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Information: Noah Hutchinson filed a complaint against the Montgomery/Anthony party for them allowing outside housing to sponsor them. Noah referenced Article V, Section 4, Item A.

Hutchinson- The first complain is in article 5 section 2 subsection B; “on campus housing which are UNT campus facilities” each candidate is supposed to be able an equal chance; this “gives the election board the ability to infer that this privately owned facility is mostly occupied for UNT students and is directed for them- giving their campaign an unfair advantage” Although it was on social media, there is 5 different articles that it applies to. Although it is an off-campus facility, most residents are from UNT and this has the opportunity to sway the votes.

Anthony- In the election code it does state that the prohibited areas are on campus housing, these places were not direct entities of UNT housing. We did not ask for permission because we did not ask them to post the post on their social media, they did that independently. It specifically says in the election code that it is only applying to on campus housing, anyone could’ve reached out to these places.

Hutchinson Rebuttal- article 2 sub 2 sub A/B, although it only specifies on campus housing election board has the opportunity to interpret that, and this does not give everyone an equal opportunity because most of the republic’s residents go to UNT. Door to door due the channel of which he got this post out there. There needed to be clear verification from the republic presented to the election board

Anthony Rebuttal- election code specifically says on campus housing; its not unfair that we wanted to represent all of our students and keep all of them informed. The republic posted it themselves, there was no flyers, we had no way of sneaking into their social media, they had the option to post it and they did. Nowhere was it stated that we could not reach out to off campus housing.

Decision: Since it is not UNT housing or owned by the university and the party received proper permission we do not believe that there is an election code violation.