

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESS

TO: The Daily Bruin

FROM: Chief Justice, Rachel Beyda

May 3, 2017 DATE:

Press Release: Akhil Cherukupally v. USAC Election Board RE:

Information:

On May 3, 2017, the JUDICIAL BOARD officially received a Petition for Consideration (No. 17-1) from Akhil Cherukpally against the USAC Election Board.

The JUDICIAL BOARD will be acting in its capacity as the board of appeals for the USAC Election Board. See USAC Constitution Article VI.B.3 and USAC Election Code 11.4.

The JUDICIAL BOARD has GRANTED the Petition for Consideration (No. 17-1) on the matter of Akhil Cherukupally v. USAC Election Board and will be formally considering the case.

The issue(s) to be considered will be the following:

- 1. Did the Election Board violate Election Code Article 9.1.3.a.iii by imposing Sanction #C52-S2017?
- 2. Did the Election Board violate Election Code Article 9.1.3.L.i. by imposing Sanction #C52-S2017?

The Judicial Board will not be placing a hold on Sanction #C52-S2017 before the hearing, as we feel that that would set a dangerous precedent in which any sanction could be halted simply by filing a Petition to the Judicial Board. However, should the Judicial Board find that the Election Board was incorrect in imposing Sanction #C52-S2017 on Bruins United, we will provide an appropriate remedy. Such a remedy may include, but is not limited to, extending the voting period with additional time for Bruins United to campaign accordingly. To reiterate, this determination will be made in the Judicial Board's final decision following the Court of Hearing.

Judicial Board procedures have been ACCELERATED.

A PRELIMINARY HEARING and a COURT OF HEARING have been scheduled for Thursday, May 4, 2017, 5:00 pm (unless rescheduled, at which point the PRESS will be notified.) You will be notified of the location shortly. The PRELIMINARY HEARING will be held in closed session. The COURT OF HEARING will be open to the University Public.

The Official Rules of the Judicial Board can be found on the USAC website at: