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AGENDA
STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS
Sitting as the Duly Authorized
State Officers Electoral Board
Monday, December 14, 2015
10:30 a.m.

James R. Thompson Center – Room 2-025
Chicago, Illinois
and via videoconference
2329 S. MacArthur Blvd.
Springfield, Illinois

Roll call.

1. Recess the State Board of Elections and convene as the State Officers Electoral Board.
2. Call cases and accept appearances - objections to candidate nominating petitions for the March 15, 2016 General Primary Election;
 - a. *Kaye & Kaye v. Phillips*, 15SOEBGP100;
 - b. *Cronauer & Fassnacht v. Carrier*, 15SOEBGP101;
 - c. *Sparrow v. Pritchett*, 15SOEBGP102;
 - d. *Riley & Arends v. Pierce*, 15SOEBGP103;
 - e. *Ochs & Ochs v. Curtis*, 15SOEBGP104;
 - f. *Runyon & Lycan v. Kaye*, 15SOEBGP105;
 - g. *Hernandez v. Jones*, 15SOEBGP106;
 - h. *Brown & Welter v. McGroarty*, 15SOEBGP107;
 - i. *Cook v. Haida*, 15SOEBGP108;
 - j. *Cook v. Baricevic*, 15SOEBGP109;
 - k. *Cook v. LeChien*, 15SOEBGP110;
 - l. *Pearson v. Pahlke*, 15SOEBGP500;
 - m. *Cramer v. Straw*, 15SOEBGP501;
 - n. *Cramer v. Evans*, 15SOEBGP502;
 - o. *Cramer v. Hantsch*, 15SOEBGP503;
 - p. *Krucek v. Urlacher*, 15SOEBGP504;
 - q. *Solomon v. Riley*, 15SOEBGP505;
 - r. *Ogunneye v. Hastings*, 15SOEBGP506;
 - s. *Mason v. Jernigan*, 15SOEBGP507;
 - t. *Simpson v. Aguirre*, 15SOEBGP508;
 - u. *Simpson v. Jackson*, 15SOEBGP509;
 - v. *Iler v. Hudson*, 15SOEBGP510;
 - w. *Gierhahn v. Solomon*, 15SOEBGP511;
 - x. *Eck v. Reick*, 15SOEBGP512;
 - y. *Larson v. Wesa*, 15SOEBGP513;

- z. *Stieper v. Urlacher*, 15SOEBGP514;
- aa. *Airido v. Wesa*, 15SOEBGP515;
- bb. *Schmidt v. Moeller*, 15SOEBGP516;
- cc. *Bartlett v. Rush*, 15SOEBGP517;
- dd. *Palacio v. Bailey*, 15SOEBGP518;
- ee. *Palacio v. Rush*, 15SOEBGP519;
- ff. *Dobkin & Jacobs v. Sherman*, 15SOEBGP520;
- gg. *Dobkin & Jacobs v. Mayers*, 15SOEBGP521;
- hh. *Brown v. Harris*, 15SOEBGP522;
- ii. *Lewis v. Rayburn*, 15SOEBGP523;
- jj. *Lewis v. Myrickes*, 15SOEBGP524;
- kk. *Lewis v. Kelly*, 15SOEBGP525.

3. Approve the Rules of Procedure for the State Officers Electoral Board.
4. Authorize the General Counsel to appoint Hearing Examiners as required.
5. Other business.
6. Recess the State Officers Electoral Board until December 22, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. in Chicago (if necessary) or until call of the Chairman, whichever occurs first.
7. Reconvene as the State Board of Elections.
8. Other business.
9. Executive session.
10. Adjourn until December 22, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. in Chicago or until call of the Chairman, whichever occurs first.

Objection Report

Objection Information

Office and Party

Hearing Information

15SOEBGP100 PENDING
12/04/2015 11:41 AM

SBE
12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

REGINALD "REGGIE" PHILLIPS
4 FAWN COURT
CHARLESTON, IL 61920

110TH REPRESENTATIVE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

JONATHAN KAYE
1096 COUNTY ROAD 1200 NORTH
TOLEDO, IL 62468

CLAIR KAYE
1096 COUNTY ROAD 1200 NORTH
TOLEDO, IL 62468

15SOEBGP101 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:11 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

KATHLEEN V. CARRIER
1379 BIRCHBARK TRAIL
CAROL STREAM, IL 60188

42ND REPRESENTATIVE
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

DONALD C. CRONAUER
6S180 CAPE ROAD
NAPERVILLE, IL 60540

LAURA FASSNACHT
1573 CAMDEN PLACE
WHEATON, IL 60189

15SOEBGP102 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:24 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

BOBBY PRITCHETT
200 EAST BROADWAY STREET
ROSEVILLE, IL 61473

94TH REPRESENTATIVE
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

KATHRYN A. SPARROW
200 W. WASHINGTON
WEST POINT, IL 62380

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Objection Information

Office and Party

Hearing Information

15SOEBGP103 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:26 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

GARY T. PIERCE
2908 S. 14TH STREET
SPRINGFIELD, IL 62704

96TH REPRESENTATIVE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

MARY JO RILEY
3757 TULANE DRIVE
DECATUR, IL 62522

ERWIN O. ARENDS
1925 W. WOOD STREET
DECATUR, IL 62522

15SOEBGP104 PENDING
12/04/2015 03:33 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

JOHN CURTIS
16683 E. 2140 AVENUE
HIDALGO, IL 62432

109TH REPRESENTATIVE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

JAMES OCHS
2465 N. PRAIRETON ROAD
CLAREMONT, IL 62421

CAROLYN OCHS
7830 E. EBENEZER LANE
CLAREMONT, IL 62421

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Hearing Information

15SOEBGP105 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:34 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

JONATHAN KAYE
1096 COUNTY ROAD 1200 NORTH
TOLEDO, IL 62468

110TH REPRESENTATIVE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

JAMES RUNYON
206 W. CHERRY
APT 1D
ROBINSON, IL 62454

PATRICIA LYCAN
9969 NORTH STATE HIGHWAY 1
ROBINSON, IL 62454

15SOEBGP106 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:39 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

ARTHUR J. JONES
7744 W. OGDEN AVENUE
LYONS, IL 60534

3RD CONGRESS
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

RAMIRO HERNANDEZ
4144 W. 59TH STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60629

15SOEBGP107 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:45 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

