

To the Executive Committee of American University

Please be advised that Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ladner have violated their trust in the University. I am an employee of AU and know that they have been filing false expense reports for several years. They stay at the most expensive hotels, they charge outrageous expenses for dinners and other personal items to the University and force AU to reimburse them. This can not continue as our tuitions keep going up and our salaries go up modestly.

Do our accountants really check their records and file reports with you? They are forcing us to pay these expenses.

Please investigate.

Thank you,

A concerned employee

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DEAR MS. BAINES,

I READ ABOUT YOU IN THE AU PAPER AND ON THE WEB. YOU SEEM LIKE A NICE PERSON WHO HAS ACCOMPLISHED A LOT. BANKERS ARE HONEST AREN'T THEY?

MY FRIEND WROTE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD SOME TIME AGO ABOUT DR. AND MRS. LADNER. NOTHING HAS HAPPENED. I AM SENDING YOU A LETTER THAT WAS SENT TO SEVERAL PEOPLE ON CAMPUS AND THE WASHINGTON POST. YOU ARE NOW THE CHAIRMAN. MAYBE ALL OF US CAN CORRECT A BAD SITUATION AND GET A NEW PRESIDENT. HE MUST PAY US BACK FOR ALL THE MONEY HE TOOK. THINK OF THE POOR STUDENTS WHO COULD USE THIS MONEY FOR BOOKS, MEALS AND TUITION.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.

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Dear Sir,

Dr. Ben Ladner, President of American University, is under investigation by the Board of Trustees of the University for SEVERE expense account violations. The expenses Dr. and Mrs. Ladner have charged to the University over the past five years include their son's engagement party, lavish presents for their children, a personal French chef, Rodney Scruggs, the use of his family and his wife who is pastry chef at a prestigious restaurant in Washington, long weekends in Europe for pleasure, maintenance of their personal residence in Maryland including garbage bags, daily wine for lunch and dinner at \$50 to \$100 per bottle, etc. The list goes on and on.

This expense account makes the former President of United Way look innocent. This needs to be made public because he may get away with taking hundreds of thousands of dollars from American University. The IRS should be informed. The Board of Trustees should file CRIMINAL charges against him.

Please investigate. Thank you.

An employee

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