

## **5. Opinions**

### **§5-101**

Opinions will be written with regards to the findings of the Court.

### **§5-102**

The Chief Justice will be responsible for assigning the authoring of the Opinion of the Court.

### **§5-103**

All justices are entitled to sign the Opinion of the Court, dissent, concur, or concur in part and dissent in part, and write on their jurisprudence.

### **§5-201**

The Opinion of the court shall be read aloud at the next meeting of the Student Senate. All other writings, outlined in §5-103, connected with the case, may be read aloud at the same senate meeting by authoring justice or the justice may waive their right to read their opinion aloud.

### **§5-202**

At the time that the Opinion of the Court is read aloud to Student Senate, all writings in connection with the case will be considered “published” and available to the public, unless stated otherwise within the rules of this court.

### **§5-301**

If the Chief Justice deems necessary, after a hearing is held in accordance with Chapters Three and Four of the rules of this court, the Court will hold a publishing proceeding and announce its decision prior to the next meeting of Student Senate.

#### **§5-301.01**

Any justice may call to vote for a publishing proceeding. At the time of this call the presiding justice will roll-call the names of the justices in which the justices will vote, (a) “yes”, or (b) “no,” to holding a publishing hearing on the matter at hand.

### **§5-302**

Once a decision is reached, the opinions will be prepared immediately. After the Opinion of the Court and all other writings are completed and ready for publishing, the Chief Justice will contact the representatives from each side and set a publishing proceeding as soon as possible.

### **§5-303**

Once the Opinion of the Court is read aloud at the publishing proceeding, it will be considered “published” and available to the public.

### **§5-304**

The opinion of the Court shall be read aloud at the publishing proceedings by the authoring justice. Any writing pursuant to § 5-103 may also be read aloud by the respective authoring justice(s), or these readings may be waived.

### **§5-305**

Should a temporary justice be chosen to author an opinion, their appointment should continue through the publishing of the opinion.