COLIN M. McGROARTY
3524 THYME DR.
ROCKFORD, IL 61114

16TH CONGRESS
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

SUZY J. BROWN
2537 CREEKSIDE LANE
MORRIS, IL 60450

DAVID WELTER
2008 MOUNTAIN ROAD
MORRIS, IL 60450

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Office and Party

Hearing Information

15SOEBGP108 PENDING
12/07/2015 04:23 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

ROBERT B. HAIDA
100 SOUTH FAIRWAY
BELLEVILLE, IL 62223

20TH CIRCUIT- BARICEVIC VACANCY
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

DALLAS B. COOK
601 LUCINDA AVE.
BELLEVILLE, IL 62221

15SOEBGP109 PENDING
12/07/2015 04:24 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

JOHN BARICEVIC
27 MARILYN CIRCLE
FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS, IL 62208

20TH CIRCUIT- HAIDA VACANCY
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

DALLAS B. COOK
601 LUCINDA AVE.
BELLEVILLE, IL 62221

15SOEBGP110 PENDING
12/07/2015 04:25 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

ROBERT P. LeCHIEN
2604 FAIRWAY DRIVE
BELLEVILLE, IL 62220

20TH CIRCUIT- LeCHIEN VACANCY
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

DALLAS B. COOK
601 LUCINDA AVE.
BELLEVILLE, IL 62221

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15SOEBGP500 PENDING
12/07/2015 08:41 AM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

ELIZABETH DIANE PAHLKE
1990 N. STILLWATER RD.
ARLINGTON HTS, IL 60004

UNITED STATES SENATOR
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

GEORGE L PEARSON
5108 W ROBERTS RIDGE RD
MONEE, IL 60449

15SOEBGP501 PENDING
12/07/2015 08:34 AM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

ANDREW STRAW
241A BRITTANY DRIVE
STREAMWOOD, IL 60107

8TH CONGRESS
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

MARK CRAMER
1610 BEDFORD ROAD
HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL 60169

15SOEBGP502 PENDING
12/07/2015 08:34 AM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

RICHARD EVANS
51 S. SPRING STREET
ELGIN, IL 60120

8TH CONGRESS
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

MARK CRAMER
1610 BEDFORD ROAD
HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL 60169

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15SOEBGP503 PENDING
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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

JOSEPH J. HANTSCH
143 BRISTOL LANE, UNIT 3
WOOD DALE, IL 60191

8TH CONGRESS
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

MARK CRAMER
1610 BEDFORD ROAD
HOFFMAN ESTATES, IL 60169

15SOEBGP504 PENDING
12/07/2015 11:01 AM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

CASEY URLACHER
27250 N. ST. MARY'S ROAD
METTAWA, IL 60048

26TH SENATE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

DANIEL J KRUCEK
20835 NORTH COUNTRY LANE
DEER PARK, IL 60010

15SOEBGP505 PENDING
12/07/2015 12:17 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

AL RILEY
847 WOODSTOCK ROAD
OLYMPIA FIELDS, IL 60461

38TH REPRESENTATIVE
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

McSTEPHEN O A "MAX" SOLOMON
7 E CARRIAGEWAY DR
SUITE 201
HAZEL CREST, IL 60429

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15SOEBGP506 PENDING
12/07/2015 12:19 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

MICHAEL E. HASTINGS
9341 KIMMEL COURT
TINLEY PARK, IL 60487

19TH SENATE
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

NIYI OGUNNEYE
17005 ALBANY AVE
#101
HAZEL CREST, IL 60429

15SOEBGP507 PENDING
12/07/2015 01:35 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

LINDA D. JERNIGAN
3823 CANTERBURY CT-1A
RICHTON PARK, IL 60471

38TH REPRESENTATIVE
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

MARK MASON
20218 CRAWFORD AVE
MATTESON, IL 60443

15SOEBGP508 PENDING
12/07/2015 01:35 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

WLADIMIRO AGUIRRE
528 FURMAN STREET
ROCKFORD, IL 61101

67TH REPRESENTATIVE
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

DION SIMPSON
924 ISLAND AVE
ROCKFORD, IL 61102

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15SOEBGP509 PENDING
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Candidates:

LISA JACKSON
2007 ARTHUR AVENUE
ROCKFORD, IL 61101

67TH REPRESENTATIVE
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

DION SIMPSON
924 ISLAND AVE
ROCKFORD, IL 61102

15SOEBGP510 PENDING
12/07/2015 02:24 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

BLAKE HUDSON
1717 DUSK DRIVE
ZION, IL 60099

31ST SENATE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

GEORGE ILER
4595 KINGS WAY N
GURNEE, IL 60031

15SOEBGP511 PENDING
12/07/2015 02:27 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

McSTEPHEN O.A. "MAX" SOLOMON
7 E. CARRIAGEWAY DRIVE, SUITE
201
HAZEL CREST, IL 60429

19TH SENATE
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

MARK GIERHAHN
8841 JUNIPER COURT
TINLEY PARK, IL 60487

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15SOEBGP512 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:08 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

STEVEN REICK
18802 ALTENBURG RD.
HARVARD, IL 60033

63RD REPRESENTATIVE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

RONALD ECK
11617 COUNTRY CLUB RD
WOODSTOCK, IL 60098

15SOEBGP513 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:12 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

LISA M. WESA
239 MILL ROAD
ADDISON, IL 60101

77TH REPRESENTATIVE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

MARY LOU LARSON
239 N MILL ROAD
ADDISON, IL 60101

15SOEBGP514 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:15 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

CASEY URLACHER
27250 N. ST. MARY'S ROAD
METTAWA, IL 60048

26TH SENATE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

DAVID STIEPER
10304 BRAEBURN ROAD
BARRINGTON, IL 60010

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15SOEBGP515 PENDING
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Candidates:

LISA M. WESA
239 MILL ROAD
ADDISON, IL 60101

77TH REPRESENTATIVE
REPUBLICAN

Objectors:

ANTHONY AIRDO
1611 NORTH 18TH AVENUE
MELROSE PARK, IL 60160

15SOEBGP516 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:36 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

ANNA MOELLER
1100 N. SPRING STREET
ELGIN, IL 60120

43RD REPRESENTATIVE
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

JULIE A SCHMIDT
321 VINCENT PLACE
ELGIN, IL 60123

15SOEBGP517 PENDING
12/07/2015 03:53 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

