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

Objections of: SHEILA JACKSON MCNARY	)	
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To the Nomination	)	No.: 26-EB-SS-002
Papers of: FREDERICK COLLINS	)	
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Candidate for the nomination of the Democratic Party	)	
for the office of State Senator, 5th Legislative District	)	
in the State of Illinois	)	

FINDINGS AND DECISION

The duly constituted Electoral Board, consisting of the Board of the Election Commissioners for the City of Chicago, Commissioners Marisel A. Hernandez, June A. Brown, and Laura Kotelman[1], organized by law in response to a Call issued by Marisel A. Hernandez, Chair of said Electoral Board, for the purpose of hearing and passing upon objections ("Objections") of SHEILA JACKSON MCNARY ("Objector") to the nomination papers ("Nomination Papers") of FREDERICK COLLINS, candidate for the Democratic Party nomination for the office of State Senator, 5th Legislative District in the State of Illinois ("Candidate") at the General Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, having convened on November 19, 2025, at 9:30 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 were duly and timely filed.

[1] Commissioner Kotelman was sworn into office and joined the Board on November 26, 2025.

2. The Electoral Board was constituted according to the laws of the State of Illinois.

3. A Call to the hearing on said Objections was duly issued by the Chair 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, or statutory service was waived and service by email was authorized.

4. A public hearing held on these Objections commenced on November 19, 2025 and was continued from time to time. The Electoral Board assigned this matter to Hearing Officer John Ashenden for further hearings and proceedings.

5. 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. Appearances were filed by or on behalf of the following persons: the Objector, SHEILA JACKSON MCNARY, by Attorneys ADAM VAUGHT and HEATHER WIER VAUGHT; and the Candidate, FREDERICK COLLINS, by Attorney MAX SOLOMON.

6. The Electoral Board finds that on December 22, 2025, the Candidate filed papers with the election authority with whom the original nomination papers were filed withdrawing as a candidate for nomination and requesting that his name not be printed upon the ballot, thus rendering the Objections moot.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the name of FREDERICK COLLINS, candidate for the nomination of the Democratic Party for the office of State Senator, 5th Legislative District of the State of Illinois, SHALL NOT be printed on the official ballot for the General Primary Election to be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2026.

Dated: Chicago, Illinois on Tuesday, December 30, 2025.

Marisel A. Hernandez, Chair

June A. Brown, Commissioner

Laura Kotelman Commissioner

NOTICE: Pursuant to Section 10-10.1 of the Election Code (10 ILCS 5/10-10.1) a party aggrieved by 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.