

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

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March 6, 2023

PROCEEDINGS OF

THE FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Before Chairman Douglas J. Preisse, Director Antone White, Deputy Director David Payne, and Board Members Kimberly Marinello, Michael Sexton, and Josh Jaffe, on Monday, March 6, 2023, beginning at Approximately 3:00 p.m., and concluding at Approximately 3:50 p.m.

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APPEARANCES:

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On behalf of the Board.

Also present:

Jeff Mackey
Travis Simmons
Carla Patton

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Monday Afternoon Session
March 6, 2023
3:00 p.m.
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(Swearing-in of Board members, Kim Marinello and Josh Jaffe.)

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It looks like we have a full complement of board members. For the record, I will go ahead and take role, and for our court reporter here, if you would state your name prior to speaking that may be helpful to her. I'm David Payne. Kim Marinello?

MEMBER MARINELLO: Here.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Mike Sexton?

MEMBER SEXTON: Here.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Doug Preisse?

CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Here.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: And Josh Jaffe?

MEMBER JAFFE: Here.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: We have a quorum. The first item on the addenda would be the approval of the minutes from the February 13, 2023 meeting of the Franklin County Board of Elections,

1 and I believe those minutes were sent to you for
2 your perusal.

3 MEMBER MARINELLO: Mr. Chairman, I
4 move that the Board approve the minutes as
5 submitted.

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second, Doug
7 Preisse.

8 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
9 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
10 the motion signify by saying aye.

11 (Vote taken.)

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
13 opposed same sign.

14 (No response.)

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
16 carries. For our reorganization meeting it
17 requires that we have a selection of a temporary
18 chairman for the proceedings going forward. Is
19 there anybody that would like to --

20 MEMBER SEXTON: Chairman, Michael
21 Sexton. I move the Board appoint Doug Preisse as
22 the temporary chairman for the purpose of
23 reorganization.

24 MEMBER JAFFE: Second that.

25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been

1 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
2 the motion signify by saying aye.

3 (Vote taken.)

4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
5 opposed same sign.

6 (No response.)

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: The motion
8 carries. The next item on the agenda is the
9 appointment of a director.

10 MEMBER SEXTON: Mr. Chairman,
11 Michael Sexton. I move the Board appoint Antone
12 White as the Director of the Franklin County Board
13 of Elections at a compensation rate of \$70.76 per
14 hour.

15 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Doug Preisse,
16 second the motion.

17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
18 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
19 the motion signify by saying aye.

20 (Vote taken.)

21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
22 opposed same sign.

23 (No response.)

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
25 carried. Congratulations director.

1 DIRECTOR WHITE: Thank you.

2 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: The next
3 item on the agenda is the appointment of a deputy
4 director.

5 MEMBER JAFFE: I can think of one.
6 This is Josh Jaffe. I move that the Board appoint
7 David Payne as the Deputy Director of the Franklin
8 County Board of Elections at the compensation rate
9 of \$69.92 per hour.

10 MEMBER SEXTON: Second.

11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
12 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
13 the motion signify by saying aye.

14 (Vote taken.)

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
16 opposed same sign.

17 (No response.)

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
19 carries.

20 DIRECTOR WHITE: Congratulations.

21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Thank you.
22 The next item on the agenda would be the
23 swearing-in of the Director and the Deputy
24 Director.

25 (WHEREUPON, Antone White was

1 sworn.)

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I believe we do
3 the same for the deputy director.

4 (WHEREUPON, David Payne was
5 sworn.)

6 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Thank you
7 very much.

8 DIRECTOR WHITE: Thank you,
9 Jeanine.

10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: The next
11 item on the agenda would be the appointment of a
12 permanent chairman.

13 MEMBER SEXTON: Mr. Chairman,
14 Michael Sexton. I move that the Board appointment
15 Doug Preisse as the Chairman of the Franklin County
16 Board of Elections.

17 MEMBER JAFFE: Josh Jaffe, second.

18 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
19 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
20 the motion signify by saying aye.

21 (Vote taken.)

22 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
23 opposed same sign.

24 (No response.)

25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion

1 carries. The next item on the agenda is a voter
2 challenge filed by Carlos Wilson, and I will turn
3 that over to Travis, our director of voter services
4 to move forward with that. I don't know if
5 Mr. Wilson is here.

6 MS. GIBBONS: He was here a second
7 ago and now he's not. Go ahead maybe he will come
8 back on.

9 MR. SIMMONS: Should I start?

10 MS. GIBBONS: Go ahead. Maybe he
11 will come back on. Here he is.

12 MR. SIMMONS: Good afternoon. I'm
13 Travis Simmons. I'm the manager over the voter
14 services department. I'm here to present the voter
15 challenge of Mr. Wilson. Mr. Wilson is challenging
16 the voter registration status of Anthony Wilson.
17 Carlos Wilson originally registered to vote in our
18 county in 2002. He had voted regularly between
19 2002 and 2004. Following a period of no voter
20 activity. He was removed from our list of
21 maintenance procedure -- he was removed from our
22 voter rolls in 2011. Mr. Wilson re-registered to
23 vote in 2021, via a register form from the Bureau
24 Motor Vehicles. Once again he registered to vote
25 at 254 Park Road. Mr. Wilson requested an absentee

1 ballot for 2022 general election, but he did not
2 return a complete ballot. On his challenge,
3 Mr. Wilson affirms that Anthony Wilson no longer
4 lives in Ohio and lives in South Carolina. The
5 lack of voter activity of Mr. Wilson's voter record
6 and the fact that the US Postal Services shows that
7 he now lives in South Carolina supports the
8 assertion that Mr. Wilson claimed on his challenge.
9 Anthony Wilson registered to vote here in Franklin
10 County originally in 2001. He has updated his
11 address twice. The last time he updated his
12 registration was in 2016 and it was at 925 Hart
13 Road. Mr. Wilson voted in several elections
14 between the first time he registered to vote in
15 2001 and the last time he voted in the general
16 election of 2016. Mr. Wilson has had no voter
17 activity since the 2016 general election and his
18 voter registration status has been moved to
19 inactive. In February 2018 the US Postal Service
20 reported that Mr. Wilson's address was now 43 Big
21 House Road in St. Helena Island, South Carolina.
22 This was part of our NCOA, National Change of
23 Address, maintenance process. At the time, the
24 Board sent Mr. Wilson a confirmation notice to that
25 address in South Carolina and that confirmation

1 notice was neither returned, completed or returned
2 undelivered. He is scheduled to be removed from
3 our voter rolls in 2025. The voter services
4 department recommend the Board approve the
5 challenge against Mr. Anthony Wilson presented by
6 Carlos Wilson. To the best of our knowledge
7 Mr. Wilson has not lived in Franklin County since
8 February of 2018 or voted in Franklin County since
9 November 2016 general election and should no longer
10 remain registered to vote at that address in 925
11 Hart Road address in Franklin County.