BOBBY L. RUSH
3534 SOUTH CALUMET AVENUE
CHICAGO, IL 60653

1ST CONGRESS
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

JOSEPH J BARTLETT
9301 S JUSTINE STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60620

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15SOEBGP518 PENDING
12/07/2015 04:42 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

HAROLD L. BAILEY
9619 SOUTH UNIVERSITY
CHICAGO, IL 60628

1ST CONGRESS
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

C M WINTERS PALACIO
8740 S CARPENTER STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60620

15SOEBGP519 PENDING
12/07/2015 04:42 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

BOBBY L. RUSH
3534 SOUTH CALUMET AVENUE
CHICAGO, IL 60653

1ST CONGRESS
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

C M WINTERS PALACIO
8740 S CARPENTER STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60620

15SOEBGP520 PENDING
12/07/2015 04:43 PM

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Candidates:

ROB SHERMAN
778 STONEBRIDGE LANE
BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089

5TH CONGRESS
GREEN

Objectors:

DAVID DOBKIN
1116 W BARRY AVE
CHICAGO, IL 60657

JANE JACOBS
1116 W BARRY AVE
CHICAGO, IL 60657

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15SOEBGP521 PENDING
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Candidates:

RICHARD B. "RIVERVIEW" MAYERS
6159 W. 64TH PLACE, #6
CHICAGO, IL 60638

5TH CONGRESS
GREEN

Objectors:

DAVID DOBKIN
1116 W BARRY AVE
CHICAGO, IL 60657

JANE JACOBS
1116 W BARRY AVE
CHICAGO, IL 60657

15SOEBGP522 PENDING
12/07/2015 04:45 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

NAPOLEON HARRIS
14633 GIVINES COURT
HARVEY, IL 60426

UNITED STATES SENATOR
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

AMY BROWN
183 TERWILLIGER STREET
HAMPSHIRE, IL 60140

15SOEBGP523 PENDING
12/07/2015 04:58 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

CHARLES RAYBURN
721 EAST 152ND STREET
DOLTON, IL 60419

2ND CONGRESS
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

MARCUS LEWIS
3146 HOLDEN CIRCLE
MATTESON, IL 60443

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15SOEBGP524 PENDING
12/07/2015 04:59 PM

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12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

DORIAN C. L. MYRICKES
8133 S. ESCANABA AVE.
APT. 2
CHICAGO, IL 60617

2ND CONGRESS
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

MARCUS LEWIS
3146 HOLDEN CIRCLE
MATTESON, IL 60443

15SOEBGP525 PENDING
12/07/2015 05:00 PM

SBE
12/14/2015 10:30 AM

Candidates:

ROBIN KELLY
4203 CEDARWOOD LANE
MATTESON, IL 60443

2ND CONGRESS
DEMOCRATIC

Objectors:

MARCUS LEWIS
3146 HOLDEN CIRCLE
MATTESON, IL 60443

RULES OF PROCEDURE

ADOPTED BY THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS SITTING AS THE DULY CONSTITUTED STATE OFFICERS ELECTORAL BOARD FOR THE HEARING AND PASSING UPON OBJECTIONS TO NOMINATING PAPERS SEEKING TO PLACE ESTABLISHED POLITICAL PARTY CANDIDATES ON THE BALLOT FOR THE MARCH 15, 2016 PRIMARY ELECTION

Pursuant to Section 10-10 of the *Election Code* (10 ILCS 5/10-10), the State Board of Elections, acting in its capacity as the State Officers Electoral Board (the "Board"), a duly constituted electoral board under Section 10-9 of the *Election Code*, hereby adopts the following rules of procedure:

1. EXPEDITED PROCEEDINGS

On all hearing dates set by the Board or its designated hearing examiner, (other than the Initial Hearing of the Board) the objector and the candidate (at times individually referred to as "party" or collectively referred to as the "parties") shall be prepared to proceed with the hearing of their case. Due to statutory time constraints, the Board must proceed as expeditiously as possible to resolve the objections. Therefore, there will be no continuances or resetting of the initial hearing or future hearings except for good cause shown. The parties shall make themselves reasonably available by telephone (including cellular phone) during the day and at least until 7:00 P.M (or as otherwise directed by the Board or hearing examiner) for receipt of notice from the Board, from the hearing examiner, or from opposing parties during the course of these proceedings. If the Board or hearing examiner has made reasonable attempts to contact a party by telephone, cellular phone, fax or by e-mail at the number(s) or address(s) provided by that party and the party cannot be contacted or fails to respond to such contacts, the party will be deemed to have received constructive notice of the proceedings and the proceedings may go forward without the presence of that party. If a party has received actual or constructive notice of a hearing and fails to appear, the failure to appear shall constitute acquiescence by such party as to any action taken at that hearing or any agreement made by and between the parties present at the hearing.

At **10:30 a.m.** on **Monday, December 14, 2015**, the Board will conduct an Initial Meeting of the State Officers Electoral Board for the limited purpose of accepting appearances from the parties or their respective counsel, adopting the Rules of Procedure, appointing hearing officers and assigning the cases to them, and conducting case management conferences.

2. CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE (Held following the Initial Meeting)

Following the Initial Meeting, the Board or its designated hearing examiner may conduct a case management conference with the parties for the purpose of considering issues such as scheduling, attendance of witnesses, filing of briefs and motions, discovery matters and any other proceedings intended to aid in the expeditious resolution of the objection. No evidence will be accepted and no argument will be considered at this conference.

In situations where it appears on its face that a candidate's nominating petitions contain fewer than the minimum number of signatures necessary to qualify for the ballot, such candidate will be provided a Board staff produced page and line signature count. Such candidate will be instructed to appear at the next meeting of the State Officers Electoral Board if they wish to challenge the staff's count. Failure to appear, or failure to successfully rebut the staff count will result in the objection being sustained and the candidate will be disqualified from appearing on the ballot.

Additional case management conferences may be called by the Board, the General Counsel or the appointed Hearing Examiner, when necessary. If an objector fails to appear at the initial hearing after having been sent due notice, the Board may dismiss the objection for want of prosecution. If a candidate fails to appear at the initial hearing, he/she will be bound by any decisions made by the Board, the General Counsel or the designated hearing examiner.

