

HEARINGS ON DESIGNATING PETITIONS AND RELATED MATTERS
FOR THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 PRIMARY ELECTION
IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.
42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM
NEW YORK, NY 10004

PRESENT: President Frederic M. Umare
 Secretary Rosanna Vargas

Commissioners Jose Araujo, John Flateau, Maria R. Guastella, Michael Michel, Alan Schulkin, Simon Shamoun, Robert Siano, John Wm. Zaccone

Dawn Sandow, Deputy Executive Director
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Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel
Joshua Williams, Contract Attorney, Office of the General Counsel
Nia Stanford, Contract Attorney, Office of the General Counsel
Dennis Futoryan, Law Student Summer Intern
Timothy O'Toole, Law Student Summer Intern
Troy Johnson, Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit
Matthew Graves, Project Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit
Rayvon Weaver, Project Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit
Raquel Torres, Voting Machine Technician, Candidate Records Unit
Valerie Vazquez-Diaz, Director, Communications & Public Affairs
Nina M. Crispino, Director, Personnel
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Bart Haggerty, Deputy Chief Clerk, Queens Office
Robert Pataky, Administrative Associate, Queens Office
Raymond Riley, Chief Clerk, Brooklyn Office
Daniel Ortiz, Acting Deputy Chief Clerk, Brooklyn Office
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners

GUEST: Barksdale
 Christopher Carew

Jinyen Carew, for Chris Carew
Katharine Loving, NYC Campaign Finance Bd.
Phil Marius
Joshhua Zakharov
L. R. Potter
Rachael Harding, for Mike Tolkin
Nicholas Warren, NYC CFB
Benny A. Alteera
Sarah Shearer, for Nicole Malliotakis
Victor Jordan
Dany Esquilin
Stanley Schlein, for Mayor Bill de Blasio
Amelia A.
Rey Olsen
Gene Berardelli, RDLF
Richard A. Luthmann, for NYS Reform Party
John Keefe, for Ortiz
Azi Payb Anam, for Politico
Rachel Shapiro, for SI Advance
Roberto Caballar
Felipe De La Cruz
A. Rabb, for WFP
John Haggerty
Sheryl Fetik
Gwendolyn Cofield
Curtis Sliwa
Nancy Regula
Daniel Fazcne, for PEAM
Henry Brafman
Skurnik
Kellner
Gross, for NY1
Ali Najmi
Frank Morano
Joseph Sibiliala
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Connor Martin
Anna Maria Stebbins
Tracey F.
Sal Albanese
Bill Murawski

Walter Iwachiw
Juan Pagan
Steiner
J.W. Carrell, for Padilla Ortiz
Esra Glaser
Michael Scala
Andrey Byston, for Michael Scala
John Tobacco, for Reform Party
Pablo Rivera, for Kenny Wynder
Kenny Wynder
Cristina Furlong
Kenneth Wynder
Michel Faulkner
Frank Bolz
Spender Nelson
Andrew Tulloch
Erycka Montoya
Brian Doherty, for Phyllis Carbo
Jonathan Yedin
Brigid Bergen, WNYC
Natasha Lily-Applenchik
Reginald Swiney
Miller
Every Brown
Shemene Mintea
Yonel Lefellier
Nell Rowan
Joyce Shear
Trevor S.
Mo Benjamine
Yuntian Yong
Kamie Ma
Michelle Lin
Cathy Gray
M. M.
Julius Tajiddin
Grimaldi

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

President Umane announced that the Commissioners will conduct the Hearings on challenges to designating petitions for Public Offices as well as Party Positions to be contested in the September 12, 2017 Primary Election.

President Umane stated the procedures to be followed during the Hearings and called upon Mr. Richman to call the Calendar for the Hearings. The Calendar was posted for the public as required.

Mr. Richman called the Calendar for the Hearings on Designating Petition matters for Citywide Offices.

Mr. Richman called the Legal Prima Facie Report for Citywide Offices. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the Legal Prima Facie Report on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Graves called the Candidate Records Unit's Enrollment Issues Report for Citywide Offices. There were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the CRU Enrollment Issues

Report on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Richman called the Clerks' Reports for Specifications of Objections for Citywide Offices. 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 Clerks' Report acted upon.

Mr. Richman called the Counsel's Report on the Specification of Objections #KG102 filed by Robert Morgan to the Working Families Party petitions filed for Bill de Blasio to be the candidate for Mayor of the City of New York. There were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the Counsel's Report on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Counsel's Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Richman called the Calendar for the Hearings on Designating Petition matters for Richmond County.

Mr. Richman called the Legal Prima Facie Report for Richmond County. There were no appearances. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Graves called the Candidate Records Unit's Prima Facie Report for Richmond County. There were no appearances. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Ms. Crispino called the Candidate Records Unit's Enrollment Issues Report for Richmond County. There were no appearances. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Richman called the Clerks' Report for Specifications of Objections for Richmond County. There were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the Clerks' Report on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on each Clerks' Report acted upon.

The Commissioners convened a 15 minute break.

Following the 15 minute break, President Umame reconvened the Hearings.

Mr. Richman called the Calendar for the Hearings on Designating Petition matters for Queens County.

Ms. Torres called the Candidate Records Unit's Prima Facie Report for Queens 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. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Ms. Crispino called the Candidate Records Unit's Enrollment Issues Report for Queens County. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the CRU Enrollment Issues Report on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Denkberg called the Clerks' Reports for Specifications of Objections for Queens County. In selected instances, there were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on

the Clerks' Reports on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on each Clerks' Report acted upon.

Mr. Richman called the Calendar for the Hearings on Designating Petition matters for Kings County.

Mr. Richman called the Legal Prima Facie Report for Kings County. There were no appearances. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Graves called the Candidate Records Unit 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. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Ms. Crispino called the Candidate Records Unit's Enrollment Issues Report for Kings County. There was an appearance by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the CRU Prima Facie reflected on the Report on file at the Board. Alex Rabb, an attorney for the Working Families Party, requested to postpone the consideration of Candidate

Ari M. Kamen until tomorrow. Mr. Rabb reported that he was unaware that Mr. Kamen's registration was different in the Board's system, and requested to submit an Affidavit of Ari M. Kamen to the Board. The Commissioners unanimously agreed to second call this matter tomorrow, August 2, 2017 at 12:00 P.M. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Richman reported that Marlene Dacken and Elizabeth Bonina, Kings County Republican Committee candidates, submitted letters dated July 27, 2017, requesting to be removed from County Committee as they were unaware of said petitions. President Umame moved to accept Ms. Dacken's and Ms. Bonina's letters and to remove them from County Committee. Commissioner Shamoun seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

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

Kings County Spec. No. 42-1 was placed on second call for August 2, 2017 at 12:00 P.M.

The Commissioners convened a 30 minute break.

Following the 30 minute break, President Umane reconvened the Hearings and called all matters that were placed on second call. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on each Report which are on file at the Board.

President Umane moved to adjourn the Hearings. The motion was seconded and unanimously adopted.

The Hearings on Designating Petitions and Related Matters will continue on August 2, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.