Lee to the coaching staff as co-offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. (See Abrams's article at <http://www.nwaonline.net/articles/2007/01/17/news/011807wzlee.txt> for more information.)
- Malzahn left Arkansas for Tulsa on January 15, 2007.
- Houston Nutt stated in his telephone response to Wally Hall's column on February 9, 2007 that he informed Malzahn right after the January 1, 2007 bowl game that he wanted to add David Lee to the coaching staff if Alex Wood ended up leaving the coach staff.
- Alex Wood remains an active member of the Razorback coaching staff.
- David Lee was hired as offensive coordinator on January 16, 2007.
- When asked in his January 16, 2007 press conference if Malzahn had stayed at Arkansas to work alongside David Lee as co-offensive coordinator as Houston Nutt claimed was his original intention, who would have called the plays the following season, Houston Nutt responded that he did not know:

"It could have gone either way. Gus could have called the plays or that new guy. It just kind of depends on which person you got. You don't know. Nothing was in stone. Nothing was set."

(See Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reporter Bob Holt's article at <http://www.wholehogsports.com/adg/179124/> for more information.)

- According to Rivals.com's Trey Biddy:

"In Nutt's end of the season press conference, he said he would like to keep the staff intact and to improve the contracts for both Malzahn and defensive coordinator Reggie Herring. Herring's deal was completed soon, but Malzahn's does not appear to have ever been put on the table."

(See Rivals.com reporter Trey Biddy's article at <http://sports.yahoo.com/ncaaf/news?slug=rivals-89003&prov=rivals&type=lgns> for more information.)

- In his article dated January 20, 2007, The Morning News reporter Bob Caudle writes:

"Razorbackers are asked to believe that Offensive Coordinator Gus Malzahn had a contract extension waiting for him one week and the next week he's being demoted . . . To borrow from Mark Twain, there are three kinds of lies: lies, damned lies, and the UA Athletic Department."

(See Caudle's article at http://www.nwaonline.com/articles/2007/01/21/columns/bob_caudle/012107caudle.txt for more information.)

TOPIC 3: HOUSTON NUTT'S CONNECTION TO OTHER HEAD COACHING VACANCIES

Houston Nutt has twice been connected to other head coaching vacancies during his tenure as Arkansas head coach - Nebraska in 2003 and LSU in 2004. Nutt rejected Nebraska's offer to be its head coach, stating, *"I could not take my family, myself, and get on that plane. My heart was here."* While never formally offered the LSU head coaching position, Nutt said this about LSU's interest in him: *"I'm very flattered that LSU contacted Coach Broyles to initiate a conversation with me about their coaching position. I spoke briefly with LSU officials about their situation. At this time I'm very happy at the University of Arkansas. I plan on being the coach here for a very long time."*

Connection to the Head Coaching Position with the Miami Hurricanes – Background

On November 24, 2006, Larry Coker was fired as head coach by the University of Miami. As it had during the Nebraska and LSU search for a new head coach, Nutt's name surfaced as a candidate for the Miami position in a Miami Herald article. According to Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reporter Bob Holt's November 26, 2006 article, Nutt was never interested in the position:

"I'm not thinking about anything but Florida," Houston Nutt said on Saturday. "If anyone mentions my name [in connection with the] Miami job, that's just a rumor. I've got no interest in Miami."

Nutt went on to add:

"I wish people wouldn't throw my name in like that," Nutt said. "It's just a rumor."

(See Bob Holt's article at <http://www.wholehogsports.com/adg/174088/> for more information.)

Connection to the Head Coaching Position with the Miami Hurricanes – Detail

- On December 7, 2006, Houston Nutt called Nevin Shapiro at 10:17 am. This call lasted 30 minutes.
- According to the Miami Hurricane's official athletic department website, Nevin Shapiro is a "booster" for the Hurricane athletic program. His financial support is of the level that he has a student-athlete lounge at the University of Miami named after him

Nevin K. Shapiro, an ardent, devoted, intense supporter of the University of Miami Athletics, has passionately followed the Hurricanes since 1978. Despite the fact that he attended college outside of Miami, his heart has always bled green and orange. Nevin has also been a very generous financial supporter of Hurricanes Athletics, participating in the Living Scholar program since 2001, contributing to the Campaign for the Convocation Center at the Hurricane 100 Level, and making a major gift to the Hecht Athletic Center Enhancement Project. For the tremendous philanthropic support he provides, the University of Miami is proud to name the Student-Athlete Lounge after Nevin Shapiro.

(See the official athletic site of the University of Miami at <http://hurricanesports.cstv.com/ot/miifl-hecht-donors.html> for more information.)

- Immediately following this phone call, Nutt placed a call to his agent, Jimmy Sexton, at 10:47 am.
- Houston Nutt again contacted Nevin Shapiro by phone at 11:13 am that same day.
- Nutt also contacted Tony Hernandez four separate times on December 7, 2006 - 11:13 am, 11:54 am, 11:57 am and 3:11 pm.
- According to the Miami Hurricane's official athletic department website, Tony Hernandez is currently the University of Miami's Senior Associate Athletic Director (as of February 2007). Prior to that time, Hernandez held a number of official positions for the Miami Hurricane athletic department:

Hernandez joined the UM Athletic Department in 1998 and has served in various capacities since that time. He began his career in Academic Services as a Graduate Assistant. He was hired full-time in 1999 as a Compliance Coordinator subsequently being promoted to Director of Compliance in 2002, Assistant AD for Compliance in 2004 and Associate AD for Compliance a year later. In 2005, he also served as the Interim Associate AD for Development and has served as the Interim Associate AD for External Affairs on two separate occasions.

(See the official athletic site of the University of Miami at http://hurricanesports.cstv.com/genrel/hernandez_tony00.html for more information.)

- Additional calls to Jimmy Sexton were also placed on December 7, 2006 at 10:54 am, 8:27 pm, 8:29 pm and 8:32 pm.
- Randy Shannon was officially announced as Miami Head Coach on December 12, 2006.

Connection to the Coaching Position with North Carolina State University - Background

On November 26, 2006, Chuck Amato was fired as the head coach of the North Carolina State University football program. Nutt was never formally mentioned as a candidate for the vacant position.

Connection to the Head Coaching Position with North Carolina State University - Detail

- On December 3, 2006, two phone calls were placed by Nutt to a Raleigh, North Carolina phone number (919-819-8333) at 10:41 am and 10:43 am.
- At 10:49 am, a phone call was placed to Nutt's agent, Jimmy Sexton.
- At 12:39 pm and 12:40 pm, another set of calls were placed to North Carolina and another to Jimmy Sexton, respectively.
- Additional calls were placed to Sexton at 1:43 pm, 2:23 pm, 3:36 pm, 7:45 pm and 8:09 pm.
- At 2:44 pm, Nutt made a phone call to 919-819-8335, in Garner, North Carolina.
- On December 5, 2006, Nutt placed a call to a Raleigh, North Carolina phone number (919-513-7135) at 12:39 pm.
- After the call to North Carolina, Nutt called his secretary twice.
- At 1:11 pm, he received another call from Raleigh from the cell phone number 919-819-8335. That call lasted one minute.
- Nutt called the previous number back three minutes later. That call lasted seven minutes.
- Twenty-seven minutes after that call ended, Nutt's secretary returned his previous phone call.

- Tom O'Brien was officially announced as the North Carolina State University head football coach on December 9, 2006

TOPIC 4: HOUSTON NUTT'S CONNECTION TO DONNA BRAGG

One phone number (479-459-2132) appeared numerous times among Houston Nutt's phone records acquired via FOIA requests, both as sent and received cell phone calls as well as sent and received text messages. The phone number belongs to Donna Bragg, a news anchor for KHBS in Northwest Arkansas. (See the KHBS website at <http://www.4029tv.com/station/612751/detail.html> for more information.)

Donna Bragg Connection, Springdale Holiday Inn – Background

Houston Nutt's mother-in-law Armedia Thomas passed away on Thursday, December 7, 2006. Her funeral was held on Monday, December 11, 2006 in Edmond, Oklahoma. Her daughter, Houston Nutt's wife Diana, went to Oklahoma to be with her family over the weekend. Houston Nutt had commitments to his football team (most notably attending the Heisman Trophy presentation with Razorback running back Darren McFadden) that prevented him from spending the weekend with his wife's family in Oklahoma.

