

Section I - Summary

This Chapter shall serve as the founding document for the responsibilities, duties, actions, and powers given to the Chief Justice of the Judicial Council. All matters included herein remain subject to the authority and supremacy of any responsibilities, duties, actions, and powers granted to the Chief Justice by the ASUCR Constitution.

Section II - Job Description

1. The Chief Justice shall:
 - a. Have served one (1) year as an Associate Justice;
 - i. The second (2nd) term must immediately follow the first (1st) term.
 - b. Serve as Chief Executive of the Judicial Council, overseeing all matters relating to the Council's function, organization, membership, etc.;
 - c. In the absence of a general advocate, serve as the primary liaison between the Judicial, Executive, and Legislative branches, respectively;
 - i. In the presence of a General Advocate, the Chief Justice shall be responsible for instructing and supervising the duties of the General Advocate.
 - d. Serve as the Chair of all meetings of the Judicial Council, be they official or unofficial;
 - i. They shall have the final say in interpreting all matters relating to Parliamentary Procedure and Robert's Rules of Order.
 - ii. The Chief Justice may recuse their chairship to the Vice Chief of the Council or other member at the Chief's discretion.
 - e. Serve as the official custodian of all financial matters of the Judicial Council, including, but not limited to, the signing of requisitions, drafting a budget for approval by the Judicial Council, supplying the council with necessary material, and all other financial matters as the Council may find necessary;
 - i. The financial duties of the Chief Justice may be delegated to the Judicial Finance Committee as outlined by Judicial Rules and Procedures.

- ii. Any budget proposal provided by the Chief Justice must first be approved by the Judicial Finance Committee, followed by the entirety of the Judicial Branch, before the Chief Justice may submit said proposal to ASUCR.
- f. Hold, at minimum, one (1) office hour session per week, every week of the academic year;
 - i. The time and location of these office hours must be publicly noted in the ASUCR office and Judicial Social media.
 - ii. At minimum, these office hours must be fifty (50) minutes in length.
 - iii. To maintain accessibility, the Chief Justice must simultaneously offer in-person and online office hours, with all links and necessary information publicly available.
 - iv. The Chief Justice may, at their discretion, limit office hours to be by appointment or walk-in, provided that full consideration is given to allow the maximum amount of student accessibility.
- g. Exercise one vote on the Judicial Council;
 - i. The Chief Justice retains the discretion to recuse themselves from voting or choosing to function as a tie-breaking vote.
- h. Preside over any removal hearings of any single Executive Branch member or Senator as prescribed by the ASUCR Constitution;
- i. Meet with Senate and Executive leadership in a consistent and productive manner to discuss updates on non-confidential Judicial matters and potential for cross-branch improvement;
 - i. The time and place of such meetings shall be at the discretion of the Chief Justice and respective leadership.
 - ii. If the Chief Justice and respective leaders agree that a meeting is not needed, then this requirement may be waived on a monthly basis.
- j. Present to the ASUCR Senate, through Public Comment or agenda items, updates on Judicial matters as deemed necessary;
 - i. Judicial matters includes, but is not limited to, Council requests requiring cross-branch cooperation, updates on Judicial investigations into ASUCR,

updates on Judicial Review of ASUCR, event updates and awareness, and changes in Rules and Procedures.

- k. Attend all Senate meetings for the entirety of the academic year;
 - i. Attendance may be waived by the Chief's appeal to the voting members of the Council, with a minimum majority required for approval
 - ii. In the case of absence, the Chief Justice must follow up within a week with the ASUCR Executive Vice President, President Pro Tempore, and/or the Executive Director on the events of the Senate meeting in question.
- l. Serve as Chair of any and all Judicial Committee's, unless otherwise waived by the Chief Justice;
- m. Perform all other duties and responsibilities as requested or found necessary by the Chief Justice or Judicial Branch.

Section III - Elections

- 1. The Chief Justice shall be elected by a simple majority of the Judicial Council at elections held in accordance with the Elections Chapter of these Rules and Procedures.

Section IV - Oath of Office

- 1. The Chief Justice, upon assuming their position at the beginning of the Academic Year, shall be required to take an oath presided over by the outgoing Chief Justice;
 - a. Non-discrimination Clause:
 - i. The Judicial Council may not, at any time, require the use of any specific text, document, object, or other, with specific religious, spiritual, and/or cultural significance.
 - ii. Any use of such an item must be made optional to all, and must be at the discretion and choosing of the Chief Justice elect as may be personally desired for their own oath.
- 2. The Oath for the Chief Justice shall be as follows;
 - a. "I, _____, solemnly swear that I shall carefully and honorably discharge my duties as Chief Justice, that I shall support and defend the Constitution and Bylaws of the Associated Students of UC Riverside, that I shall uphold the

integrity and mission of the Judicial Council, that I shall faithfully and equitably serve and protect all members of the Judicial Branch, until the conclusion of my term.”

Section V - Stipends and Accountability

1. The Chief Justice shall:
 - a. Receive a monthly stipend for their duties, as determined by the ASUCR Stipend Bylaw and the Judicial Rules and Procedures, respectively.
 - b. Submit a bi-weekly accountability report to the Judicial Secretary conveying actions taken on behalf of the Council, meetings attended, hours accumulated, and all other information deemed necessary for financial accountability.

Section VI - Removal

1. The Chief Justice may be removed from their position in accordance with the 10th Chapter of these Rules and Procedures.

Section VII - Amendments

1. This chapter of the Judicial Rules and Procedures may be amended through:
 - a. A simple majority of the Judicial Council;
 - b. Amendments may only be made by members of the Judicial Branch, as defined in Chapter 1 of the Rules and Procedures;