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ORANGE, Calif., Feb. 28, 2007 The American Bar Associations Accreditation Committee, upon considering Chapman University School of Laws accreditation status, has concluded that Chapman is in compliance with all of the required standards and it has thus extended the law schools accreditation for an additional five years. Prior reviews have resulted in faculty self-study reports or other reporting requirements as conditions for extending the schools accreditation.

The truly great news is that the committee attached no conditions to its letter continuing our full approval, said Parham Williams, dean of the Chapman law school, who is retiring this year. This clean bill of health means that our incoming dean and faculty will be free from having to report annually to the ABA, and instead can devote their energy to good teaching and scholarship.

Chapman gained provisional accreditation in 1998, just three years after opening, and gained full accreditation in 2002. It remains the only unconditionally accredited law school in Orange County.