Donna Bragg Connection, Springdale Holiday Inn – Detail

The following table documents the phone calls exchanged between Houston Nutt and Donna Bragg on Saturday, December 9, 2006 and Sunday, December 10, 2006:

Date	Time	Contact Type	From	To	Duration
12/09/06	11:41 pm	Cell Phone	Houston Nutt	Directory Assistance	n/a
	11:42 pm	Cell Phone	Houston Nutt	Springdale Holiday Inn	n/a
	11:47 pm	Cell Phone	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
12/10/06	1:31 am	Cell Phone	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	8:01 am	Cell Phone	Houston Nutt	Springdale Holiday Inn	15 mins
	11:10 am	Cell Phone	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	11:11 am	Cell Phone	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	1:10 pm	Cell Phone	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	1:44 pm	Cell Phone	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a

Donna Bragg Connection, Christmas – Background

One of the more noticeable patterns of contact between Nutt and Bragg occurred on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day 2006.

Donna Bragg Connection, Christmas – Detail

- The following table documents the exchange of text messages between Houston Nutt and Donna Bragg on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. (A picture of the cell phone bill is attached to this document as [Appendix F.](#))

Date	Time	Contact Type	From	To	Duration
12/24/06	11:24 am	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	11:49 am	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	11:52 am	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	12:01 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	12:04 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	12:11 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	12:12 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	12:13 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	12:14 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	12:24 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	12:28 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	12:45 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	12:49 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	8:09 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	10:03 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	10:43 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	10:45 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	10:46 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a

Date	Time	Contact Type	From	To	Duration
	10:49 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	10:51 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	10:58 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	11:02 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	11:10 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	11:44 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	11:49 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
12/25/06	12:07 am	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	12:21 am	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	12:26 am	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	12:28 am	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	12:35 am	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	12:41 am	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	12:41 am	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	12:49 am	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	5:25 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	5:32 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	5:33 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	5:36 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	5:42 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	5:46 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	5:54 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	5:57 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	6:25 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	6:27 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a

Date	Time	Contact Type	From	To	Duration
	6:54 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	6:57 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	8:03 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	8:04 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	11:08 pm	Text Message	Houston Nutt	Donna Bragg	n/a
	11:14 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a
	11:42 pm	Text Message	Donna Bragg	Houston Nutt	n/a

- For the months of November and December, there were a total of **1,311** text messages exchanged between Nutt and Bragg.
- On November 26, 2006, there were 56 text messages exchanged between Nutt and Bragg (32 of which were exchanged between midnight and 2:00 am).
- During the two days preceding the Capitol One Bowl on January 1, 2007, a total of 118 text messages were exchanged between Nutt and Bragg.
- On January 1, 2007, the day of the Capitol One Bowl, Nutt sent a text message to Bragg at 11:41 am—19 minutes before kickoff against Wisconsin.

01/01	11:31AM	1479592132	M2M TEXT MESSAG	1 Msg	IM02	AT	SMH	Out
01/01	11:31AM	1479592132	M2M TEXT MESSAG	1 Msg	IM02	AT	SMH	In
01/01	11:42AM	1479592132	M2M TEXT MESSAG	1 Msg	IM02	AT	SMH	Out
01/01	11:43AM	1479592132	M2M TEXT MESSAG	1 Msg	IM02	AT	SMH	In
01/01	11:48AM	19017340909	M2M TEXT MESSAG	1 Msg	IM02	AT	SMH	Out

Other Text Messaging Notes – Background

The NCAA has set strict guidelines and limitations on the number of times college coaches can contact recruits via the telephone. Current Indiana University men's basketball coach Kelvin Sampson was placed on probation by the NCAA for violating these limitations while coaching the Oklahoma Sooners men's basketball team.

No limitations exist, however, on the number of electronic text messages that may be sent to recruits. In a recent ESPN "Outside the Lines" report (dated May 28, 2006), John Barr and Lindsey Rovegno report that text messaging is quickly becoming the most efficient and effective way to contact recruits. One anecdote from their article is particularly telling:

Arrelious Benn, ranked as a top wide receiver in his age group, checked his cell phone after a recent weight training and sprint workout and noticed he had five text messages waiting for him, all from college coaches. He quickly noted that number is a little lower than normal.

It is obvious that he is one of the most sought after football prospects in the nation, when later that day he heaved a garbage bag full of letters onto the kitchen table, unloaded the letters from the bag, and let them overflow onto the table and spill onto the floor. A junior at Dunbar High School in Washington, D.C., the 6-2 wide receiver said he also receives dozens of text messages each day.

Sitting on his bed, sporting a backwards cap and T-shirt, Benn read off a list of schools that text messaged him just that day, from his T-mobile Sidekick. "Miami, Maryland, Auburn, Tennessee, Florida, Illinois," Benn said. "That's about it for now, but I'm pretty sure I'll get more later on." In one message, Tennessee head coach Phillip Fulmer wrote: "What's up playmaker? Do I have a chance to get you wearing orange and white?" In another, the receivers coach at Miami assured Benn the offer letter would arrive in a few days. As a huge smile spreads across his face, Benn said if his mom had not signed up for unlimited text messaging his cell phone bill would be a huge problem.

Clearly, in this day and age, text messaging recruits has become an important tool for college coaches. (See the ESPN "Outside the Lines" article in its entirety at <http://sports.espn.go.com/espn/print?id=2461072&type=story> for more information.)

Other Text Messaging Notes – Detail

- Kodi Burns of Fort Smith Northside High School and Lee Ziembra of Rogers High School were two of the most highly sought after recruits in the state of Arkansas.
- National Signing Day for recruits was February 7, 2007.
- There were **zero** text messages sent from Houston Nutt to either Burns or Ziembra during the same time period over 1,100 text messages were sent to Donna Bragg.

THOMAS MCAFEE'S E-MAILS AND SUBSEQUENT THREAT OF LEGAL ACTION BY NUTT

The following e-mail was sent on March 15, 2007, to the members of the UA Board of Trustees, Chancellor John White, and UA President Dr. B. Alan Sugg, by Thomas McAfee, a concerned and avid supporter of UA Athletics, in regards to potential conduct unbecoming of a Head Football Coach and state employee:

To whom it may concern,

A couple weeks ago I sent in a FOIA Request to the University of Arkansas requesting both HDN and Danny Nutt's. The request was fulfilled. I found some disturbing things regarding these phone records.

I looked up a number (479-459-21xx) that HDN called and text messaged quite frequently. The number in question is for a lady named Donna Bragg. There had been rumors going around that HDN had an ongoing affair with this lady. In the the below attached pic, it shows HDN calling Holiday Inn, and then goes on to call Donna Bragg (by the way, this was the weekend that HDN's wife was in OK for her mother's funeral).

at 11:41 PM on 12/9, a directory assistance call was made.

at 11:42 PM, a call was placed to 479-750-0684, the Holiday Inn in Springdale

at 11:47 PM, a call was placed to phone number 479-459-2132

at 1:31 AM, on 12/10, another call was placed to phone number 479-459-2132

I know that in itself does not prove that anything wrong happened. But HDN also text messaged this same phone number 229 times between 11/30 and 12/11. Plus, another 305 after the 11th for the grand total of 534 text messages on that bill to DB.

I know this HDN's personal life is personal, and none of our concern. But when it starts to detract from the UofA, then it becomes a larger problem. I know that a former coach at Alabama (Mike Price) was fired for a lesser offense because of the tarnish it put on the University of Alabama.

Another concern of mine was the involvement of Danny Nutt with Teresa Prewett. If

you look at DN's phone records, you'll notice that he had a lot of contact with Teresa all through the month of December. We know that Danny Nutt recieved the e-mail from Teresa that had harsh words for Arkansas players and a former coach. Teresa sent this e-mail on the 7th of December, with Danny and Teresa talking that night according to the phone records. These two conversed a lot, so you would have to assume that Danny would not ignore an e-mail from her. Obviously, with them talking so much to each other, they would have discussed in at least one of their conversations this e-mail. To know that Danny did not stand up for the Offensive Coord or this players is a terrible injustice and will probably be brought up during recruiting.

