

**The University of Alabama**  
**Student Government Association**  
***Student Elections Board Ruling***

**ELECTION:** Spring 2023 SGA General Election

**HEARING DATE:** Monday, February 27, 2023 & Tuesday, February 28, 2023

**COMPLAINANT:** Carry Ann Rainer

**ALLEGED:** Jordan Suttles, Arts & Sciences Senator

**ELECTION CODE VIOLATION(S):** XII. CAMPAIGN ETHICS.

- A. Candidates are expected to conduct themselves in an ethically appropriate manner in accordance with Student Government Association documents and the Code of Student Conduct. A violation of this Manual may also be a violation of the Code of Student Conduct or other University policy.
- B. A candidate or volunteer may under no circumstances intentionally interfere with the campaign of another candidate in any way.
- C. Tampering or interfering with campus elections or an individual's right to vote in the same such as: asking or requiring someone to provide evidence of voting for a particular candidate or issue; coercing or using valuable incentives to induce an individual to vote for a particular candidate or issue; or taking detrimental actions against an individual who refuses to vote for a particular candidate or issue is strongly prohibited.
- D. Sanctions for incentive violations can be imposed on candidates, students and/or Source registered organizations at the discretion of the Elections Board. These sanctions will be sent to the Office of Student Conduct for further review.

**ELECTIONS BOARD DECISION:** By a vote of 6-1, the Elections Board finds the Suttles Campaign in violation of Elections Code XII.A. During the hearing, Jordan Suttles confirmed that his former campaign manager was responsible for posting the derogatory comments on Collier Dobb's Instagram account using the alias @hgdfyhbbvccxx. This behavior is a clear violation of campaign ethics. It is essential that candidates and their campaign team adhere to ethical campaign practices and not engage in any behavior that could harm the reputation of The University of Alabama or the SGA. This is explicitly stated in the Elections Manual and was covered during the Mandatory Candidate Informational Meeting. The Board's decision reaffirms the Board's view that *any* student, regardless of their position or involvement in the campaign, can commit an election violation. Campaign managers and other members of the campaign team must be held accountable for their actions, and candidates must take responsibility for the conduct of their campaign team. The Board expects candidates to follow the rules and uphold the highest standards of integrity, and it is the opinion of the

Board that the actions of the Suttles' campaign team violated not only the rules and guidelines of the Elections Manual, but also the values of the Capstone Creed.

**PENALTY:**

The Suttles' Campaign is awarded 9 points for a major violation. Further, because the accumulation of twelve (12) points or conviction of a Major Violation allows the Elections Board to consider disqualification, the Board decided by a vote of 6-1 to disqualify Jordan Suttles from the Spring 2023 General Election.

Q1.1.

## The University of Alabama Student Government Association

### ELECTIONS VIOLATION COMPLAINT FORM *All information/blanks must be completed in order to be reviewed by the Elections Board*

Any member of The University of Alabama community shall have the right to file a complaint. Oral complaints will not be accepted, complaints **MUST** be filed in writing and will only be accepted via the following form.

Complaints **MUST** contain the following:

1. Name of the candidate and/or individual(s) who committed the alleged violation
2. Brief description of the alleged violation, including date and time of the incident and reference to the relevant provisions of the [Student Elections Board Manual](#)
3. Any applicable evidence
4. Printed name of the person filing the complaint
5. Signature of the person filing the complaint

No anonymous complaints will be reviewed. Further, complaints must be filed within 24 hours of the violation or within 24 hours of when the violation is known.

If you have questions regarding filing an Elections Violation Complaint Form, please email [sgaelections@ua.edu](mailto:sgaelections@ua.edu).

Q1.2. Name of person filling complaint:

Carrye Ann Rainer

Q1.3. Phone Number:

[REDACTED]

Q1.4. UA Crimson Email Address:

[REDACTED]

Q1.5. Date of Incident/Violation: (mm/dd/yyyy)

02/22/2023

Q1.6.

**ALLEGED**

Person(s) committing the alleged violation and for whom, the complaint is being filed against.

Jordan Suttles

Q1.7.

**ELECTION CODE VIOLATIONS**

List specific election codes that were allegedly violated. Refer to the [Elections Manual](#) for the relevant provisions of the code. *Example: XIX.C.9. Exceeding campaign spending limit*

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Q1.8.

**DESCRIPTION/NARRATIVE**

Please provide a brief description of the alleged violation, including date, time, and location of the incident; along with a list of individuals who were involved and/or may have knowledge of the alleged violation.

