
Invitation Letter



Dear Professor Charles Ogletree,

On Tuesday evening, October 6, 2009, the local chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. along with Campus Progress will host a film screening of the documentary, *Before They Die*. This event will take place in New Haven, Connecticut at the Yale University Afro-American Cultural Center. In addition to showing the film, we would like to invite you to participate in a panel discussion forum to take place immediately after. As a professor of law and practicing attorney on the matter, we hope you can impart knowledge into a peculiar matter that involves the worst race riot in American history.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. was founded in 1911 as the first fraternity to be established at a historically black college or university. With the motto “Friendship is Essential to the Soul,” Omega holds social action programs to be one of its mandates for all chapters. We believe the screening of this documentary and discussion will not only satisfy that requirement but introduce into the Yale and New Haven community a story which is vanquished from traditional textbooks and mainstream media. We have been fortunate enough to partner with Campus Progress. Campus Progress, part of the Center for American Progress, works to help young people—advocates, activists, journalists, artists—make their voices heard on issues that matter.

Should you accept our invitation, Campus Progress has agreed to cover travel, hotel, food and ground transportation costs. Upon confirmation, we will place you in direct contact with their travel agents to arrange your trip. For questions or concerns, you can reach me through email at timstudent@gmail.com or by phone at (xxx) xxx - xxxx. Thanks for your time, and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best,
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