

**Agenda Item:**     V.    

**DATE:** January 29, 2004

**SUBJECT:** *Geier* Status Report

**ACTION RECOMMENDED:** Information

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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Staff will brief the Commission on activities concerning the *Geier* Consent Decree. The decree, executed in January 2001, provides for a number of initiatives to be undertaken over a five-year period. Since the last meeting, staff has been working with the Tennessee Board of Regents on possible new program alternatives for Tennessee State University in lieu of the proposed law school. Commission staff will address these and other recent developments in the implementation of the decree.