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*Sent via U.S. Mail and Facsimile (404-657-6979)*

Dear Chancellor Huckaby:

Alan Charles Kors  
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Congratulations on beginning your term as Chancellor of the University System of Georgia (USG). I am the Vice President of Programs at the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE), a nonprofit organization uniting leaders in the fields of civil rights and civil liberties, scholars, journalists, and public intellectuals from across the political and ideological spectrum on behalf of liberty, legal equality, academic freedom, due process, freedom of speech, and freedom of conscience on America's college campuses. Our website, [thefire.org](http://thefire.org), will give you a greater understanding of our identity and activities.

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I write to bring your attention to the violation of the free speech rights of art instructor Stanley Bermudez by Gainesville State College (GSC), a USG

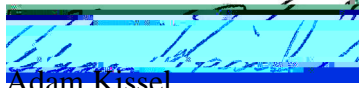
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I hope that you will do what Nesbitt has failed to do and assure the GSC community that no one will be censored or punished for exercising their rights. FIRE respectfully asks for a response to this letter by August 1, 2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Adam Kissel", is written over a blue horizontal line.

Adam Kissel

Vice President of Programs

Enclosures

cc:

Martha T. Nesbitt, President, Gainesville State College

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