3. APPEARANCE

The candidate or objector may appear in person on his or her own behalf and participate in any proceeding before the Board or may appear by an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Illinois. Non-attorneys other than a party appearing pro se shall not appear or participate (including the offering of any argument or advocating a position to the Board, any counsel to the Board or the Board's appointed Hearing examiner) in the Board's hearings on behalf of either the candidate or the objector, except that non-attorneys may participate as observers or coordinators at any records examination on behalf of any party. Out of state attorneys may appear subject to Part 125.60(b) of the Rules and Regulations of the State Board of Elections. A party must file with the Board and other parties of the case a written appearance stating his or her name, address, telephone or cellular phone number, and, if available, a fax number and e-mail address as well as the name and contact information of his or her attorney, where appropriate.

Though every effort will be made by the Board or its designated Hearing Examiner to keep parties informed of upcoming events, parties shall be responsible for periodically checking the Board's website, with the Board's staff or the Board's hearing examiner to keep apprised of scheduled events in their case. The failure of a party to receive actual notice of an event posted on the Board's website regarding their case shall not prevent such event from proceeding as scheduled nor shall it invalidate any action taken at such event.

4. AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD

The Board itself or through its designated hearing examiner if applicable; (See Part 5 below) shall conduct all hearings and take all necessary action to avoid delay, to maintain order, to ensure compliance with all notice requirements, and to ensure the development of a clear and complete record. If a Hearing Examiner has been duly appointed, the Hearing Examiner shall preside over all such hearings. At the discretion of the Board or the hearing examiner, hearings may be conducted in two or more locations connected by telephonic or video conference; however, any witness who is going to provide verbal testimony must appear at the same location as the requesting party or its counsel (unless otherwise agreed by such requesting party or their counsel, and the hearing examiner or Board). The Board or its designated hearing examiner shall have all powers necessary to conduct a fair and impartial hearing including, but not limited to:

- (a) Administer oaths and affirmations;
- (b) Regulate the course of hearings, set the time and place for continued hearings, fix times for filing of documents, provide for the taking of testimony by deposition if necessary, and in general conduct the proceedings according to recognized principles of administrative law and the provisions of these Rules;
- (c) Examine witnesses and direct witnesses to testify, limit the number of times any witness may testify, limit repetitious or cumulative testimony, and set reasonable limits on the amount of time each witness may testify;
- (d) Rule upon offers of proof and receive relevant evidence;
- (e) Direct parties to appear and confer for the stipulation of facts or simplification of issues, and otherwise conduct case management conferences;
- (f) Dispose of procedural requests or similar matters;
- (g) Issue subpoenas and rule upon objections to subpoenas (subject to the provisions of paragraph 8 below) and discovery requests;
- (h) Consider and rule upon all motions presented in the course of the proceedings except that a Motion to Strike or Dismiss an Objection or a Motion for Directed Verdict or its administrative equivalent can only be ruled upon by the Board. Unless otherwise directed by the hearing examiner, the hearing of the objection will proceed despite the filing of the above Motions;
- (i) Consider such competent and relevant evidence as may be submitted, including, but not limited to, documentary evidence, affidavits and oral testimony; and

- (j) Enter any order that further carries out the purpose of these Rules.

The grant of authority listed above to the designated hearing examiner by these Rules shall not be construed to limit the authority of the Board to enter any contravening order.

The Board may on its own motion, strike any objection if it determines that the objection does not meet the requirements set forth in 10 ILCS 5/10-8. Objections to individual signers and/or circulators must consist of a specific objection or objections to that particular signer or circulator. In addition, the Board on its own motion may strike any portion of an objection that it determines to be not well grounded in fact and/or law.

5. HEARING EXAMINERS

In view of the time limitations and the amount of evidence to be presented, the Board may appoint a hearing examiner in any case which the Board deems such an appointment necessary or expedient. Any hearing examiner so appointed shall have the duties and powers of the Board as set forth in these rules, except that a hearing examiner shall not have the power to rule upon any motion which would be dispositive of the objection or issue a final decision. In addition, any hearing examiner appointed by the Board is authorized and directed (a) to hold a full hearing and receive all evidence and argument, (b) to prepare a record of the hearing including a full transcript of court reporter stenographic notes of the proceedings (where the presence of a court reporter was determined necessary by the hearing examiner), (c) to prepare an outline of all the evidence, issues and argument (Such outline may be incorporated into the written recommendation.) and (d) to prepare recommendations, and proposal for decision for submission to the Board, the General Counsel and the parties. In cases where a hearing examiner is appointed, the Board shall not issue a final decision until a proposal for decision submitted by the Hearing Examiner is served upon the parties and an opportunity is afforded each party to take exceptions, whether written or oral, and, if the Board so permits, oral argument before the Board. The Board will make a final ruling on the objection and may consider the following as part of its consideration and appraisal of the record: the petition and the objection thereto, the hearing transcript, the hearing examiner's outline, recommendations and proposal for decision, and any exceptions, briefs, exhibits, offers of proof or arguments presented by the parties.

6. SERVICE OF DOCUMENTS

All briefs, notices, documents, pleadings, answers and correspondence shall be served upon the opposing parties, or their attorneys if represented by counsel, and filed with the General Counsel and the hearing examiner where appropriate. All briefs, notices, documents, pleadings, answers and correspondence may be sent by telefax or e-mail attachment if the other receiving party or his or her representative agrees. In those instances where a telefax or an unsigned e-mail communication is used, a hard copy shall also be sent by regular mail. The failure to send or receive a hard copy shall

not negate or render invalid the contents of the original communication. The date the telefax or e-mail attachment is sent shall be deemed the date notice is given.

7. MOTIONS PRACTICE

All Motions Generally

- (a) If a hearing examiner has been appointed, motions shall be addressed to the hearing examiner, with copies provided to the General Counsel's office in Springfield. The hearing examiner will decide motions in due course and will recommend a decision on dispositive motions to the Board. If a hearing examiner has not been appointed, motions will be filed with the General Counsel and will be decided by the Board.
- (b) The Board will decide all motions in cases in which no hearing examiner has been appointed. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, the Board may meet by video conference call to rule on such motions. The Chairman may appoint a member of the Board or the staff of the Board to hear and decide for the Board all motions except dispositive motions. Motions addressed to the Board shall be thoroughly briefed so as to minimize the time needed for oral argument. Such argument shall be permitted at the Board's discretion.
- (c) Motions for continuance are discouraged and will be granted only in extreme circumstances.