Persons: Jordan Suttles and Team Date: 02/22/2023 throughout the day Location: On **Collier Dobbs instagram**, under the alias @hgfdyfhbbvccxx the person named was commenting rude, obscene comments in a spamming manner under Candidate Collier Dobbs instagram posts. These included, but were not limited to: "lets focus on collaboration to get your face fixed [insert emojis]" "i've never seen a group of more ugly people " "do you even know any people of color [insert emojis]" "are you even a student here mf looks 50 years old [insert emojis]" "maybe you should focus on walking more to loose a couple of pounds [insert emojis]" "stripes and plaid don't go together bozo [insert emojis]" This is a clear violation of campaign ethics, the student conduct manual, and the Capstone Creed. His identify was proven through the Instagram recovery process. This process prompts you to 1.)on the login screen, tap forgot password 2.) enter username, email or phone, and tap login with facebook. 3.) tap next, and follow the on-screen instructions 4.) a link will be sent to either your email or phone to help reset your password. If you go to log into an account, and you type in the username used by the candidate @hgfdyfhbbvccxx followed by his phone number 205-535-6342 (which can be verified on his submission forms) it allows the reset link to be successfully sent to the phone number. Thus, verifying that Jordan Suttles is the owner of this account and committed a violation of campaign ethics.

Q2.1.

**APPLICABLE EVIDENCE**

Attach additional information and/or files for consideration.

[RPReplay\\_Final1677088078.MOV](#)

1MB

video/quicktime

Q2.2.

**PRINTED NAME**

# < Notifications

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hgfdfyhhbbvccxx commented: let's focus on collaboration to get your face fixed 🤔🤔🤔🤔 2m



♡ Reply



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hgfdfyhhbbvccxx commented: do you even know any people of color 🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔 2m



♡ Reply



hgfdfyhhbbvccxx commented: hmmm i love this diversity 🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔 3m



♡ Reply



grantalderman00 liked your post. 3m



hgfdfyhhbbvccxx commented: are you even a student here mf looks 50 years old 🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔🤔 3m



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♡ Reply





Privacy, Security and Reporting > Login and Passwords

## I Can't Log In



### Username and Password Troubleshooting

#### Recover your Instagram password



If you can't remember your password, you can reset it using your email address, phone number or Facebook account.

- 1 On the login screen, tap **Forgot Password?**
- 2 Enter username, email or phone, and tap **Log in with Facebook**.
- 3 Tap **Next**, and follow the on-screen instructions.
- 4 A link will be sent to either your email or phone to help reset your password.

Learn more about what you can do if you **don't know your username**.

If you're not able to reset your password this way, **visit this page** on your desktop or mobile browser to secure your account.

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jordan suttles

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(205) [REDACTED]

FaceTime

- Send Message
- Share Contact
- Create New Contact
- Add to Existing Contact

Q2.2.

**PRINTED NAME**

Please type your full name to indicate that you understand that this complaint report is **NOT** confidential and may be shared publicly, per *ARTICLE VIII Section 1 (D)(1)(c)* of the [SGA Constitution](#), which states that "the Student Elections Board shall publish **all** alleged election and campaign violations, as well as their respective decisions, on the SGA website following their Student Elections Board hearing."

Carrye Ann Rainer

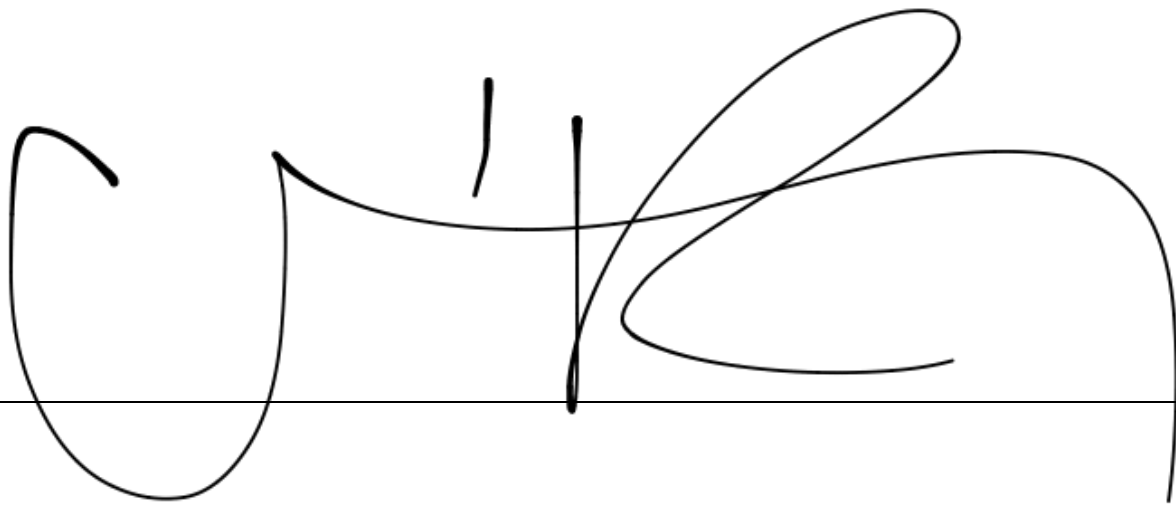
Q2.3.

**ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE & POLICY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**


Knowingly filing a frivolous or bad faith complaint may result in the individual or campaign filing the complaint being subject to sanctions and/or referral to the Office of Student Conduct (OSC) for review and adjudication.

By signing below, I confirm my understanding of the aforementioned Elections Board policy on filing complaints and certify that all information contained in this report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Further, I acknowledge and understand that should this complaint result in a hearing, that both the alleged violation and the decision of the Student Elections Board shall be published on the [Election Violations](#) page of the SGA website within twenty-four hours after the violation has been ruled upon.

*A signature is required to submit this form. Please sign below using your mouse cursor (or finger, if you are using a tablet or other mobile device with touchscreen capabilities) to indicate your acceptance of the above stated terms.*

 A handwritten signature in black ink on a white background. The signature is cursive and appears to read 'Carrye Ann Rainer'. There is a small 'x' icon on the left side of the signature area and a 'clear' button on the right side.

Q2.4. Captcha Verification

I'm not a robot   
reCAPTCHA  
Privacy - Terms



**Saturday, February 25, 2023 at 12:23:47 Central Standard Time**

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**Subject:** Re: URGENT: RESPONSE REQUIRED campaign violation

**Date:** Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 11:17:40 AM Central Standard Time

**From:** Jordan Suttles [REDACTED]

**To:** sgaelections <sgaelections@ua.edu>

**Attachments:** RPReplay\_Final16771 302 79 .mov

Good morning!

I would also further like to add more evidence that proves that the fake account commenting those hateful words were not me. I have included a screen recording of me logging into my personal account. Using Ms. Rainer's same steps, I click send link to the recovery number provided. However, the main difference is I actually received a link this time to my account with a code to enter it. This proves that the number associated with the fake account is in fact, not mine, as I did not receive a code when the recovery code was sent to the number on account. This shows that the function is not faulty, as it works on my own personal account, which includes my personal phone number. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help.

Jordan Suttles

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**Subject:** Re: URGENT: RESPONSE REQUIRED campaign violation  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 22, 2023 at 5:52:50 PM Central Standard Time  
**From:** Jordan Suttles [REDACTED]  
**To:** sgaelections <sgaelections@ua.edu>  
**Attachments:** Image.jpeg, RPReplay\_Final1677108582.mov, RPReplay\_Final1677108611.mov

As well, I would like to further prove my case.

My campaign manager went through the same recovery process that was listed in the email. As you can see, she used a random number, a number that is NOT linked to her account (as the screenshot and screen recording provided proves), yet the recovery link is still sent to the random number. Proving that any number can be used for the recovery process, even if it's not a number linked to that account. This proves that the entire accusation is false and disproving Ms. Rainer's "evidence."

Thank you.

Jordan Suttles

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**From:** Jordan Suttles [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 22, 2023 5:26:15 PM  
**To:** sgaelections <sgaelections@ua.edu>  
**Subject:** Re: URGENT: RESPONSE REQUIRED campaign violation

Good afternoon!

I believe I am being posed for something I did not commit and would never commit. Using Ms. Rainer's recovery process, I used the same step-by-step guide she provided in my screen recording. As you can see, I get no notification for a "recovery link." The email and phone number provided are blocked out besides an "i" and a phone number ending in -42. Ms. Rainer is right in the fact that my phone number does end in -42. However, as you can see from the screen recording provided, I do not receive a recover link, thus proving that Ms. Rainer has in fact, jumped to conclusions, and posed something on me that me, nor my campaign team has done. To further my argument, I would never, and will never in my life make fun of someone's weight, nor make fun of a woman's appearance. As well, I know my place as a white person, and do not have the authority to speak on people of color representation, as that is not my place. I am getting frustrated from being accused of senseless violations that I am not breaking. I am in contact with Instagram's help center as we speak to discover the identity of the actual number to prove that my phone number is not connected to this account. I am in the middle of a professional campaign, and it is absolutely ridiculous to think I would waste my time commenting hateful stuff. I am ready to meet for a hearing.

Thanks!

Jordan Suttles

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**From:** sgaelections <sgaelections@ua.edu>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 22, 2023 4:32 PM  
**To:** Jordan Suttles [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** URGENT: RESPONSE REQUIRED campaign violation

Jordan,

This email is to notify you that the following violation has been submitted against your campaign by Carrye Ann Rainer:

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The board will be meeting to discuss this violation and determine if it merits a hearing. If you would like to send us a statement in reply to this email to use in our meeting, you may do so.

Please let us know if you have any further questions!

Ansley Stamper

Student Government Association Elections Board