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

Objections of: ERIC R. BROWN	)	
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To the Nomination	)	**No.: 07-EB-ALD-029**
Papers of: CURTIS HINTON	)	**(rel. ALD-012, ALD-031)**
	)	
Candidate for the office of	)	
Alderman of the Seventh 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 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 ERIC R. BROWN ("Objector") to the nomination papers ("Nominating Papers") of CURTIS HINTON, candidate for the office of Alderman of the Seventh Ward for the City of Chicago ("Candidate") to be elected at the Municipal General Election to be held on February 27, 2007, having convened on January 2, 2007, at 10:00 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 2, 2007 and was continued from time to time.

5. The Electoral Board assigned this matter to Hearing Examiner Mario Correa 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.

7. Neither the Objector, ERIC R. BROWN, nor the Candidate, CURTIS HINTON, appeared at the hearing, either in person or through counsel.

8. The Hearing Examiner defaulted the Objector for failing to appear at the January 2, 2007 after having been served with a copy of the Call to the hearing.

9. The Board finds that this case is mooted by virtue of the decision rendered by the Electoral Board in cases 07-EB-ALD-012 and 07-EB-ALD-031, wherein the Candidate's Nomination Papers were found to be invalid due to insufficient valid signatures.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED the Objections of ERIC R. BROWN are DISMISSED.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this 23rd day of January 2007.

Langdon D. Neal, Chairman

Richard A. Cowen, Commissioner