

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

April 5, 2016

Via E-mail
Patrick Dennis
Chief Executive Officer
Guidance Software, Inc.
224 Airport Parkway, Suite 300
San Jose, CA 95110

Re: Guidance Software, Inc.

Definitive Additional Materials on Schedule 14A

Filed April 4, 2016 File No. 001-33197

Dear Mr. Dennis:

We have reviewed your filing and have the following comments.

Definitive Additional Materials on Schedule 14A filed April 4, 2016

General

- 1. Please provide supplemental support for the assertions about Mr. McCreight's verbally abusive conduct made in your letter to shareholders. This support should include any report generated by the private investigator you engaged to evaluate alleged incidents of misconduct in your letter to shareholders.
- 2. Please provide further details, with a view to possible additional disclosure, regarding the "substantial cash payments to ex-employees" you allege occurred as a result of Mr. McCreight's past conduct. Please provide dates and amount of payments for each payment and explain the facts that necessitated the payment.
- 3. In future filings, avoid characterizing statements of opinion or belief as facts. Some examples include:
 - your assertion that the Company's underperformance is a direct result of Mr. McCreight poor performance; and
 - your allegation that "Mr. McCreight's goal is to retaliate against a Board that made a difficult decision and did the right thing for stockholder value."

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If you have questions or comments please contact Jeff Kauten, Attorney Advisor, at (202) 551-3447 or the undersigned at (202) 551-3263.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christina Chalk

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