Dispositive Motions

- (d) The Board will decide all dispositive motions upon receipt of the recommendation of a hearing examiner and/ or the General Counsel.
- (e) Preliminary motions not already ruled upon including motions for summary judgment (or similar motions) and objections to an objector's petition in the nature of a motion to dismiss or strike the objections will be heard prior to the case on the merits if so directed by the Chairman. The Board may, in its discretion, reserve rulings on preliminary motions and objections pending further hearing thereon.
- (f) The Board may, upon its own motion with notice to the parties, dismiss for failure to prosecute an objection in any case where the objector fails to attend the initial meeting of the Board at which the objection is called or repeatedly fails to attend proceedings ordered by the Board or its duly appointed hearing examiner.

8. SUBPOENAS

Any party desiring the issuance of a subpoena shall submit a request to the hearing examiner. Such request for subpoena may seek the attendance of witnesses at a deposition (evidentiary or discovery, however all depositions can be used for evidentiary purposes) or hearing and/or subpoenas *duces tecum* requiring the production of such books, papers, records and documents as may relate to any matter under inquiry before the Board. The request must be filed no later than **5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 16th** and shall include a copy of the subpoena itself and a detailed basis upon which the request is based. A copy of the request shall be given to the opposing party at the same time it is submitted to the hearing examiner. The hearing examiner shall submit the same to the Board (via General Counsel) no later than **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 17th**. The Board shall meet on **Tuesday, December 22nd at 10:30 a.m.** to consider the same, and such request shall only be granted upon a minimum five vote majority of the Board. The opposing party may submit a response to the request; however any such response shall be given to the hearing examiner no later than **4:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 17th**, who shall then transmit it to the Board (through the General Counsel's office) with the subpoena request. The hearing examiner shall issue a recommendation on whether or not the subpoena request should be granted no later than **5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 18th**. The parties shall be provided an opportunity to appear before the Board and at the Board's discretion may give oral argument. The Board may limit or modify the subpoena based on the arguments of the parties or on their own initiative. Any subpoena request received subsequent to **5:00 p.m. on December 16th** will NOT be considered. If approved by the Board, the party requesting the subpoena shall be responsible for proper service thereof.

In case any person so served shall neglect or refuse to obey a subpoena, or refuse to testify in a hearing before the Board or Hearing Examiner, the Board may, at the request of any party, file a petition in the Circuit Court setting forth the facts of such knowing refusal or neglect. The petition shall be accompanied by a copy of the subpoena, the return of service thereon and the sworn statement of the person before whom the witness was to appear that the witness did not so appear. The petition shall apply for an order of the Court requiring such person to comply with the duly issued subpoena.

9. RECORDS EXAMINATION

NOTE: Records exams will be scheduled as soon as practicable, and may commence as early as **Thursday, December 17th**.

At the direction of the Board or a hearing examiner, the parties may be directed to appear at a "records examination." Notice of same shall be provided by the Board or the hearing examiner. At the records examination, staff assigned by the Board shall, in an orderly and expeditious manner, search for and examine the State Board of Elections' computerized registration records for comparison to the names on the candidate petition that have been objected to. Board staff

shall examine each signature based upon the specific objection raised to it and determine, as appropriate, whether 1) if the person who signed the petition is a registered voter at the address corresponding to the person's signature on the petition and if so, 2) if the signature of the person who signed the petition reasonably compares with the signature shown on that person's voter registration record contained in the computerized voter registration database, 3) the person's address is within the requisite district, and/or 4) the person signed the petition more than once.

Board staff shall note their determinations as to the validity of each signature by clicking on the appropriate boxes on the computer screen, which shall indicate whether the objection to each signature is sustained or overruled. Results of the examination shall be provided to the candidate and objector following the completion of the examination on a daily basis, but may not be so provided until the following day. Such results will consist of the page and line number of each signature that has been examined, and will indicate the staff determination of validity as to each signature examined.

The Board's staff shall, based upon their examination of the relevant registration records, make and announce a finding as to whether certain objections in the objector's petition are sustained or overruled. Such computerized voter registration records of the State Board of Elections and the staff findings as to whether the objections are sustained or overruled may be considered as evidence with respect to the objections described above.

The Board or a hearing examiner may, in their discretion, order that a partial or sample records examination be conducted in order to test the validity of certain objections in the Objector's petition when it appears possible, viewing the face of the objections or upon other known facts, that the objections may not have been made as a result of a reasonable inquiry or investigation of the facts or were not made in good faith. In the alternative, the Board or hearing examiner may order, on its own motion or upon motion of the candidate, that the objector show cause as to why the objection should not be stricken as having not been well grounded in fact or in law. Failure to show such cause shall be grounds to strike the objection.

Each party shall have the right to have designated and duly authorized representatives ("watchers"), including the party or the party's counsel, present during the records examination. No more than one watcher for each party may be assigned to any given computer terminal at which a records examination is being conducted. The failure of a watcher to timely appear at the examination shall not delay nor affect the validity of the examination and the records examination shall proceed.

Watchers are to participate as observers only. The Board's staff shall not be required to solicit the opinion of any watcher as to any matter nor consider such opinions if offered. Arguing with Board staff or other abusive conduct will not be tolerated. By order of the General Counsel or his designee, a watcher may be removed from the records examination proceedings for the conduct specified above and any other conduct that disrupts the orderly conduct of the proceedings and if necessary, this provision will be enforced by appropriate law enforcement. In the event of such removal, the Board may continue with the records examination in the absence of the removed watcher. A party

may replace a removed watcher with another watcher; however, the records examination will not be delayed by the absence of a replacement watcher. Photography of any kind, including video recording, is prohibited in the records examination area.

Following the records examination, staff rulings thereon shall be used to create a line by line computer generated report of the results of the records examination. The report shall then be sent via e-mail or facsimile to the parties or their counsel. The report shall be transmitted to both parties or their counsel at the same date and time and such date and time shall serve as the commencement of the three (3) business day time period (aka, the Rule 9 Motion Period) described below.

