

MEMORANDUM

TO: Jackson Price, USAC & the Press

FROM: Nicholas Yu, Chief Justice

DATE: May 29, 2018

RE: Decision: Jackson Price v. USAC

On May 24, 2018, the JUDICIAL BOARD held a COURT OF HEARING for Case No. 18-10, *Jackson Price v. USAC.*

The JUDICIAL BOARD was asked to issue judgment on one question:

1. Did USAC violate USAC Constitution Article III. Section B.2.?

With regard to the first question, the JUDICIAL BOARD finds with the RESPONDENT, USAC, with a vote of 3-0 in its favor.

The JUDICIAL BOARD has ruled that the USAC did not violate USAC Constitution Article III. Section B.2. which states "All elected Officers of the Association shall be installed before the end of the academic term in which they were elected, and shall serve one year, or until removed from office, or until their successors are elected or appointed".

It is the opinion of the JUDICIAL BOARD that a one year term is defined to be the length of one academic year, meaning if officers were elected at any point of time in Spring Quarter of 2017, their term is to end at the latest at the end of Spring Quarter of 2018.

It is the opinion of the JUDICIAL BOARD that successors have not been elected or appointed, as the election results although certified, has not become effective in accordance with Election Code Article 7.2: "The election results for all elected officials positions as certified by the Election Board shall become effective by their being read into the minutes of the council meeting following their swearing in ceremony by the Judicial Board."

The Chief Justice has not sworn in the officer-elects and thus, the results are not in effect. The Chief Justice has the sole discretion to swear in the officer-elects, and it is the opinion of the JUDICIAL BOARD that the Chief Justice will only swear in the officer-elects once USAC certifies the election results, as has been precedence.

In accordance with the Official Rules of the Judicial Board, the full opinion will be made available within two weeks.