

# CHIEF RETURNING OFFICER / ELECTIONS & REFERENDUM COMMITTEE RULING

## ***Toronto Metropolitan Students' Union By-Elections 2023***

*The following is a ruling of the Election & Referenda Committee relating to the 2023 TMSU By-Election.*

The rules and procedures of the election are determined by the TMSU By-Laws and the Election Procedure Code, which can be found here: [yourtmsu.ca/election](http://yourtmsu.ca/election)

Ruling Code #	ERC#0010DF
Date Received:	11/22/2023
Date of Ruling:	11/24/2023
Related Rulings	N/A
Type of Decision	Initial ruling
Nature of Decision	Violation of Fair Play
Complainant/CRO:	Complainant
Nominee/ Candidate:	Team Empire - Muhammed Awais, Hafsa Iqbal & Nikole Dan
Alleged Violation in By-laws or the Code	If this complaint is founded it would be a violation of Fair Play in section 8.1.11 of the Code
Relevant Penalties provided in the Code	Maximum of 20 demerit points - failure to comply with the spirit and purpose of the Code



### **Evidence presented by the Complainant/CRO:**

The complainant alleges that on November 21st around 8-9pm there were two people on the 8th floor of the library asking them to vote for Team Empire. The complainant told them that they had already voted on Monday, they then proceeded to ask the complaint who they voted for.

### **Evidence presented by the Nominee/Candidate:**

Team Empire stated that their slate knew that they cannot campaign in the Library. So their team members did not go there.

### **ERC Decision:**

The ERC has found the complaint to be unsubstantiated due to a lack of evidence and contradictory statements from the Candidate and Complainant

<b>CRO/ERC Decision</b>	
Penalties Issued	N/A
Deadline to Appeal	N/A this in an ERC ruling

