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

Objections of: MONICA MARCHETTI	)	
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To the Nomination	)	**No.: 07-EB-MUN-008**
Papers of: SYRON M. SMITH	)	**(rel. 07-EB-MUN-012, MUN**
	)	**-015)**
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Candidate for the office of	)	
Mayor of the 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 MONICA MARCHETTI ("Objector") to the nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of SYRON M. SMITH, candidate for the office of Mayor of 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 Barbara Goodman 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, MONICA MARCHETTI, by her attorneys Michael E. Lavelle and Adam Lasker; and the Candidate, SYRON M. SMITH, *pro se*.

7. The Electoral Board finds that in another objection filed against the Candidate's Nomination Papers in 07-EB-MUN-015 the Electoral Board found the Candidate's Nomination Papers were invalid for failing to contain a sufficient number of signatures of legal voters.

8. For the reasons stated above, the Electoral Board finds that the Objections in this case are moot.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Objections of MONICA MARCHETTI to the Nomination Papers of SYRON M. SMITH, candidate for election to the office Mayor of the City of Chicago, are MOOT and the name of SYRON M. SMITH, candidate for election to the office of Mayor of the City of Chicago, SHALL NOT be printed on the official ballot for the Municipal General Election to be held on February 27, 2007.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, this 9th day of January 2007.

Langdon D. Neal, Chairman

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.