

APPENDIX I

FRANKLIN PIERCE UNIVERSITY POLICY ON PATENTS, COPYRIGHTS, AND OTHER INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

I. Publications

The University's research activities are an integral part of the total educational program, and much of it forms the basis for articles in professional Journals, seminar reports, presentations at professional society meetings, and student dissertations and theses.

To fulfill the University's obligations as a publicly-aided educational institution, University research should serve a public rather than a private purpose, and the results should be disseminated on a non-discriminatory basis. The University encourages studies whose results can be freely published.

The University recognizes that the legitimate proprietary concerns of private research sponsors and the effective commercialization of research outcomes may require limited delays in publication. Where appropriate, publications can be deferred for a negotiated period of time in order to protect patent rights. Similarly, on those occasions where the University has accepted a sponsor's proprietary information as necessary background data for a research project, the sponsor may review proposed publications in order to identify any inadvertent disclosure of those specific data.

II. Patents and Copyrights

The University's policy with regard to Inventions and Creations resulting from research reflects the view that a university by its nature has an obligation to serve the public interest by ensuring that Inventions and other intellectual property are developed to the point of maximum utilization and availability to the public. The University, therefore, has the goal of licensing Inventions and Creations in ways that support the public interest, and does so under an active Inventions/Creations management program. The University and an Originator of an Invention/Creation may share in the proceeds of certain royalty-bearing licenses related to such Invention(s)/Creation(s) pursuant to a mutually agreeable revenue sharing agreement that may be entered into pursuant to the terms of an applicable collective bargaining agreement.

III. Use of Names

Research sponsors may not use the University's name in advertising or other product promotion activities without the University's prior written approval. Similarly, the University will not use the name of the sponsor in publicity releases without the sponsor's approval.