

**Date:** Wed, 23 Apr 2008 13:19:23 -0400

**From:** [Colin Sterling <colin@huffingtonpost.com>](mailto:colin@huffingtonpost.com)

**To:** [bkliwer@vt.edu](mailto:bkliwer@vt.edu)

**Subject: Re: ATTN: Copyright Agent**

that'd be fine.

best,  
colin

On Wed, Apr 23, 2008 at 1:18 PM, <bkliwer@vt.edu> wrote:

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> To Whom It May Concern:  
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> My name is Brandon Kliewer and I am currently a MA student at Virginia  
> Tech in  
> the Department of Political Science. I am conducting research on blogs and  
> more  
> generally the online discussion surrounding waterboarding. In the interest  
> of  
> preserving the internal coherence of my thesis, I would like permission to  
> include a copy of the video clip "A lesson for Mukasey: Why I had myself  
> water-boarded" by Kay Larsen. The use of this video clip is only for  
> education  
> purposes and I will gain no economic benefit.  
>  
> Thank you for your consideration,  
>  
> Brandon Kliewer  
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**Date:** Thu, 24 Apr 2008 01:55:19 -0400

**From:** [Kevin Aylward <kevin@wizbangblog.com>](mailto:kevin@wizbangblog.com)

**To:** ['Jay Tea' <jaytea@wizbangblog.com>](mailto:jaytea@wizbangblog.com), [bkliwer@vt.edu](mailto:bkliwer@vt.edu)

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If the use is credited (both to the author and the site) then I see no problem with the use you outline. Please send us a copy when it's available.

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Wizbang, one of most popular political and entertainment blog networks, and has been featured in The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, The Washington Post, and USAToday.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jay Tea [mailto:[jaytea@wizbangblog.com](mailto:jaytea@wizbangblog.com)]

Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2008 9:09 PM

To: [bkliewer@vt.edu](mailto:bkliewer@vt.edu); [tips@wizbangblog.com](mailto:tips@wizbangblog.com); [politicstips@wizbang.com](mailto:politicstips@wizbang.com)

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Hey, nifty! I'm flattered!

The person who can give or withhold permission is Kevin Aylward, the owner and big kahuna of the site. He owns it all, kit and kaboodle, so it's his call on whether to grant permission or not.

Personally speaking, I don't mind if you quote any of my pieces, as long as credit is given. I would also be curious to see the context in which any of my pieces are quoted (if at all), but would not make my approval (NOT permission -- only Kevin has that right) conditional on seeing that.

I also want to say thank you for asking first. I dabble a bit in copyright law, and it is my understanding that your proposed usage would fall under the "educational" and "fair use" exceptions, meaning that formal permission would not strictly be required. That you are doing so shows considerable courtesy and respect, and I appreciate that.

No, I am not a lawyer, and my opinion is utterly worthless from any legal standpoint, so take it for what it's worth.

Anyway, Mr. Kliewer, good luck with your thesis, and please consider sharing the portions of your thesis that involve Wizbang with us, the authors. My ego would cheerfully accept the boosting -- even if you do quote us disapprovingly.

J.

Jay Tea  
Main Page Editor  
[www.wizbangblog.com](http://www.wizbangblog.com)

-----Original Message-----

From: [bkliewer@vt.edu](mailto:bkliewer@vt.edu) [mailto:[bkliewer@vt.edu](mailto:bkliewer@vt.edu)]

Sent: Wednesday, April 23, 2008 6:14 PM

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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Brandon Kliewer and I am currently a MA student at Virginia Tech in the Department of Political Science. I am conducting research on blogs and more generally online discussions surrounding waterboarding. In the interest of

preserving the internal coherence of my thesis, I would like permission to include portions of the wizbangblog.com blog in my thesis. The selected portion of your blog that discusses the issue of waterboarding will be included in an appendix. The excerpts from your blog will only be used for educational purposes. I have no financial interest in including sections of your blog in my thesis.

Thank you for your consideration,

Brandon Kliewer

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**Date:** Fri, 25 Apr 2008 10:20:57 -0400

**From:** [John Hawkins <rightwingnews@gmail.com>](mailto:rightwingnews@gmail.com)

**To:** [bkliwer@vt.edu](mailto:bkliwer@vt.edu)

**Subject: Re: ATTN: Copyright Agent- Please Respond - Response Needed**

Brandon

Sure. Go ahead.

Best wishes

John Hawkins

On Fri, Apr 25, 2008 at 10:19 AM, <bkliwer@vt.edu> wrote:

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Best wishes

John Hawkins  
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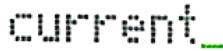
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On 4/30/2008 I called the Washington DC Branch of the CODEPINK organization and they informed me that the video clip on youtube.com entitled "CODEPINK Shows Senator Feinstein Waterboarding" is free-use and that I have permission to include the video in my thesis. The CODEPINK Washington DC branch can be reached at (202) 290-1301 and I talked with Rae who can be reached at [rae@codepinkalert.org](mailto:rae@codepinkalert.org).

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Kaj Larsen's "Waterboarding" video clips used with the permission of David Harleston, [current.com](http://current.com).





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VIA EMAIL

May 2, 2008

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**RE: CURRENT TV / "GETTING WATERBOARDED"**

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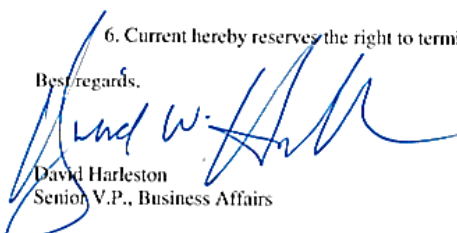
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Best regards,



David Harleston  
Senior V.P., Business Affairs

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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