



JUDICIAL COUNCIL  
*University of Notre Dame*

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Members of the Student Senate,

It is with great pleasure that I present to you my nominee, Serena Melonio, for the position of Judicial Council Vice-President of Peer Advocacy for the 2024-2025 term.

According to Article XII, Section 3(b)(4)(A) of the Constitution of the Undergraduate Student Body, “The Judicial Council Vice-President of Peer Advocacy shall coordinate the duties and training of any selected undergraduate student advocates.” This broad definition gives significant latitude to the Vice-President of Peer Advocacy to direct the Peer Advocacy program in a manner they see fit. Naturally, then, the position stresses leadership capabilities, creativity, and the willingness of the officeholder to take strong initiative.

Serena is a Junior Political Science and English major with a minor in Health, Humanities, and Society, originally from Pittsburgh but currently residing in Flaherty Hall. Serena has served as a Peer Advocate for two consecutive years, a strong tenure that has undoubtedly prepared her to fulfill and exceed the duties of Vice-President of Peer Advocacy. During her two years serving as a Peer Advocate, she has developed a deeper understanding of the program and has gained a glimpse into the ways in which Peer Advocacy can be improved. Serena exhibits an excitement for enhancing the Peer Advocacy program through new initiatives that bolster engagement with the student body. She hopes to collaborate with other organizations and departments on campus to increase the visibility and awareness of Peer Advocates around campus, and to ensure a greater degree of equity in the administration of disciplinary outcomes. Throughout her time as a Peer Advocate, she has been eager to help many of her fellow peers, whether formally or informally, navigate the OCS process, without any degree of fatigue or lassitude. I am absolutely confident that Serena will bring creative and innovative ideas and take the initiative to advance the Peer Advocacy program during her term to better serve the needs of the Notre Dame student body.

I fully endorse Serena Melonio for the position of Judicial Council Vice-President of Peer Advocacy.

Respectfully submitted,

Hunter Brooke  
*Judicial Council President*