12 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you.

13 MEMBER MARINELLO: There are a lot
14 of different addresses on these -- on Hart Road.
15 948, 947.

16 MR. SIMMONS: He originally
17 registered at 947 Hart Road in 2011.

18 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Just for
19 clarity because it's a little hard to tell, if you
20 could say -- use their first names.

21 MR. SIMMONS: Anthony Wilson
22 registered to vote at 947 Hart Road on December 5th
23 of 2001. He updated his address to 948 Hart Road
24 in 2008 and updated his address again to 925 Hart
25 Road on March 15th of 2016.

1 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: And then
2 question, Carlos Wilson is 953 Hart Road, so we're
3 not -- many of the recent challenges we've dealt
4 with is someone who has someone registered at their
5 address. That's not the case here. These are
6 people that may be related to him that live near
7 him on the same street it looks like?

8 MR. SIMMONS: He's registered --
9 yeah.

10 MEMBER JAFFE: 953 for Carlos
11 Wilson, the person filing. I also see 925.

12 MR. SIMMONS: He's currently -- he
13 first registered in 2002 he registered at 953 Hart
14 Road, but he is currently registered to vote at 925
15 Hart Road. If you turn to -- if you turn to the
16 third page that has his voter history, that's his
17 current address right there, Carlos Wilson, the
18 petitioner.

19 MS. HUMMER: So he is currently
20 registered at 925 Hart Road?

21 MR. SIMMONS: Yes, ma'am.

22 MS. HUMMER: And there's no one
23 today online that lives at that address who is --
24 the person who is online regarding that lives at --
25 Mr. Carlos Wilson lives at 953?

1 MR. SIMMONS: No. He lives at 925
2 Hart Road.

3 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: The next page,
4 top of the voting record.

5 MR. SIMMONS: He lives at 925 Hart
6 Road.

7 MS. HUMMER: Anthony Wilson does?

8 MR. SIMMONS: No. Carlos Wilson.

9 MS. HUMMER: Carlos, okay. I'm
10 looking at the first page that had --

11 MR. SIMMONS: That's his original
12 voter form.

13 DIRECTOR WHITE: He's moved since
14 that time?

15 MR. SIMMONS: Yes. To 925.

16 DIRECTOR WHITE: Mr. Carlos
17 Wilson.

18 MS. HUMMER: Can he be in the
19 center since the hearing is about him? He should
20 be placed under oath.

21 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Mr. Carlos
22 Wilson, you wish to address the Board. We cannot
23 hear you. Just a moment, sir. Can you hear us
24 now?

25 MR. WILSON: Yes.

1 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: We can hear
2 you, and if you wish to make a statement, we need
3 to -- we'd like to swear you in. And we will turn
4 it over to our Court Reporter.

5 (Mr. Carlos Wilson was sworn.)

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you, sir.
7 If you wish to address the Board, please -- I think
8 you heard the discussion here. I hope you could
9 hear. I know you were going on and off. We've got
10 to the point here the staff has described to us and
11 shared your voting record and that of Anthony
12 Wilson, so go ahead if you will please.

13 MR. WILSON: I think -- it sounds
14 like generally you have it right. I would like to
15 add that this was part of the campaign to partially
16 establish residency in the apartment I was in and
17 the house I was in order to move me out,
18 unlawfully. And eventually they were able to do
19 that through a different means, but they got deeds
20 and they got bank accounts sent to the house. They
21 don't live there. I was the only one living there.

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Any
23 questions of the Board or counsel?

24 MS. HUMMER: I just have one
25 question. I notice that you have the same last

1 name. Are you related to Anthony Wilson?

2 MR. WILSON: He's my brother, yes.

3 That's right.

4 MS. HUMMER: He's your brother?

5 MR. WILSON: Yes.

6 MS. HUMMER: Has he ever lived at
7 that address or --

8 MR. WILSON: Yes.

9 MS. HUMMER: So he has lived at
10 925 for a period of time?

11 MR. WILSON: I think you have it
12 right. I think he moved out right around 2017,
13 2018 maybe.

14 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Any questions
15 from the Board.

16 MEMBER SEXTON: I'm just a little
17 confused on the names here. So we're talking about
18 Carlos Wilson. He's Carlos. We're talking about
19 Anthony Wilson, and on the sheet it says Kendell
20 Wilson.

21 MR. SIMMONS: That's the next one.

22 MR. WILSON: Kendell is Anthony's
23 wife.

24 MEMBER MARINELLO: I think they
25 are out of order. Carlos is on the next page.

1 MR. SIMMONS: We will get to
2 Kendell after --

3 MEMBER MARINELLO: Okay. Well,
4 our agenda it's the first one, but that's okay.

5 MEMBER SEXTON: So we're voting on
6 Anthony at this time?

7 MR. WILSON: Yes, sir.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. I don't
9 have any more questions. I think we've had a good
10 --

11 MEMBER JAFFE: I have one
12 question. In our records there's a period of
13 inactivity in your voting history. Have you lived
14 continuously at the Hart Street address or were you
15 gone for a period of time.

16 MR. WILSON: No. I lived in
17 California for many years. But in 2020 I was a
18 delegate here in Franklin County.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: Thank you.

20 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Okay. If
21 there's no other questions --

22 MEMBER SEXTON: Mr. Chairman,
23 Michael Sexton. I move the Board approve the
24 challenge of the right to vote filed by Carlos
25 Wilson of 925 Hart Road, Columbus, Ohio against

1 Anthony Wilson of 925 -- it says, South Hart Road.
2 I'm assuming that's the same address?

3 MR. WILSON: Yes.

4 MEMBER SEXTON: Columbus, Ohio
5 that Anthony Wilson's registration be removed from
6 Franklin County voter file.

7 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Doug Preisse,
8 second.

9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
10 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
11 the motion signify by saying aye.

12 (Vote taken.)

13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
14 opposed same sign.

15 (No response.)

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
17 carries. Again, I will turn it over to Carlos --
18 or to Travis to discuss the next voter challenge.

19 MR. SIMMONS: Kendell Wilson was
20 removed from our voter rolls on February 6th of
21 2023 part of our list maintenance program for lack
22 of voter activity. So you don't need to vote on
23 this voter challenge because she was removed on
24 February of this year, on the 6th, because of lack
25 of voter activity.

1 MEMBER MARINELLO: One says Willis
2 and one says Wilson?

3 MR. SIMMONS: Kendell Wilson

4 MEMBER MARINELLO: Kendell Willis,
5 Kendell Wilson on the application.

6 MR. WILSON: Willis was her maiden
7 name. Wilson is her married name.

8 MEMBER JAFFE: But that second
9 challenge is moot because person has --

10 MR. SIMMONS: Already been
11 removed.

12 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you,
13 Carlos Wilson, for appearing today.

