STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF COOK)

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ELECTORAL BOARD
FOR THE HEARING AND PASSING UPON OF OBJECTIONS TO NOMINATING PETITIONS FOR THE OFFICES OF WARD COMMITTEEMAN OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO FOR THE MARCH 17, 1992 PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

IN RE: Objection of: Marlene White Ahimaz
To the
Nominating Petition of: Brenda A. Sheriff

NO: 92-EB-WC-88
(Rel: 92-EB-WC-97)

Candidate for the Office of Ward Committeeman of the 5th Ward, Republican Party.

DECISION

The duly constituted Electoral Board, consisting of MICHAEL J. HAMBLET, ARNETTE R. HUBBARD and CHRISTOPHER ROBLING, organized by law in response to a Call issued by MICHAEL J. HAMBLET, Chairman of said Electoral Board, for the purpose of hearing and passing upon Objections to Nominating Petitions for the Office of Ward Committeeman of the City of Chicago, having convened on December 30th, 1991 at 10:00 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, Chicago, Illinois; and having heard and determined the objections to the petition in the above entitled matter find that:

1. The said Electoral Board has been legally constituted according to the laws of the State of Illinois;

2. Objections to the nominating petition of the candidate herein were duly filed;

3. A call to the hearing on said objections was duly issued and was served upon the members of the Electoral Board, the Objector and the Candidate by mail and by personal service as provided by statute;

4. A public hearing was held on these objections commencing on December 30th, 1991;

5. The following persons, among others, were present at such hearings: the members of the Electoral Board, the Objector pro se and the Candidate pro se;

6. The Board having heard and considered all evidence and arguments tendered by those appearing at the hearing;

7. The Board having ordered an examination of the precinct binders to be conducted by its clerks and agents under the Board's direction and supervision, in accordance with the laws of Illinois and the rules of the Board;

8. During examination of the precinct binders, the Board directed all parties to appear and be present, either personally and/or by their authorized representatives, duly appointed and authorized by said parties;

9. The Candidate and/or his duly authorized representatives having been present during examination of the binders;

10. The Objector and/or his duly authorized representatives having been present during examination of the binders;

11. Examination of the precinct binders was completed;

12. The Board finds that:

    a. The statutory minimum of signatures required for placement on the ballot is 30;

    b. The number of signatures filed by the candidate total 40;

    c. The number of signatures deemed invalid because of objections sustained total 3;

    d. The remaining number of signatures deemed valid total 37;

    The written report of the Board's finding overruling signature objections are contained in the Board's file in this cause and is available upon request of a party.

The Board further finds that the number of valid signatures on the nominating petition exceeds the minimum number of signatures required by law to be placed upon the ballot as a candidate for election to the office of Ward Committeeman of the 5th Ward, Republican Party.

The Board further finds, that where the Statement of Candidacy, as well as petitions, was executed and filed with the County Clerk on December 13, 1991, and

That said Statement of Candidacy shows the date of primary election to be March 17, 1991, while the petitions show March 17, 1992; that this inadvertence as to the year occurred at the end of the calendar year when such inadvertence is not uncommon,

Then, the Statement of Candidacy is in substantial compliance with the pertinent provisions of Section 7-10 of the Election Code.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the objections of Marlene White Ahimaz to the nominating petition of Brenda A. Sheriff, candidate for election to the office of Ward Committeeman of the 5th Ward, Republican Party, are hereby overruled and said petition is hereby declared valid and the name of Brenda A. Sheriff, candidate for election to the office of Ward Committeeman of the 5th Ward, Republican Party, shall be printed on the ballot for the Primary Elections to be held on March 17th, 1992.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this 29 day of January, 1992.

Michael J. Hamblet

MICHAEL J. HAMBLET, CHAIRMAN

ARNETTE R. HUBBARD, COMMISSIONER

Christopher FitzHenry Robling

CHRISTOPHER ROBLING, COMMISSIONER