

HEARINGS RELATING TO DESIGNATING PETITIONS  
AND RELATED MATTERS FOR THE  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2013 PRIMARY ELECTION  
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2013  
AT 10:00 A.M.  
42 BROADWAY, 6<sup>th</sup> FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM  
NEW YORK, NY 10004

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PRESENT:           President Frederic M. Umane  
                      Secretary Gregory C. Soumas

Commissioners Jose Araujo, Naomi Barrera, Julie Dent, Maria Guastella,  
Michael Michel, Michael Rendino, Simon Shamoun, J.P. Sipp

Dawn Sandow, Deputy Executive Director  
Pamela Perkins, Administrative Manager  
Steven H. Richman, General Counsel  
Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel  
Valerie Vazquez, Director, Communications & Public Affairs  
Giacomo Kmet, Contract Attorney, OGC  
Anibal Luque, Contract Attorney, OGC  
Alan Quigley, Law Student Intern, OGC  
Matthew Bobrow, Law Student Intern, OGC  
Troy Johnson, Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit  
Matthew Graves, Administrative Associate, Candidate Records Unit  
Rayvon Weaver, Administrative Assistant, Candidate Records Unit  
Ryan Deahn, Administrative Assistant, Candidate Records Unit  
Thomas Sattie, Associate Staff Analyst, Ballot Management  
Diane Rudiano, Chief Clerk, Brooklyn Office  
Maryrose Sattie, Deputy Chief Clerk, Brooklyn Office  
Gregory Lehman, Chief Clerk, Manhattan Office  
Timothy Gay, Deputy Chief Clerk, Manhattan Office  
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners  
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners

GUEST: Anna-Maria Thomas  
Oliver Tan  
Kerry Cooperman  
Frank Gangemi, for John F. Gangemi  
K. Loving, CFB  
Dom Crispino, for John F. Gangemi  
Olivia Cruz  
Glen Cruz  
John Wasserman  
Gene Berardelli  
Sandra Chase  
J. Messineo  
T. Hinds  
Georgia Kontzamanis  
Ray Riley  
Kenneth Gayle  
Derrick Miles  
A. Mau  
Bart Haggerty  
Greg Esposito  
Russell Gallo  
Alexandra Wilson  
Kevin Ramnaraine, CFB  
Bethany Perskie  
Leonard Raur  
Jamie Moon, Citizens Union  
Sam Burns  
Nicholas Bowe, Citizens Union  
Arthur Greig  
Anthony Geneves  
Skyrnik  
Luna Liu  
Steiner  
Sikard  
L.P.R.  
Tamay Wayekar, Daily News  
D.H.  
John D. Smith  
Bill Johnert  
A.B. Britton

Alberto Torres  
Joseph Hayon  
Regina Mercer  
Arthur Greig  
Carmen Quinones  
Aran Matu  
Rosalie Joseph  
David Reck  
Eli Hans Kneht  
Gabriela Rodriguez  
Argentina Cruz  
Leo Glickman  
Nick M.  
Charles Cooper  
Larry English  
Max Sariaskay, CFB  
Robin Forst  
Corto Arluch  
Sam Burns  
Skyrnik  
Michael J. T.  
Miguel Cruz  
Miguel Estrella  
Mitchell Green  
Stephen G. Crane  
G. P.  
M. W.  
Jeanine Johnson  
Lauren McCaw  
Shamier Settle  
Henry Becker  
Alan Flacks, Member of NY County Democratic Committee

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President Umame called the meeting to order at 10:15 A.M.

President Umame announced that the Commissioners would conduct the Hearings on Designating Petitions and related matters for the September 10, 2013 Primary Election, and stated the procedures to be followed during the Hearings. President Umame called upon Mr. Richman to call the calendar for the Hearings.

Mr. Richman reported that in accordance with the Commissioners' direction, notice was given to all interested and necessary parties concerning the Public Hearings to consider the Board's staff preliminary findings of Prima Facie Defects, Candidate Enrollment Issues, as well as Specifications of Objections, and other concerns relating to the September 10, 2013 Primary Election.

Mr. Richman called for the Hearings on Kings County matters.

Mr. Richman presented the Legal Prima Facie Report for Kings County. There were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the Legal Prima Facie Report on file at the Board. President Umame moved to adopt the Legal Prima Facie Report for Kings County. Commissioner Shamoun seconded the motion, which was

unanimously adopted.

Mr. Johnson presented the CRU Prima Facie Report for Kings County. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the CRU Prima Facie Report on file at the Board. Commissioner Dent moved to adopt the CRU Prima Facie Report. Commissioner Shamoun seconded the motion, which was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Graves presented the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report for Kings County. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report on file at the Board. Commissioner Dent moved to adopt the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report. Commissioner Shamoun seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Secretary Soumas joined the meeting.

Mr. Richman called the Specifications of Objections for Kings County. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their

representative which is noted on the Clerk's Reports on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on each Clerk's Report acted upon. Specification No. 38-1 was placed on second call for Tuesday, August 6, 2013.

Mr. Richman called for the Hearings on Queens County second call matters concerning Specifications of Objections. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the Clerk's Reports on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on each Clerk's Report acted upon.

The Commissioners recessed the Hearings for thirty (30) minutes.

After recess, President Umane reconvened the Hearings.

President Umane announced that the Commissioners would conduct the Hearings on Designating Petitions and related matters for the September 10, 2013 Primary Election, and stated the procedures to be followed during the Hearings. President Umane called upon Mr. Richman to call the calendar for the Hearings.

Mr. Richman presented the Legal Prima Facie Report for New York County. There were no appearances. Secretary Soumas moved to adopt the Legal Prima Facie Report. President Umane seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Johnson presented the CRU Prima Facie Report for New York County. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the CRU Prima Facie Report on file at the Board. Secretary Soumas moved to adopt the CRU Prima Facie Report. President Umane seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Johnson presented the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report for New York County. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report on file at the Board. Secretary Soumas moved to adopt the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report, excluding candidate Steven G. Crane from the report. Commissioner Dent seconded the motion, with President Umane abstaining. The motion was adopted. President Umane noted that he abstained because he worked with

Mr. Crane in the past.

Mr. Moltner called the Specifications of Objections for New York County. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the Clerk's Reports on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on each Clerk's Report acted upon.

Secretary Soumas moved to adjourn the Hearings. President Umane seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Hearings on Opportunity to Ballot Petitions, and the next stated meeting of the Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2013 at 1:30pm.