

BELWARD FARM DONOR FAMILY

vs.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY



Follow the Belward Farm Lawsuit!

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Montgomery County Development Dispute:

Trial Date Set in Belward Farm vs. Johns Hopkins University Donor Intent Lawsuit

Rockville, MD – A November 13, 2012 trial date has been set in the development dispute between the successors of Belward Farm and Johns Hopkins University. Judge Ronald B. Rubin announced the trial date today in a scheduling hearing before the Circuit Court of Montgomery County.

“We won’t rest until every nook and cranny of the donative agreement between my Aunt Liz and Johns Hopkins University has been examined and explained to the Court,” said Timothy Newell, lead plaintiff and family spokesperson.

“We remain confident that once the Court understands the full context under which Belward Farm was donated to Johns Hopkins University, the University will be required to fulfill their agreement to build a Johns Hopkins owned-and-operated university campus on the property – not a multi-million dollar real estate complex.”



Belward Farm: Picture by Zach Stern, zachstern.com



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The “donor intent” lawsuit, *John Timothy Newell, et. al. v. Johns Hopkins University*, alleges the University’s plan to develop Belward Farm into a commercial “Science City” violates the now-deceased donor’s wishes that Belward Farm be used for a suburban University campus. The donor’s family filed suit against the University late last year, asking the Courts to force Johns Hopkins University to honor its agreement with Elizabeth Beall Banks.

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Mr. Newell, lead plaintiff and family spokesperson, is available for interviews by request. To schedule an interview with Mr. Newell, please email me at Sonia@PRoactiveSolutionsInc.net or call me at (205) 620-2087.

There will be various Court deadlines between now and the November 13th trial date, and we will keep you informed on an ongoing basis as to their impact upon the Belward Farm lawsuit. Thank you for your continued interest in the case.



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Legal Documents:

[Original Summons and Complaint](#)

(Nov. 10, 2011)

[Johns Hopkins Motion to Dismiss Denied](#)

(March 9, 2012)