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COUNTY OF C OO K	)

BEFORE THE COUNTY OFFICERS ELECTORAL BOARD FOR THE HEARING AND PASSING UPON OF OBJECTIONS TO THE NOMINATION PAPERS OF CANDIDATES FOR OFFICES FROM DISTRICTS OR DIVISIONS WHICH ARE COTERMINOUS WITH OR LESS THAN THE COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS

OBJECTION OF:	)	
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Mark Kurzatkowski to the filing for the office	)	13 COEB LD 01
of Library Trustee. In the Eisenhower Public	)	
Library District, for candidate Gary R. Ross,	)	
to be voted upon at the April 9, 2013	)	
Consolidated Election.	)_	
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## **DECISION**

The duly constituted COUNTY OFFICERS ELECTORAL BOARD, consisting of the HONORABLE DAVID ORR, by Daniel P. Madden, HONORABLE ANITA ALVAREZ, by Patrick Driscoll, and HONORABLE DOROTHY BROWN, by Gloria Legette, organized by law in response to a Call issued by the HONORABLE DAVID ORR, Chairman of said Electoral Board, for the purpose of hearing and passing upon of objections to the nomination papers of candidates to offices which are coterminous with or less than the County of Cook having convened on Tuesday, January 15, 2013 in the Lower Level (Pedway Room) of the Cook County Administration Building, in the City of Chicago, County of Cook and State of Illinois, and having heard and determined the objections to the petitions in the above entitled matter, finds that:

- 1. The said Electoral Board has been legally constituted according to the laws of the State of Illinois;
- 2. Objections to the nomination papers of the candidate herein were duly filed;
- 3. A Call to the hearing on said objections was duly issued and was caused to be served upon the members of the Electoral Board, the objector and the candidate, by mail and by personal service as provided by Statute:
- 4. An initial public hearing was held on these objections on Tuesday, January 15, 2013;
- 5. There were present at such hearings the following persons, among others:
  - a) Honorable David Orr, by Daniel P. Madden, Honorable Anita Alvarez, by Patrick Driscoll, and Honorable Dorothy Brown, by Gloria Legette;
  - b) Objector, by Counsel
  - c) Candidate, by Counsel
- 6. All evidence, if any, that was tendered by those appearing at the hearing was heard and considered by the Board:
- 7. All arguments, if any, that were made at the hearing were considered by the Board;
- 8. The Board having heard oral argument and having considered all evidence, if any, HEREBY MAKES THE FOLLOWING FINDINGS:

This matter was referred to the County Clerk's office for a Registration Records Examination, which was held, and the results of which were reported to the Board. No Motions under Rule 8 were filed. The report of the results of the Examination showed that the Candidate's Petition had 53 total signatures, to which 23 objections were made. 22 of the objections were sustained, leaving 31 presumably valid signatures, which is 19 fewer than the minimum 50 required for a valid petition for the office in question. The Board voted unanimously to receive the reported results of the Registration Records Examination as the findings of the Board. The Board then voted to sustain the Objection herein.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the objections of Mark Kurzatkowski, to the nomination papers of Gary R. Ross, candidate for the Library Trustee, Eisenhower Public Library District, located in the County of Cook, State of Illinois are hereby sustained in conformity with the findings in paragraph 8. The said nomination papers are hereby declared invalid, the name of Gary R. Ross, candidate for the Library Trustee, Eisenhower Public Library District, shall not be printed on the ballot for the Consolidated Election to be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2013.

DATED, at Chicago, Illinois this 24 day of January, 2013.

DAVID ORR, Chairman

by:

Daniel P. Madden

ANITA ALVAREZ, Member

by:

Patrick Driscoll

DOROTHY BROWN, Member

by:

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