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Letter to BALSAs Members

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Black American Law Students Association
Fordham Law School
140 West 62nd Street
New York, New York
March 15, 1973

Dear BALSAs Member:

On Tuesday March 13th we held a meeting at which some very critical issues were discussed.

BALSAs, through its Vice President, Lofton Holder, was approached by an SBA Ad Hoc Committee to join with it in taking affirmative action to increase the number of minority students at Fordham. After a discussion of the proposal, BALSAs students brought 4 alternative motions to the floor to be voted on next week as follows:

- 1) The Vice President should represent BALSAs in a coalition of students of the SBA Committee to approach the Administration to admit more minority students (which would include Blacks, women, Puerto Ricans, and Chinese).
- 2) The Vice President should join the coalition as an observer and should report the group's activities to BALSAs, prior to taking any affirmative action.
- 3) The Vice President should join the group on his own, at his discretion, without the backing of BALSAs.
- 4) BALSAs should not attempt to join a coalition at this time but should let the coalition approach our group, and negotiate with us as to a course of action.

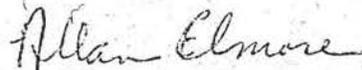
The motions were tabled until the next meeting, where a vote of the Membership will be taken to choose one (1) of the above alternatives.

In addition to discussion of the above motion, BALSAs will submit a budget to the administration for the 1973-1974 Fiscal year. Again, your presence is required to vote on this most important measure.

Rick Spooner has spoken to Professor Archibald Robinson, who is willing to set up a tutorial service for us in Torts and Civil Procedure on Wednesday evenings. Since we asked for his help, we would like to see some heavy participation from this group.

We cannot emphasize enough the importance of your being at our next meeting, to be held on Tuesday March 20th at 4:30 p.m. Meet us in the Library.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allan Elmore".

Allan F. Elmore, President