

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Case Number: RB 315-002
Filed on: September 2, 2007
Hearing: Wednesday, Oct. 3, 2007
Petitioners: Alan Kennedy-Shaffer, SBA member
Joe Luppino-Esposito, 2008 Senator,
Chairman Emeritus

Challenging the Student Bar Association's unconstitutional and undemocratic appointment of Student Assembly senators, and seeking the direct popular election of all Student Bar Association senators.

- **The Constitution** – “The Senate shall be...chosen in election.”
- **Plain Meaning** – “If the students that passed the constitution had wanted graduate senators to be appointed, they simply would have used that word.”
- **Tradition** – “The Senate shall consist of...five (5) Graduate Council Representatives to be elected by their respective schools.”
- **Original Intent** – “The Senate shall be...chosen in election...Senators from the Graduate Schools [shall be] apportioned among and sent by the Schools as the Graduate Council shall designate.”
- **The Code** – “The...Senate shall be elected.”

Note: All text included in this executive summary is taken directly from the PowerPoint presentation of the petitioners.