

**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS ELECTORAL BOARD
CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS**

JASON MENDONCA,

Petitioner-Objector,

v.

CALVIN PITTS,

Respondent-Candidate.

Charge No. 2022-MOEB-2

RECOMMENDATION OF HEARING OFFICER

John A. Mehlick, Hearing Officer for the Electoral Board, City of Springfield, Illinois, makes his recommendation as follows:

1. That for the office of Ward 5 Alderman of the City of Springfield, Illinois, the signatures of not less than 252 duly qualified, registered and legal voters of Ward 5 are required.
2. That Calvin Pitts filed his nomination papers containing 401 names. Pitts Exhibit 4.
3. Mr. Pitts moved to dismiss Petitioner's objections. I recommend the Motion to Dismiss be denied for the reason set forth in Petitioner's Response to Motion to Dismiss.
4. Exhibit 5 is the official Registration Records of the Sangamon County Election Office. Exhibit 6 is a listing of signees not registered at all. Exhibit 7 is a listing of signees not registered at address shown.
5. The following should not be counted toward the 252 total because the signee is either not registered or the signee is not registered at addresses shown:

EXHIBIT 6 – Not Registered

	Sheet No.	Line No.
a.	1	7
b.	1	8

	Sheet No.	Line No.
c.	2	3
d.	2	4
e.	6	8
f.	7	7
g.	8	6
h.	9	4
i.	9	5
j.	9	6
k.	9	8
l.	9	9
m.	10	1
n.	10	9
o.	11	8
p.	12	5
q.	12	10
r.	13	3
s.	14	10
t.	15	2
u.	15	8
v.	16	6
w.	16	8
x.	17	4

	Sheet No.	Line No.
y.	17	4
z.	17	5
aa.	18	6
bb.	18	7
cc.	19	5
dd.	19	8
ee.	20	7
ff.	21	1
gg.	21	2
hh.	21	4
ii.	21	5
jj.	21	9
kk.	22	2
ll.	22	10
mm.	23	1
nn.	23	3
oo.	23	5
pp.	24	10
qq.	25	1
rr.	25	4
ss.	27	3
tt.	27	4

	Sheet No.	Line No.
uu.	27	9
vv.	29	1
ww.	29	4
xx.	29	5
yy.	29	6
zz.	30	6
aaa.	31	2
bbb.	32	1
ccc.	33	3
ddd.	36	5
eee.	38	8
fff.	39	1
ggg.	39	2
hhh.	39	6
iii.	41	2
jjj.	42	6
kkk.	43	2
lll.	44	1
mmm.	45	3
nnn.	47	1

TOTAL: 66

EXHIBIT 7 reflects signees not registered at address with page from Exhibit 5 showing address.

	Sheet No.	Line No.	Exhibit 5 Page No.
a.	2	8	15
b.	3	4	18
c.	3	5	20
d.	3	7	21
e.	5	4	36, 37
f.	5	5	43
g.	5	6	45
h.	5	7	47
i.	7	5	59
j.	8	3	65
k.	8	10	71
l.	9	7	73
m.	10	2	77
n.	10	4	80
o.	10	10	82
p.	11	1	83
q.	11	4	85
r.	11	6	87
s.	11	7	88, 89, 90, 91
t.	11	8	93
u.	12	4	100

	Sheet No.	Line No.	Exhibit 5 Page No.
v.	14	2	101
w.	14	9	102
x.	15	7	103
y.	15	9	104
z.	16	4	110
aa.	18	1	114
bb.	19	1	121
cc.	19	2	123
dd.	19	4	127
ee.	19	6	128
ff.	19	9	130
gg.	20	5	136
hh.	20	9	137
ii.	23	9	145
jj.	24	3	147
kk.	24	5	151
ll.	25	5	158
mm.	25	6	159
nn.	25	8	161
oo.	27	1	165
pp.	28	5	179
qq.	28	6	181

	Sheet No.	Line No.	Exhibit 5 Page No.
rr.	29	2	183
ss.	30	1	187
tt.	30	7	192
uu.	33	2	194
vv.	34	2	200
ww.	35	2	202
xx.	35	10	207
yy.	37	4	210
zz.	38	3	214
aaa.	39	7	220
bbb.	40	6	224
ccc.	44	3	226
ddd.	43	3	232

