

From: [Wilson Clive](#)
To: [O'Connor D](#)
Cc: [Kelloway C](#); [Metcalf F](#)
Subject: RE: Disclosure of staff names
Date: 02 July 2019 13:23:36

Fab – Ruth has just told me that he sent it to her as well ...

thanks

Clive

From: O'Connor,D
Sent: 02 July 2019 13:20
To: Wilson,Clive
Cc: Kelloway,C; Metcalfe,F
Subject: RE: Disclosure of staff names

Hi Clive,

This is what I plan to send. Will CC in his departmental head.

Fiona – FYI as discussed.

Danny

Dear [REDACTED]

Please note, all material in this email can be attributed to an **LSE spokesperson**.

Further to your message last week, the response I gave still stands. All records indicate the PhD was correctly awarded and in line with relevant procedures.

Unfortunately the thesis (which was only available as a hard copy in 1984) cannot presently be found by the University of London or the IALS but records do indicate it was received and processed at the time.

You state that Clive Wilson and his colleague said the 'PhD thesis has never been received in 1984 by Senate House Library and IALS library' in their initial response. This information does not appear to be correct. Colleagues have made further enquiries and Senate House's **Research Degrees Unit** *does* indicate that a copy was received. Senate House also confirmed they sent their copy of the thesis to the Institute for Advanced Legal Studies (IALS). Apologies for the confusion.

Separately, President Tsai Ing-wen recently provided the LSE Library with a facsimile copy of the thesis, 'Unfair trade practices and safeguard actions.' This is available to view in the library's reading room.

Kind regards,

Daniel O'Connor

From: O'Connor,D
Sent: 02 July 2019 13:08
To: Wilson,Clive <CLIVE.Wilson@lse.ac.uk>
Cc: Kelloway,C <C.Kelloway@lse.ac.uk>
Subject: RE: Disclosure of staff names

Hi Clive,

I never actually replied to him so I can do that, if it helps with the relevant additional material.

Separately if you want to reply later to say,

"I do not give permission for you to use my name or the name of any of my library colleagues. I understand my colleague in the media team has responded to your latest queries with an official statement from the School. That should be suitable for your purposes

(I might copy in his departmental head from his university, for information).

Cheers,

Danny

From: Wilson, Clive
Sent: 02 July 2019 12:59
To: O'Connor, D <D.O'Connor@lse.ac.uk>
Subject: FW: Disclosure of staff names

Hi Danny

he's still going!

Please feel free to talk me down from sending the following ☺

Clive

Dear [REDACTED]

to be perfectly honest, given the number of things that have been deliberately misunderstood or taken out of context so far I am not happy at all for my name to be attached to anything.

For example, your previous email:

It is bizarre that Ing-Wen Tsai's PhD thesis becomes searchable in the British Library catalogue using EthOS, an e-theses online service, as well as in the Google Books catalogue. This thesis is unsearchable internally in the U of London libraries (including LSE Library), but it is searchable outside of the U of London. It is bizarre, isn't?

Further, if you examine the following links to EthOS or Google Books, you will see little information about the magic PhD thesis except for the thesis title, author, and the year of 1984. There is no information about the number of pages at all and there is no workable link to the thesis one way or another.

EthOS:

<https://ethos.bl.uk/OrderDetails.do?did=1&uin=uk.bl.ethos.652034>

Google Books:

<https://books.google.com/books?id=IRwlvwFACAAJ&dq=unfair+trade+practices+and+safeguard+actions&hl=en&sa=X&ved=0ahUKFwicioTVnvviAhXLM-AKHRtMBMgQ6AEIKDAA>

Even more bizarre is that the magic thesis was published in 1984 in Ann Arbor, Michigan, the United States according to a famous thesis search engine called ProQuest, as the attached image file indicates. How could it be possible that a PhD thesis completed in 1984 in UK got published right away in the same year in the US?

Is it possible that someone made and uploaded information to the EthOS system, Google Books, and ProQuest in order to cover Ing-Wen Tsai as President of Republic of China (Taiwan)? To me, I cannot preclude this possibility.

I answered all these points to your friend Changqing Cao and to have them repeated almost verbatim by you is insulting. I am not going to repeat my answers. Contact Ethos, contact Google, contact ProQuest and ask them how they got the

information.

In respect of earlier statements, it is clear I was mistaken. Senate House has a library record that shows the thesis wasn't received and this is the information I referred to (and therefore Ms Orson using my text) but their Research Degrees Unit does have a record that it was received and subsequently sent to IALS.

Dr Tsai has kindly provided us with a facsimile copy of her thesis which will be made available in our Special Collections Reading Room very soon.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 July 2019 12:06
To: Wilson, Clive
Subject: Disclosure of staff names

Dear Clive:

I am writing to ask if it is okay to disclose your name in articles that I plan to write and seek to get published in both English- and Chinese-based newspapers.

Please be advised that the issue of Tsai's PhD thesis and diploma concerns public interests rather than an individual's personal privacy. Ms. Tsai is a public figure, serving the supreme leader of Taiwan. Her integrity needs to be examined for public interests.

I am looking forward to your reply. Thank you.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]