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Julie:

I am concerned about the connection I see in comments on the Penn State story and the NCAA. You and others are smarter than I am about what can be done when but I think it is worth reconnecting with legal authorities to determine if there is enough flexibility and access to information for the NCAA to get on with an assessment of issues at Penn State. The sounds of silence are not good. If Penn State could have Louie Freeh conduct an investigation over the last year, why haven't we done anything?

Some clarity about when Penn State is expected to respond to the four questions asked and the timeline or triggers for the NCAA assessment of matters seems appropriate to me. Announcing in three weeks the sweeping changes in enforcement, culture and penalties we intend to implement over the next two years while remaining silent on the Penn State matter could easily invite cynicism even from those who are rooting for us to get this right.

Ed