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At USC, Moeser's title of provost and vice president for academic affairs in Columbia means he is the "number two man" and has jurisdiction over the entire South Carolina system, said Debra Allen, public relations director.

There will be more than a difference in title when Moeser makes the move to UNL.

Sheer demographics create many of the internal differences, including the number of minority students.

Previously one of the South's segregated universities, USC now boasts the third-highest number of minority graduates in America, according to the Journal of Blacks in Higher Edu-

About 19 percent of USC's students are minorities, and about 40 percent of South Carolina's high school graduates are minorities.

Meanwhile, about 14 percent of UNL's students are minorities or unknown (about 900 students refuse to declare an ethnic origin), and 5 percent are international.

The two universities have similar enrollment figures: UNL boasts 24,320 students, while USC at Columbia has 26,754. USC at Columbia also has a higher ratio of graduate students.

The student count breakdown shows UNL has 19,186 undergraduates, 4,711 graduates and 423 professionals. Columbia has 16,028 under-

Profile: South Carolina

Here are some facts about new UNL chancellor Jim Moeser's old school, the University of South Carolina in Columbia, S.C.

Financial

State appropriations accounted for 38 percent of the \$437 million 1994-95 budget.

Academic

Awarded 5,662 degrees in 1993-94. Has more than 400 degree programs.

Honors College has 50 National Merit Scholars.

Average SAT score for recipients of the Carolina Scholar award - 1,343.

Had 15 All-American student athletes last year.

Member of the Southwestern Conference.

Defeated West Virginia in the Carquest Bowl last year under new head football coach

Soccer player Peter Duitsman was named the 1993-94 SEC Male Scholar-Athlete of the year.

Accolades

Money magazine named USC one of its Best Values in Higher Education. U.S. News and World Report ranked USC's International Business Department No. 1 in the nation for six consecutive years.

The School of Medicine ranks 11th among the nation's top 20 medical schools in producing family care by the Association of American Medical Colleges.

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graduates, 9,629 graduates and 1,097 professionals.

UNL has a higher percentage of in-state students at 89 percent, but 77 percent of Columbia's student body

While NU's system has four campuses, the South Carolina system has eight; however, Columbia, like Lincoln, is the largest "flagship" campus and both are the premiere research universities.

USC President John Palms oversees the entire system, but each campus has its own Board of Trustees, comparable to NU's central Board of

UNL wins out in athletics. While South Carolina averaged 70,470 fans at its home football games in 1994, Nebraska sold out its 76,000 seats for the past 208 home games. And, of course, the Nebraska Cornhuskers have the national championship.



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Peter files civil suit over leaked report

By Melanie Brandert

Staff Reporter

Nebraska football player Christian Peter has filed a \$500,000 lawsuit against the State of Nebraska, claiming a state official unlawfully released Peter's pre-sentence investigation report to the media.

Peter was sentenced in May 1994 to probation on a charge of misdemeanor sexual assault.

According to the lawsuit, contents of the pre-sentence investigation report ordered by the Lancaster County Court were revealed to Filip Bondy, a reporter for the New York Daily News. Bondy obtained an independence center evaluation and copies of correspondence.

Peter's lawsuit was filed in Lancaster County District Court

The suit claims the information was used in articles written by Bondy and was published nationwide in newspapers and on radio and televi-

sion programs. The report contained confidential medical evaluations and private correspondence and statements from per-sons that were unrelated to the misdemeanor charge, Peter states in his

Steve Burns, a Lincoln lawyer representing Peter, said information in the report never should have been released.

"Nebraska statutes provide that pre-sentence investigations are confidential and they (state officials) cannot disclose that information," he

said. "Somebody disclosed it." Burns said he did not know who disclosed the report.

There are a number of officials who would have access to that information," Burns said. "It could be determined, but it is not important to

Burns said the information probably was leaked between May 13. 1994, (the date of Peter's sentencing) and early January.

The sports column, "The Other Side of Husker Glory — Why Three Nebraska Women Couldn't Share in the Celebration," was published Jan. 8. It details three incidents involving Peter, including a May 1993 episode in which he twice put his hands between the legs of former Miss Ne-

braska Natalie Kuijvenhoven in a Lincoln bar.

Kuijvenhoven filed a police report following the incident, resulting in a misdemeanor third-degree sexual assault charge against Peter. Peter pleaded no contest to the charge and was found guilty.

The article also reveals a 1991 incident in which a former UNL student, who was a freshman at the time, claimed Peter began to "talk dirty" to her and "unzipped his pants" in front of her and a friend one night at a campus courtyard.

"I don't know if he exposed himself because my friend and I turned away," the student told Bondy.

The student did not file a complaint with police because she perceived his alleged actions to be a prank, according to the Daily News

In both incidents, the women allege Peter had been drinking.

Gary Fox, the Peter family lawyer, said Bondy's article "breached his constitutional rights."

"It is property of the state of Nebraska," Fox said. "It's only allowed to be seen by the judge, the defendant and the defendant's attorney."

Fox, in a telephone interview from his Ocean, N.J., office, claimed Bondy misquoted Kuijvenhoven in the article.

"Come on, I know you like that," Bondy reported Peter as saying.

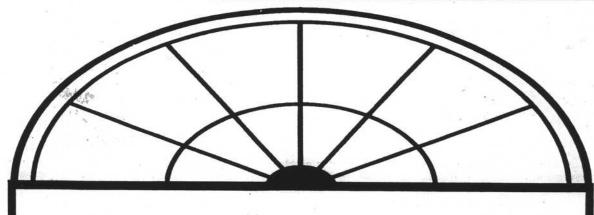
That account is not consistent with Kuijvenhoven's statement to police,

"If Bondy had done his homework and gotten the police report, he would have known that. The fact he didn't do it makes him libelous."

According to the police report, when Kuijvenhoven confronted Peter, he asked, "What's wrong, don't you like it?"

The lawsuit claims the state's disclosure of information to Bondy resulted in "significant and substantial damage" to Peter's reputation, his ability to earn a living and his status as a prospective professional football player, and that it caused him "humiliation and embarrassment."

"Peter is seeking damage to his reputation for the invasion of his privacy," Burns said. "He also is looking at the potential that it could adversely impact the outcome of the NFL draft and the contracts."



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