

**SUPREME COURT OF STUDENT GOVERNMENT
AT TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY**

No. 01-03

LAUREN STOTLER v. ABDUALRAHMAN MUHIALDIN

ON APPLICATION FOR INJUNCTION

Issued February 19, 2015

The application for Injunctive Relief was submitted by Mr. Abdualrahman Muhialdin, hereafter referred to as the Respondent upon a ruling by the Election Board which disqualified him from office. The original complaint of violation as submitted by Ms. Lauren Stotler, hereafter referred to as the Complainant.

The request for Injunctive Relief was received by Chief Justice Cody DeSalvo and referred by him to the Supreme Court.

The Respondent intends to file an appeal with the Supreme Court and is request Injunctive Relief from Election Board Order in Case 1/2.2015, which disqualified and vacated his candidacy for Student Body President.

Injunctions are instruments used by this Court to stop actions which may cause a person imminent or immediate harm in their dealings with Student Government.

Consistent with this standard, several questions related to the Election Board's interpretive findings were brought forward by the Justices. In addition, arguments presented to the Election Board by the Complainant were not sufficiently defended nor did some findings seem to meet the standards for preponderance of evidence. This Court finds actionable issues on each of these topics. These concerns all sufficiently meet or exceed what should reasonably be required for the issuance of an injunction.

It is our opinion that additional, unnecessary harm could occur should the Respondent's candidacy be vacated without answering these lingering questions.

Therefore, the Request for Injunctive Relief is granted.

Chief Justice DeSalvo hereby orders all members of Student Government, including the Election Board, not to bring into effect or enforce any provision of EB1/2.2015. Mr. Muhialdin is hereby reinstated as candidate for Student Body President, with all the rights and responsibilities therein.

In addition, election results announcement and candidate-elect certification is to proceed in accordance with all applicable Student Government, Election Board and university guidelines; with Mr. Muhialdin candidacy to be properly certified by these standards.

A hearing on this topic is tentatively scheduled by this Court for February 26th 2015.

It is so ordered.