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BEFORE THE DULY CONSTITUTED ELECTORAL BOARD FOR THE HEARING AND PASSING UPON NOMINATION OBJECTIONS TO THE NOMINATION PAPERS OF CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE OF ALDERMAN OF THE 9th WARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, TO BE VOTED UPON AT THE FEBRUARY 26th 2019, MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION(s)

AVA THOMAS,		
Petitioner-Objector		
v.)	Case No.	19-EB-ALD-136
MARCIA BROWN WILLIAMS,		
Respondent Candidate)		್ ≎
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AVA THOMAS, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the Objector, states as follows?

- 1. The Objector resides at 10347 South Indiana Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, 60628, in the Ninth (9th) Ward of the City of Chicago, County of Cook, State of Illinois, and is a duly qualified, legal, and registered voter at that address. The objector is a registered voter in the 9th ward in the city of Chicago.
- 2. The Objector's interest in filing this Petition is that of a voter desirous that the laws governing the filing of nomination papers for the office of Alderman of the 9th Ward, City of Chicago, County of Cook, State of Illinois, are properly complied with and that only qualified candidates appear on the ballot for said office. The objector has stated a valid interest in the election and meets this requirement of filing an objection.
- 3. The Candidate Marcia Williams Brown is a candidate for the 9th Ward in/of the City of Chicago. The candidate did *NOT* file a receipt of her Statement of Economic Interest with her nominating petitions.

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4. The Objector makes the following objections to the purported nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of ("Candidate"), for the Non Partisan Nomination for the office of the Alderman of the 9th Ward of/in the City of Chicago("Office"), County of Cook, State of Illinois

to be voted for at the General Primary Election on February 26th, 2019 ("Election"). The Objector states that the Nomination Papers are insufficient in fact and law for the following reasons:

- 5. The Objector notes the fact that Marcia Brown Williams did not file a Statement of Economic Interest and did not file her receipt of the Statement of Economic Interest as Required with her Nominating Petitions and other required Nomination Papers (for example Statement of Economic Interest) as required by Law.
- 6. A candidate for the Office to be voted for at the Election must timely file with the Cook County Clerk a Statement of Economic Interests as required by the Illinois Governmental Ethics Act in relation to his candidacy. In violation of the Election Code, the Candidate has failed to file the required Statement of Economic Interests by the end of the period for the filing of nomination papers.
- 7. A candidate for the Office to be voted for at the Election must timely file with the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners a Receipt for their Statement of Economic Interests from the Cook County Clerk. Such receipt shall be so filed not later than the last day on which nomination papers may be filed. In violation of the Election Code, the Candidate has failed to file the required Receipt for her Statement of Economic Interests by the end of the period for the filing of nomination papers.
- 8. The Candidate's Nomination Papers are legally and factually insufficient due to her failure to file with the Cook County Clerk a Statement of Economic Interests on or before November 26, 2018. The Candidate's Nomination Papers are legally and factually insufficient due to her failure to file with the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners a Receipt for a Statement of Economic Interests on or before November 26, 2018. The Candidate failed to comply with both of these mandatory provisions of the Illinois Election Code. By the law of the State of Illinois and the precedent of this Electoral Board, the Candidate's name is not eligible to appear on the ballot for the Office at the Election.

WHEREFORE, the Objectors request: a) a hearing on the objections set forth herein; b) an examination by the aforesaid Electoral Board of the official records relating to voters in the City of Chicago, County of Cook, State of Illinois—specifically the lack of the Statement of Economic Interest for the candidate, to the extent that such examination is pertinent to any of the matters alleged herein; c) a ruling that the Nomination Papers are insufficient in law and fact, and d) a ruling that the name of MARCIA BROWN WILLIAMS shall not appear and shall not be printed on the ballot for Election to the office of Alderman of Ninth (9th) Ward of/in the City of Chicago, County of Cook, State of Illinois, to be voted for at the Municipal General Election to be held on the 26th day of February, 2019. The candidate did not file the Statement of Economic Interest Receipt with her Nomination Papers and this is fatal and her name should be stricken from the ballot.

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