I just thought it was important to let each and everyone of you know, that I cannot support a coach (or coaches) that have such lack of integrity and character. This reflects terribly on the University and everyone that supports the team.

*Thanks,
Thomas*

Mr. McAfee then sent another e-mail on March 19, 2007 to the same parties that outlined some facts that he had mistakenly omitted in his first correspondence:

Something that I left accidently left out of my last e-mail. Another disturbing fact from HDN's phone records:

Here's all phone contacts between Teresa, Danny and Houston on 12/7, the day Mitch was e-mailed.

12/7 phone calls Danny Houston Teresa

*10:39 AM Danny/Teresa
10:51 AM Houston/Teresa
11:09 AM E-mail sent to Mitch
10:01 PM Danny/Teresa
10:50 PM Danny/Teresa*

Text Messages

*3:17 PM Danny/Teresa
3:40 PM Danny/Houston
3:41 PM Danny/Houston
3:42 PM Danny/Houston
3:43 PM Danny/Houston
5:11 PM Danny/Houston
6:21 PM Danny/Houston
6:45 PM Danny/Teresa
6:46 PM Danny/Houston*

6:46 PM Houston/Teresa
6:48 PM Houston/Danny
6:49 PM Houston/Teresa
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6:52 PM Houston/Teresa
6:53 PM Houston/Teresa
6:53 PM Danny/Houston
7:04 PM Houston/Teresa
7:17 PM Houston/Teresa
8:30 PM Houston/Danny
8:30 PM Danny/Houston
8:32 PM Houston/Danny
8:32 PM Danny/Houston

On March 20, 2007, McAfee received a letter from Byron Freeland of the Law Offices of Mitchell, Williams, Selig, Gates, and Woodward, LLC. Freeland represents University of Arkansas head football coach Houston Nutt. The letter requested that McAfee have his attorney contact Freeland as soon as possible to set up a meeting with McAfee, McAfee's attorney, Freeland and Coach Houston Nutt. See the following pages for that letter.

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Re: Houston Nutt

Dear Mr. McAfee:

This firm represents the Head Coach of the University of Arkansas Football Program, Houston Nutt, in his personal capacity. I am writing to address the malicious and defamatory statements in your e-mail dated Thursday, March 15, 2007, to members of the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas, President B. Alan Sugg, Chancellor John A. White, and members of the media. We do not typically respond to these types of false accusations, but feel it is appropriate in this instance.

On December 7, 2006, Coach Nutt's mother-in-law passed away. On Friday, December 8, 2006, the Razorback football program welcomed six prospects for their official recruiting visits to the University of Arkansas. I am attaching a copy of the official Itinerary for their visit. As you will note, the prospects were scheduled to check-in and stay at the Springdale Holiday Inn at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, December 8, 2006, and stay through the course of the weekend until they checked out on Sunday, December 10, 2006. For nearly all Coach Nutt's tenure, it has been well known that the Razorback football program utilizes the Holiday Inn in Springdale to provide lodging for recruits on their officials visits.

I am also attaching a copy of the official Itinerary for the members of the Razorback football team who served as hosts for the weekend of December 8, 2006. The Itinerary specifically states as follows: "Curfew: Be at the Holiday Inn no later than 1:00 a.m." All

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prospects, therefore, were to return to the Holiday Inn by 1:00 a.m., and Coach Nutt works with his graduate assistants and student assistant coaches to ensure that this curfew is met.

On Saturday, December 9, 2006, Coach Nutt flew to New York City to attend the Heisman Trophy Award Ceremony, which was broadcast live on Saturday night, because Darren McFadden was a candidate for the award. Following the ceremony, Coach Nutt flew back to Fayetteville to participate in the official visits of the recruits who had arrived the previous day. Coach Nutt was scheduled to meet and did, in fact, meet with the recruits at the Holiday Inn at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, December 10, 2006.

After landing at Drake Field late on December 9, 2006, Coach Nutt went directly to his office in the Broyles Center to pick-up the recruiting itinerary for the following day, and then proceeded directly to his home where he stayed for the remainder of the night with his wife who was at their home in Fayetteville. During that time, Ms. Bragg attempted to communicate with Coach Nutt regarding a very serious matter which had upset her greatly. Specifically, Ms. Bragg informed Coach Nutt that she had been visiting with her former boyfriend at an event earlier in the evening when he informed her that he had been diagnosed with cancer. Ms. Bragg first sent a text message to Coach Nutt at 11:26 p.m. on December 9, 2006, and Coach Nutt attempted to return that text message at 11:36 p.m. Because the message did not appear to go through, Coach Nutt again attempted to respond at 11:45 p.m. At 11:47 p.m., Coach Nutt followed-up with a brief phone call to Ms. Bragg, but she was unable to speak with him at that point. At 11:50 p.m., Ms. Bragg sent another text message to Coach Nutt, and he responded at 11:52 p.m.

Ms. Bragg later sent Coach Nutt a text message at 1:30 a.m. on Sunday, December 10, 2006. Ms. Bragg expected Coach Nutt to receive her message the following morning and did not realize that he was still awake. In response, Coach Nutt called Ms. Bragg at 1:31 a.m., and they had a four (4) minute conversation regarding the distressing medical news she received earlier that night. Ms. Bragg and Coach Nutt did not communicate again that evening. The following morning, at 6:25 a.m. on December 10, 2006, Ms. Bragg sent Coach Nutt a text message apologizing for contacting him so late the night before.

Also after returning to Fayetteville late on Saturday, December 9, 2006, Coach Nutt wanted to ensure that the recruits were complying with the 1:00 a.m. curfew. Therefore, Coach Nutt called directory assistance for the phone number of the Springdale Holiday Inn. Coach Nutt then contacted the front desk of the hotel and asked the clerk whether any of his graduate assistants were present in the hotel lobby. Coach Nutt's phone records confirm that he contacted the Holiday Inn. Coach Nutt did not go to the Holiday Inn until the following morning when he met with the recruits prior to their departure.

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On Sunday, December 10, 2006, Coach Nutt's wife left Fayetteville early in the morning to drive to Oklahoma City for a visitation service for her mother. Coach Nutt was unable to travel with her at that time because he first needed to visit with the recruits and see them off. After attending to that duty, Coach Nutt, accompanied by Frank Broyles and Jim Lindsey, flew in Mr. Lindsey's private plane to Oklahoma City for the visitation service. Mr. Lindsey and Mr. Broyles returned to Fayetteville that same day, but Coach Nutt remained with his wife and family in Oklahoma City to attend the funeral service on Monday, December 11, 2006. Following the funeral, Coach Nutt returned to Fayetteville to continue the recruiting process.

Coach Nutt and Ms. Bragg have a professional relationship which developed as a result of Ms. Bragg's fundraising efforts for a non-profit organization dedicated to assisting the disabled. Specifically, Ms. Bragg is the 10 p.m. news anchor for ABC affiliate KHOG 40/29 which broadcasts throughout Northwest Arkansas and Eastern Oklahoma. Ms. Bragg performs this position on a part-time basis. During the day, Ms. Bragg also serves as the Executive Director of the non-profit Bost Foundation, Inc. whose mission is to raise funds in support of the operation of Bost Human Development Services, Inc. (Bost). According to its web site, "Bost is a community-based, not-for-profit agency dedicated to developing services for and providing services to individuals in Western Arkansas and adjacent regions who have mental retardation, developmental disabilities and other related handicapping conditions." The Bost mission is to enable "people with a wide range of developmental needs to determine and achieve their own goals by providing choices, support and learning alternatives to maximize personal opportunities." In her position, Ms. Bragg is responsible for organizing and raising funds in support of Bost.

Throughout his many years of service to the University, Coach Nutt has assisted hundreds of charitable organizations. Notably, for example, Easter Seals recently announced that Coach Nutt will be honored this year as its Arkansan of the Year at a dinner at the Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock on May 22, 2007. As another example, in the summer of 2006, Ms. Bragg contacted Coach Nutt's office and requested his assistance for a major Bost fundraiser known as "Grape Escapes." Coach Nutt began communicating with Ms. Bragg about this event and assisted her by putting her in contact with Ms. Patti Metcalf-Kimbrough who serves as the Director of Guest Services for Men's Athletics.

