Appeal

Filed By: The Vitality Party

Against: The Ignite Party

Date Violation was Heard: February 24, 2015

Per Curiam

The Vitality Party has submitted before this Commission violation of Student Body Statutes 715.7L, which states, “Vandalism or any unauthorized marking of university or private property for campaign purposes, other than poll booths or election related materials.”

Following are the facts: Mr. Milios on behalf of The Vitality Party submitted a violation against the Ignite Party under § 715.7 L. He and a group of Vitality members witnessed Claire Gallo, a member of the Ignite Party erasing Vitality’s chalking on legacy walk.

At issue in this decision was whether removing chalk of another party from legacy walk violated 715.7L? We found that destroying a chalking was vandalism of university property. Furthermore, we found that the campaign purposes in this statute are broader than the definition of campaigning as mentioned in 701.1D. This statute can be read to prohibit vandalizing or marking for campaign purposes or vandalizing something that had campaign purposes. No person has the right to remove chalk placed by another student organization, regardless of the legality of that chalk being there.

In conclusion, we find that the facts presented before us show that the act was a violation of 715.7L , a Schedule 2 Violation.