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VIA FACSIMILE AND U.S. MAIL

Melanie Sloan
Executive Director
Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics
in Washington
1400 Eye Street N.W.
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Washington, DC 20005

Re: February 8, 2007 Press Release Concerning Living Word Christian Center

Dear Ms. Sloan:

Please be advised that this law firm and I represent The Marshall Group. This letter serves as The Marshall Group's written demand that CREW immediately remove from its website the Confidential Information Memorandum concerning The Living Word Christian Center that currently appears as an attachment to CREW's February 8, 2007 Press Release entitled "CREW Files Second Complaint Against Living Word Christian Center."

As is obvious from the face of the document and its contents, the Confidential Information Memorandum ("CIM") is a confidential and proprietary document prepared by The Marshall Group and disseminated to a limited number of persons who were potentially interested in participating in a loan transaction involving The Living Word Christian Center in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota. I draw your attention to pages 4 and 5 of the CIM and the express provisions concerning confidentiality. Any recipient of the CIM is to maintain the document as confidential, review the material only for purposes of evaluating the financing proposals contained therein, and not to use the material for any other purpose. These restrictions most certainly apply to CREW and any other person or entity that receives a copy of the CIM. I also note that all of the pages of the CIM expressly state that it is a confidential information memorandum.

The CIM contains extensive confidential information concerning The Marshall Group's customer. Among other things, the CIM reports detailed financial information of The Living Word Christian Center, describes its borrowing history and future plans, reports information concerning the leadership of The Living Word Christian Center, and otherwise includes information that was provided to The Marshall Group solely for purposes of obtaining financing. The Marshall Group has a duty to maintain the confidentiality of this information.

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Moreover, the CIM also contains confidential and proprietary information of The Marshall Group. The CIM reflects The Marshall Group's analysis of the proposed transaction, the cost structure charged by The Marshall Group, and methods of evaluating and underwriting transactions. The Marshall Group has spent significant time and effort to develop its underwriting practices, procedures, and forms, and most certainly does not disclose them to competitors or the general public.

Accordingly, The Marshall Group insists that CREW remove the CIM from your website immediately and send me written confirmation that you have done so. It is The Marshall Group's hope and intention that we can resolve this issue quickly and without dispute. However, I must advise you that The Marshall Group is prepared to pursue all remedies available to it, including a motion for injunctive relief to restrain continued publication of this material.

I await your prompt response.

Very truly yours,

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