black and with an MIT dean and a few professors, the dean lamented the difficulty of the job, invoking the image of a "stereotypical Jew. Nobody showed any offense at that remark. I am confident that people would have immediately taken offense if the dean had made a derogatory reference to "a stereotypical Jew."

The most serious recent abuse of a fraternity is the vandalism of Tau Epsilon Phi, which is thought to be in response to TEP's combat homophobia in LCA. "I agree with the graffiti in front of TEP but not the criticism of the Smoots," but not the crimes committed by its members. Dimnick's letter "Graffiti Hurts Relations," Nov. 19, criticized the embellishment of the Smoots and the graffiti in front of TEP but not the vandalism done inside the fraternity. Dimnick argued that "a discipline" which creates as "offensive" environment is harassment. Elsewhere it states that harassment is punishable. Hence, offensive verbal behavior (hurting someone's feelings) is punishable. So much for protecting free speech in principle.

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Let there be no mistake, the harassment policy, both in its formulation and its application, militates against the freedom of expression. Dick Cassimatis '94