

# The Case of the Vanishing Crucifix Earns League Letter

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*Dear Dr. Collins:*

*It has come to my attention that Professor Joanna Scott, Chairperson of the Department of Political Science, has removed a crucifix that was affixed to the wall above the desk of graduate assistant Thomas C. Skrobola. Mr. Skrobola found the crucifix in his desk with a note that said that it had been removed "since it is a personal statement and not an expression of university policy (i.e. 1st Amendment)."* (Italics in. the original.)

*As the president of the nation's largest Catholic civil rights organization., and as the author of several books and articles on the First Amendment, I would be most interested in seeing a copy of the university policy that Professor Scott was referencing.*

*Thank you for your consideration..*

*Sincerely,*

*William A. Donohue, Ph.D.*

*President*