On Tuesday, November 14, 2006, Ms. Bragg again requested Coach Nutt's assistance with a Bost fundraiser scheduled to be held in Fayetteville on Thursday, December 7, 2006. Although Coach Nutt was unable to attend in person, he communicated with her in anticipation of the event and in an effort to assist her organization. As most people are aware, Coach Nutt's parents spent their careers teaching and assisting students at the School for the Deaf. Their selfless devotion to assisting others has been a sustaining influence on Coach Nutt's life and his

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efforts to help charitable organizations. Again, Coach Nutt and Ms. Bragg maintain a professional and friendly relationship based on their efforts to assist charitable organizations.

We recite the above facts to give you an accurate picture of the events that transpired on the weekend of December 8-10, 2006. After a review of your e-mail dated March 15, 2007, it appears that you have intentionally made defamatory statements about Coach Nutt with the intent to harm his reputation with the public and the Board of Trustees. Coach Nutt realizes that his coaching performance is fair game for any fan or citizen of the State. However, when you intentionally make false statements about two persons that you have never met and have no first-hand knowledge of their relationship or activities, you have crossed the line from legally permissible criticism to defamation. In addition, we are of the opinion that your actions constitute an illegal attempt to interfere with Coach Nutt's contract with the University. There is no other reason for you to send such a letter to the Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas, the President, the Chancellor, and the media, except to harm Coach Nutt's employment relationship with the University and other associated contractual relationships.

Please have your attorney contact me as soon as possible. I would like to set up a meeting with you and your attorney so that we can discuss the defamatory statements you have made about my client. Coach Nutt and I prefer to do business face to face so that there is no misunderstanding about the facts, your intentions, and any future actions which we may take on behalf of Coach Nutt.

We consider this to be a very serious matter and hope that you will respond appropriately.

Best regards,

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By


Byron Freeland

BF:bb

ITINERARY – December 8-9-10, 2006

Friday, December 8

8:35 am	Recruits begin arriving at NW Arkansas Regional Airport (XNA)
12:30 – 1:30 pm	Lunch at the Union in television lounge area, see campus life, then return to Players' Lounge
1:30 – 2:45 pm	Recruits leave for academic tour - BUS
2:45 pm	Recruits meet in Players' Lounge
3:00 pm	See dorm room (Damian Williams) (D-310) - BUS
3:30 pm	Check in recruits at Holiday Inn Springdale (751-8300) - BUS
4:45 pm	Bus departs Holiday Inn for Walker Pavilion - BUS
5:15 pm	Parents and recruits meet with Don Decker at Walker Pavilion
6:00 pm	Practice (Bowl Prep)
7:30 pm	Dinner at Catfish Hole (521-7008) After dinner, free time with hosts

Saturday, December 9

9:15 am	Wake up call from Rob Taylor
9:45 am	Breakfast at the Holiday Inn – The Athletic Club
10:15 am	Bus departs Holiday Inn for athletic facilities tour - BUS
10:30 am	Tour of athletic facilities: Baum Stadium, Tyson Track Center, Walton Arena, Walker Pavilion - BUS
11:15 am	Dean Weber, Director of Athletic Training – Locker room/Training room/Equipment room
11:30 pm	Watch highlight film – Team Meeting Room
12:00 pm	Recruits meet with position coach
12:45 pm	Tour Championship Alley, East Indoor Club, Razorback sky box Meet Academic Support Team: Mike Ritchie, Candy Erbe, Rodger Hunter, Paul Kirkpatrick, and Mike Beaumont
1:15 pm	Lunch catered in Raymond Miller Room – Hosts will eat with recruits
2:30 pm	Depart for AAO – Buses or Coaches or Host
2:45 – 3:30 pm	Arkansas Athletes Outreach (AAO)
3:30 pm	Parents return to Holiday Inn – players free time (return to Holiday Inn or go with host)
6:30 pm	Depart Holiday Inn for Reynolds Razorback Stadium
NOTE	Recruiting Coach – Please make sure your recruit has transportation to dinner and is in attendance
7:00 pm	Dinner catered in the Donald W. Reynolds Razorback Stadium South End Zone, Club Level – 4 th level After dinner, prospects free time with hosts

Sunday, December 10

8:30 am	Wake up call to recruits from Jeff Norrid / James Arthur / Rhett Lashley / Courtney Sanders
9:00 am	Breakfast at Holiday Inn – John Q. Hammons Room Coach Nutt will visit with recruits individually in room 225 Check out of hotel and depart for NW Arkansas Regional Airport (XNA) Staff meeting in FBAC immediately following recruits' departures

ITINERARY – December 8-9-10, 2006

HOSTS

Friday, December 8

Please after practice meet your recruits in the locker room/players lounge and take your hosts to the Catfish Hole

7:30 pm

Dinner at Catfish Hole (521-7008)

After dinner, free time with hosts

Curfew:

Be at the Holiday Inn no later than 1:00 a.m.

Saturday, December 9

Please meet in the Players Lounge no later than 1:15 p.m.

1:30 pm

Lunch catered in Raymond Miller Room – Hosts will eat with recruits

2:45 – 3:30 pm

Go to Arkansas Athletes Outreach (AAO)

3:30 p.m.

Free time with hosts (3:30 – 6:50)

6:50 p.m.

Dinner catered in the South End Zone,
Club Level – 4th level

7:00 pm

Dinner catered in the South End Zone, Club Level – 4th level

After dinner, prospects free time with hosts

Curfew:

Be at the Holiday Inn no later than 1:00 a.m.

As of February 15, 2007

**University of Arkansas
Official Visit Log
Football**

Prospect	Date of Visit
1. Jared Glover	09/02-04/06
2. Stephen Collins	09/02-04/06
3. Michael Keck	09/02-04/06
4. Tramain Swindall	09/02-04/06
5. Brett Harris	11/11-13/06
6. Ron Brooks	11/11-13/06
7. Adrian Campbell	11/11-13/06
8. Grant Freeman	12/08-10/06
9. Ryan Broyles	12/08-10/06
10. Damario Ambrose	12/08-10/06
11. Nevin McKenzie	12/08-10/06
12. Alex Tejada	12/08-10/06
13. Brandon Barnett	12/08-10/06
14. Isaac Madison	12/15-17/06
15. Seth Oxner	12/15-17/06
16. Mike Johnson	12/15-17/06
17. Juwan Franklin	12/15-17/06
18. Freddy Burton	12/15-17/06
19. Lee Ziemba	12/15-17/06
20. David Williams	12/15-17/06
21. Stefoin Francois	12/15-17/06
22. Wade Bonner	12/15-17/06
23. Wade Grayson	12/15-17/06
24. Grant Cook	12/15-17/06
25. Jake Bequette	12/15-17/06
26. Michael Harris	12/15-17/06
27. Jermaine Harris	12/15-17/06
28. James Thomas	01/19-21/07
29. Crosby Tuck	01/19/21/07
30. Chavis Williams	01/19/21/07
31. Genesis Cole	01/19/21/07
32. William Cole	01/19/21/07

APPENDIX A: DECEMBER 6 E-MAIL FROM TERESA PREWETT TO WALLY HALL

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Wally:

I've decided to write to you today regarding your article, and even though you can't hear my voice, please know that I am screaming – loud!! It's amazing that you continue to stir the pot, but I guess you're going to tell me that it's just your job. Bull nuts. The large amount of "dysfunction" appears to be in the media, the journalist, and some north west AR self-proclaimed "Big Boys."

