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

Objections of: LEO S. MCCORD	)
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To the Nomination	)
Papers of: JOSEPH WILLIAM SNEED	)
	) No. 02-EB-RGA-16
Candidate for the office of Representative in the	)
General Assembly, 10th Representative District,	)
Democratic Party	)

FINDINGS AND DECISION

The duly constituted Electoral Board, consisting of Board of Election Commissioners of the City of Chicago Commissioners Langdon D. Neal, Theresa M. Petrone and Richard A. Cowen, 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 LEO S. MCCORD ("Objector") to the nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of JOSEPH WILLIAM SNEED, candidate for nomination to the office of Representative in the General Assembly for the 10th Representative District, Democratic Party ("Candidate"), having convened on January 8, 2002, at 9:00 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 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 8, 2002 and was continued from time to time.

5. The Electoral Board assigned this matter to Hearing Examiner RICHARD E. ZULKEY for further hearings and proceedings.

6. The Objector and the Candidate were directed by the Electoral Board's Call served upon them to appear before the Hearing Examiner on the date and at the time designated in the Call. The following persons, among others, were present at such hearing: the Objector, LEO S. McCORD, by counsel; and the Candidate, JOSEPH WILLIAM SNEED, by counsel.

7. Objector's counsel, Burton Odelson, informed the Hearing Examiner by telephone prior to a scheduled hearing on this matter on January 29, 2002, that he intended to withdraw the Objector's petition. At the January 29 hearing, Mr. Odelson did not appear but the Objector, LEO S. McCORD, was present and he stated on the record that it was his desire and intention to withdraw his objections to the Candidate's Nomination Papers.

8. The Electoral Board finds that the Objector has withdrawn his Objections against the Candidate's Nomination Papers.

9. The Electoral Board further finds that there are no additional Objections filed against the Candidate's Nomination Papers and that the Candidate's Nomination Papers are, therefore, valid.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Nomination Papers of JOSEPH WILLIAM SNEED are declared VALID and the name of JOSEPH WILLIAM SNEED, candidate for nomination to the office of Representative in the General Assembly for the 10th Representative District, Democratic Party, SHALL be printed on the official ballot for the General Primary Election to be held on March 19, 2002.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this 31st day of January, 2002.

Langdon D. Neal, Chairman

Theresa M. Petrone, Commissioner

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.