



# GW Joint Elections Commission

## 2025 Elections Complaint Form

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This form must be used to file complaints for alleged election rules violations during the 2025 Student Body Elections. Complaints must meet all the standards outlined below to be properly filed. Both pages of this complaint form must be filed together. There is a signature requirement on both pages.

### **Jurisdiction:**

- The alleged complaint(s) must be a direct, explicit violation(s) of the JEC Code of Regulations (or JEC bylaws). Complainant(s) are required to specify which title and section of the JEC Code of Regulations that a candidate violated.
- The JEC does not have jurisdiction over any complaints that fall outside of its Charter (SGA Bylaws §§ 700). Any filed complaint that includes a violation not covered in the JEC Code of Regulations (or JEC bylaws) may be dismissed.
- Complaints that fall outside of the jurisdiction of the JEC may include, but are not limited to violations of: The George Washington University Student Code of Conduct, any applicable rules and regulations of the George Washington University, and/or any local, state, or federal laws.

### **Confidentiality:**

- Confidentiality is an integral element in the violation process. Alleged complaints will be published online if probable cause is established, but all names, except for the accused candidates, will be redacted. Personal information such as phone numbers, addresses, and emails will also be redacted before publication.

### **Filing Requirements:**

- To file a complaint, the complainant(s) must properly complete this submission form and email it to the JEC email address.
  - JEC Email: [jec@gwu.edu](mailto:jec@gwu.edu)
- *Complaints must be filed within three calendar days of observing such a violation, unless incapacitated or unable.*
- All complaints must include these elements:
  - A specific reference to title and section of the JEC Code of Regulations violated.
  - An explanation of the alleged incident or violation including the time, place, location, and at least one witness (the witness may be the complainant).
  - Any evidence pertaining to the matter.

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I understand the parameters of a JEC complaint and the filing requirements.

**Complainant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Complainant(s):**

**Email:**

**Phone Number:**

**Candidate(s) Involved:**

**Incident Date:**

**Title and Section of JEC Code of Regulations Allegedly Violated:**

**Name of Witness(es):**

**Certification:**

By signing this form, I answer in the affirmative to the following statement:

*Do you do solemnly swear (or affirm) that everything you will say is true, complete, and accurate to the best of your knowledge, and do you understand that any deliberate omissions or false statements may be prosecuted under Title II section 11 of the Joint Elections Commission Code of Regulations, and do you further understand that if you are a candidate you may face three penalty points for each false statement or deliberate omission under Title II Section 11.2 of the Joint Elections Commission Code of Regulations?*

I further agree to cooperate with the investigation of the incident described above and appear before the JEC in the event of a hearing. I understand that refusal to cooperate with the investigation or failure to appear at any hearing may result in the dismissal of the complaint or prosecution by the JEC for failure to comply under Title II section 16 of the JEC Code of Regulations if I am a candidate. All evidence I will submit will be given only to the JEC investigative staff, either in-person or via email ([jec@gwu.edu](mailto:jec@gwu.edu)).

**Complainant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:**

**Description of the Incident or Violation** (*Must allege facts that plausibly suggest liability.*)

Complainant(s) may attach additional sheets to this document as needed.