Honor Committee: Psychological Hearing Process
Removal of the Admission of Act
September 16th 2018

WHEREAS a reported student choosing to engage the psychological hearing process is deemed to have admitted the Act and is subsequently precluded from denying the commission of the Act if the case is referred back to the Honor Committee for a hearing and,

WHEREAS, the Psychological Evaluation Panel may evaluate the impact of a claimed Contributory Mental Disorder in the absence of an explicit admission of Act and without the preclusion described above and,

WHEREAS, the Honor Committee "Policies and Procedures Subcommittee" and "Contributory Mental Disorder Working Group" has considered the impact of the removal of the admission of Act and will continue to consider additional amendments to the psychological hearing process throughout the remainder of the 2018-2019 Honor Committee term and,

WHEREAS, the current Honor Committee bylaws pertaining to the admission of Act at Psychological Hearings found in §IV.D.1.c. currently read:

"Admission of “Act” Element of Honor Offense. Any student who requests a Hearing on CMD will be deemed to have admitted the “Act” relating to the underlying Honor charges. This admission will be deemed to have been made upon delivery of the request form to the Vice Chair for Hearings, whether or not a Hearing on CMD is approved by the Dean of Students (as described in the Psychological Procedures) and actually held, and regardless of the outcome of any Hearing on CMD if one is held. If the student’s case ultimately is referred back to the Honor Committee for a hearing, the student panel will be informed of the accused student’s admission of the underlying Act, the student will be precluded from denying the commission of such Act, and the student panel’s vote will reflect that the “Act” element of the Alleged Honor Offense has been satisfied."

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that §IV.D.1.c. be stricken in its entirety from the current Honor Committee Bylaws and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this amendment, if adopted, take effect on October 29th 2018 and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this amendment shall, if adopted, expire on March 3rd 2019 unless the Honor Committee votes to permanently adopt the amendment on or before March 3rd 2019.