14 MR. WILSON: Thank you for much.

15 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: The next
16 item on the agenda would be the appointment of
17 full-time clerks. I believe those are listed on
18 Exhibit A. Director White, is there anything to
19 mention about any of that conversation or --

20 DIRECTOR WHITE: No. Just our
21 standard procedure, part of our reorganization to
22 re-appoint our full-time clerks to the Board.

23 MEMBER JAFFE: So these would be
24 identical to the rates that we just set at our
25 previous meeting?

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DIRECTOR WHITE: That's correct.

MEMBER JAFFE: With that information I will move that the Board appoint the employees listed on Exhibit A as full-time clerks of the Board and fix their hourly compensation at the rates listed.

MEMBER MARINELLO: Kim Marinello, second.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of the motion signify by saying aye.

(Vote taken.)

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All opposed same sign.

(No response.)

DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion carries. The next item on the agenda is a request for reconsideration. I will turn that over to Jeff Mackey to briefly explain the situation and then I will turn it over to our county prosecutor or director to fill in any information that is required. So Jeff.

MR. MAKEY: February 13th this Board met and denied certification to Luis Gil, candidate for Columbus City Council and Columbus

1 Council District 2 because his petition was
2 insufficient. We found 249 valid signatures on his
3 petition and 250 valid signatures are required by
4 Columbus charter. On February 16th, following that
5 meeting, we received from Mr. Gil a request for the
6 Board to reconsider its decision to deny him
7 certification. I believe you have that request for
8 reconsideration in your packet. Then on
9 February 27th he filed three affidavits, which I
10 believe are also in your packet. Those affidavits
11 were collected from three individuals who purported
12 to sign his petition but whose signatures we
13 invalidated because we could not find a match to
14 the signatures we had on file in our database. The
15 affiants' ballots that they did indeed sign this
16 petition, indicated where on the petition they
17 signed it. You can find that there on the copy of
18 the petition submitted with the affidavit and have
19 indicated that they wish to have their signatures
20 validated. Mr. Gil is here to present his
21 arguments to you if you would like.

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Give me one
23 more minute to look through the exhibit. Does
24 counsel want to walk us through our next steps?

25 MS. HUMMER: So reconsideration,

1 as you know, is not required by law and that the
2 Board has discretion on whether to take any matter
3 up for reconsideration. It is my understanding by
4 placing this item on the agenda you have decided to
5 -- at least the Chair has decided to bring this
6 matter forward for consideration to the Board for a
7 hearing. This is an administration Quasi-Judicial
8 Hearing and we will begin the hearing by bringing
9 the petitioner forward to begin the process. And I
10 believe you have a template provided to you as to
11 how the hearing should --

12 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Very
13 convenient. Thank you. This matter has been --
14 this is Doug Preisse. This matter has been set
15 today at 3:00 p.m. Each side, if there are two
16 sides, will be afforded 30 minutes to present their
17 case, though they need not take that much time,
18 unless otherwise extended by this Board. Any
19 documents or evidence you wish to submit into the
20 record, please do so at this time or it may have
21 already been done, so now we would like to swear in
22 the witness. Mr. Gil.

23 (WHEREUPON, Luis Gil was sworn.)

24 MR. GIL: I start speaking of the
25 requirements and go forward with the petition?

1 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Yes. Please
2 just describe where we are today and how we got
3 here and what you are bringing to us.

4 MR. GIL: Well, I submitted around
5 318 signatures back in February 13th. It was a
6 Monday and got a letter stating that I needed one
7 more signature. I inquired about the instructions
8 that this would take place and I have to tell you
9 how hard it is you need to get one signature. Let
10 me tell you this, it was one of the hardest things
11 I've ever done running for politics, because you
12 need to go talk to the client or voter, you need to
13 have a notary with you at the time, and I needed to
14 be present, and it was hours waiting and driving,
15 you know, at their house, waiting for them to get
16 home and having a notary with you for hours. It
17 was quite an undertaking. So I needed to meet in a
18 way that it is not easy, very tough, and to explain
19 to the voter what was taking place is something
20 that also was an undertaking because, you know, now
21 they -- you show up in their place and require some
22 things, especially signature and address. It took
23 a lot of convincing to apprehend, but at the same
24 time, they knew -- not knowing of the process, they
25 knew what it would take place for me and trust was

1 placed and they were in a way believing what I said
2 and here we are trying to request a reformation
3 that I can run for city council in District 2, and
4 that it will make the process, you know, for me
5 especially to participate in the elections for
6 November.

7 MS. HUMMER: I'm going to clarify
8 the matter before the Board through the witness so
9 that we have a clear understanding that there was
10 -- the number of signatures presented were 300 and
11 --

12 MR. GIL: 318.

13 MS. HUMMER: So it wasn't that he
14 was lacking the number of signatures. It's just he
15 did not have enough qualifying signatures, so --
16 and that's an important point, because had he
17 submitted 249 and then later found 250, that is not
18 a matter for reconsideration. I wanted to be
19 clear.

20 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Just to be even
21 a little more specific, if I may, he submitted more
22 than enough signatures. Board staff on examination
23 determined he appeared to have one too few and he
24 has requested today's review hearing?

25 MS. HUMMER: Yes. There were only

1 249 signatures that were valid, so he was short one
2 of the signatures that were submitted, and so what
3 -- the question before you is whether or not you
4 have sufficient evidence based on the testimony of
5 the petitioner to qualify that one of the invalid
6 signatures of the witnesses would qualify as valid
7 under a reconsideration hearing.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Got it. Thank
9 you.

10 MR. GIL: If I may, it's amazing
11 how the voter misinformation is, doing this task,
12 because so many of the people I have placed the
13 signature has been maybe more than five, ten years
14 ago, and since then they have changed the way they
15 sign. I witnessed this with two of them, and
16 granted enough I have their original signature on
17 my phone and they will remember the way they sign
18 but they remember they change through their
19 lifetime or in the process of, you know, going
20 forward with their professional, you know, jobs or
21 whatever reason. That's what I was told. Yes, I
22 remember that signature, but I changed it, so my
23 education moment at that point was, you know,
24 let's, you know, every two years, three years you
25 should send a new petition with your new signature

1 if you decide to change it, but none of them
2 remember. So here we are under that very
3 unfortunate situation, where the people themselves
4 including, they couldn't remember how they signed a
5 few years back so.

6 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay.

7 MS. HUMMER: You have before you
8 as evidence that I believe the petitioner will want
9 to submit to the Board as evidence, the affidavits;
10 is that correct, sir?

11 MR. GIL: I have done that, yes.

12 MS. HUMMER: So --

13 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: These were not
14 received by the Board. Should we receive them
15 again?

16 MS. HUMMER: You want to mark them
17 as exhibits as part of this hearing and admit them
18 as part of evidence in this case.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: We went ahead and
20 marked them as Exhibit B for purposes of this
21 hearing.

