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

Objections of: SHARON DENISE DIXON)
To the Nomination Papers of: MICHAEL D. CHANDLER)) No. 08-EB-WC-26) (rel. case 08-EB-WC-25)
Candidate for the office of Ward Committeeman for the 24th 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 SHARON DENISE DIXON ("Objector") to the nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of MICHAEL D. CHANDLER, candidate for election to the office of Ward Committeeman for the 24th 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.
- A public hearing held on these Objections commenced on November 26,
 2007 and was continued from time to time.
- The Electoral Board assigned this matter to Hearing Examiner Frank A.
 Tedesso 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, SHARON DENISE DIXON, appearing by counsel, Richard K. Means. The Candidate, MICHAEL D. CHANDLER, did not appear at said hearing, nor did anyone appear in his behalf.
- 7. The Electoral Board finds that on November 23, 2007, the Candidate filed papers with the Cook County Clerk withdrawing as a candidate and requesting that his name not be printed upon the ballot, thus rendering the Objections moot.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the name of MICHAEL D. CHANDLER, candidate for election to the office of Ward Committeeman for the 24th Ward of the City of Chicago, Democratic Party, SHALL NOT be printed on the official ballot for the General Primary Election to be held on February 5, 2008.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this 30th day of November, 2007.

Langdon D. Neal, Chairman

Richard A Cowen, Commissioner

Marisel A Hernandez, Commissioner

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BEFORE THE DULY CONSTITUTED ELECTORAL BOARD FOR THE HEARING AND PASSING UPON OF OBJECTIONS TO NOMINATION PAPERS OF CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO THE OFFICE OF DEMOCRATIC WARD COMMITTEEMAN OF THE 24TH WARD, CITY OF CHICAGO TO BE VOTED UPON AT THE FEBRUARY 5, 2008 PRIMARY ELECTION

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HEARING EXAMINER'S RECOMMENDED DECISION

- 1. That the Respondent Candidate, MICHAEL D. CHANDLER, filed Nomination Papers for nomination to the Office of Democratic Ward Committeeman of the 24th Ward of the City of Chicago, to be voted upon at the 2008 Primary Election to be held on February 5, 2008.
- That the Petitioner-Objector, SHARON DENISE DIXON, filed a
 petition objecting to the Nomination Papers of the Candidate.
- That on November 23, 2007, Respondent Candidate filed with the Board
 a "Withdrawal of Candidacy".
- 4. That on November 26, 2007 this matter appeared on the Board's Initial Trial Call. The Hearing Examiner noted the receipt of the Candidate's withdrawal of his candidacy and adjourned the hearing.
- 6. It is the recommended decision of the Hearing Examiner that the Candidate not be placed on the ballot due to his filing of a withdrawal of his candidacy.

Hearing Examiner, Frank A. Tedesso

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