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THE HONORABLE CHIEF JUSTICE RONALD JAMES NELSON

Student Supreme Court

Judicial Branch

Student Government Association

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Memorandum:

This letter serves as my official verdict of The Florida A&M University Student Government Association Supreme Court concerning the appeal from the Bruno/Chrispin Spring 2016 SGA Presidential Election. On that date of Wednesday, November 30, 2016.

On Wednesday, November 30, 2016 the Court ruled 3-1 in favor approving Mr. Justin Bruno's appeal to revisit the Spring 2016 Election upholding the Court's original decision.

The Student Senate is hereby ordered to appropriate the necessary funds to the Electoral Commission to conduct said election once all candidates have officially declared eligibility for candidacy.

The Electoral Commission will certify that all the candidates concerning this specific race are qualified to run for the positions. If certification is met, the upon allocation of required funds by the Student Senate to hold election, the Joint Operations staff will provide the Electoral Commission the funds from Senate Unallocated based upon the recommendation of the Electoral Commissioner and the Electoral Commission Advisor.

Per case law concerning previous Supreme Court rulings the, Court cannot allow for the intermingling of previous election ballots with those of a current election. Therefore, the appellant's request for restricting the election to the Law Campus is denied and the election must be held campus-wide. The winner, will immediately take office and be sworn in forthright by the Vice-President of Student Affairs to finish the remainder of the term to expire per the Student Body governing documents.

In any of the cases that require a transition of one of the said tickets to assume the Presidency and Vice-Presidency, the Order of Succession will be receded with all parties taking their previously held positions across the Student Government Association, and the newly elected President and Vice-President will be installed immediately, with no delay.

I thank you in advance for your time, consideration and cooperation on these matters.

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Respectfully,

Ronald James Nelson
Chief Justice
Supreme Court