22 MS. HUMMER: At the end of the
23 hearing, at the conclusion of the evidence, you
24 would move to admit the exhibits into evidence
25 prior to any ruling.

1 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay.

2 MEMBER JAFFE: Should we
3 understand that Mr. Gil submitted this to the Board
4 in order to ask us to do that?

5 MS. HUMMER: That's what I just
6 asked.

7 MEMBER JAFFE: So can we then --
8 do we need to wait to do that or --

9 MS. HUMMER: You do not.

10 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Let's do it.

11 MEMBER JAFFE: Josh Jaffe, I'll
12 move to admit what we have here marked as Exhibit
13 B, affidavits from voters filed by Luis Gil with
14 the Board as evidence in this hearing.

15 MEMBER MARINELLO: Kim Marinello,
16 second.

17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
18 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
19 the motion signify by saying aye.

20 (Vote taken.)

21 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
22 opposed same sign.

23 (No response.)

24 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
25 carries.

1 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Can we
2 ask questions -- we can ask question. Does anybody
3 have questions for Mr. Luis -- Mr. Gil?

4 MEMBER SEXTON: I just have a
5 couple. Mr. Gil, I've seen here that at least on
6 the first one, these are -- my understanding these
7 are all differences from printed signatures on the
8 petition to signatures, is kind of the discrepancy
9 here? But you were the signature for Annie Stern
10 and you were the signature or circulator for Joanne
11 Melton?

12 MR. GIL: Yes.

13 MEMBER SEXTON: And I haven't seen
14 it here, but were you the signature as well for
15 Robert Briggs?

16 MR. GIL: That's correct.

17 MEMBER SEXTON: Okay. Thank you.

18 MR. MAKEY: I already asked him if
19 there was any relation and he said no.

20 MEMBER JAFFE: A couple questions
21 for Luis then. Originally on the petitions did you
22 collect the signatures of the -- I think the two
23 voters, Annie Stern and Joanne Melton yourself from
24 them before you initially filed the petitions?

25 MR. GIL: Ask me that again.

1 MEMBER JAFFE: Did you personally
2 collect their signatures, not on the affidavits,
3 but on the original petition?

4 MR. GIL: Yes.

5 MEMBER JAFFE: Okay. And you
6 returned to the same voters to ask them to sign
7 these to corroborate?

8 MR. GIL: There was a little bit
9 of him trying to remember how he signed, one of
10 them in a gas station, you know, maybe at 11:00 at
11 night, but he remembered the encounter. He
12 remembered who I was.

13 MEMBER SEXTON: So you both got
14 the circulator as the signature and then had all
15 three of these individuals sign the affidavits?

16 MR. GIL: That's correct, yes.

17 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Any other
18 questions? Is there -- thank you, Luis. You can
19 sit down. Are there any opponents that wish to
20 address the Board in this matter? I don't hear or
21 see any. So the Board may deliberate in executive
22 session, if I choose, I see. I don't see any
23 reason. Do any of the Board members?

24 MEMBER MARINELLO: No.

25 MEMBER JAFFE: No. I don't think

1 so.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I think we can
3 proceed to vote, right?

4 MEMBER JAFFE: I have a question
5 actually for the staff now. So we have three
6 affidavits from three voters who are asking us to
7 count their signatures. None of these three were
8 originally counted; is that correct?

9 MR. GIL: That is correct.

10 MEMBER JAFFE: So if we are to
11 comply with the request of -- or swear in --

12 (Jeff Mackey was sworn.)

13 MEMBER JAFFE: Just asking for
14 background on the process that originally
15 invalidated the signatures. Since you're now under
16 oath.

17 MR. MAKEY: One signature you find
18 there would give him 250 as valid signatures.

19 MEMBER JAFFE: That's what I was
20 looking for and we have three to choose from.

21 MEMBER SEXTON: I just have a
22 question maybe for counsel, but is this the process
23 for -- by Columbus City Charter or is this
24 basically saying that, you know, it is a common
25 mistake on petitions where you print your name

1 rather than sign your legal name, so it sounds like
2 basically, if I printed my name on a petition, then
3 they are coming back and saying, well, it's not
4 valid until you affirm your signature?

5 MS. HUMMER: I believe it's by
6 state law. It's not a Columbus. It's a state law
7 requirement.

8 MR. MAKEY: Reviewed code
9 3501.011, is legal mark of a registered elector.

10 MR. SEXTON: As long as they
11 provide an affidavit --

12 MS. HUMMER: It does not say that.
13 That's evidence for you to make a determination of
14 whether or not there was credit evidence presented
15 that the petition that was served with the
16 signature as presented and the individuals
17 presented are the same, and by doing that, you can
18 accept the affidavits. You can say I would rather
19 have a live person here testifying to it or you can
20 accept. That is clearly within your discretion.

21 MEMBER JAFFE: I guess this is
22 also a question for counsel. In terms of process,
23 I'm recalling a 2014 case that had a similar
24 situation. There was a signature shortage. This
25 was Zach Scott for central committee I believe and

1 that ended with the Ohio Supreme Court, if memory
2 serves, ordering this Board to accept the evidence
3 presented and the affidavit of the voter once it
4 had been presented to us. Am I remembering that
5 correctly?

6 MS. HUMMER: I think -- I don't
7 know if that case that -- some of that is correct.
8 But I believe part of the process of when you have
9 a reconsideration hearing, and why I'm being very
10 particular of how you are doing this hearing, is
11 what the court will look at is whether or not your
12 process and your procedures were such that you had
13 a valid hearing, that you took evidence, that you
14 had sworn testimony, that there was opportunity for
15 others to contest what was being presented. I
16 don't know what happened in that hearing, and do
17 you happen to know that case?

18 MS. HOFER: I do remember that
19 case. I can find it very quickly, but I do believe
20 that there was something wrong with the process in
21 that instance. It wasn't even necessarily a
22 difference in like the signatures and whatnot. It
23 was the way that the process as handling
24 unfortunately, which is why that was ultimately
25 there.

1 MR. MAKEY: I have parts of the
2 decision here if you want me to read them. Court
3 decided that -- well what happened was, we again
4 could not match the signature to the voter record
5 on file. Petitioner brought in the person, instead
6 of just an affidavit, and she testified that she
7 did make that mark on the petition, that was her
8 mark. And we followed the law, which said that any
9 voter registration record requiring a person's
10 signature shall be signed by the person using their
11 legal mark and legal mark of the registered elector
12 shall be considered the mark of the elector as it
13 appears on the elector's voter registration record,
14 which we didn't have. So we said, that's great.
15 Thank you for coming in. Law says it has to match
16 what we have on file and the Supreme Court said
17 that having decided to conduct a hearing was an
18 abuse of the Board's discretion to disregard the
19 evidence that we heard during the -- that the
20 hearing produced, and once the Board was satisfied
21 that the signature on the petition was Petel's
22 should have declared the signature valid and placed
23 Scott's name on the ballot.

