

HEARINGS ON DESIGNATING PETITIONS AND RELATED MATTERS
FOR THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018 AT 10:00 A.M.
42 BROADWAY, 6th FLOOR, COMMISSIONERS' HEARING ROOM
NEW YORK, NY 10004

PRESENT: President Rosanna Vargas
 Secretary John Wm. Zaccone

Commissioners Jose Araujo, John Flateau, Maria R. Guastella,
Alan Schulkin, Simon Shamoun, Robert Siano, Frederic M. Umame

Michael J. Ryan, Executive Director
Pamela Perkins, Administrative Manager
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Steven H. Richman, General Counsel
Raphael Savino, Deputy General Counsel
Joshua Williams, Contract Attorney, Office of the General Counsel
David Fuchs, Summer Law Student Intern, Office of the General Counsel
Gregory Cosentino, Staff Support, Office of the General Counsel
Valerie Vazquez, Director, Communications & Public Affairs
Troy Johnson, Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit
Rayvon Weaver, Project Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit
Matthew Graves, Project Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit
Margarita Lugo, Project Coordinator, Candidate Records Unit
Raquel Torres, Administrative Assistant, Candidate Records Unit
Parnell Sena, Administrative Assistant, Candidate Records Unit
Anthony Ribustello, Deputy Chief Clerk, Bronx Office
Brendaliz Candelaria, Deputy Chief Clerk, Bronx Office
Ray Riley, Chief Clerk, Brooklyn Office
Daniel Ortiz, Deputy Chief Clerk, Brooklyn Office
Gregory Lehman, Chief Clerk, Manhattan Office
Cynthia Doty, Deputy Chief Clerk, Manhattan Office
Kenneth Moltner, Counsel to the Commissioners
Steven B. Denkberg, Counsel to the Commissioners

GUEST: Garth Marchant

Aaron Maslow
N. Grimaldi
Elliot Quinones
Rahkell Blair
Howard Graubard
John Grant
Angel Santana
Darlene Jackson
Stanley Schlein
David Johnson
Christopher Burton
David Storobin
Jordan M.
Ariel Santiago
Ezra Glaser
Tara Gittor
T.A. Padillo

President Vargas called the meeting to order at 10:09 A.M.

President Vargas announced that the Commissioners will conduct the Hearings on challenges to Designating Petitions for State and Local Public Offices as well as Party Positions to be contested in the September 13, 2018 Primary Elections.

President Vargas 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 Bronx County.

Mr. Richman called the Legal Prima Facie Report for Bronx County. 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.

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

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

Mr. Richman called the Clerks' Reports for Specifications of Objections for Bronx 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 called the Calendar for the Hearings on Designating Petition matters for Kings County.

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Mr. Richman presented an Application of Maritza Davila, Candidate for Female Member of the Democratic State Committee for the 53rd Assembly District, for Similar Name, for action pursuant to Section 7-102 of the New York State Election Law. The Commissioners' determination is reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

The Commissioners convened a 30 minute break.

Following the 30 minute break, President Vargas reconvened the Hearings.

President Vargas called a matter which was placed on second call concerning the Legal Prima Facie Report for Democratic candidate Alfred C. Ronzoni in Queens County. There was an appearance by a candidate and/or their representative which is noted on the Report on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determination is reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

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

Mr. Richman called the Legal 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 Legal Prima Facie Report on file at the Board. The Commissioners' determinations are reflected on the Report on file at the Board.

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

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

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

President Vargas announced that there are no roll over matters, therefore, there will be no Hearings tomorrow, Thursday, August 2, 2018.

Any matters that were placed on second call will be heard next Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at 1:30 P.M.

Secretary Zaccone moved to adjourn the Hearings. Commissioner Umane seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.