

**BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO
AS A DULY CONSTITUTED ELECTORAL BOARD**

Objections of: VIRGIL E. JONES)	
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To the Nomination)	No.: 07-EB-ALD-150
Papers of: MICHAEL SMITH)	(rel. 07-EB-ALD-016, ALD-140)
)	
Candidate for the office of)	
Alderman of the Fifteenth Ward,)	
City of Chicago)	

FINDINGS AND DECISION

The duly constituted Electoral Board, consisting of Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Chicago Commissioners Langdon D. Neal and Richard A. Cowen, organized by law in response to a Call issued by Langdon D. Neal, Chairman of said Electoral Board, for the purpose of hearing and passing upon objections (“Objections”) of VIRGIL E. JONES (“Objector”) to the nomination papers (“Nominating Papers”) of MICHAEL SMITH, candidate for the office of Alderman of the Fifteenth Ward for the City of Chicago (“Candidate”) to be elected at the Municipal General Election to be held on February 27, 2007, having convened on January 2, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 800, 69 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, and having heard and determined the Objections to the Nomination Papers in the above-entitled matter, finds that:

1. Objections to the Nomination Papers of the Candidate herein were duly and timely filed.
2. The said Electoral Board has been legally constituted according to the laws of the State of Illinois.

3. A Call to the hearing on said Objections was duly issued by the Chairman of the Electoral Board and served upon the members of the Electoral Board, the Objector and the Candidate, by registered or certified mail and by Sheriff's service, as provided by statute.

4. A public hearing held on these Objections commenced on January 2, 2007 and was continued from time to time.

5. The Electoral Board assigned this matter to Hearing Examiner William Jones for further hearings and proceedings.

6. The Objector and the Candidate were directed by the Electoral Board's Call served upon them to appear before the Hearing Examiner on the date and at the time designated in the Call. The following persons, among others, were present at such hearing; the Objector, VIRGIL E. JONES, *pro se*; and the Candidate, MICHAEL SMITH, *pro se*.

7. The Board finds that this case is mooted by virtue of the decision rendered by the Electoral Board in case 07-EB-ALD-016, wherein the Candidate's Nomination Papers were found to be invalid.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED the name of MICHAEL SMITH, candidate for election to the office of Alderman of the Fifteenth Ward of the City of Chicago, SHALL NOT be printed on the official ballot for the Municipal General Election to be held on February 27, 2007.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this 16th day of January 2007



Langdon D. Neal, Chairman



Richard A. Cowen, Commissioner

NOTICE: Pursuant to Section 10-10.1 of the Election Code (10 ILCS 5/10-10.1) a party aggrieved of this decision and seeking judicial review of this decision must file a petition for

judicial review with the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County within 10 days after the decision of the Electoral Board.