24 MS. HUMMER: And let me go into
25 that a little bit and why we have spent time on the

1 idea of making findings of fact, conclusions of
2 law, when you decide -- if you decided to deny the
3 petitioner, you would and should make findings of
4 facts and conclusions of law as to why you are
5 denying it, versus I accept what these affidavits
6 are saying, but we're going to vote against it,
7 versus if you were going to deny it, we are not
8 accepting these affidavits because of the fact that
9 we need a live person here to testify and be
10 subject to cross-examination, as an example.

11 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. Any
12 other questions? I think we should proceed to
13 vote. We need a motion.

14 MEMBER JAFFE: I suppose I will
15 make a motion.

16 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you.

17 MEMBER JAFFE: So having accepted
18 into evidence Exhibit B and hearing Mr. Gil's
19 testimony about his original collection of the
20 signatures and subsequent meeting with the three
21 voters who signed affidavits here, I would move in
22 the matter of the request for reconsideration filed
23 by Luis Gil, candidate for Columbus City Council in
24 District 2, that the Board declare Luis Gil to be
25 nominated and we certify his name to the

1 November 7, 2023 general election based on the
2 following findings of fact and conclusions of law.
3 The Board has reviewed the evidence presented by
4 Mr. Gil, in particular, in the form of the three
5 affidavits filed by the three voters and the
6 signature on -- in question on the three affidavits
7 were originally invalidated by the Board because
8 the signature on the petition could not be matched
9 against the signatures on file with the Board and
10 the affiants by affidavit that were accepted into
11 evidence acknowledged that they did sign the
12 petition and wish to have their signatures counted,
13 and the Board finds these affidavits as presented
14 to be credible and credits Mr. Gil's petition
15 project with valid signatures number of 250, 251,
16 and I'm not actually sure about 252, in accordance
17 with section 41-3 of the Columbus City Charter that
18 requires such petition to be signed by not less
19 than 250 registered electors of the district and
20 the Board will now find the petition to be
21 sufficient.

22 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Second?

23 MR. SEXTON: Michael Sexton. I
24 will second.

25 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been

1 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
2 the motion signify by saying aye.

3 (Vote taken.)

4 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
5 opposed same sign.

6 (No response.)

7 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
8 carries.

9 CHAIRMAN PREISSE:
10 Congratulations.

11 MR. GIL: Thank you.

12 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: The next
13 item on the agenda is the paper ballot allocation
14 from May 2nd primary election and I'll call on
15 Carla Patton our director of operations.

16 MS. PATTON: Good afternoon.
17 Before you you have Exhibit C, which is the initial
18 paper ballot allocation for the 2023, May primary
19 special elections, so the quantities on the left
20 side are all the nonpartisan primary precincts. On
21 the right side are the Hilliard Republican primary
22 only, with the exception in one precinct in
23 Hilliard only option. That is identified in
24 Republican Hilliard 4-A. On Exhibit C is the
25 recommendation of the paper ballots we allocate by

1 precinct for this election the quantities were
2 ascertained by applying a formula of looking at
3 past, previous, like elections, going all the way
4 back to 2011 for this. Looking at turn out. The
5 highest turn out that could be seen was a
6 40 percent turn out, so I applied a 40 percent turn
7 out to the registered voters, the current
8 registered voters. And then from that took
9 15 percent of that turn out for our paper ballot
10 allocation and rounded to pad of 25. Also
11 accounted for within this calculation is
12 five percent of provisional ballots cast in a
13 previous like election. The number of ballots cast
14 plus five percent. So that typically ends up no
15 more than ten ballots. So that is incorporated
16 within this equation as well. Because of the
17 system that we run, our Board does have discretion
18 as to the amounts of ballots that we allocate.
19 What we don't have control over is number of
20 provisional ballots, which is wrapped up in the
21 equation. We do have the ability also to produce
22 paper ballots on demand here in house on election
23 day in the event that any location would be running
24 short on their supply.

25 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Thank you.

1 Questions? Good report as usual. Thank you. No
2 questions.

3 MEMBER JAFFE: If there are no
4 questions, I'll move the Board adopt the paper
5 ballot allocation formula in Exhibit C complied by
6 the Board staff of the May 2nd primary election.

7 MEMBER MARINELLO: Kim Marinello,
8 second.

9 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
10 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
11 the motion signify by saying aye.

12 (Vote taken.)

13 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
14 opposed same sign.

15 (No response.)

16 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
17 carries. Just like the paper ballot allocation,
18 I'll ask Carla to talk about the voting machine
19 allocation, and I believe that the Ohio Secretary
20 of State requires that we, the Board revisit this
21 at least on three separate occasions, so this is
22 second go around.

23 MS. PATTON: That is correct,
24 David, and we will have another vote on the paper
25 ballot allocations and the equipment allocations

1 just prior to election to accommodate any
2 unforeseen changes or shortcomings. Exhibit D
3 before you is the initial voting equipment
4 allocations for the 2023 May primary special
5 election. This election we are using paper poll
6 books, so you will not see the electronic poll
7 books on this since that is not an electronic
8 equipment. However you do have the ballot markers
9 and the ballot scanners, ballot markers are being
10 allocated on one for roughly every 350 voters in
11 the location, with a ballot counter then being one
12 for every 11 markers that they have. This is a
13 shorter ballot anywhere within the county. I think
14 the longest ballot we had is three issues on this
15 ballot and that's a local liquor option precinct.
16 Outside of that, most everything is one issue or
17 one office and you're done. So for this election
18 we're looking at deploying 188 ballot marking
19 devices to the polling locations with at least one
20 of those being a kiosk for the disabled voters, and
21 then there's no less than two markers for any one
22 location -- or three markers for any one location,
23 and then the counters, like I said, one for every
24 11 ballot markers is being assigned with no less
25 than one being assigned for a total of 31 being

1 allocated in the 26 locations.

2 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Very well.

3 Good report.

4 MR. SEXTON: Mr. Chairman, Michael
5 Sexton. I move the Board adopt the voting machine
6 allocation formula in Exhibit D compiled by the
7 Board staff for the May 2nd primary election.

8 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Doug Preisse,
9 second the motion.

10 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: It's been
11 properly moved and seconded. All those in favor of
12 the motion signify by saying aye.

13 (Vote taken.)

14 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: All
15 opposed same sign.

16 (No response.)

17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR PAYNE: Motion
18 carries.

19 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: Okay. No
20 further business coming before us.

21 MEMBER MARINELLO: BlueCrest --

22 DIRECTOR WHITE: Tabled that.

23 CHAIRMAN PREISSE: I saw it
24 earlier on the agenda.

25 DIRECTOR WHITE: Tabled it.

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CHAIRMAN PREISSE: It's not often
we get interrupted when we want to adjourn. We're
adjourned.

