

BEFORE THE BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF CHICAGO ELECTORAL BOARD DULY CONSTITUTED FOR THE HEARING AND PASSING UPON OF OBJECTIONS TO THE NOMINATION PAPERS OF CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO THE OFFICE OF ALDERMAN OF THE 31th WARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, TO BE VOTED UPON AT THE FEBRUARY 26, 2019 MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION.

JOSHUA BIRD-MARTINEZ,

Petitioners-Objectors,

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Case No. 19-EB-ALD-026

RENNE "TEX" CHAVEZ,

Respondent-Candidate.

OBJECTOR'S PETITION

Petitioner-Objector Joshua Bird-Martinez ("Objector") hereby files this Objector Petition pursuant to Article 10 of the Election Code and 10 ILCS 5/10-8 challenging the legal and factual sufficiency of the nomination papers of Respondent-Candidate Renne "Tex" Chavez ("Candidate") for the position of Alderman of the 31st Ward of the City of Chicago, Illinois, and the validity of voter signatures contained therein, which are not in compliance with Illinois law, as follows:

- Objector Joshua Bird-Martinez resides at 2447 N. Kildare Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60639, and is a duly qualified, legal and registered voter at this same address within the 31st Ward of the City of Chicago, Illinois.
- 2. The Objector's interest in filing this objection is that of citizens and voters desirous of seeing to it that the election laws of Illinois governing the filing of election petitions are properly complied with, and that only duly qualified candidates for the office of Alderman

of the 31st Ward of the City of Chicago shall appear on the ballot for the Municipal General Election on February 26, 2019.

- 3. Candidate filed a Statement of Candidacy and petition signatures seeking to be placed on the ballot for election to the position of Alderman of the 31st Ward of the City of Chicago ("Nomination Papers").
- 4. Pursuant to Illinois law, the Nomination Papers of Candidate shall contain at least 473 signatures of qualified electors of the 31st Ward of the City of Chicago, collected in the manner prescribed by law between August 28, 2018 and November 26, 2018.
- 5. Objectors state that the Nomination Papers filed by Candidate are insufficient in fact and law because Candidate failed to submit 473 petition signatures.
- 6. Objector requests a finding that the Nomination Papers are factually and legally insufficient with fewer signatures than required, such that the Electoral Board shall issue a decision that the name of Candidate not appear or be printed on the ballot for the February 26, 2019 Municipal General Election.

WHEREFORE, Objectors request the following: (a) a hearing on the objections set forth herein; (b) a records examination be ordered of Candidate's Nomination Papers and the official voter registration records of voters; (c) a determination that the Nomination Papers of Candidate are legally and factually insufficient; (d) a decision that the name of Candidate, "Renne Tex-Chavez", shall not be printed on the official ballot as a candidate for the position of Alderman of the 31st Ward of the City of Chicago, Illinois, for the February 26, 2019 Municipal General Election.

Submitted by:

Joshua/Bird-Martinez 2447 N. Kildare Ave.

Chicago, Illinois 60639

State of Illinois)
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County of Cook) ss.

VERIFICATION

The undersigned, having been duly sworn, under oath deposes and affirms that the facts stated in the foregoing Objection are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief, and he desires to see the election laws enforced, and that only duly qualified candidates' names be printed on the ballot for the Municipal General Election to be held on February 26, 2019.

Joshua Bird-Martinez

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the above-written Objector on December 2, 2018.

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Notary Public

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