



State of New Mexico
Office of the Governor

Bill Richardson
Governor

August 14, 2007

Mr. William Parker
520 East Florida Street
Holbrook, AZ 86025-2724

Dear Mr. Parker:

This correspondence is in response to your letter and supporting materials dated August 1, 2007. I have since discussed the matter with Secretary Ashman in some detail.

Your concern for maintaining the highest standards and best practices for our museums and for the scholarly materials published by said institutions is genuinely understood.

The Richardson Administration is committed to, and has repeatedly demonstrated, the highest ethical standards in all professions. As your allegations are serious, I am directing Secretary Ashman to communicate directly with you to decide if further examination of the points you make would be prudent. You should expect communication from him forthwith.

Thank you for your interest in the work of New Mexico's scientific community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Jimenez".

James Jimenez
Chief of Staff

JJ/zw