

SPRING TERM, 2013
OPINION OF THE COURT

NOTICE: The following document represents a Decision by the Supreme Court of the Student Government Association of Texas Tech University and is binding on all parties concerned within.

STUDENT SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

COTTON v. STOVALL

Decided March 8, 2013

ON PETITION FOR APPEAL CONCERNING THE TEXAS TECH
UNIVERSITY ELECTION COMMISSION DECISION OF MARCH 3, 2013.

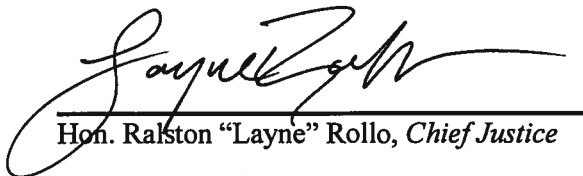
CHIEF JUSTICE ROLLO, with whom JUSTICE URYASZ, JUSTICE MEYER, and JUSTICE SCIOLI join, issues the opinion of the Court.

TO ALL PARTIES INVOLVED:

The Supreme Court of the Student Government Association of Texas Tech University has reached a decision in *Cotton v. Stovall* (2013-01). It is the opinion of the Court that the Election Commission's decision of March 3, 2013 should be REVERSED. The Election Commission is hereby commanded to reinstate the results of the election in regards to the Office of the President and the Office of the Vice President for Internal Affairs. Furthermore, since the violation of § 7.31 of the Election Code was not appealed, the Court hereby commands the Election Commission to proceed with a new election for the Office of the Vice President for External Affairs, in accordance with their prescribed guidelines.

The temporary restraining order on campaigning is hereby lifted, in accordance with this opinion.

The full opinion of the Court to follow.



Hon. Ralston "Layne" Rollo, *Chief Justice*

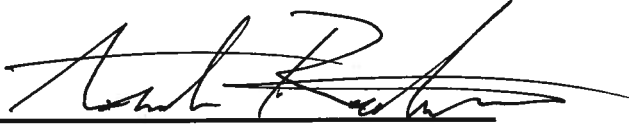
/S/
Hon. Michael Uryasz, *Senior Associate Justice*

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Hon. Michelle Meyer, *Associate Justice*

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Hon. Keith Scioli, *Associate Justice*

JUSTICE ROBERTSON, with whom JUSTICE MONTEMAYOR joins, dissents with the opinion. I do not believe that justice is best served by today's decision and I must respectfully dissent with the Court's opinion. I would AFFIRM the Election Commission's decision of March 3, 2013 and believe that a new election should have proceeded as ordered by the Commission.

A full dissenting opinion to follow.



Hon. Drew Robertson, Associate Justice

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Hon. Tiffany Montemayor, Associate Justice