



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, Sophonie Alcindor, for the position of Judicial Council Vice-President of Peer Advocacy for the 2022-2023 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 office-holder to take initiative.

Sophonie is well-prepared to fulfill the duties of Vice-President of Peer Advocacy, and I am confident that she will go above and beyond to build the Peer Advocacy program into a better known and more helpful organization for the students it serves. Sophonie’s initiative to better serve Notre Dame students is evidenced by her work with the First Gen Careers Initiative where she serves as the Vice-President of Public Relations. Through this role, Sophonie has gained valuable experience in communication and programming for students. She has also developed a deep sense of empathy for her peers through her work as a tutor in the University Writing Center. As a tutor, Sophonie has read the vulnerable and impassioned words of other students. She has gotten to know these students and their stories, which has guided her toward empathizing with and caring for her fellow peers. Sophonie has demonstrated a strong understanding on how to improve Peer Advocacy to better serve Notre Dame students and increase the program’s outreach.

I fully endorse Sophonie Alcindor for the position of Judicial Council Vice-President of Peer Advocacy.

Respectfully submitted,

Madison Nemeth  
*Judicial Council President*