The parties will be given an opportunity to present all objections to staff findings properly made at the records examination or prior thereto in the nature of a standing objection, to the Board or the hearing examiner at the evidentiary hearing on the merits of the objection scheduled by the Board or the hearing examiner (the Rule 9 Motion Hearing). The party making the objection bears the burden of producing evidence proving that the staff finding was in error. Such evidence offered to refute the staff finding must be submitted to the Board or the hearing examiner no later than 5:00 p.m. on the second business day following the date of the transmittal of the report described in the immediately preceding paragraph unless extended by the Board for good cause shown. Evidence in the form of an affidavit must be sworn to, signed, and notarized before a notary public or other officer authorized to administer oaths in the State of Illinois. Verifications under Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure (735 ILCS 5/1-109) are not acceptable. If any extension is given to the candidate or objector to rehabilitate or strike any signature then the opposing party's time period to provide other evidence to rebut that submission shall be equally extended.

Section 1A-25 prohibits viewers from printing any records viewed at the records examination and there is no provision requiring the Board to print any such records for the benefit of any party. Therefore, at no time will the Board entertain any requests for printouts of records that were examined during the records examination conducted by the Board except as otherwise ordered by the Board. Lists of registered voters are available for purchase by political committees registered with the Board, pursuant to Article 4, 5 and 6 of the Election Code. Note: Such records do not contain the signatures of the voters. In addition, records of individual voters can be obtained through the office of the election authority in whose jurisdiction the voter is registered. Check with the appropriate election authority as to obtaining such records, and the content of same.

If at any time during the records examination it appears that (i) the number of valid signatures remaining on the petition is fewer than the number of valid signatures required by law or (ii) the number of valid signatures on the petition will exceed the number of valid signatures required by law even if all of the remaining objections to be decided were sustained, the Board or the hearing examiner may suspend the records examination and the results of the records examination shall be forwarded to the Board or the hearing examiner, as the case may be. If this is so ordered, the party adversely affected by the order will be afforded an opportunity to present evidence that there exists a sufficient amount of valid or invalid signatures as the case may be, to warrant resumption of the examination. Such evidence must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on the second business day

following the order of suspension. The records examination may then be resumed or terminated at the discretion of the Board or the hearing examiner.

(For a detailed description of specific objections and the policies applied to each, please refer to the attached Appendix A.)

10. EVIDENCE

Evidence submitted by either party will be heard by the Board or the designated hearing examiner, including, but not limited to, documentary evidence, depositions, affidavits, and oral testimony. Documentary evidence shall be presented at a hearing, however service of such documentary evidence may be made by facsimile or e-mail. Any affidavits submitted must be original, and any voter registration records must be certified by the election authority that issued them.

Due to the fact that the Board must hear and pass upon objections within a limited time, extended examination and cross examination of witnesses will be subject to the discretion of the Board or its designated hearing examiner, and the Board/hearing examiner will not be bound by the rules of evidence which prevail in the circuit courts of Illinois. Where the Board is hearing the objection itself, the Chairman shall make all necessary evidentiary rulings, subject to appeal to the entire Board. Where a hearing examiner has been appointed, he or she will receive all evidence and make all evidentiary rulings, subject to review by the entire Board. The Board will not retry issues heard by a hearing examiner unless the hearing examiner has excluded evidence the Board believes should have been admitted. In such cases the Board will hear the excluded evidence and such other evidence as may be appropriate in response to the matter excluded. The Board will not hear evidence that could have been but was not presented to the hearing examiner, nor will the Board or hearing examiner consider objections that could have been, but were not raised in the original written objection.

11. ARGUMENT

All arguments and evidence must be confined to the points raised by the objector's petition and objections, if any, to the objector's petition. The Board reserves the right to limit oral arguments in any particular case and will ordinarily allow not more than ten minutes per side for argument.

With regard to the substance of the objections, generally the objector must bear the burden of proving by operation of law and by a preponderance of the relevant and admissible evidence ("the burden of proof") that the objections are true and that the petition is invalid.

12. ORDER

If the objections are sustained in whole or in part, the Board will issue an Order declaring the remedy up to and including invalidation of the Petition. The Board will state its findings in writing noting the objections which have been sustained. If the objection is overruled, the Board will issue the appropriate Order; stating its findings in writing.

13. GENERAL PROCEDURES

For the matters not covered herein, the Board will generally follow the provisions of the Code of Civil Procedure of Illinois and the rules of the Illinois Supreme Court regulating discovery and practice in trial courts, provided however that the Board will not be strictly bound by the Code or rules in all particulars.

14. SESSIONS

After the Board convenes the initial hearing, it will be in continuous session until all objections arising out of that filing period have been considered and disposed of, and, in the discretion of the Board, its session may be extended or recessed for a period to be determined by the Board.

15. TRANSCRIPT AND RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

A transcript of the proceedings will be made by a certified court reporter. Copies may be purchased from the reporter and will not be furnished by the Board. If a party aggrieved by the decision of the Board timely files and serves upon the Board a proper petition for judicial review pursuant to Section 10-10.1 of the Election Code, the Board shall, upon the written request of the petitioner or upon order of the Circuit Court, prepare and file with the Circuit Court the record of proceedings before the Board. The petitioner or the Court shall designate which portions of the record of proceedings are to be prepared and filed. The respondent or respondents in the judicial review proceedings may designate in writing additional portions of the record of proceedings to be prepared and filed if not included in the petitioner's designation of the record. The parties to a judicial review proceeding are encouraged to limit the record of proceedings to be filed with the Court to only those records material and relevant to the issues on judicial review so that the preparation and filing of unnecessary records is avoided.

ADOPTED THIS 14th day of December, 2015

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APPENDIX A.

Listed below are the most common grounds for objections to petitions and the basis on which the Board will render decisions on objections unless evidence or argument presented at hearing persuade the Board that circumstances require a differing decision.

When the records examination is being conducted, any exceptions to the decision of the examiner must be made to the ruling at the time the ruling is made or the exception to the ruling is waived. Any party may, at the beginning of the records examination issue a general objection to any adverse decision of the records examiner obviating the need for individual objections. If, subsequent to the general objection, a party decides not to take exception to a particular ruling of the records examiner, the party may withdraw the objection as to that particular ruling.

Pattern of Fraud

If the Board determines that a pattern of fraud exists based on an inordinate number of invalid petition signers and/or petition circulators accompanied by evidence of fraudulent conduct, such that the integrity of the entire petition or the petition sheets of individual circulators is sufficiently compromised, the Board may strike the entire petition (or individual petition sheets) on this basis. In order to be considered by the Board or the hearing examiner, an allegation of a pattern of fraud must be initially pled by the objector and such pleading must be a part of the initial written objection filed by the objector. In the absence of such initial pleading by the objector, consideration of whether any pattern of fraud exists shall rest solely in the Board's discretion. To make a valid claim of a pattern of fraud, an objector must allege specific instances of fraudulent conduct in the signature gathering and related processes. A general claim of a pattern of fraud without specific examples is insufficient to establish such a claim. In addition, the sheer number of invalid signatures on a petition, or on sheets circulated by a specific circulator, without an accompanying allegation of specific fraudulent conduct, shall not by itself establish a pattern of fraud.

