

RI STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

MINUTES OF MEETING

JULY 26, 2004

The Rhode Island State Board of Elections met this day at 9:30 a.m. A quorum included Chair Roger Begin, Vice Chair Thomas Iannitti, Commissioners Judith Bailey, John Daluz and Florance Johnson. Executive Director Robert J. Fontaine and Counselor Raymond Marcaccio were in attendance, also.

The purpose of the meeting was to hear several appeals regarding objections to the eligibility of candidates or sufficiency of nomination papers. An audio recording of the proceedings is made a part of these minutes and available at the Board of Elections.

The Board listened to the facts and took testimony from each of the petitioners. Upon conclusion of the Members' discussion with regard to the several appeals, the Board determined the following:

Neil James Chionchio.....Original decision stands to deny ballot access by a vote of 4-0. (Note: Failed to obtain a sufficient number of valid signatures.)

Maryann A. Govern Mathews....Board of Elections voted 4-0 to dismiss Ms. Mathew's complaint against Steven Costa, candidate for

City Council, E. Providence. The original decision stands.

James B. Spooner.....Board of Elections voted 4-0 to dismiss Mr.Spooner's complaints against Joseph A. Montalbano,candidate for Representative, District 17. The original decision stands.

Gregory Raposa.....Board of Elections voted 4-0 to dismiss Mr.Raposa's request for additional time to obtain a sufficient number of valid signatures. The original decision stands.

Anthony Heywood.....Original decision stands to deny ballot access by a vote of 4-0. (Note: Failed to obtain a sufficient number of valid signatures.)

At 11:35 a.m. and with no other matters before the Board, Chair Begin asked that a motion be made to adjourn for the day. Commissioners Bailey and Johnson made and seconded the motion, respectively. The motion carried unanimously.

**ATTEST: Frances A. Keating
Coordinator, Special Projects**