Houston Nutt – You are correct – there are schools interested in him – schools have been interested in him for the last nine years. Other schools were interested in him during two 4-7 seasons. I specifically remember him warning us that it would be a tough two seasons after being under investigation and probation for THREE years, which cost us a ton of scholarships, and we have Frank to thank for that. Like any good business man, he took the time to listen to Nebraska and LSU, but he always thought home was better. Now, after a 10-3 season, SEC Western Division Championship, SEC Coach of the Year, Region Coach of the year, Doak Walker award candidate, Heisman Trophy candidate, he continues to be blasted, questioned, and disrespected by people like you. Did I mention that he did this in the toughest conference in the country? Did I mention that the Hogs had been to Atlanta twice since Florida had been once in 2006? Did I mention that the Hogs were picked fourth in their division pre-season? Did I mention that after USC won 50-14 in Fayetteville, Houston pulled a very young team off the turf and won 10 straight. Did I mention that the Hogs were 15 points, and 3 special teams mistakes away from being where Florida is? Did I mention all of this after having to change QB's twice? I also hope I mentioned that Houston has assisted in raising more money for the "Ever So Mighty Foundation" than anyone in Razorback history. Did you happen to notice that high school football was brought back to life after Houston stepped on campus due to his reaching out to form relationships with high school coach's. I hope you remember Danny Ford and the wonderful bond he had formed with everyone in this state, and please don't forget about Jack Crow and Joe Kines – those were some fun times weren't they?! Do I need to remind you that Houston's Hog's are graduating if they aren't leaving for the NFL early? Houston III is a freshman at the University of Arkansas, Hannah and Hailey are seniors at Fayetteville High School, and Haven is a sophomore at Fayetteville High School. These kids have spent all of their adolescence in Fayetteville being a Hog, being wonderful productive kids, and they too have suffered because of the way their father has been treated over the years in their home state. Do you know how that disgusts me? You say that it "comes with the job," but once again, bull nuts. Having your family subjected to different forms of abuse is not part of any job – no matter how much money someone makes. You say it is like this "everywhere," but when it happens at HOME, everything changes, and those bridges come tumbling down. By the way, you stated that Houston "really didn't look happy" about being the so-called "chief executive" – what, are you sitting up in the press box

watching his facial expressions, do you have him bugged on the sideline, or what. I'm just trying to figure out how YOU KNOW what he's feeling and/or thinking. That really is a unique talent you have in knowing what people think and feel. Also, I might add, while you may call him chief executive, his title as of today is: Coach Houston Nutt – Head Football Coach of the University of Arkansas. The head coach that has the second longest tenure in the SEC. Respect the coach, respect the man, respect the family.

Gus Malzahn – I am very interested in this man checking out other schools – I am actually begging that he does leave. Do I call him Gus or God? I'm sure you'll give me the correct answer. I'm sure he does deserve some credit for the success of the season, but he and his Springdale Pansies are more of a cancer. Everyone talks, including you, of freshmen needing time to adjust to the speed of the game in the SEC (did you happen to notice the speed of the linebackers, cornerbacks, and defensive ends for Florida), but I haven't heard much about a coach needing to be able to adjust from high school to college ball in the SEC! Are you kidding me? You want to bring the hurry up no huddle to the Hogs when you have McFadden and Jones?! This isn't Springdale vs. Fayetteville, Rogers, Central, Northside, Southside, etc... This IS Hogs vs. Tennessee, Alabama, Florida, LSU, Auburn, etc... Most of those schools have more depth than we do at most positions, so ball control is important game in and game out. You want to run the hurry up no huddle offense when you have a freshman QB that had difficulty reading defenses game in and game out? Yes, I'm sure he did help with the offense, but all that has occurred since they all arrived on campus is a great deal of crying to mommies and daddies. – grow up d**n it. This is the SEC. Frank may give him a big raise, but if Frank is such a great judge of talent for assistants, somebody should be reminding him of an assistant named Coach Danny Nutt. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to see what this man has done since he walked on campus, and I'm not even talking about the part where he fought thru a close call with death and severe permanent disability. Danny is the one that has recruited one outstanding back after another, and will now be sitting on stage for the Doak Walker Award and the Heisman Trophy Award, and in an interview with McFadden yesterday, McFadden was quoted as saying "None of this would have been possible without Coach Danny Nutt." Someone needs to be giving this Nutt a raise, but I guess because he is the head coach's brother, that his work and success doesn't count for anything. While we're talking about assistants that need a raise and recognition – lets talk about Coach Markuson and Coach Rocker. Lets talk about the offensive line blowing holes open for two 1000 yd. rushers (first time in Arkansas history), and lets talk about the progress the defensive line made – those men from the Rock were the rock. The only recruits that Gus could get on campus are his Springdale pansies. Wake up people. Gus may one day be great, but what happened this year was not because of his greatness. He is in the process of learning – just like his freshmen.

Mitch Mustain – does this young man still suck on a pacifier? Just wondering. I have his transfer papers ready. He can go throw interceptions for UCA for all I care. I take that back, I went to school at UCA, so lets send him to Arkansas Tech. I think we should have all had our eyes open when he played on national T.V. in the all-star game last year and stunk it up because he was finally playing against the Big Boys from other states from around the country. Maybe this young man needs to learn that if he's the

starting QB, that he needs to bring it to practice each and every day, act like he gives a d**n, and become a leader. When he plays an awful game (Alabama), he needs to admit he made mistakes, and leave the excuses in his jock strap. Mitch didn't really want to be a Hog in the first place, and he and his mom can go elsewhere. Is he afraid of competition? If he thinks he can't beat out Casey thingy with hard work in the spring and summer, then please go. I despise athletes that are afraid of competition – they are an embarrassment to their sport. He has the potential to be big time, but he has to get his head right, and his mother really needs to invest in duct tape. Shut The Hell Up You Pompass Cow. This is the SEC. Leave your high school letter jacket at home. Once again, grow up. Hey Mitch, leave if you want, but if you stay, get your nuts together and compete. Try to get better and stop pouting. There is no "I" in team, and Houston demands team work!!!!!!

Other Springdale Players – just please catch the d**n ball – it's awful when your drop ratio is greater than your catch ratio. Did you happen to watch the Florida receivers? If so, and if you have one working brain cell, you would know that those two men, Cleveland and Williams, would not have stepped on the field their freshman year at Florida. They had a difficult enough time getting off the line of scrimmage against the SEC big boys consistently, and Cleveland has to get bigger if he's going to be a true tight end in the SEC, and he has to be able to learn his blocking schemes. Once again, freshmen, learning curve, and need a year to get bigger, stronger, and hopefully faster. Wouldn't hurt to do a little work on catching the ball consistently in the big games. Doing it every once in a blue moon won't cut it. They need to be excited that they played as much as they did. If they want to be in the hurry up no huddle offense they need to do their best to assist in recruiting big time receivers to Arkansas. Thank God for Marcus Monk, his work ethic, his team first attitude, and his character. The Springdale pansies should take heed.

Darren McFadden – you almost got this one right Wally. This young man is unbelievable. Aren't we glad Danny Nutt recruited him? Aren't we glad he really wanted to be a Hog? Aren't we glad he didn't pout his freshmen year after he didn't get a ton of carries early on? Aren't we glad he's a team player? Maybe you should be the one to meet him face to face to tell him we should be running the no huddle hurry up offense so the Springdale pansies will be happy. While you're at it, why don't you tell those offensive linemen (3 first team all SEC) the same thing, and tell them how they should have had to change their entire blocking schemes to pacify the Springdale pansies? I wanna be there for that face to face meeting. I wouldn't wear glasses if I were you. I'm excited that we get him back, and hopefully, another year under Danny and Houston. This guy loves being a Hog.

Felix Jones – you got this one right, but you may want to tell him about the hurry up no huddle offense. Once again, don't wear the glasses. He is a stud. I'm so happy that Danny Nutt recruited him so hard. He told me this kid was gonna be special. Danny seems to have a pretty good eye for talent. Maybe someday he'll be a great assistant. d**n.

Peyton Hillis – lordy lordy. How in the world could he not be playing tailback for the Hogs?! Are you kidding me? See above with McFadden and Jones. Peyton is not a tailback. This guy had so much potential, and was doing a great job the last several games before he got "hurt" so badly. Maybe he has a sinus polyp – very debilitating condition – ask Shawn Andrews. His feelings got really hurt, and this guy became the prime example of what selfish is all about. I wish him well in the NFL, but his mommy and daddy won't be able to help him much when he doesn't get his way in the big leagues. Did I mention that Houston demands Team First?

Reggie Herring – you got this one right. Don't cross this man, and I'm sure that he would love to sit down and talk football 101 with you! Don't wear your glasses, and try to find a body shield.