(WHEREUPON the hearing was
adjourned at 3:30 p.m.)

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TODD	DAVID	22.5945
TOMPKINS	MARY	29.6794
VERLANEY	GEORGIA	19.1165
WALTER	CHRISTOPHER	36.5400
ZIEMBA	SARA	33.8250



Exhibit B

Luis Gil Request for Reconsideration
for
Columbus City Council District 2



Luis Gil for City Council District 2

1636 Preston Woods Ct Columbus, Ohio 43235 lgill1115@yahoo.com 1-419-310-1206

Luis Gil
1636 Preston Woods Ct.
Columbus, Ohio 43235
lgill1115@yahoo.com

February 15, 2023

David R. Payne,
Deputy Director
1700 Morse Road
Columbus, Ohio 43229

Dear Deputy Director Payne:

This letter is to request reconsideration for my Declaration of Candidacy in the Primary Election for the City of Columbus Council District 2. I currently have 249 signatures: I understand 250 valid voter signatures are required to gain confirmation of candidacy. It is my intent to secure more than one signature so that my candidacy can be validated. Thank you for your time and efforts concerning this matter. Please contact me directly if you have any additional questions or concerns. I'll be waiting to hear from you.

Respectfully,

Luis Gil
1636 Preston Woods Ct.
Columbus, Ohio 43235
lgill1115@yahoo.com

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BOARD OF ELECTIONS

I, Annie Stern, hereby state based in my personal knowledge as follows:

1. I reside at 5293 Bressler Dr. Hilliard, Ohio, 43026 and a valid registered voter.
2. I signed the Nominating Petition for the Candidacy of Luis Gil for the Columbus City Council District 2 position for this 2023 Fall election on line 4 January 19, 2023.
3. My understanding is the Franklin County Board of Elections was not able to match my signature to the one on record.
4. I acknowledge and wish to have my entry on line 4 validated as "in favor" of Luis Gil's nominating petition to seek ballot validation in this fall's 2023 Columbus City Council Election.

I apologize for this error in the non-matching of my signature and I respectfully request that my entry be counted as valid.

Annie Stern

Printed Name - Annie Stern

Annie Stern

Signature- Annie Stern

Sworn and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, State of Ohio on this 26 day of February, 2023 in Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio.



NICKOLE MATEOS
Notary Public
State of Ohio
My Comm. Expires
September 28, 2026

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Notary Public -

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**DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY
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To be filed with the Board of Elections not later than 4 p.m. of the 90th day before the day of the primary election.
Section 41-3 of the Columbus City Charter.

NOTE - THE CANDIDATE MUST FILL IN, SIGN AND DATE THIS DECLARATION BEFORE PETITIONS ARE CIRCULATED

I, LUIS E GIL, the undersigned, hereby declare under penalty of election falsification that my voting residence address is 1636 PRESTON WOODS CT COLUMBUS 43235 and I am a qualified elector.

I further declare that I desire to be a candidate for nomination to the office of City Council Member from the 2 District in Columbus, Ohio for the Full Term, or Unexpired Term Ending at the primary election to be held on the 02 day of MAY, 2023.

I further declare that I am an elector qualified to vote for the office I seek.

Dated this 19 day of JANUARY, 2023.

WHOEVER COMMITS ELECTION FALSIFICATION IS GUILTY OF A FELONY OF THE FIFTH DEGREE

I, LUIS E GIL, hereby designate the following five qualified electors of the City of Columbus as a nominating committee.

NAME	VOTING RESIDENCE
MARC SCHARE	2113 SELBOURNE CT DUBLIN OH 43016
DENNIS DAMON	3245 DELBURN AVE DUBLIN OH 43017
CHANDLER WYSOCKI	1607 FOURTH ST COLUMBUS OH 43201
DAVANTE GOINS	2433 BRETNELL AVE COLUMBUS OH 43211
SUE KING	2548 HOME ACRE DR COLUMBUS OH 43231

We, the undersigned qualified electors of the State of Ohio, whose voting residence is in the county and city set opposite our names, hereby certify that LUIS E GIL, whose declaration of candidacy is filed herewith, is in our opinion well qualified to perform the duties of the office to which the person desires to be elected.

Signatures on this part-petition must be from only one county and must be written in ink.

SIGNATURE	VOTING RESIDENCE NUMBER, STREET, CITY AND ZIP	COUNTY	DATE OF SIGNING
1. Lisa B. Chebbes	5981 Lakefront Ave Hilliard 43022	Franklin	1/19/2023
2. Veronica Breda	2617 Amberwick Pl Hilliard OH 43026	Franklin	1-19-2023
3. Bradley R. Brown	2017 AMBERWICK PL HILLIARD OH 43026	FRANKLIN	1/19/2023
4. Annie Stern	5293 Bressler Dr. Hilliard 43026	Franklin	1/19/23
5. Kenneth W. Galab	2027 Tuckaway Ct. Columbus 43228	Franklin	1/19/23

SIGNATURE	VOTING RESIDENCE NUMBER, STREET, CITY AND ZIP	COUNTY	DATE OF SIGNING
6. <i>Madia Jones</i>	059 Clayton Bend Dr Calloway OH 43119	Franklin	1/19/2023
7. <i>Stephen M. [unclear]</i>	1587 Griffin Ln Ct. 43235	Franklin	1/21/2023
8. <i>Ruth Alen [unclear]</i>	1582 Amphlett Ct 43235	Franklin	1/21/2023
9. <i>Sherry K. Bailey</i>	1524 Eastmeadow Pl	Franklin	1/21/23
10. <i>[unclear]</i>	1519 Eastmeadow Place	Franklin	1/21/23
11. <i>John Bunnick</i>	1616 Preston Woods Ct.	Franklin	1/22/23
12. <i>Susan Bussidog</i>	1616 Preston Woods Ct.	Franklin	1/22/23
13. <i>[unclear]</i>	1459 W. CASE R.L.	Franklin	1-22-23
14. <i>CHRISTOPHER WOOD</i>			
15. <i>[unclear]</i>			
16. <i>Jeffrey M. Cesved</i>	1630 Preston Woods Ct.	Franklin	1-22-23
17. <i>James C. Weaver</i>	1642 PRESTON WOODS CT	FRANKLIN	1-22-23
18. <i>Elizabeth Weaver</i>	1642 Preston Woods Ct	FRANKLIN	1/22/23
19. <i>[unclear]</i>	1552 Quarry View	Franklin	1-22-23
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I, Luis Gil, declare under penalty of election falsification that I reside at the address appearing below my signature; that I am the circulator of the foregoing petition containing 17 signatures; that I witnessed the affixing of every signature; that all signers were to the best of my knowledge and belief qualified to sign; and that every signature is to the best of my knowledge and belief the signature of the person whose signature it purports to be or of an attorney in fact acting pursuant to section 3501.382 of the Revised Code.

