

2018 Election Supervisory Board

In Res. Zaima Alam and Maria Andrade

ESB Resolution: 2018-012

Election Supervisory Board Member Nrhari Duran authored the majority opinion of the Board:
“*In the matter of a campaign member using Airdrop and/or Canvas.*”

Whereas, ESB/AO 2015-001 reads, “*the 2015 Election Supervisory Board is requiring that all candidates adhere to the following guidelines for any and all campaign emails to potential voters:*

- 1. The use of Blackboard, Canvas, or academic platform’s emailing capabilities may not be used by any person for the benefit of a candidate or candidates.”, and*

Whereas, The Election Supervisory Board has determined that evidence presented at the hearing provided substantive proof that Nishtha Kapuria had used Canvas for the purpose of benefitting the Guneez-Hannah campaign, and

Whereas, The Election Supervisory Board has also concluded that there is insufficient evidence linking members of the Guneez-Hannah campaign to the distribution of campaign materials on Airdrop, and

Resolved, In the case of the complaint submitted by Zaima Alam, the majority has ruled to administer a Class B Violation against Nishtha Kapuria for the aforementioned violation of the ESB’s established precedent. The Class B Violation issued is a moratorium of all campaign activities on Kapuria’s part for the duration of the election process which ends at 5pm on March 22nd, and

Further Resolved, In the case of the complaint submitted by Maria Andrade, the majority has decided to dismiss the complaint.

In conclusion, the Election Supervisory Board submits its resolution on Thursday, March 22nd, 2018 with the majority of board members who were present at the meeting.

Affirmative Votes:

Jennifer Valdez, Chair
Alexandra George, Vice-Chair
Spencer Buckner, Secretary
Carlos Campos
Nrhari Duran
Taylor Newman
Mariano Bracamontes Akle