In conclusion, I must once again express my disdain for your attempt in stirring the pot after such a successful season. Yes, I am completely loyal to the Nutt family, no question. I have lost the majority of my immediate family, and they have all been there for me during some horrible times. They are my extended family. You told me after I blew up from your article bashing Houston for showing his appreciation to the students following the Alabama game, that I "couldn't see the forest for the trees" regarding Houston. I never truly knew what the hell that meant, but after what has been accomplished this season, it would be safe to say that I see the trees and the forest quiet well. My vision regarding Houston Nutt and his football program has never been better. However, that being said, I can also be objective. My father was a football coach, he and my uncle played college ball, my uncle played in the NFL, and sports has always been a huge part of my life. A basketball scholarship paid for my school, and at my house growing up, if the T.V. was on, it was on sports. I guess I know just enough to be dangerous. I do know a good thing when I see it, and Houston Nutt has done more for the University of Arkansas as head football coach than any other coach – even Frank. I have been a season ticket holder since 1985, I donate to the foundation, I am also a season ticket holder in basketball and baseball, so my love for the Hogs is great. I am saddened and ashamed of the way Houston and his family have been treated by people they have known all of their lives. I sat thru the Citadel, I remember sitting and watching Joe Ferguson play and you could sit anywhere in the stands that you wanted to because attendance was so low, I sat thru Danny Ford, Jack Crow, and Joe Kines. I watched this state run off Ken Hatfield after winning 80% of his games in the SWC, and I have sat in those stands for years before Houston came when the band was the best part of the game. As of Jan. 1, 2007, I will have been to 7 bowls in 9 years – WOW! Houston deserves better than this. If leaving means he'll be treated better, then I'm going to help him pack, and then I will promptly remove a large amount of money from the foundation, and after talking to many people recently, I won't be alone. Have a freakin' good day.

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**APPENDIX B: DECEMBER 7 E-MAIL FROM TERESA PREWETT TO MITCH MUSTAIN
(UNEDITED ORIGINAL VERSION)**

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Hello Mr. Interception King:

Are you having a good morning? I'm sure you are since your precious name is in the paper again. Why in the Starkville did you come to Arkansas? I've been a Hog fan since birth, and a season ticket holder since 1985, and my parents were before that. Who in the Starkville do you think you are? Do you really think because you just walked onto campus that you need to be the starting QB? Competition scares the crap out of you doesn't it little boy? This is the SEC for goodness sakes, and by watching you attempting to read defenses in the SEC, it is beyond evident that you were nowhere ready. Your completion to interception ratio was a joke, and you have zero leadership abilities. This isn't Springdale High School anymore, and you need to take your letter jacket off and realize that. This is the real world. Yes, you did win 8 games as a starter, but you were only starting at that point because Casey Dick was hurt. In winning those 8 games, you need to go back to the film room and see that the main reason those games were won was because of McFadden, Jones, the offensive line, and the play of the defense. You did hand the ball off pretty well. You also need to buy Marcus Monk some lunch for saving you another interception against Auburn since the ball was so underthrown. Every once in a blue moon you would throw a touchdown pass, but usually after 3 interceptions. I'm sure you have the talent to become an outstanding QB on the collegiate level, but I hope that it's not at Arkansas. You can win the Heisman for all I care, but please not as a Hog. Please transfer. All you've been since you walked onto campus is a cancer, and your mother is no exception.

You called Coach Nutt a "dork" in your article. Amazing. You know, I was sitting with a large group of people watching your interview that was aired on Game Day before the Tennessee game, you know, the interview where you had on those glasses that made you look like a fag? I'm sure you remember. Anyhow, everyone in that room started laughing, calling you the dork. Why is it that you came to Arkansas again? Was it so your mommie could be close by to change your diaper, or was it because you thought having your lover Gus on the sideline would make playing in the SEC easier? What a joke! Gus can't even adjust to the speed of the game in the SEC. Do you think Charlie Weiss at Notre Dame would be putting up with your bull crap? God, do I ever wish you would have gone to Notre Dame. Too bad I'm not Coach Nutt today. If so, I'd be having Tim Cheney sew lace around your jock straps, but that would be after I let you hang out face to face in a private meeting with the offensive and defensive lineman – I think I'd even throw Butu in for the meeting. Did I mention that I want you to transfer? Helen Keller could read defenses in the SEC better than you.

Well, I've wasted enough time on you today. I'm sure it's time for your breast feeding. Did I mention that I want you to transfer. The next time you think you and your girls are bigger than any one program – you better think again. I would love for you to be able to have a lengthy conversation with Chris Simms, former QB with the Texas Longhorns. He arrived on campus his freshman year in a limo thinking he was the next All Everything, was a smart ass to his coaches, was selfish, pouty, and the prime example of what a “team” player is not. His teammates couldn't stand him, the fans grew to hate him, and he never won a championship. He was finally benched for a QB that had won the Big 12 player of the year award the year before. You see, he walked onto campus thinking the starting position should be handed to him without competition, and it was. He didn't bring it to practice everyday, he was quoted in newspapers showing his lack of character, he blamed everyone else when HE had a bad game....Sound familiar? He never EARNED the respect of his teammates, coaches, fans, etc...He too was a spoiled brat. He was nicknamed by everyone “The Golden Child” because that's what HE thought he was. Funny how the smaller, more competitive QB named Major Applewhite, with less credentials, came to lead them to a Big 12 Championship. Funny how that works isn't it?

Grow up little boy. Oh, by the way, did I mention that I want you to transfer?

Teresa

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**APPENDIX C: ARKANSAS DEMOCRAT-GAZETTE REPORTER CHRIS GIVENS'S ARTICLE DATED
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E-mailer critical of Mustain draws double reprimand
BY CHRIS GIVENS

Posted on Thursday, February 15, 2007

URL: <http://www.wholehogsports.com/adg/181954/>

Thousands of e-mails flit across the Internet each season about the University of Arkansas football team. Most are ephemeral.

Two e-mails sent in December were different. They had an impact on the team and its fan base far beyond the norm.

One triggered official sanctions against the writer from Coach Houston Nutt, and a personal response from Chancellor John White. The other e-mail was read by Nutt's wife, Diana, and forwarded by her to a Springdale business with a comment that could be considered unflattering toward members of the team from Springdale.

Both were written by the same booster — a Little Rock woman named Teresa Prewett who has ties to the Nutt family.

The Arkansas Democrat-Gazette has obtained university documents related to the two e-mails that Prewett sent to a variety of people on Dec. 6 and Dec. 7.

The e-mail on Dec. 6 was addressed to Democrat-Gazette sports editor Wally Hall. It contained several disparaging passages about former offensive coordinator Gus Malzahn, former Razorbacks quarterback Mitch Mustain, and two other freshman players from Springdale then at Arkansas.

This e-mail was also sent to an e-mail address that Houston Nutt confirmed to the Democrat-Gazette was used by Diana Nutt. Three hours later, Diana Nutt forwarded the e-mail to a business in Springdale, remarking that certain passages about the people from Springdale were funny.

On Dec. 7, Prewett wrote the second e-mail, this one addressed to Mustain. This e-mail began "Hello Mr. Interception King," and continued with a page of derogatory comments.

A month later, an investigation was begun by the university at the request of Mustain's mother, Beck Campbell. It led to a letter of apology to Mustain from Prewett, a note of reprimand from Houston Nutt to Prewett and a letter to Campbell from White.

As a result of her "Interception King" e-mail, Prewett was banned from the sidelines of Razorbacks football games, a spot from where she had watched at least two games in the past, and forbidden to contact any Arkansas football players. The e-mails may have had other consequences. On Jan. 16, Mustain received the letter of apology (it was dated Jan. 8) from Prewett, the same day he announced he was leaving the Razorbacks football program. Campbell said that the two e-mails contributed to Mustain's decision to ask for his release. The polarizing firestorm among the fans that these e-mails helped fuel still burns today.

THE FIRST LETTER Prewett, according to the Dec. 6 e-mail she sent to Hall, is a contributor to the Razorbacks Foundation and has been a football season-ticket holder since 1985. Prewett also said she is also a season-ticket holder in baseball and basketball.

Prewett owns Prewett Physical Therapy in Little Rock. She was Danny Nutt's personal therapist when he was recovering from brain surgery in 1998.

She wrote in the e-mail to Hall that she is "completely loyal to the Nutt family" and that "they are my extended family."

On Dec. 6, Prewett had taken exception to a column written by Hall which ran in that day's editions, and sent Hall an e-mail. This isn't unusual by itself. Hall said he gets hundreds of e-mails a week regarding his columns.