I. Objections to Individual Signers

A. Signer's Signature Not Genuine

The voter's original signature on his or her registration record shall be examined. If, in the opinion of the records examiner the signature is not genuine, the objection shall be sustained. There is no requirement that a signature be in cursive rather than printed form. Any objection solely on the ground that the signature is printed and not in cursive form or where the basis for the non-genuineness is the fact that the signature is printed, will be denied as failing to state grounds for an objection. Staff must still perform the above mentioned examination in situations where the signature is printed to determine whether there is a reasonable match.

B. Signer Not Registered at Address Shown

The voter's registration information shall be examined. If the address on the voter's registration record does not match the address opposite his or her name on the petition, the

objection shall be sustained. **NOTE:** If the candidate can present evidence at the Rule 9 signature rehabilitation/challenge hearing that the voter resided and was registered to vote at the address shown on the petition at any time during the petition circulation period, the objection shall be overruled pending evidence from the objector that the voter did not reside at such address on the date he/she signed the petition.

C. Signer Resides Outside the State or District

Any objection to a petition signer whose address is determined by the records examiner to not in fact be located in Illinois or within the applicable district, shall be sustained.

D. Signer's Address Missing or Incomplete

In general, if there is enough information in the address for the SBE staff to locate the voter whose name and address is on the petition, this objection will be overruled. If there is no address listed other than a city or village, the objection should be sustained unless in the city, town or village, street addresses either do not exist or are not commonly used. However, if the address line is blank, but the signers surname is the same as the person signing above where an address is listed, indicating that such signer resides at the same address, any objections to missing address shall be overruled. Objections to missing counties or to abbreviated municipalities (eg: FP – Forest Park, OP – Oak Park, etc.) or to streets lacking a direction indicator (eg: North State, S. Main) shall be overruled if in fact the voter resides in that municipality or at the numerical address on that street. In addition, objections to ditto marks in the address column, where such marks indicate that a subsequent signer or signers live at the same address as the signer above, shall be overruled. Where the petition and the registration card both show the same rural route and box number, but no street address, the objection will be overruled. If the petition shows a street and house number and the registration card shows a rural route and box number the objection will be sustained. If however, the voter's place of residence has in fact not changed, but only the designation of it has changed, it is the burden of the candidate to show that only the designation of the residence has changed. (This issue should be presented to the Hearing Examiner at the Rule 9 signature rehabilitation/challenge hearing.) If the address listed next to the voter's signature matches the registration record in pertinent part (eg. the petition lists "John Doe, 1020 South Spring, Springfield" and the registration record lists "John Doe, 1020 South Spring, P.O. Box 4187, Springfield), the objection will be overruled.

E. Signature is Not Legible

If the records examiner determines that a signature is not legible, the examiner shall check the address opposite the illegible signature. If none of the signatures of voters listed at that address match, the objection will be sustained. The basis of the objection however, must be that the petition signer is not registered at the address shown on the petition. If the basis of the objection is that the signature is not genuine, the objection will be overruled for the reason that it is impossible to determine genuineness of the signature without a comparison to the signature on the voter registration record. If the address is also illegible, and the

candidate cannot sufficiently, in a reasonably short amount of time, identify the signatory so as to permit the records examiner to check the signature against a specific voter record, then the objection will be sustained. If the illegible signature is located at a single address at which ten or more voters are registered, the examiner shall not be required to examine every signature at that address to find a match, but may instead rule the objection sustained. In the event that the objection is sustained, the candidate at a later time (but in no event later than the expiration of the three (3) business day time period set forth in Section 9 above) will be given an opportunity to present a copy of the signer's voter registration record for a signature comparison. If in the opinion of the records examiner or the Hearing Examiner the signature is genuine and the address on the voter registration record matches that contained on the petition, the objection will be overruled.

F. Signer Signed Petition More Than Once at Sheet/Line Indicated

If the signatures on the sheet and line numbers indicated match, the objection shall be sustained and all but the signature appearing on or closest to the first petition sheet shall be invalidated. If the page and line number of the alleged duplicate signature is not listed in the objection, the objection shall be overruled.

G. Signature Incorporates Initials/Name isn't Identical to Registration Record

If, for example, the registration record indicates "John E. Jones", 1020 South Spring, Spfld., and the petition lists "J. Jones" at 1020 South Spring, Spfld, the objection will be overruled if the signature on the card and the petition match. An objection that is based solely on the fact that a petition signature differs in form from the signature on the voter's registration card will be denied as failing to state grounds for an objection.

H. Voter Registration Record of Petition Signer Cannot be Located

The disposition of the objection depends on the grounds. If the objector is alleging that the person is not registered to vote at the address shown on the petition, the objection will be sustained. If the objection is based on the circumstances set forth in **A, D, E, or G** above, where the only evidence to substantiate the objection is contained on the voter registration card, the objection will be overruled.

I. Petition Signer's Voter Registration is on Inactive Status

Any objection solely on the ground that the petition signer's registration status is inactive will be denied as failing to state grounds for an objection. The signature of an inactive voter who remains at the registered address shall be deemed valid; whereas, the signature of an inactive voter who has moved from the registered address may be objected to as "not registered at address shown." At the Rule 9 signature rehabilitation/challenge hearing, the Objector may introduce evidence that the voter in question no longer resides at the address shown on the petition.

II. Objections to Petition Circulators

The following information is intended as guidance to the Board and its duly appointed hearing officers in considering objections to a circulator's qualifications, the sufficiency of the circulator's affidavit and the method of circulation. It is not intended to establish legal standards for the following enumerated objections nor is it intended as a substitute for statutory or case law to the contrary.

A. Circulator did not Sign Petition Sheet

If the circulator's statement is unsigned, the objection should be sustained, and all the signatures on the petition sheet invalidated.

