

## STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION SUPERIOR COURT

No. 2

*SHREY KATHURIA, CANDIDATE FOR UNIVERSITY COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVE  
V. ISAAC KABRICK, COMMISSIONER, SGA ELECTION COMMISSION*

[November 22, 2021]

CHIEF JUSTICE HUTCHISON delivered the unanimous opinion of the Court.

Petitioner Shrey Kathuria brings forward two appeals of the decision of the SGA Election Commission (“Commission”) regarding the Run-Off Election for University College Representative during the Fall 2021 General Election. For purposes of this opinion, the appeals are combined because they are substantially identical.

Petitioner asserts technology issues or internet access prevented eligible members from voting in the Run-Off Election. “If an SGA member cannot vote through the online voting software implemented by the Elections Commission, they shall request a ballot from the Election Commission in person in the SGA Office or over the OU maintained email service.” SGACA Tit. VI, Ch. 2, §12. Petitioner also asserts that the SGA website was not updated to reflect the date of the Run-Off Election in a single race.

No evidence has been presented by petitioner that a technology issue existed at the time of voting that prevented voting online. Several others were able to vote online during the designated time. One of the specific examples that Petitioner

submitted as an example of someone that was not able to vote is a student that is not eligible to vote in this Run-Off Election. Further, even if an issue did exist that prevented members from voting online, that member should have requested a ballot from the Commission or voted in person at the SGA Office.

The Election Commissioner also sent out notice of the date for the Run-Off Election via OU mass email. There is no statutory requirement that the Commission publish the dates of a run-off election on the SGA website.

Accordingly, the decision of the Election Commission is AFFIRMED.

*It is so ordered.*