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

Objections of: KOREY D. BILBRO and)
EARL C. WILLIAMS, Sr.)
)
To the Nomination) No.: 19-EB-MUN-003
Papers of: JA'MAL GREEN)
)
Candidate for the office of)
Mayor of the City of Chicago,)
City of Chicago)
)

FINDINGS AND DECISION

The duly constituted Electoral Board, consisting of the Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Chicago, Commissioners Marisel A. Hernandez, William J. Kresse, and Jonathan T. Swain, organized by law in response to a Call issued by Marisel A. Hernandez, Chair of said Electoral Board, for the purpose of hearing and passing upon objections ("Objections") of KOREY D. BILBRO and EARL C. WILLIAMS, Sr. ("Objectors") to the nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of JA'MAL GREEN, candidate for the office of Mayor of the City of Chicago in the City of Chicago ("Candidate") to be elected at the Municipal General Election to be held on February 26, 2019, having convened on December 10, 2018, at 8:30 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 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 Chair of the Electoral Board and served upon the members of the Electoral Board, the Objectors and the Candidate, by registered or certified mail and by Sheriff's service, as provided by statute or service was waived.
- 4. A public hearing held on these Objections commenced on Monday, December 10, 2018 and was continued from time to time.
- 5. The Electoral Board assigned this matter to Hearing Officer Thomas Quinn for further hearings and proceedings.
- 6. The Objectors and the Candidate were directed by the Electoral Board's Call served upon them to appear before the Hearing Officer on the date and at the time designated in the Hearing Schedule. The following persons, among others, were present at such hearing: the Objectors, KOREY D. BILBRO and EARL C. WILLIAMS, Sr., and/or their Attorney PERICLES ABBASI and FRANK AVILA; and the Candidate, JA'MAL GREEN and/or his Attorney ANISH PARIKH.
- 7. The Electoral Board finds that on Friday, December 28, 2018, the Candidate filed papers withdrawing as a candidate for election and requesting that his name not be printed upon the ballot, thus rendering the Objections moot.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the name of JA'MAL GREEN, candidate for the office of Mayor for the City of Chicago, SHALL NOT be printed on the official ballot for the

General Municipal Election to be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2019.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, on Tuesday, January 2, 2018.

Marisel A. Hernandex, Chair

William / Kresse, Commissioner

Jonathan T. Swain, 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 5 days after service of the decision of the Electoral Board.

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In the matter of:)
KOREY D. BILBRO and EARL C. WILLIAMS, SR.,)
Petitioners-Objectors,) No. 19-EB-MUN-003
v.)
)
JA'MAL GREEN,)
Respondent-Candidate.)
')
For the election for the Office of Mayor of the City of)
Chicago, County of Cook, State of Illinois, to be voted on at)
the February 26, 2019, Municipal General Election.)

RECOMMENDED DECISION

This matter comes before the Board of Election Commissioners for the City of Chicago on the Objectors' Petition of Korey D. Bilbro and Earl C. Williams Sr. ("Objectors") to the nomination papers of Ja'mal Green ("Candidate") as a candidate for the Office of Mayor for the City of Chicago.

The initial hearing commenced on December 10, 2018. The Objectors appeared through their attorneys, Pericles Abbasi and Frank Avila, and the Candidate appeared by his attorney, Anish Parikh. No initial motions were filed so the matter was set for a records examination. A Final Petition Summary Report of the records examination states that it was completed on December 17, 2018. A total of 12,500 valid signatures are required for the office sought. The petitions contain 12,860 signatures. Objections to 1,426 signatures were sustained leaving the Candidate with 11,639 valid signatures, which is 861 signatures fewer than the required minimum.

The Candidate filed a timely Rule 8 Motion seeking to rehabilitate 891 stricken signatures. He also sought to have petition sheets 218, 780-799, and 959 counted toward his total. In a Memorandum dated December 17, 2018, from Charles Holiday, it is noted that these petition sheets were missing from the Candidate's nomination papers. The Candidate did not attach these "missing" sheets to his Rule 8 Motion.

A Pre-Trial Order was entered on December 20, 2018, requiring the Candidate to meet certain deadlines for the production of evidence. The Candidate did not meet these deadlines and, instead, filed a Withdrawal of Candidacy on December 27, 2018. Said Withdrawal is notarized and is in compliance with Rule 12(a). It is recommended that it be granted.

Accordingly, for the foregoing reasons, it is recommended that the name Ja'mal Green of 21 W. 125th Pl., Chicago, IL, should NOT be printed on the ballot for Candidate for Election to the Office of Mayor, City of Chicago, to be voted for at the Municipal General Election to be held on February 26, 2019.

December 28, 2018

Thomas P. Ouinn - Hearing Officer