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72ND STUDENT SENATE Statute Revision, Addition or Proposed Constitutional Amendment Form

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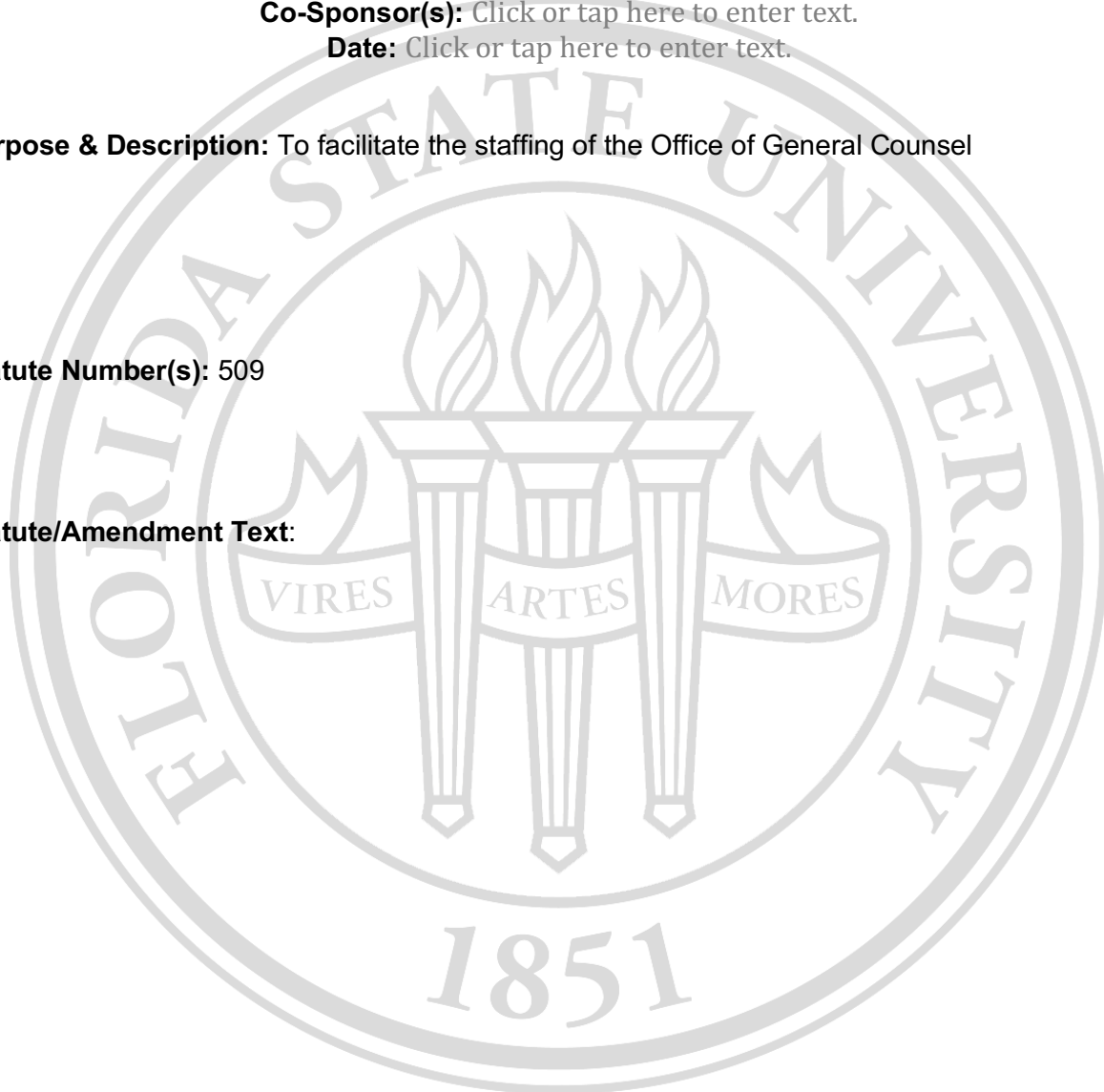
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Purpose & Description: To facilitate the staffing of the Office of General Counsel

Statute Number(s): 509

Statute/Amendment Text:



Chapter 509 The Office of the General Counsel

History: Revised by the 54th Senate Bill 14. Revised by the 55th Senate Bill 106. Revised by the 56th Senate Bills 57 and 108.

