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In The
Judicial Board
of the
Undergraduate Students Association
of
UCLA

Bruins United
v.
Election Board

P E T I T I O N F O R
C O N S I D E R A T I O N

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Signatures (official use only):

Chief Justice

Clerk

PART I: JURISDICTION

Article VI, Section B., Clause 3, of the USAC Constitution, which states: “The Judicial Board shall serve as a board of appeals to decisions of the Elections Board.”

Article XI, Section 4, Clauses 1-3, of the Election Code, which state, in part: “Election Board decisions may be appealed in writing to the Undergraduate Students Association Judicial Board... The appeals board will be the Undergraduate Students Association Judicial Board... Appeals of decisions made by the Election Board Chairperson and/or the Election Board shall be made to the Undergraduate Students Association Judicial Board.”

PART II: VIOLATIONS

Enumeration of Violations

The Election Board improperly sanctioned the Bruins United slate in conjunction with Complaint #52. The sanction claims that Bruins United failed to list the company “Barpay” in its Sources of Funding document. Bruins United, however, did not receive funds from the company, and was therefore not required to list the company on the document. In addition, the Election Board claims that Bruins United filed an incorrect Expense Account—this is false. Article 9.1.3.a.iii. of the election code requires the Expense Account form to list “all expenses associated with the campaign.” Nothing

listed by the Election Board in the sanction represents an “expense” by Bruins United, as no money was spent by the slate on the materials or communications listed in the sanction. Additionally, the promotions and communications offered by Barpay should not be considered “donated materials and/or professional services” that require an appraisal of fair market value under article 9.1.3.L.i. The actions, communications, and discounts provided by Barpay do not represent “professional services,” but were instead marketing efforts made by Barpay to benefit their own business. It is impossible and unnecessary to determine a fair market value for the items and communications listed by the Election Board in the sanction.

PART III: RAMIFICATIONS

The Bruins United Slate was incorrectly prohibited, based on assumptions, without any evidence, and in the largest sanction of this election, from engaging in any campaign activity from 7:00am today, March 3rd, until 7:00am tomorrow, March 4th, and was improperly mandated to file amended campaign finance documents.

PART IV: REMEDY SOUGHT

The Judicial Board should immediately suspend the improper sanction pending this appeal. Upon conclusion of this appeal, the sanction should be completely and

permanently overturned. Furthermore, due to irreparable damage done to Bruins United candidates via this sanction, the Election Board should allow Bruins United additional leafleting and social media campaigning hours.

PART V: INFORMATION

Petitioner: Akhil Cherukupally
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Council: Aaron Boudaie
SID: 104-662-175

PART VI: STATEMENT OF AUTHENTICITY

By signing below, I hereby attest that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge. Furthermore, I have read and understand the Judicial Board Procedure (Rules).

Respectfully submitted,

DATED:

Name
Petitioner

DATED:

Name
Counsel for Petitioner