

ASCSU Supreme Court Case No. 5304
Opinion of the Court

**SUPREME COURT FOR THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLORADO STATE
UNIVERSITY
February 20 2023**

CLARIFICATION ON THE JURISDICTION OF ASCSU GUIDING DOCUMENTS AND
ASCSU'S ABILITY TO SELF GOVERN

CHIEF JUSTICE ALAYNA TRUXAL delivered the opinion of the Court

AN ASSOCIATE SENATOR FOR THE OFFICE OF ADULT LEARNERS VETERANS SERVICES (ALVS), MADELEINE KAMBERG, requested an opinion on the jurisdiction of ASCSU's documents/rules/policies/regulations in regards to organizations that receive funding from ASCSU and if ASCSU has the ability to self govern.

The following questions were submitted for an opinion:

1. Are ASCSU documents/rules/regulations/policies applicable to all organizations that receive funding from ASCSU
2. Does ASCSU have the ability to self-govern, that is, to make its own rules and policies that only apply internally to the organization

The ASCSU Supreme Court has determined the following;

1. In a 7-0-0 vote, the Court determined, after careful consideration and thorough review of our authority and jurisdiction, that we are unable to render an opinion or decision on this matter. The Court is committed to upholding the principles of fairness and integrity within the Associated Students of Colorado State University. However, it is essential to recognize the limitations of our authority. Upon review, it has become apparent that the issue at hand falls outside the purview of the Courts jurisdiction. While we may not have the authority to intervene in this particular question, we remain committed to supporting the student body and promoting a campus environment conducive to growth, learning, and mutual respect. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter.