

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES, <i>et al.</i> ,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
)	
v.)	Case No. 1:25-cv-11740-BEM
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, <i>et al.</i> ,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Pursuant to Rule 4(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, Defendants the Department of Defense and Pete Hegseth, in his official capacity as Secretary of the Department of Defense, hereby appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit from the Final Judgment entered in this case on October 15, 2025, Doc. No. 91, and the accompanying Memorandum and Order dated October 10, 2025, Doc. No. 90.

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