



## KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS

March 30, 2012

Mr. Stephen Guinn, Assistant to the Dean  
Central Baptist Theological Seminary  
6601 Monticello Rd  
Shawnee, KS 66226

Dear Mr. Guinn:

I am writing in response to your March 30, 2012 request for confirmation that Central Baptist Theological Seminary is lawfully operating in Kansas, in accordance with the October 30, 1978 statement and list provided by the Kansas State Department of Education. You request an updated statement as to the lawful status of this institution.

As you may be aware, pursuant to 1999 SB 345, the Kansas Legislature changed the law in this state so that over-sight of private and out-of-state postsecondary educational institutions (formerly referred to as "proprietary schools") was transferred from the Kansas Board of Education<sup>1</sup> to the Kansas Board of Regents (KBOR). In 2004, K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 74-32,162 *et seq.* was enacted again providing KBOR with statutory oversight over the private and out-of-state postsecondary educational institutions. However, certain private institutions already operating in Kansas were "grand-fathered" into the statute; meaning they are not regulated by the state. This grand-father provision is codified at K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 74-32,164(i). Pursuant to this statute, those institutions listed in the 1978 letter from the State Department of Education are lawfully operating in Kansas, but are not subject to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-32,162 *et seq.* Your institution is on this list, and thus exempt from regulation by the Kansas Board of Regents. Thus, unless facts change in some way that alter this exemption status, your institution may lawfully operate in Kansas without first obtaining a certificate of approval from this agency.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary Alexander". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Gary Alexander  
Vice President of  
Academic Affairs

<sup>1</sup> Successor to the State Board of Education.