## Judicial Panel Write-in Policy 2016

As per the Judicial Panel's authority over Undergraduate Student Government elections, "The Judicial Panel shall have the responsibility of ensuring the overall operation of fair, valid, and nondiscriminatory elections" (USG Constitution III.C.1.A) we declare the following guidelines for a vote to be counted for an eligible write-in candidate.

- As per the USG Election Bylaws "to be a (write-in) candidate for Undergraduate Student Government elections, one must be a registered undergraduate student at The Ohio State University..." (Article I, Section A, Clause 1)
- 2. There will be one box for Presidential write-in candidates and one box for Vice Presidential write-in candidates.
- 3. In order for a vote to be deemed valid, the candidate names must be spelled correctly in the format "First Name Last Name".
- 4. Eligible students can vote for one Presidential candidate and one Vice Presidential candidate. However, students do no have to vote for both positions when voting for write-in candidates.
- 5. Punctuation and capitalization are not required in the proper formatting or spelling of the candidate name(s).

In the case of unforeseen circumstances, this documented will be updated and online at <u>http://usg.osu.edu/getinvolvedinusg/usg\_elections</u>