

Judicial Branch – Roles & Duties (as written in the Student Association Bylaws)

Meeting Attendance Requirements

400.4.1- It shall be the duty of each Justice of the Supreme Court of the Student Association to attend each meeting of the Supreme Court. Meetings shall be held when there is business before the Supreme Court of the Student Association or at the discretion of the Chief Justice.

400.4.2- Attendance shall be taken at the beginning of meetings.

400.4.2.1- Members shall be given a fifteen (15) minute grace period, after which time they shall be considered absent.

400.4.2.2- Justices shall have no more than three (3) consecutive absences per semester or four (4) total per semester.

400.4.2.3- Absences from special meetings shall not count toward the number of absences permitted.

400.4.2.4- An excused absence may be defined as a personal and/or academic conflict (i.e. exams, papers, teacher meetings, and/or family emergencies).

Duties and Responsibilities Of Supreme Court Officers

401.1 – The Chief Justice shall:

401.1.1 – Be the chief administrator of the Court.

401.1.2 – Schedule hearings, distribute briefs, and run the hearings of the Court.

401.1.3 – Create applications for all petitions and writs with proper restrictions necessary for all petitioners and make them available to all Student Association groups and members.

401.1.4 – Have signatory power over the funding of the Supreme Court.

401.1.5 – Be responsible for overseeing the creation of procedures for the hearing of the Court.

401.1.6 – Be responsible for giving a weekly report to the Student Association Senate.

401.1.7 – The Chief Justice of the Student Association shall be *ex officio*, non-voting, non-motioning member of the Senate.

401.1.8 – The Chief Justice of the Student Association shall be *ex officio*, non-voting, non-motioning member of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration and shall attend every meeting or send a designee in their place.

401.2 – The Deputy Chief Justice shall:

401.2.1 – Be elected by the court at the end of the spring semester, after any vacancies on the court are filled by appointment and confirmation.

401.2.1.1 – Serve one-year term. If the position is elected at any time other than the end of the spring semester, the term shall run through the end of the current academic year

401.2.2 – Assume all duties and responsibilities of the Chief Justice should they so designate or in the event Chief Justice is unable to discharge their duties.

401.2.3 – Serve as Acting-Chief Justice, and be addressed as such, should the Office of Chief Justice of the Student Association be vacated, until a new Chief Justice can be appointed.