

## Violation 2- The Unite Party v. The Amplify Movement- Spring 2019

### PER CURIAM

The Unite Party alleges that the Amplify Movement violated SBS §711.6 (B)(9) four separate times by having signs located outside of designated areas. The Unite Party contends that an “A Frame” posted on the sidewalk behind Dirac, and yards signs posted at Integration Statue, to the right of Deviney Hall, and on the yard of the Chi Omega House, all violate SBS §711.6 (B)(9). During the hearing, Amplify Movement admitted that one of the signs was in fact outside of the acceptable posting area by three feet.

However, while the actions of the Amplify Movement alleged by this violation might have been found to have been violations of the SBS §711.6 (B)(9), the election commission is unable to charge the Amplify Movement since the claim was submitted at 7:00:50 pm. on February 22, 2019. SBS §711.4 (I) states that “The final deadline for all alleged violations and appeals to be filed by an individual or political party for a particular election, is forty-eight (48) consecutive hours after the close of polls.” Since the election polls closed at 7:00 p.m. on February 20, 2019, the Unite Party’s complaint was submitted fifty seconds to late and therefore cannot be considered. While it may seem unfair to the Plaintiff to dismiss their claim based on a span of time less than a minute, it is not the Commission’s duty to determine what is fair, rather, this commission must determine whether procedures involving the bringing of claims was upheld.

As such, the Commission must find that there are no violations of the election code.