

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

ELECTION GUIDELINES

Dues:

In order to run for SBA office, a student must be a current, dues-paid member of SBA.

Nomination Petitions:

1. A student **MUST ATTEND** the candidate interest meeting to be eligible to run for office. However, waivers are granted at the discretion of the Vice President.
2. A student must obtain sixty (60) signatures on an SBA Petition to confirm his/her nomination for SBA office.
3. Students may run for both Honor Court and SBA.
4. If you are running for class office (i.e., 2L President), only members of your class may sign your Nomination Petition.
5. If you are running for SBA office (i.e., SBA President, Treasurer), any current Georgia Law student may sign your Nomination Petition.
6. Signatures must be legible. You should get extra signatures in case a signature is disqualified.
7. Submit petitions to the SBA Vice President on the date and at the place and time identified in the elections calendar distributed at the interest meeting.

Campaigning:

1. Candidate solicitation of endorsements from current SBA officers is prohibited.
2. Candidates shall not post or place campaign materials anywhere except for the bulletin boards in the locker room. Please be considerate of the space so that there is room for everyone's material (as well as room for other groups who use the space).
3. Voting will take place by electronic ballot on MyGeorgiaLaw.
4. Campaigning via the student list-serve is prohibited.
5. Speaking in classes: If a candidate plans to announce his/her candidacy, the candidate MUST email the professor at least 48 hours before the particular class meets and receive approval from the professor. No approval means no speaking in class! Any candidate found to violate this rule will be subject to Honor Court violations.
6. No alcoholic beverages may be served in conjunction with any campaign.
7. Candidates shall remove all campaign material (i.e., small flyers, posters) from law school property within three (3) days of the end of the election.

Violations:

1. Any violation of the above Guidelines or other general rules should be reported immediately to both the SBA Vice-President and the Honor Court Chief Investigator via e-mail.
2. Disinterested members of SBA and/or Honor Court will investigate in a timely manner.
3. These provisions shall be strictly enforced, and sanctions may include disqualification.