B. Ineligible Circulator

The fact that a circulator is not 18 years of age, or a United States Citizen or a resident at the place he or she states in the affidavit may be proved by any competent evidence. If the circulator is a registered voter in any state, a certified copy of his or her registration document is competent evidence of age, citizenry and residence. Ineligible circulators may not circulate petitions and a petition page so circulated may be invalid. In addition, if it is shown that an ineligible circulator signed the circulator affidavit, this may constitute perjury and such evidence may be referred by the Board to the appropriate prosecutor's office. The use of more than one ineligible circulator may constitute a pattern of fraud, providing a basis for disqualifying the entire petition.

C. Circulator's Signature Not Genuine

If the circulator is a registered voter in Illinois, his or her original signature on his or her registration card shall be examined by the hearing examiner. NOTE: It is not a requirement that a petition circulator be a registered voter. If, in the opinion of the hearing examiner the signature is not genuine, the objection should be sustained. The validity of a circulator's signature may be proved by any competent evidence. Collateral evidence of the validity of the signature of the circulator is admissible, such as testimony of a person purporting to observe one person signing the name of another circulator. There is no requirement that a signature be in cursive rather than printed form, and an objection solely on the ground that the signature is printed and not in cursive form, or where the basis for the non-genuineness is the fact that the signature is printed, will be denied as failing to state grounds for an objection.

D. Circulator's Address is Incomplete

The circulator's address must be sufficiently complete so as to easily locate the circulator at the listed address in the event the circulator's qualifications or the method of circulation is challenged.

E. Purported Circulator Did Not Circulate Sheet

Upon proof by the objector that the individual who signed as circulator did not circulate the petition sheet or personally witness the signing of the signatures on the petition sheet, the entire sheet may be invalidated. See also II (C) above.

F. Sheet Not Notarized

If the petition sheet is not notarized, the entire sheet may be invalidated. Simply missing a notary seal does not necessarily invalidate the sheet, unless the objector establishes that the sheet was not notarized by a qualified notary public.

G. Purported Notary Did Not Notarize Sheet

If the petition sheet is not in fact notarized by the notary who purports to notarize it, the entire sheet may be invalidated. See also II(C) above.

III. Miscellaneous Objections

A. Signatures Exceed the Statutory Maximum

If a petition is filed that contains signatures in excess of the statutory maximum, an objection filed solely on that basis will not result in the petition being invalidated. However, for purposes of determining the total number of valid signatures, the Board will not consider any signatures (or objections thereto) in excess of the statutory maximum, the count of which will commence with page 1.

APPENDIX B.

Schedule of Brief and Motion Filing

**Candidate's Motion to Strike and/or Dismiss or other similar motion (MTSD)
Objector's Motion for Summary Judgment or other similar motion (MSJ)**

Must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on the second business day (**Wednesday, December 16th**) following the date of the Initial Meeting of the Board, unless extended by the Board or hearing examiner for good cause shown.

**Objector's Response to Candidate's MTSD
Candidate's Response to Objector's MSJ**

Must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on the second business day following the due date of the Candidate's MTSD or Objector's MSJ (**Friday, December 18th**) unless extended by the Board or hearing examiner for good cause shown.

**Candidate's Reply to Objector's Response to Candidate's MTSD
Objector's Reply to Candidate's Response to Objector's MSJ**

Must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on the second business day following the due date of the Objector's Response to the Candidate's MTSD or the Candidate's Response to the Objector's MSJ (**Tuesday, December 22nd**) unless extended by the Board or hearing examiner for good cause shown.

Any memorandum of law in support of any of the above pleadings shall accompany such pleading. Briefs on any issue or issues shall be filed as directed by the Board or the hearing examiner.

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From: Kenneth R. Menzel, General Counsel

Re: Appointment of Hearing Officers

Date: December 9, 2015

I have selected the following persons to serve as hearing officers for the several objections filed with the State Board of Elections following the filing period for candidates seeking nomination at the March 15, 2015 General Primary Election and propose the following cases be assigned to them for hearing.

Barbara Goodman

15 SOEB GP 504 Krucek v. Urlacher
15 SOEB GP 514 Stieper v. Urlacher
15 SOEB GP 517 Bartlett v. Rush
15 SOEB GP 518 Palacio v. Bailey
15 SOEB GP 519 Palacio v. Rush

Scott Erdman

15 SOEB GP 101 Cronauer & Fassnacht v. Carrier
15 SOEB GP 106 Hernandez v. Jones
15 SOEB GP 107 Brown & Welter v. McGroarty
15 SOEB GP 503 Cramer v. Hantsch
15 SOEB GP 507 Mason v. Jernigan

David Herman

15 SOEB GP 100 Kaye & Kaye v. Phillips
15 SOEB GP 103 Riley & Arends v. Pierce
15 SOEB GP 104 Ochs & Ochs v. Curtis
15 SOEB GP 105 Runyon & Lycan v. Kaye
15 SOEB GP 108 Cook v. Haida
15 SOEB GP 109 Cook v. Baricevic
15 SOEB GP 110 Cook v. LeChien

Philip Krasny

15 SOEB GP 510 Iler v. Hudson
15 SOEB GP 511 Gierhahn v. Solomon
15 SOEB GP 512 Eck v. Reick
15 SOEB GP 520 Dobkin & Jacobs v. Sherman
15 SOEB GP 521 Dobkin & Jacobs v. Mayers
15 SOEB GP 522 Brown v. Harris

Michael Tecson

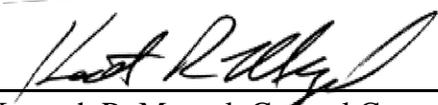
15 SOEB GP 506 Ogunneye v. Hastings
15 SOEB GP 508 Simpson v. Aguirre
15 SOEB GP 509 Simpson v. Jackson
15 SOEB GP 513 Larson v. Wesa
15 SOEB GP 515 Airdo v. Wesa
15 SOEB GP 516 Schmidt v. Moeller

Jim Tenuto

15 SOEB GP 102 Sparrow v. Pritchett
15 SOEB GP 500 Pearson v. Pahlke
15 SOEB GP 501 Cramer v. Straw
15 SOEB GP 502 Cramer v. Evans
15 SOEB GP 505 Solomon v. Riley
15 SOEB GP 523 Lewis v. Rayburn
15 SOEB GP 524 Lewis v. Myrickes
15 SOEB GP 525 Lewis v. Kelly

I would request of the Board authorization to appoint the above persons to serve as hearing officers and for the above cases to be assigned to them for hearing.

Sincerely



Kenneth R. Menzel, General Counsel