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I was very upset when I read the recent 2012 report on Syracuse University’s 2005 investigation of my claims against former SU Assistant Mens’ Basketball Coach, Bernie Fine. Reading that report it seemed to me that SU failed to do a thorough and complete investigation of my allegations that Bernie Fine had sexually abused me for many years when I was a “ballboy” for SU’s Mens’ Basketball team.

It seems to me that SU was more concerned with protecting itself than it was in protecting children who are under the supervision of SU employees.

A college should never care more about protecting its reputation than it does about protecting children from child sexual abuse.

Today I am even more upset to learn that in addition to how SU has tried to whitewash its previous errors, the University may have also violated the law.

My whole goal in sharing my painful experience with Bernie Fine was to try to protect other children and the community. If SU violated the Clery Act then they need to be held accountable.
I hope that the New York Attorney General will open an investigation into SU.

This is really important because I don’t ever want what happened to me to ever happen to another child at SU again.

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