TOTAL: 55

TOTAL FROM EXHIBIT 6 (not registered - 66) and EXHIBIT 7 (not registered at address shown - 55): 121

The following were objected to but should be counted:

	Sheet No.	Line No.	Comment
a.	3	2	Withdrew objection
b.	4	10	Found ok
c.	8	5	Withdrawn
d.	8	9	Found ok

e.	10	3	Found ok
f.	11	9	Withdrawn
g.	16	1	Withdrawn
h.	16	3	Withdrawn
i.	18	8	Found ok
j.	18	9	Withdrawn
k.	19	3	Withdrawn
l.	20	2	Found ok
m.	22	1	Found ok
n.	24	1	Found ok
o.	38	4	Withdrawn
p.	39	5	Withdrawn
q.	39	8	Found ok
r.	41	4	Withdrawn
s.	43	1	Withdrawn
t.	45	2	Withdrawn

TOTAL REMAINING TO BE COUNTED: 20

6. Exhibit 8 – Signors’ signatures not genuine. I found the following should not be counted:

	Sheet No.	Line No.	Exhibit 5 Page No.
a.	1	2	9
b.	6	9	52

	Sheet No.	Line No.	Exhibit 5 Page No.
c.	24	9	152
d.	25	2	154
e.	25	3	156
f.	30	3	190

TOTAL: 6

REMAINING TOTAL 121 + 6 = 127

I found the following signatures to be sufficient:

	Sheet No.	Line No.	Exhibit 5 Page No.
a.	4	4	26
b.	4	6	28
c.	4	7	30
d.	4	8	32
e.	4	9	34
f.	5	2	38
g.	7	10	62
h.	16	5	111
i.	18	5	115
j.	20	3	133
k.	26	10	162
l.	33	4	195
m.	35	4	203

n.	35	5	205
o.	37	3	208
p.	37	5	211
q.	43	4	233

TOTAL TO BE COUNTED: 17

7. Exhibit 9 - Signees reside outside Ward 5. I found the following signors outside Ward 5 and should not be counted:

	Sheet No.	Line No.	Exhibit 5 Page No.	Ward No.
a.	2	1	11	2
b.	2	2	13	4
c.	3	9	23	4
d.	3	10	25	4
e.	6	1	49	4
f.	6	2	51	4
g.	7	1	55	4
h.	7	2	57	8
i.	7	9	61	4
j.	9	10	75	4
k.	11	10	95	4
l.	12	1	97	2
m.	12	2	98	2
n.	20	10	139	2

	Sheet No.	Line No.	Exhibit 5 Page No.	Ward No.
o.	21	3	141	3
p.	27	7	167	10
q.	27	8	169	4
r.	28	1	171	4
s.	28	2	173	4
t.	28	3	175	4
u.	28	4	177	4
v.	29	3	185	2
w.	30	2	189	2
x.	33	6	198	4
y.	46	4	238	4
z.	47	2	240	2

TOTAL: 26

REMAINING TOTAL 127 + 26 = 153

8. Exhibit 10 – Signees signed twice. I found the same signor twice on Sheet 13, Line 5 and Sheet 21, Line 8. Also, Sheet 26, Line 9 and Sheet 27, Line 6. Only Sheet 13, Line 5 and Sheet 26, Line 9 will be counted. Sheet 21, Line 8 and Sheet 27, Line 6 will not be counted.

TOTAL NOT TO BE COUNTED: 2

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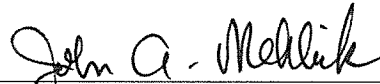
NOT REGISTERED: 66
 NOT REGISTERED AT ADDRESS: 55
 SIGNATURE NOT GENUINE: 6
 NOT IN WARD: 26
 SIGNED TWICE: 2

TOTAL NOT TO BE COUNTED: 155

THEREFORE, it is my recommendation that 155 signatures do not comply with the Election Code and should be subtracted from the 401. Thus, Calvin Pitts has only 246 valid signatures and his name should not be on the ballot for this election.

Dated: December 22, 2022

Respectfully submitted,



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