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

Objections of: William Jackson	)	
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To the Nomination	)	No.: 11-EB-ALD-286
Papers of: Michael D. Chandler	)	
	)	Related Case: 11-EB-ALD-295
Candidate for the office of	)	
Alderman of the 24th 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 Marisel A. Hernandez, 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 William Jackson ("Objector") to the nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of Michael D. Chandler, candidate for the office of Alderman of the 24th Ward in the City of Chicago ("Candidate") to be elected at the Municipal General Election to be held on February 22, 2011, having convened on December 6, 2010, 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 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 December 6, 2010 and was continued from time to time.

5. The Electoral Board assigned this matter to Hearing Officer Christopher B. Cohen 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 Officer on the date and at the time designated in the Hearing Schedule. The following persons, among others, were present at such hearing: the Objector, William Jackson, pro se; and the Candidate, Michael D. Chandler, pro se.

7. At the hearing on December 6, 2010, the Objector stated on the record, that he intended file a written withdrawal of his Objector's Petition. However, no written withdrawal was filed by the Objector.

8. The Objector was served with a Notice of Continued Hearing for a hearing on December 30, 2010. The Objector failed to appear at the hearing.

9. The Electoral Board finds that the Objector was in the default and that the Objector's Petition should be stricken and dismissed.

10. The Electoral Board further finds that other Objections were filed against the Candidate's Nomination Papers in Related Case 11-EB-ALD 295 in which the Electoral Board found the Candidate's Nomination Papers to be valid.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Objections of William Jackson are STRICKEN AND DISMISSED and that the Nomination Papers of Michael D. Chandler are declared VALID

and the name of Michael D. Chandler, candidate for election to the office of Alderman of the 24th Ward of the City of Chicago, SHALL be printed on the official ballot for the Municipal General Election to be held on February 22, 2011.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois, on January 11, 2011.

Langdon D. Neal, Chairman

Richard A. Cowen, Commissioner

Marisel A. Hernandez, 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 5 days after service of the decision of the Electoral Board.