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[Signature]
(SIGNATURE OF CIRCULATOR)
1636 PRESTON WOODS CT
(PERMANENT RESIDENCE ADDRESS)
Columbus, OH 43235
(CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE)

Part 1472, Line 4: Annie Stern

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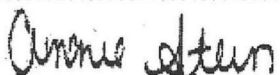
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AFFIDAVIT OF JOANNE MELTON

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I, Joanne Melton, hereby state based in my personal knowledge as follows:

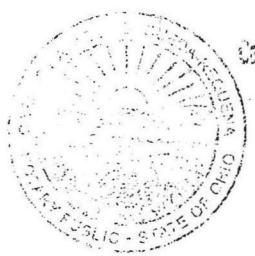
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Printed Name – Joanne Melton

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Sworn and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, State of Ohio on this ____ day of February, 2023 in Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio.



Carlos Rafael Mosqueda-Requena
Notary Public
In and For the State of Ohio
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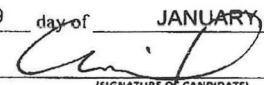
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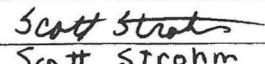
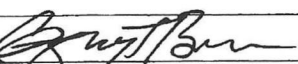
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1. 	6639 Brook St 43017	Franklin	1-23-23
2. Scott Strohm			
3. 	3275 Cranston Dr. 43017	FRANKLIN	1-23-23
4. GREGORY T. BROWN			
5.			

SIGNATURE	VOTING RESIDENCE NUMBER, STREET, CITY AND ZIP	COUNTY	DATE OF SIGNING
6. <i>Carla S. Perry</i>	6349 Tamworth Ct	Franklin	1/27/23
7. <i>CARLA S. PERRY</i>			
8. <i>Julia Morris</i>	6351 Dummerston Ct	Franklin	1/23/23
9. <i>Brad Beaver</i>	3426 Luannston Dr.	Franklin	1-23-23
10. <i>Brad Beaver</i>			
11. <i>[Signature]</i>	6472 Cranstow Way	Franklin	1-23-23
12. <i>Amanda Lafond</i>	John H. Hardy	Franklin	---
13. <i>John Hardy</i>	3428 CRANSTOW DR	FRANKLIN	1-23-23
14. <i>Stephanie Leach</i>	5671 Preston Woods rd	Franklin	1/24/23
15. <i>Stephanie Leach</i>	---	---	---
16. <i>Joanne Melton</i>	1654 ⁴³²³⁵ Preston Woods	Franklin	1/24/23
17. <i>Dianne Hartley</i>	1745 West Case, Col. 43235	Franklin	1/24/23
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I, Luis E. Gil, declare under penalty of election falsification that I reside at the address appearing below my signature; that I am the circulator of the foregoing petition containing 11 signatures; that I witnessed the affixing of every signature; that all signers were to the best of my knowledge and belief qualified to sign; and that every signature is to the best of my knowledge and belief the signature of the person whose signature it purports to be or of an attorney in fact acting pursuant to section 3501.382 of the Revised Code.

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[Signature]
 (SIGNATURE OF CIRCULATOR)
 1636 Preston Woods Ct
 (PERMANENT RESIDENCE ADDRESS)
 Columbus, OH 43235
 (CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE)

Part 1464, Line 16: JoAnne Melton

Declaration of Candidacy System
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JOANNE M MELTON
RESIDENCE ADDRESS
1654 PRESTON WOODS CT
COLUMBUS, OH 43235
COUNTY: FRANKLIN COUNTY

VOTER ID: 900628313
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FRANKLIN COUNTY
BOARD OF ELECTIONS

AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERT BRIGGS

State of Ohio

Franklin County

I, Robert Briggs, hereby state based in my personal knowledge as follows:

1. I reside at 5500 Saddlebrook Dr. Columbus, Ohio, 43221 and a valid registered voter.
2. I signed the Nominating Petition for the Candidacy of Luis Gil for the Columbus City Council position for this 2023 Fall election on line 25 January 25, 2023.
3. My understanding is the Franklin County Board of Elections was not able to match my signature to the one on record.
4. I acknowledge and wish to have my entry on line 25 validated as "in favor" of Luis Gil's nominating petition to seek ballot validation in this fall's 2023 Columbus City Council Election.

I apologize for this error in the non-matching of my signature and I respectfully request that my entry be counted as valid.

Robert Briggs
Printed Name - Robert Briggs

[Handwritten Signature]
Signature- Robert Briggs

Sworn and subscribed before me, a Notary Public, State of Ohio on this 18th day of February, 2023 in Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio.



CATHERINE D. WILLIAMS
Notary Public, State of Ohio
My Commission Expires 3-23-23

[Handwritten Signature]
Notary Public -

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DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY
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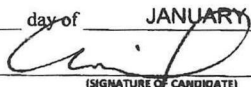
To be filed with the Board of Elections not later than 4 p.m.
 of the 90th day before the day of the primary election.
 Section 41-3 of the Columbus City Charter.

**NOTE - THE CANDIDATE MUST FILL IN, SIGN AND DATE THIS DECLARATION
 BEFORE PETITIONS ARE CIRCULATED**

I, LUIS E GIL, the undersigned, hereby declare under penalty of election falsification
(PRINT NAME OF CANDIDATE)
 that my voting residence address is 1636 PRESTON WOODS CT COLUMBUS 43235,
(STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE)
 and I am a qualified elector.

I further declare that I desire to be a candidate for nomination to the office of City Council Member from the 2
(DISTRICT NUMBER)
 District in Columbus, Ohio for the Full Term, or Unexpired Term Ending _____
(CHECK ONE BOX) (ENTER THE UNEXPIRED TERM ENDING DATE)
 at the primary election to be held on the 02 day of MAY, 2023.

I further declare that I am an elector qualified to vote for the office I seek.

Dated this 19 day of JANUARY, 2023.

(SIGNATURE OF CANDIDATE)

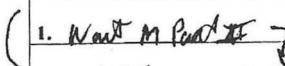
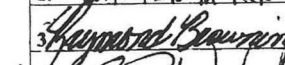
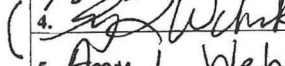
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I, LUIS E GIL, hereby designate the following five qualified electors of the City of
(PRINT NAME OF CANDIDATE)
 Columbus as a nominating committee.

NAME	VOTING RESIDENCE
MARC SCHARE	2113 SELBOURNE CT DUBLIN OH 43016
DENNIS DAMON	3245 DELBURN AVE DUBLIN OH 43017
CHANDLER WYSOCKI	1607 FOURTH ST COLUMBUS OH 43201
DAVANTE GOINS	2433 BRETNELL AVE COLUMBUS OH 43211
SUE KING	2548 HOME ACRE DR COLUMBUS OH 43231

We, the undersigned qualified electors of the State of Ohio, whose voting residence is in the county and city set opposite our names, hereby certify that LUIS E GIL, whose declaration of candidacy is filed
(PRINT NAME OF CANDIDATE)
 herewith, is in our opinion well qualified to perform the duties of the office to which the person desires to be elected.