509.1 There shall be two (2) General Counsels appointed by the ~~Chief Justice of the Student Supreme Court~~ Student Body President and subject to confirmation by a majority vote of the Senate. The appointees shall be ~~law students~~ students of the Florida State University in good academic standing with the University. The General Counsel shall act as independent counsel in civil cases which fall within the court's jurisdiction.

509.2 Duties

The General Counsel shall:

- A. Represent parties requesting assistance in the drafting and execution of all motions before the court.
- B. Provide representation during litigation before the court.

509.3 If the Student Body President ~~Supreme Court Chief Justice~~ deems additional General Counsels are needed, ~~Chief Justice~~ the President may appoint additional temporary General Counsels.

509.4 General Counsels shall serve until resignation, graduation, or removal by a majority vote of the Student Supreme Court. Additionally, the General Counsels shall be subject to impeachment by the Student Senate in the ordinary manner.



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72nd Student Senate

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Date: 17 May, 2020

Purpose & Description: Define the powers and duties of the Office of the Student Body Attorney General

Statute Number(s): 300



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300.6 Office of the Attorney General

A. The Student Body Attorney General shall hereinafter be referred to as, the Attorney General.

B. The Office of the Attorney General is responsible for the enforcement of Student Body Statutes and the Constitution of the Student Body as well as any rules and procedures that govern a student or organization, provided such provisions fall within the jurisdiction of the SGA.

C. The Attorney General shall be the head of the Office of the Attorney General.

D. The Attorney General shall serve at the pleasure of the Student Body President.

E. The Student Body President may assign other duties and responsibilities to the Office of the Attorney General, so long as these do not violate the Student Body Statutes or the Constitution of the Student Body.

F. When the position of Attorney General is vacated, then an acting Attorney General shall be selected according to the internal rules and procedures of the Office of the Attorney General.

1. The acting Attorney General shall serve as the Attorney General until a new Attorney General is confirmed.

2. The acting Attorney General shall be approved by a majority vote of the Student Body Senate before they are able to exercise the powers and responsibilities of the Office of the Attorney General.

a. If the acting Attorney General is rejected by the Student Body Senate and the internal rules and procedures of the Office of the Attorney General do not specify any other individual to serve as the acting Attorney General then, the Student Body Senate may select and confirm their own candidate to be the acting Attorney General.

300.7 Powers and Responsibilities of the Office of the Attorney General

The Office of the Attorney General shall,

A. Investigate and/or initiate proceedings against any SGA funded RSO, Bureau, Agency, Affiliated Project, funding board, member/entity of the executive branch, or student, for violations of the Florida State University Student Body Statutes, Florida State University Student Body Constitution, or any rules or procedures governing the student or organization as it relates to SGA.



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B. Launch an investigation into possible violations of these provisions only with the prior approval of either the Director of Student Governance and Advocacy or The Student Body President.

C. Only initiate proceedings regarding a possible violation following an approved investigation by either the Director of Student Governance and Advocacy or The Student Body President.

D. If necessary, petition the Student Supreme Court to obtain records as may pertain to any investigation, subject to applicable public records exemptions.

E. Recommend to the Senate potential changes to Statutes and the Constitution of the Student Body.

F. Work with the Student Body President and their Cabinet to follow the proceedings of both the Judicial and Legislative Branch, in order to keep the Student Body President and their Cabinet knowledgeable on what is occurring in the other Branches and any actions they may wish to take.

G. Provide counsel and represent the Executive Branch and members/entities of the Executive Branch in all SGA legal proceedings heard before FSU authorities.

1. Any member/entity of the Executive Branch may choose to waive this counsel and representation if they so desire.

2. If this counsel and representation is waived then, the member/entity may choose to have other individuals or groups to counsel and represent them.

H. Appoint a designee to represent the Executive Branch on behalf of the Office of the Attorney General when so desired, with prior notice to the appropriate parties.

I. Appoint designees to represent the Office of the Attorney General in order to better assist and perform the duties of the Office of the Attorney General, including, but not limited to, appearing before the Student Body Senate and/or other proceedings within SGA.

J. Assist in the creation and/or filing of executive orders at the request and approval of the Student Body President.

K. Assist Executive Branch officers in understanding their roles, duties, and responsibilities.

L. Create internal Rules and Procedures to help execute the duties and responsibilities of the Office of the Attorney General, including, but not limited to, the parameters for investigations and prosecutions. These Rules and Procedures shall be made available to the public.



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M. Render public memorandums on the activities of the Office of the Attorney General including, but not limited to, investigations and/or proceedings made on behalf of the Executive Branch.

N. Execute any other duties and responsibilities delegated to them as enumerated in the Student Body Statutes.

