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HEARINGS ON CHALLENGES TO INDEPENDENT NOMINATING PETITIONS FOR FEDERAL OFFICE IN THE NOVEMBER 4, 2014 GENERAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2014 AT 1:30 P.M. 42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR, EVS CONFERENCE ROOM NEW YORK, NY 10004

PRESENT: <u>Commissioners' Committee</u> Frederic M. Umane Julie Dent

Steven H. Richman, General Counsel Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel Giacomo Kmet, Contract Attorney, Office of the General Counsel Matthew Graves, Acting Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit Sheila DelGiorno, Chief Clerk, Staten Island Office Anthony Andriulli, Deputy Chief Clerk, Staten Island Office

GUEST: K. Loving, CFB John Smith

Commissioner Umane called the meeting to order at 1:38 P.M.

Commissioner Umane announced that the Commissioners' Committee would conduct the Hearings on challenges to Independent Nominating Petitions for Federal Office in the November 4, 2014 General Election. Commissioner Umane 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 Independent Nominating Petition matters.

Mr. Graves presented CRU Prima Facie matters relating to the November 4, 2014 General Election for Bronx and Richmond Counties. Sufficient notice was sent to the candidates as required. There were no appearances. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the CRU Prima Facie Report on file at the Board.

Mr. Richman called the Specifications on Objections for Richmond County. There were no appearances. The Commissioners' determinations are indicated on the Clerk's Report on file at the Board.

Commissioner Umane concluded the Hearings.

Mr. Richman reported that there is one (1) Cover Sheet matter to be reviewed by the Commissioners' Committee. The Commissioners' Committee reviewed the matter in public session.

Mr. Richman reported on a litigation matter. The Board received notice that an application will be made in Bronx Supreme Court on Thursday, August 28, 2014 seeking a TRO for the Board to restore a candidate to the ballot. The candidate was removed from the ballot in a Court proceeding. It is physically impossible to change the ballot less than two (2) weeks before the election. Mr. Richman requested authorization for the NYC Law Department and the Office of the General Counsel staff to oppose the application on Thursday, August 28, 2014. In accordance with Board practice, the Commissioners' Committee (in the absence of the President and Secretary) approved Mr. Richman's request.

The Commissioners' Committee adjourned the meeting.

The next stated meeting of the Commissioners will be held on Thursday, September 4, 2014 at 1:30 P.M.

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