Signatures on this part-petition must be from only one county and must be written in ink.

SIGNATURE	VOTING RESIDENCE NUMBER, STREET, CITY AND ZIP	COUNTY	DATE OF SIGNING
1. 	5422 ARCHWAY DR <small>COLUMBUS OH 43235</small>	FRANKLIN	1/25/23
2. WALTER M. PRESTON	_____	_____	_____
3. 	5461 Deckerway Dr. 43235	Franklin	1/25/23
4. 	5424 Tinsbury Ct. 43235	Franklin	1/25/23
5. Amy L. Wehnke	_____	_____	_____

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6. <i>Mel Russo</i>	5719 Brinkley Ct 43235	Franklin	1/25/23
7. Mel Russo	_____	_____	_____
8. <i>William Cymer</i>	5706 Brinkley Ct.	Franklin	1/25/23
9. William Cymer	_____	_____	_____
10. <i>Curtis Lichtensteiger</i>	5687 Brinkley Ct 43235	Franklin	1/25/2023
11. Curtis Lichtensteiger	_____	_____	_____
12. <i>Flajido Duce</i>	2781 Hagerman DR	Franklin	1/25/2023
13. <i>Dave Lamb</i>	5555 Maxita Ln	Franklin	1/25/2023
14. <i>Robert Smith</i>	5607 Maxita Ln	Franklin	1/25/2023
15. <i>Walter Spickon</i>	5144 Boulder Crest	Franklin	1/25/2023
16. WALTER SPICKON	_____	_____	_____
17. <i>Jacob Glasbrenner</i>	5475 Gardenbrooke St	Franklin	1/25/2023
18. Jacob Glasbrenner	_____	_____	_____
19. <i>Samantha Glasbrenner</i>	5475 Gardenbrooke St	Franklin	1/26/23
20. <i>Chris Loflin</i>	2780 Sawmill Park Dr	Franklin	1/25/23
21. Christopher L. Loflin	_____	_____	_____
22. <i>Shank Raje</i>	2730 Freystone Dr	Franklin	1/25/23
23. Shank Raje	_____	_____	_____
24. <i>Robert Briggs</i>	5500 Saddlebrook Dr	Franklin	1/25/23
25. Robert Briggs	_____	_____	_____

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Luis Gil
(SIGNATURE OF CIRCULATOR)
1636 Preston Woods Ct
(PERMANENT RESIDENCE ADDRESS)
Columbus, OH 43235
(CITY, STATE AND ZIP CODE)

Part 1459, Line 24/25: Robert Briggs

Declaration of Candidacy (Open)

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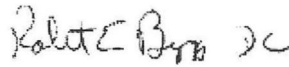
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5500 SADDLEBROOK DR
COLUMBUS, OH 43221
COUNTY: FRANKLIN COUNTY

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PARTY: D GENDER: M

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Nonpartisan Primary			Republican Primary		
Precinct Name	Total Voters	Recommended	Precinct Name	Total Voters	Recommended
Columbus 13-A	876	50	Hilliard 1-A	596	25
Columbus 21-D	1053	75	Hilliard 1-B	775	50
Columbus 29-C	968	50	Hilliard 1-C	812	50
Blendon-D	1435	75	Hilliard 1-D	1398	75
Dublin 2-B	606	25	Hilliard 1-E	648	50
Gahanna 1-A	1083	75	Hilliard 1-F	955	50
Gahanna 1-B	743	50	Hilliard 2-A	946	50
Gahanna 1-C	1121	75	Hilliard 2-B	982	50
Gahanna 1-D	711	50	Hilliard 2-C	625	50
Gahanna 1-E	1036	50	Hilliard 2-D	1418	75
Gahanna 1-F	895	50	Hilliard 2-E	1599	100
Gahanna 1-G	899	50	Hilliard 3-A	1116	75
Gahanna 2-A	1011	50	Hilliard 3-B	1184	75
Gahanna 2-B	1029	50	Hilliard 3-C	1294	75
Gahanna 2-C	664	50	Hilliard 3-D	1208	75
Gahanna 2-D	786	50	Hilliard 3-E	964	50
Gahanna 2-E	768	50	Hilliard 4-A	1070	75 Republican; 75 Issues Only
Gahanna 2-F	379	25	Hilliard 4-B	975	50
Gahanna 2-G	454	25	Hilliard 4-C	1437	75
Gahanna 2-H	873	50	Hilliard 4-D	1185	75
Gahanna 2-I	921	50	Hilliard 4-E	793	50
Gahanna 3-A	891	50	Hilliard 5-A	1441	75
Gahanna 3-B	739	50	Hilliard 5-B	1396	75
Gahanna 3-C	972	50	Hilliard 5-C	1435	75
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Gahanna 4-C	672	50			
Gahanna 4-D	873	50			
Gahanna 4-E	1019	50			
Gahanna 4-F	729	50			
Gahanna 4-G	952	50			
Grove City 1-A	1742	100			
Grove City 5-A	1073	75			
New Albany-E	794	50			
Pleasant-A	36	25			
Pleasant-C	172	25			
Westerville 1-D	615	25			

Exhibit D

LID#	Voting Location Name	Ballot Markers	DS200 Ballot Scanner
1122	HILLIARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	6	1
1136	J W REASON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	7	1
1227	SELLS MIDDLE SCHOOL	3	1
2003	INNOVATIVE LEARNING CAMPUS THE HUB	7	1
2008	AVERY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	5	1
2077	MILO GROGAN COMMUNITY CENTER	4	1
2164	AMERICAN LEGION YOUNG BUDD NUMBER 171	3	1
2213	STONYBROOK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	6	1
2217	WALNUT CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	6	1
3006	COLUMBUS COLONY- COMMUNITY CENTER	5	1
3018	GAHANNA COMMUNITY CONGREGATIONAL	12	2
3034	BEECHWOLD CHRISTIAN CHURCH	4	1
3037	FAMILY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH OF CHRIST	9	1
3038	SCIOTO RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	6	1
3040	FRANKLIN CHURCH	3	1
3050	HILLIARD THARP SIXTH GRADE SCHOOL	15	2
3055	HILLIARD CHURCH OF CHRIST	8	1
3057	DARBYDALE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	3	1
4018	HILLIARD STATION SIXTH GRADE SCHOOL	8	1
4030	PARSONS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	4	1
4042	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	6	1
5013	HOFFMAN TRAILS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	16	2
5018	PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH	12	2
5029	SAINT LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH	6	1
6007	CENTER POINT CHURCH	20	2
6014	GROVE CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	4	1
TOTAL		188	31