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In August of 2012, the University Press of Florida (UPF), the publishing agency for the State University System of Florida, published a history volume titled *The Beast in Florida: A History of Anti-Black Violence* by Dr. Marvin Dunn, retired, Florida International University. On September 19, 2013, UPF received a complaint of academic misconduct, specifically plagiarism, against Dr. Dunn and the book. Following standard procedures for such charges, UPF asked for and received a response to the charges from Dr. Dunn. There remained enough questions after reviewing Dr. Dunn's response that UPF undertook a formal review by an independent, outside scholar of Florida history who had no connection with UPF, the author, or the complainant. This report revealed that there were instances of plagiarism in the book. UPF immediately declared the book out of print and no longer available for sale. Bookstores and distributors were informed and encouraged to return any unsold stock. The rights have been returned to Dr. Dunn and the contract terminated. UPF apologizes to the academic community for this unfortunate string of events and reminds scholars that this is not a reliable work to use for citation.