Hall also said that he and Prewett were friends at one time but had a falling out over a column about Houston Nutt that was published early in the 2006 football season.

"She took exception to something I wrote. She didn't agree that I said he shouldn't have run up that ladder and sing. That was it. How do you explain it ? She was like a buddy," he told a Democrat-Gazette sportswriter in an interview.

But this particular e-mail was also sent to an account that Houston Nutt said is registered to Diana Nutt.

Some of the kinder excerpts from this Dec. 6 e-mail: Regarding Malzahn:

"I am very interested in this man checking out other schools — I am actually begging that he does leave. Do I call him Gus or God ?" Regarding Mustain:

"I have his transfer papers ready. He can go throw interceptions for UCA for all I care. I take that back, I went to school at UCA, so let's send him to Arkansas Tech." " Mitch didn't really want to be a Hog in the first place, and he and his mom can go elsewhere.

Is he afraid of competition ? If he thinks he can't beat out Casey Dick with hard work in the spring and summer, then please go. " "This is the SEC. Leave your high school letter jacket at home. Once again, grow up." Regarding "the other Springdale players" (receivers Damian Williams and Ben Cleveland): "Wouldn't hurt to do a little work on catching the ball consistently in the big games. Doing it every once in a blue moon won't cut it. They need to be excited that they played as much as they did."

'QUITE FUNNY' According to documents obtained by the Democrat-Gazette, this Dec. 6 e-mail was sent to Diana Nutt's e-mail address at 3: 16 p. m.

At 6: 15 p. m., this e-mail was forwarded from Diana Nutt to a Springdale business. Diana Nutt added a note: "I thought you might enjoy reading this. A person we know in Little Rock sent this to Wally Hall, but the Gus and Springdale section are quite funny."

On Wednesday the Democrat-Gazette requested an interview with Diana Nutt through Houston Nutt. Houston Nutt said he discussed the situation with his wife, and said "nothing's going to be gained or served by talking to her."

Houston Nutt did say that Diana Nutt received and forwarded the Dec. 6 e-mail to the business in Springdale.

"I did acknowledge, I just found out a couple weeks ago she did do that," Nutt said. "She admits it."

In an interview with the Democrat-Gazette earlier in the week, Nutt was asked if he felt it was appropriate that someone in his family found the e-mail funny and sent it along to another friend during the football season. Nutt said he didn't want to comment.

Prewett also initially said she didn't want to comment on the Dec. 6 e-mail during a terse interview with the Democrat-Gazette, but then elaborated.

"I responded to Wally like everyone else does after he wrote a column," Prewett said. "I'm no different than anyone else that responds to Wally.... I gave my opinion to Wally regarding his column. I'm no different than anyone else. This is just a bit ridiculous, actually."

When asked if she felt this email was different because the wife of the head coach read and forwarded the letter, Prewett declined comment.

'INTERCEPTION KING' Prewett's e-mail to Hall on Dec. 6 was by no means the last thing she would have to say about the Razorbacks football program. On Dec. 7 an article appeared in the Democrat-Gazette that discussed Houston Nutt's reaction to a soon-to-be-published book, and some quotes in it attributed to Mustain. In the book Mustain is quoted as calling Nutt a "dork" and described the Razorbacks game plan as the "same old boring offense." Prewett, in her subsequent apology letter to Mustain, said this article is what spurred her to write a virulent e-mail to the 18-year-old freshman

quarterback. This e-mail, which Prewett has admitted writing, was sent to Mustain's University of Arkansas e-mail account at 11: 09 a. m. on Dec. 7. At 11: 28 a. m., Prewett sent the e-mail to at least 15 other people, including Arkansas running backs coach Danny Nutt; Lisa Herring, wife of defensive coordinator Reggie Herring; Cathy Nutt, wife of Arkansas State basketball Coach Dickey Nutt, Houston Nutt's brother; and the e-mail address registered to the family of Houston Nutt.

Prewett, who signed the email "Teresa," made reference to her desire for Mustain to transfer from Arkansas or otherwise play elsewhere seven times.

In the letter Prewett called Mustain a "dork" and much worse.

The e-mail ended with: "Grow up little boy. Oh, by the way, did I mention that I want you to transfer ?"

Mustain read the e-mail on Dec. 8, and immediately sent a copy to Campbell. Mustain declined a request for an interview.

"There had been other negative e-mails," Campbell said. "This one had information from someone close to the program, and that alarmed me."

On Dec. 8, Campbell sent Prewett an e-mail instructing Prewett to have no further contact with her son, but provided her phone number if Prewett wished to discuss things further. Prewett never called, Campbell said.

That was the last action Campbell or Mustain took regarding the e-mail for nearly a month.

Campbell said because so many people closely associated with the football program knew about the content of the e-mail, she and Mustain believed some corrective action by the university would be taken, and they wanted to give the university a chance to handle the situation.

SILENT RESPONSE The corrective action came, but not until after the Jan. 1 Capital One Bowl. On Jan. 5, Campbell sent an e-mail to Chancellor White at 12: 12 p. m., and included Prewett's e-mails in the correspondence. Campbell asked for the chancellor to review the "materials related to the contact, harassment, slander and defamation" of Mustain and determine what to do.

Campbell told the Democrat-Gazette that she went directly to White, and not Houston Nutt, because she was aware that Diana Nutt had knowledge of both e-mails, and no action had yet been taken. Campbell also did not take the matter to Athletic Director Frank Broyles. Campbell said she did not trust either Nutt or Broyles to take appropriate action.

Broyles is out of town and not available for comment, his administrative assistant said Wednesday.

White quickly sent an e-mail response to Campbell at 12: 50 p. m., saying that he was dismayed by the e-mails, and felt like he needed “to take a shower to ensure that none of the filth touched me.” White also said he requested a meeting with legal counsel to discuss the matter “and develop a game plan for dealing with it.”

Campbell never heard from a University of Arkansas lawyer. However, she did receive a written response from White on University of Arkansas letterhead, and didn't get another response until a letter from White on Jan. 18.

White did not return calls from the Democrat-Gazette seeking comment, and a University of Arkansas spokesman said White would prefer to let the athletic department handle this issue.

In his Jan. 18 letter, White said that after receiving Campbell's initial inquiry, he immediately sent Prewett's e-mail to Houston Nutt and Broyles to review. White told Campbell that Nutt and Broyles said they were unaware of Prewett's Dec. 7 e-mail prior to White's involvement in the matter.

According to Nutt's letter to Prewett, he then instructed Danny Nutt to contact Prewett and have her apologize to Mustain.

In a letter dated Jan. 8, Prewett apologized to Mustain.

“Please accept this letter as my sincere apology for the e- mail I sent to you on December 7, 2006,” Prewett wrote. “After much reflection, I realize that as an adult, my comments to you were very harsh, and should not have been made to an 18 year old freshman football player.”

Prewett wrote Mustain that she wrote the e-mail after seeing Mustain's comments about Nutt in the Democrat-Gazette, and that she felt he was “unappreciative” of the efforts put forth in the recruiting process by the Arkansas coaching staff.

She closed the letter by writing “Best of luck in the future ! GO HOGS !”

Although Prewett's letter to Mustain was dated Jan. 8, Campbell said her son did not see it until Jan. 16, when he requested his release from Arkansas.

Campbell said there were many reasons why Mustain asked for his release, but the two e-mails did factor into, and reinforce, his decision.

Prewett would not discuss anything related to the Dec. 7 e-mail when questioned by the Democrat-Gazette.

On Jan. 12, Houston Nutt wrote Prewett on Arkansas Razorbacks stationery, opening by saying that he had recently received a copy of the Dec. 7 email for the first time.

“Your letter demonstrates a complete lack of perspective and is unacceptable, insulting and mean-spirited,” Nutt wrote. “No student-athlete should ever be subjected to the type of personal attack contained in your letter.... As Coach, every member of our team is important to me, and I will not tolerate personal attacks against Mitch or any other members of our team.”

Nutt went on to express his appreciation for what Prewett had done to help Danny Nutt, but said he was disappointed in her decision to write the email.

