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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: KAREN PHILLIPS	)
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To the Nomination	)
Papers of: WILLIAM G. HIGGINBOTHAM	) No.: 99-EB-ALD-123
	)
Candidate for the Office of	)
Alderman of the 2nd Ward,	)
City of Chicago	

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 KAREN PHILLIPS to nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of WILLIAM G. HIGGINBOTHAM, candidate for the office of Alderman of the 2nd 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 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(s) 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(s), KAREN PHILLIPS, and the Candidate WILLIAM G. HIGGINBOTHAM.

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

7. The Board finds that on December 28, 1998, the Candidate filed papers with the Board of Election Commissioners withdrawing as a candidate for election and requesting that his/her name not be printed upon the ballot, thus rendering the Objections moot.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, that the name of WILLIAM G. HIGGINBOTHAM, candidate for election to the office of Alderman of the 2nd Ward, shall NOT be printed on the official ballot for the Municipal General Election for Mayor, City Clerk, City Treasurer and Alderman to be conducted in the City of Chicago on February 23, 1999.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this Eighth 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.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss
COUNTY OF COOK)

WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY

I, WILLIAM G. HIGGINBOTHAM, being first duly sworn (or affirm), state that I reside at 3554 SO. RHODES, in the City of Chicago, Illinois and that:

1. I am the same person that filed nomination papers for the office of ALDERMAN (Title of Office Sought), in the SECOND WARD (District) for the election to be conducted on February 23, 1999; and

2. I hereby withdraw as a candidate and request that my name not be printed upon the ballot for said election.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

William G. Higginbotham
Affiant

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BOARD OF ELECTION

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
28 day of Dec, 1998

Notary Public

"OFFICIAL SEAL"
SONIA GARCIA
Notary Public, State of Illinois
My Commission Expires April 18, 2000