

## **Parties**

- Complainant - Soumya Kulal - A candidate for the position of VP Academic in the GSA General Election 2024
- Respondents - Ajibola Adigun (Jibs) - A candidate for the position of VP Student Life in the GSA General Election 2024
  - Rija Kamran - A candidate for the position of VP Academic in the GSA General Election 2024
- Chief Returning Officer (CRO) - Sophie Shi

## **Original CRO Decision**

*“Although supporting other candidates through sharing Instagram stories would be considered slating, that is not the case with this complaint. Ajibola only shared a story where Rija is advertising the Elections Forum. This is not considered campaigning or sharing campaign material. The complaint is dismissed as it is unfounded.”*

## **Relevant Bylaw and Policy**

I.POL.10.4 - Candidates will campaign as individuals and may not serve as Campaign Volunteers for other candidates. Slates are not permitted.

“Campaign Materials” are defined as any materials designed to be disseminated to promote a candidate

“Campaign Volunteers” are defined as individuals or groups who campaign on behalf of a candidate with their awareness.

## **Decision**

The complainant shares a screenshot of Rija’s (respondent) instagram story where they shared a post of Jibs’ (respondent) promoting the election forum. No additional commentary was added to the post. I.POL.10.4 states that candidates cannot serve as campaign volunteers for other candidates. As no campaign materials were shared nor promotion of the candidate the ACB has decided that this does not violate I.POL.10.4.

Signed,



Laura Manerus  
GSA ACB Hearing Committee Chair