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STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION
JUDICIAL COURT**

JORDAN BACON V. ELECTION COMMISSION

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CASE SUMMARY:

Jordan Bacon failed to turn in his final finance report on Wednesday, September 27th, 2006 and was assessed a twenty-five (25) dollar fine. He subsequently failed to re-submit the finance report the following day. Mr. Bacon contends that he was unable to turn in the finance report because he did not receive the receipt for the fine and therefore would have been forced to turn in an incomplete finance report.

MAJORITY OPINION:

The Election Commission was not negligent in failing to notifying Jordan Bacon one (1) day before fines are due. Pursuant to Election Regulation section Payment of Fines, the Election Commissioner has nine days after the last day of voting to notify the candidate and nine days have not passed.

The Election Regulations do not stipulate that receipts must be turned in to the Election Commission. Rather, they require a record of the expenditures. The method of record keeping is clarified during the mandatory candidate meeting as well as documented on the Election Commission's website.

As such, the Judicial Court affirms the decision of the Election Commission's decision to disqualify the candidate Jordan Bacon.

Caitlin Cashion, Chief Justice
Joseph W. Reed, Associate Justice
Amy T. Schwarzbach, Associate Justice
Devin S. Guilliams, Associate Justice

Chris Cook, Vice Chief Justice
Cullen C. Merritt, Associate Justice
Cody L. Rose, Associate Justice