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BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO AS THE DULY CONSTITUTED ELECTORAL BOARD FOR THE HEARING AND PASSING UPON OBJECTIONS TO NOMINATION PAPERS OF CANDIDATES FOR THE FEBRUARY 23, 1999 MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION FOR MAYOR, CLERK, TREASURER AND ALDERMAN IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO

Objections of: OLIVIA MONTES	)	
	)	
To the Nomination	)	
Papers of: BILLY OCASIO	)	No.: 99-EB-ALD-094
	)	
Candidate for the office of	)	
Alderman of the 26th Ward	)	

FINDINGS AND DECISION

The duly constituted Electoral Board, consisting of Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Chicago Commissioners Langdon D. Neal, Richard A. Cowen, and Theresa M. Petrone, 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 OLIVIA MONTES to the nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of BILLY OCASIO, candidate for the office of Alderman of the 26th Ward for the City of Chicago ("Candidate"), having convened on December 28, 1998, at 9:00 a.m., in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 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 December 28, 1998 and was continued from time to time.

5. The following persons, among others, were present at such hearing: the members of the Electoral Board, the Objector, OLIVIA MONTES, by counsel; and the Candidate, BILLY OCASIO, by counsel.

6. The Electoral Board assigned this matter to Hearing Examiner RICHARD CLAYTER for further hearings and proceedings.

7. The Objector withdrew her objections to the Candidate's Nomination Papers on January 19, 1998.

8. There are no other objections pending against BILLY OCASIO, candidate for the office of Alderman of the 26th Ward of the City of Chicago.

9. For the reasons stated above, the Board that the Candidate's Nomination Papers are valid.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, that the Objections of OLIVIA MONTES, to the Nomination Papers of BILLY OCASIO, candidate for election to the office of Alderman of the 26th Ward of the City of Chicago are hereby WITHDRAWN and said Nomination Papers are hereby declared VALID and the name of BILLY OCASIO, candidate for election to the office of Alderman of the 26th Ward of the City of Chicago, SHALL be printed on the official ballot for the Municipal General Election for Mayor, City Clerk, City Treasurer and Alderman to be held on February 23, 1999.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this Fifteenth day of January, 1999.

Langdon D. Neal, Chairman

Richard A. Cowen, Commissioner

Theresa M. Petrone, 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.