

ATI Statement on Results from Today's Hearing in Freedom of Information Act Case Against U. of Virginia

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Today in Prince William County court Judge Gaylord Finch delayed arguments and the [scheduled production of documents](#) in American Tradition Institute's Freedom of Information Act [lawsuit](#) against the University of Virginia. A brief hearing was held to discuss a [Motion to Intervene](#) in the case by lawyers for former UVA professor Michael Mann, whose records that were created while employed there are what ATI seeks. Judge Finch, recognizing the important precedent-setting potential of the case, said he wanted to schedule a longer hearing — two hours — to hear arguments about whether to allow Dr. Mann, now at Pennsylvania State University, to enter the case.

Judge Finch granted ATI a *sur reply* in the case, which allows ATI Environmental Law Center director David Schnare to place additional materials before the court as Judge Finch considers whether to allow Dr. Mann to intervene. The two-hour hearing is scheduled for Nov. 1.

Statement by ATI Environmental Law Center director Dr. David Schnare about today's developments:

"If it wasn't clear before, it should now be clear to everybody. This is an extremely important case, and we appreciate Judge Finch's careful attention to detail as we proceed."

See case documents, press releases, media coverage, commentary, broadcast interviews, etc. pertaining to ATI v. University of Virginia by clicking [here](#).

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