

HEARINGS ON DESIGNATING PETITIONS AND RELATED MATTERS  
FOR THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2015 PRIMARY ELECTION  
HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2015  
AT 1:30 P.M.  
42 BROADWAY, 6<sup>th</sup> FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM  
NEW YORK, NY 10004

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PRESENT:       President Michael Michel  
                  Secretary Bianka Perez

Commissioners Jose Araujo, Ronald Castorina, John Fleteau, Maria R. Guastella, Alan Schulkin, Michael Rendino, Simon Shamoun, Frederic M. Umane

Pamela Perkins, Administrative Manager  
Georgea Kontzamanis, Operations Manager  
Steven H. Richman, General Counsel  
Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel  
James Barron, Temporary Contract Attorney, OGC  
Victor Montemayor, Law Student Summer Intern, OGC  
Troy Johnson, Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit  
Matthew Graves, Administrative Associate, Candidate Records Unit  
Michael Neglia, Administrative Associate, Candidate Records Unit  
Shanette Brown, Administrative Assistant, Candidate Records Unit  
Anthony Andriulli, Deputy Chief Clerk, Staten Island Office  
Lisa Sattie, Administrative Associate, Staten Island Office  
Gregory Lehman, Chief Clerk, Manhattan Office  
Alvin Samuels, Administrative Associate, Manhattan Office  
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners

GUEST:       Manuel Ortega  
                  Don Bosco  
                  S. McGinn  
                  K. Elkins  
                  Ezra Glaser, for Conte  
                  Fabrizi Prepetit, for Conte  
                  Richard Luthmann  
                  Lawrence E. Gilder  
                  R.J. M.

Martin Connor, for McMahon  
Henderson Went  
Jonathan Yedin  
J. Kovac  
R. Helbock, for Joan Illuzzi-Orbon  
R. Shepin, SI Advance  
Elina Leschenko

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President Michel called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

President Michel announced that the Commissioners will conduct the Hearings on challenges to designation petitions for State and Local Offices as well as Party Positions to be contested in the September 10, 2015 Primary Election.

President Michel stated the procedures to be followed during the Hearings and called upon Mr. Richman to call the Calendar for the Hearings.

Mr. Richman called the Calendar for the Hearings on Designating Petition matters for Richmond County. He noted that the Calendar was posted for the public as required.

Mr. Richman reported that there were no Legal Prima Facie issues for Richmond County.

Mr. Graves presented the Candidate Records Unit (CRU) Prima Facie Report for Richmond 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 CRU Prima Facie Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Graves presented the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report for Richmond 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. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report on file at the Board.

The Staten Island Chief Clerk and Deputy Chief Clerk submitted a memorandum to the Commissioners stating that the following Specifications of Objections have been determined to fall under Rule H12 of the Board's Designation Petition and Opportunity to Ballot Petition Rules:

RH 8-1. In accordance with the Staten Island Commissioners' Committee, on the recommendation of the Chief and Deputy Chief Clerk, they have advised that these Specifications should not be worked. Commissioner Castorina moved to adopt the Staten Island Chief Clerk and Deputy Chief Clerk's memorandum. Commissioner Guastella seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted. There were appearances by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the memorandum on file at the Board.

Mr. Richman presented the Clerks' Reports for Richmond County. In selected instances, 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.

Mr. Richman reported that there were second call matters concerning the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report for Kings County. Mr. Graves presented the Second Call Candidate Enrollment Issues Report. There were no appearances. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Candidate Enrollment Issues Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Richman reported that there was a second call matter concerning a Clerks' Report for New York County. Mr. Moltner presented the Clerks' Report. There were no appearances. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Clerks' Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Richman reported that a Specification of Objection in Richmond County was filed timely yesterday and asked for the Commissioners' authorization to schedule a Hearing on Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at 1:30 P.M. following the Opportunity to Ballot (OTB) Hearings. Secretary Perez moved to schedule the Hearing per Mr. Richman's request. The motion was seconded, which was unanimously adopted.

On behalf of the Commissioners, President Michel thanked all Board staff members for their hard work during the petition cycle.

Commissioners Castorina and Guastella thanked the Staten Island Office staff for their hard work during the petition cycle.

President Michel moved to adjourn the Hearings. The motion was seconded, which was unanimously adopted.

President Michel reminded that the ADA Northeast Center's ETA Training for the Commissioners is scheduled on August 4, 2015 at 10:30 A.M. in the Executive Office.

The next stated Meeting of the Commissioners will be held on August 4, 2015 at 1:30 P.M.