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Gallagher & Kennedy has filed suit seeking court permission to take the deposition of a witness with first-hand knowledge about the massive data breach in early 2013 that compromised the private, confidential information collected by the Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD) related to nearly 2.5 million students, applicants, parents, vendors and others. The information included names, addresses, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, Social Security numbers, dates of birth, demographic information, and as-yet-unspecified “enrollment, academic and financial aid information.” The witness, Earl Monsour, served as the District’s Director of Strategic Information Technologies during the relevant time period, and is believed to have knowledge of multiple security breaches of the District’s databases and web servers in the years leading to the 2013 Breach. Among other things, he is expected to confirm that the District knew about its security vulnerabilities and failed to address them notwithstanding many verbal and written warnings. Because Mr. Monsour has been diagnosed with late-stage cancer, Gallagher & Kennedy is asking the court for permission to preserve his testimony by taking his deposition as soon as possible, and Mr. Monsour has indicated that he is ready and willing to share his knowledge of the events in question.

Click on the links below to read the Emergency Petition and the Memorandum in support of the Petition.

[Emergency Petition](#)

[Memorandum in support of the Petition](#)

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