



## OFFICIAL STATEMENT August 7, 2014

## **Trademark Infringement Lawsuit Update**

Many people have prayerfully awaited the outcome of the trademark infringement lawsuit over usage of the Takoma Academy name, logo and overall likeness.

While this has been a difficult experience for all involved, we are thankful that a peaceful resolution has finally been reached. The other party agreed to the entry of a permanent court injunction against them where they are precluded from using the names "Takoma Academy," "Takoma Academy Alumni Association," "TA," and "TAAA." As most of you know, the other party to the lawsuit was not an official organization sponsored by Takoma Academy.

The official alumni association is the Takoma Academy Alumni Association which formed when Prof Laurence was principal. This organization is endorsed and sponsored by Takoma Academy and continues its mission to unite alumni in advancing Takoma Academy.

During the last century, Takoma Academy has provided thousands with a quality, Seventh-day Adventist Christian education in the nation's capital. With your continued interest and support, we now have the opportunity to move forward together to fulfil the mission of Takoma Academy to lead young people to Jesus Christ, provide excellence in academics and a commitment to service.

We are determined to build a better and stronger relationship with our alumni and are thankful for the willingness of the following individuals to serve and lead the Takoma Academy Alumni Association for the 2014-2015 term:

President: Susan Laurence Cooksey '79

Vice President: Linda Brown McEowen '69

Secretary: Becky Kriigel Koeppen '67

Treasurer: Mark Kline '79

Please keep them in prayer as they coordinate initiatives with Ron Mills, Takoma Academy's director of development, and Principal Carla Thrower. Please also let them know how you can help.