

# UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI STUDENT GOVERNMENT SUPREME COURT

## ADVISORY OPINION TO RECOMMEND THAT CLUB SPORTS TO RETAIN THEIR SENATE SEAT

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On Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, a representative from Club Sports came before the University of Miami Student Government Supreme Court presenting their opinion as to whether they should retain their Senate seat.

*HELD:* Pursuant to Article II, Section 2-4 of the Constitution of the University of Miami Student Government, the Supreme Court unanimously recommended that Club Sports be granted Senate membership.

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE WINANS delivered the opinion of the Court.

## ADVISORY OPINION TO RECOMMEND THAT SPECTRUM BE GRANTED A SENATE SEAT

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE WINANS delivered the following opinion.

Article II, Section 2-4 of the University of Miami Student Government Constitution entitles any undergraduate student organization a seat in the Senate if the organization “demonstrates substantive need.” Furthermore, two conditions must be met: (1) the organization “is a duly registered University student organization,” and (2) “receives funding from a mandatory fee source in the University.” The Supreme Court has determined that Club Sports meets both qualifications – Club Sports is a duly registered student organization that receives funding from SAFAC.

The Club Sports representative presented evidence that Club Sports has a long-established history on campus, offering a community for students to engage in team activities and travel the country. Club Sports has a history of working on behalf of their constituency in Senate, and through testimony presented to the court, it was evident that Club Sports, with its large numbers and valuable purpose, deserves representation in the Student Government Senate.

After careful consideration, the Supreme Court believes that Club Sports is a student organization that merits a favorable recommendation to retain Senate membership.