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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 NEW POLITICAL PARTY CANDIDATES FOR THE NOVEMBER 5, 2002 GENERAL ELECTION FOR STATE SENATOR AND REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Objections of: KARA ALLEN	)
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To the Nomination	)
Papers of: JASON FARBMAN	)
	) No. 02-EB-NPP-03
Candidate for the office of Representative in the	)
General Assembly, 14th Representative District,	)
State of Illinois, Green Party	)

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 KARA ALLEN ("Objector(s)") to the nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of JASON FARBMAN, candidate of the Green Party for the office of Representative in the General Assembly for the 14th Representative District, State of Illinois ("Candidate"), having convened on July 10, 2002, at 11:00 a.m., in the Board's Conference Room, 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 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 January 10, 2000 and was continued from time to time.

5. The Objector and the Candidate were directed by the Electoral Board's Call served upon them to appear before the Electoral Board on the date and at the time designated in the Call. The following persons, among others, were present at such hearing: the Objector, KARA ALLEN, by her counsel, Michael J. Kasper; and the Candidate, JASON FARBMAN, pro se.

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

7. The Candidate filed a motion to strike and dismiss the Objector's Petition, a briefing schedule was set and a date of July 23, 2002 was set for hearing on the motion.

8. The Hearing Examiner ordered that an examination of the registration records be conducted by the Board's clerks and agents in accordance with the laws of Illinois and the rules of the Electoral Board. All parties were directed to appear and be present, either personally and/or by their authorized representatives, duly appointed and authorized by said parties. The Candidate and/or his duly authorized representatives were present during at least a portion of the examination of registration records and he chose to absent himself during another portion of the records examination. The Objector and/or her duly authorized representatives were present during the examination of registration records at all times.

9. The examination of the registration records was completed on July 18, 2002, with the following results:

   A. The statutory minimum of signatures required for placement on the ballot is 1,500;

   B. The number of signatures on Candidate's nomination petition sheets is 2,372;

   C. The number of objections overruled total 119;

   D. The number of objections sustained total 1,495;

   E. The number of valid signatures total 877.

10. The Electoral Board finds that on July 23, 2002, Objector voluntarily withdrew her Objections against the Candidate's Nomination Papers before any further hearing was conducted or evidence received regarding the validity or invalidity of individual signatures.

11. The Electoral Board further finds that there are no other Objections filed against the Candidate's Nomination Papers.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the name of JASON FARBMAN, candidate of the Green Party for election to the office of Representative in the General Assembly for the 14th Representative District, State of Illinois, SHALL be printed on the official ballot for the November 5, 2002 General Election.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this 26th day of July, 2002.

Langdon D. Neal, Chairman

Theresa M. Petrone, Commissioner

DISSENTING:

Richard A. Cowen, 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.