

Parties:

- Complainant - Ajibola Adigun (Jibs) - A candidate for the position of VP Student Life in the GSA General Re-Election 2024
- Respondent - Benjamin Kucher - A candidate for the position of VP Student Life in the GSA General Re-Election 2024
- DRO - Zain Patel

Original DRO Decision:

The matter was resolved informally without CRO/DRO intervention. As such, the complaint is dismissed.

Relevant Bylaw and Policy:

I.BYL.1.1 The fundamental principle underlying GSA elections is that they are to be fair, respect the wishes of voters, and conducted in a manner that reflects the excellent, positive reputation of the GSA.

H.POL.15.7.b - GSA ACB Hearing Committee decisions are final and binding.

Decision:

While the respondent took prompt action to remove the contentious post, it is imperative to emphasize that candidates are responsible for ensuring their campaign materials adhere to established guidelines. The respondent proactively communicated with the DRO via email, confirming that the request to remove the post was made and subsequently complied with. In light of this cooperative behaviour and the prompt rectification of the issue, the ACB has determined a revised penalty. Consequently, the ACB has decided to impose a 2% voter deduction, acknowledging the respondent's efforts to address the situation while still upholding the importance of campaign material compliance.

Signed,

Christina Saed

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GSA ACB Hearing Committee Vice-Chair