

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

Objections of: NEREIDA NIEVES)	
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To the Nomination)	No. 08-EB-WC-09
Papers of: MANUEL 'MANNY' FLORES)	
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Candidate for the office of Ward)	
Committeeman for the 1st Ward of the City)	
of Chicago, Democratic Party)	

FINDINGS AND DECISION

The duly constituted Electoral Board, consisting of Chicago Board of Election Commissioners Langdon D. Neal, Richard A. Cowen, and Marisel A. Hernandez, 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 NEREIDA NIEVES ("Objector") to the nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of MANUEL 'MANNY' FLORES , candidate for election to the office of Ward Committeeman for the 1st Ward of the City of Chicago, Democratic Party ("Candidate"), having convened on November 26, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., at 69 W. Washington Street, 8th Floor Conference Room, 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 November 26, 2007 and was continued from time to time.

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

6. The Objector and the Candidate were directed by the Electoral Board to appear before the Hearing Examiner for a hearing on the date and at the time designated on the Electoral Board's docket. The following persons, among others, were present at such hearing: the Objector, NEREIDA NIEVES, appearing by counsel, Michael E. Lavelle; and the Candidate, MANUEL 'MANNY' FLORES, by counsel, Richard K. Means.

7. The Electoral Board finds that on November 26, 2007, the Objector filed a motion to withdraw her Objections against the Candidate's Nomination Papers.

8. The Electoral Board further finds that there are no additional Objections filed against the Candidate's Nomination Papers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Objector's motion to withdraw the Objections is granted and said Objections are withdrawn and that the name of MANUEL 'MANNY' FLORES, candidate for election to the office of Ward Committeeman for the 1st Ward of the City of Chicago, Democratic Party, SHALL be printed on the official ballot for the General Primary Election to be held on February 5, 2008.

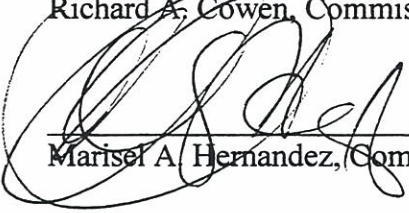
Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this 14th day of December 2007.



Langdon D. Neal, Chairman



Richard A. Cowen, Commissioner



Marisel A. Hernandez, 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.