

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

REGENTS COMMUNICATION

Approved by the Regents

June 19, 2008

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Permission to Install Agreement between the University of Michigan and Reveal Technologies Group

Action Requested: Authorization to enter into Agreement

Preamble:

A statutory conflict of interest situation was identified by the Division of Research Development and Administration while reviewing the current proposed project that then triggered a review by the OVPR Conflict of Interest Review Committee. A plan for management of the possible risks associated with the conflicts of interest was then developed by this Committee and agreed to by the parties involved.

This proposed agreement ("Agreement") falls under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statute because Dr. Mark L. Palmer, Assistant Professor of Kinesiology, is an owner of a for profit company, Reveal Technologies Group ("Company"). The Company wishes to enter into this installation agreement. The law permits such an Agreement provided it is disclosed to the executive officers and approved in advance by a 2/3 vote of the Regents of the University of Michigan.

Background:

Mark L. Palmer is an owner of Reveal Technologies Group. The Company and the University desire to enter into an agreement to enable the Company to install its proprietary software on computers at the University assigned to Dr. Palmer.

Parties of the Agreement:

The Regents of the University of Michigan and Reveal Technologies Group.

Agreement Terms:

Dr. Beverly Ulrich will oversee the use of the software by Dr. Palmer. There is no charge to the University for the use of the software and no payments to be made to the Company. The initial period of the agreement is six months and will include a provision for extensions of the time period.

Net Effect:

The agreement enables Dr. Palmer's work to be performed more efficiently without the need to purchase or develop appropriate software.

Recommendation:

This matter was reviewed and approved by the OVPR Conflict of Interest Review Committee and by the Dean of the School of Kinesiology. In light of this disclosure and our finding that the Agreement was negotiated in conformance with standard University practices I recommend that the Board of Regents approve this Agreement with Reveal Technologies Group.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Forrest". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Stephen Forrest  
Vice President for Research

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