Nutt placed three sanctions on Prewett: Prewett must write a letter of apology to Mustain

Prewett will not be allowed sideline passes to any more football games

Prewett is not to have personal contact with any football players, and the department of computer services placed a filter on the university’s network to block any e-mails from her. Nutt told the Democrat-Gazette he felt this was an appropriate response. “There’s no question [it was],” Nutt said. “There hasn’t been one other letter or e-mail in that time. Since I called her there hasn’t been any problems. My letter was pretty tough, stating basically that if you want to stay in the program or stay where you can come watch games, I don’t want you writing my players any more.”

CHANCELLOR WEIGHS IN White evidently shared Nutt’s beliefs that the coach’s response was appropriate. White sent Campbell a letter written on University of Arkansas letterhead dated Jan. 18, two days after Mustain requested his release. Campbell had sent White two e-mails on Jan. 17 inquiring into the state of the investigation.

White wrote Campbell he was “dismayed” that Prewett wrote such an e-mail.

“I condemn Ms. Prewett’s email and believe it was inappropriate and inexcusable,” White wrote. “Unfortunately, some individuals have lost all sense of perspective with regard to student-athletes, their coaches and intercollegiate athletics. For instance, I am told that on one message board this season, some individuals suggested that Coach Nutt should be killed as a way to remove him from his position. Not only are such threats criminal acts, but also there is no place for them in civilized society. These types of attacks and threats will not be tolerated.”

White disagreed with an assertion Campbell made in her Jan. 17 e-mail that Nutt’s letter to Prewett was “weak.”

“Coach Nutt was offended by Ms. Prewett’s e-mail to Mitch, and I believe he took appropriate steps in response to it,” White wrote. “... I believe corrective measures have been taken in response to Ms. Prewett’s e-mail to Mitch.”

Asked this week whether it had taken a call from White for him to get involved, Nutt said no.

He said people have written his players harassing letters since his earliest coaching days at Oklahoma State, and he and his staff do the best they can to protect his players.

“I don’t know if there’s policies [in place], but I do want to shield them,” Nutt said. “This one got a lot of attention. We tried to handle it ourselves, but this one was taken all the way to the chancellor, all the way to the board. Even without the chancellor getting a call I was going to do something, like I would normally do when I get a couple of these things that go to my players.

“ I’ll always try to protect my players. I don’t like things being said to my players.”

On Wednesday, Campbell recalled a conversation she had with Nutt on the day Mustain recommitted to Arkansas in January 2006, when the coach said essentially the same thing.

Campbell said Nutt didn’t live up to the bargain.

“No, no he didn’t,” she said. “His No. 1 priority should be protecting these kids, as much as he is capable of doing. He would have had to throw one of his friends and his wife to the wolves, and he didn’t. It would have been the right thing to do, to protect his players.” Teresa Prewett’s Dec. 7 e-mail to Mitch Mustain Editor’s note: The following has been edited for taste.

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APPENDIX D: LETTER FROM HOUSTON NUTT TO TERESA PREWETT
DATED JANUARY 12, 2007

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COPY

University of Arkansas

January 12, 2007

Teresa Prewett
6 Bertwood Drive
Little Rock, AR 72205

Dear Teresa:

Late last week, I received a copy of a letter which you wrote and sent to Mitch Mustain on his University of Arkansas e-mail account. Your letter demonstrates a complete lack of perspective and is unacceptable, insulting and mean-spirited. No student-athlete should ever be subjected to the type of personal attack contained in your letter. Every member of our team is important and each student-athlete is a person who deserves respect and appreciation for his sacrifice and commitment to the team and the University of Arkansas. As Coach, every member of our team is important to me, and I will not tolerate personal attacks against Mitch or any other members of our team.

I will always be grateful to you for all you have done to help my brother, Danny, to recover from his life-threatening condition. I also appreciate the fact that you have been a life-long fan and supporter of the Razorback program. These facts, however, do not justify or excuse your actions in sending the letter to Mitch. To the contrary, I am deeply disappointed that you would have believed it was appropriate to do so.

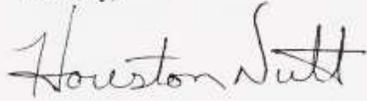
As a result of your letter, I want to share with you the steps I am taking to prevent this type of incident from reoccurring for the benefit of every member of our team.

- At my request, Danny asked you and you have agreed to write a letter of apology to Mitch Mustain.
- It is my understanding that you have received sideline passes on a couple of occasions in the past. Going forward, you will not be permitted to be on the sidelines at any games.
- You should not have any personal contact with any member of the Razorback football team either through e-mail or any other means. In this regard, I will be requesting that the Department of Computing Services install a filter to prevent you from sending any e-mail to students and others over the University's network. It is my understanding that this action is appropriate under the Code of Computing Practices because of the nature of your e-mail to Mitch.

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In the future, I trust you will demonstrate your support for the Razorback program in an appropriate manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Houston Nutt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "H" and "N".

Houston Nutt
Head Football Coach

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APPENDIX E: WALLY HALL'S COLUMN DATED FEBRUARY 9, 2007

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Like it is : Media not responsible for Razorbacks' mess
Wally Hall

Posted on Friday, February 9, 2007

URL: <http://www.wholehogsports.com/adg/181358/>

So, it was not Houston Nutt's fault that his latest recruiting class ranked No. 9 in the SEC.

According to him, it was the media's fault.

Well, no one in the media was continuously rude to Gus Malzahn.

No one in the media promised Malzahn and every Razorbacks fan that there would be a passing game.

No one in the media overruled Malzahn's play calling.

No one in the media tried to hire David Lee as co-offensive coordinator behind Malzahn's back (after a 10-victory season).

No one in the media had anything to do with Malzahn's decision to quietly leave the UA, take a cut in pay and go to a smaller school.

No one in the media said we only want kids who want to be Razorbacks. We know that is not recruiting.

No one in the media told Damian Williams last August he would be the first freshman to ever start the first game as a receiver for the Razorbacks.

No one in the media held Williams out for the very first play and then inserted him into the game and made him a starter thereafter.

No one in the media played Williams an incredible four games with a separated shoulder.

No one in the media told Williams that if he would change his commitment from Florida that the Razorbacks would run some hurry up no huddle (which, incidentally, was used only once and went for 80 yards and a touchdown in 1: 18).

No one in the media suggested Williams transfer.

No one in the media insinuated Williams was a quitter for leaving, and no one in the media transferred to Oklahoma State.

No one in the media arranged for two defensive seniors to call a players-only meeting and demand that Mitch Mustain apologize to Nutt for comments Mustain made a year earlier that were published in a book.

No one in the media had earlier met with Mustain and Malzahn and accepted an apology for the comments in the book and then kept that meeting a secret.

No one in the media benched Mustain so hard that he would get only three snaps in the next five games.

Also, no one in the media ignored a two-minute offense and called four Miracle on Markham bombs in hopes of an upset over LSU.

No one in the media played a single down in the loss to Wisconsin, when the defense owned the Badgers but the offense was boring and predictable.

No one in the media ran an injured Darren McFadden 19 times against Wisconsin.

No one in the media forced a player after his second and career-ending surgery to drive himself home from the hospital.

No one in the media had anything to do with Casey Dick's back injury not healing until his dad insisted that he see a physical therapist in Little Rock, who had him throwing in three weeks.

No one in the media had anything to do with the Razorbacks ranking No. 27 last season in recruiting coming off a four-victory season.

No one in the media had anything to do with the Razorbacks' Rivals ranking of No. 29 (Scout had them at 35) in recruiting this season after a 10-victory season.

No one in the media convinced Kodi Burns to choose Auburn long before all the turmoil in the football program came to light.

No one in the media made Auburn a top-10 recruiting class, which was helped tremendously by Burns and Lee Ziemba inking with the Tigers.

No one in the media had anything to do with the Razorbacks signing zero of the top 250 players ranked by Rivals.

No one in the media claimed they were going to build a fence around Arkansas and keep all the good players at home.

Some of the media, certainly not all, did what real reporters do. They reported.

So whose fault was it that Arkansas was ranked No. 9 in the SEC ?

Apparently no one's.

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**APPENDIX F: PICTURE OF HOUSTON NUTT'S CELL PHONE BILL TEXT MESSAGE DETAIL FOR
DECEMBER 24-25, 2006**

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