IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 13-19

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The undersigned, Chief Judge of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit, finds as follows:

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1. The undersigned Chief Judge has received notice of the following:

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- a) That the Kendall County Electoral Board has been convened to consider an objection to certain petitions to place candidate Chris Funkhouser on the ballot at the March 18th, 2014 primary, and
- b) that a vacancy on the Electoral Board of Kendall County has been created by the recusal of County Clerk and Recorder Debbie Gillette.
- 2. 10 ILCS 5/10-9(6) provides, in relevant part, that "...Any vacancies on an electoral board not otherwise filled pursuant to this Section shall be filled by public members appointed by the Chief Judge of the circuit court for the county wherein the electoral board hearing is being held upon notification to the Chief Judge of such vacancies."
- 3. The Kendall County Electoral Board is an electoral board within the territorial boundaries of the Circuit Court of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit of the State of Illinois.
- 4. The vacancy created by the recusal of Debbie Gillette from serving on the Electoral Board convened to consider an objection to certain petitions to place Chris Funkhouser as a candidate for Kendall County Board on the ballot at the March 18th, 2014 election, is a vacancy "...not otherwise filled...", pursuant to 10 ILCS 5/10-9, for the reason that the vacancy has been created by a recusal of a member, rather than the ineligibility of a member who is a candidate for the office with relation to which the objector's petition is filed, as addressed by the express terms of the provisions of 10 ILCS 5/10-9(6), and, therefore, it is the duty of the undersigned Chief Judge to appoint a public member to fill the vacancy.
- 5. The undersigned Chief Judge has independently considered persons appropriate for appointment as a public member of an electoral board convened to consider an objection to certain petitions to place a public question on the ballot at a general election.
- 6. The undersigned Chief Judge is well familiar with Jill Ferko, an individual of recognized ability and experience in all matters relevant to the substantive and procedural issues confronting an electoral board convened to consider an objection to petition to place a candidate on the ballot at the March 18th, 2014 election.

Jill Ferko, is a resident of Kendall County, a county located within the territorial boundaries of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit, is a taxpayer, and Kendall County Treasurer. Ms. Ferko is knowledgeable about matters of interest to voters.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT JILL FERKO IS HEREBY APPOINTED, TO FILL THE VACANCY CREATED BY THE RECUSAL OF DEBBIE GILLETTE MEMBER OF THE KENDALL COUNTY ELECTORAL BOARD convened to consider an objection to certain petitions to place Chris Funkhouser on the ballot at the March 18th, 2014 election.

ENTERED this 16th day of December, 2013.

Chief Judge Timothy J. McCann

Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit

State of Illinois