Miscellaneous Docket Sheet **Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania**

Docket Number: 98 MD 2025

November 16, 2026

CAPTION

In re: Nomination Petition of Elliot Williams as Democratic Candidate for Common Pleas Court Judge in the First Judicial District (Philadelphia)

Objection of: Richard Cataldi

CASE INFORMATION

Initiating Document:	Objection to Nominating Petition		
Case Status:	Closed		
Case Processing Status:	March 25, 2025	Completed	
Journal Number:			
Case Category:	Election	Case Type(s):	Election

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RELATED CASES

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AGENCY/TRIAL COURT INFORMATION

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Order Type:
Documents Received: March 17, 2025

Court Below:
County: Division:
Judge: OTN:
Docket Number: Judicial District:

ORIGINAL RECORD CONTENT

Original Record Item	Filed Date	Content Description

Date of Remand of Record:

BRIEFING SCHEDULE

None None

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DOCKET ENTRY

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March 17, 2025	Objection to Nominating Petition			
	Cataldi, Richard		Petitioner	
March 18, 2025	Exhibit			
	Agre, Louis Steven	Cataldi, Richard	Petitioner	
Document Name:	Amended Exhibit B			
March 19, 2025	Hearing Scheduled			03/19/2025
	Per Curiam			
Document Name:	Scheduling and Case Management Order / Hearing Sched. March 25, 2025, Widener Bldg. Phila.			

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Comment: NOW, March 19, 2025, upon consideration of the Petition to Set Aside Nomination Petition (Objection Petition):

1. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

A. Hearing on the Objection Petition is scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., in Courtroom Number 1, Widener Building, One South Penn Square, 1339 Chestnut Street, 9th Floor, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Objector is directed to secure the services of a court stenographer for the hearing. Failure of Objector to secure the services of a court stenographer may result in the dismissal of this matter.

B. If signature lines are challenged, Objector shall secure, by request or subpoena, the presence of a Statewide Uniform Registry of Electors (SURE) system operator at the hearing.

C. Service of the Objection Petition on Candidate and this Order on all parties is complete upon the posting of the Objection Petition and this Order on the Court's website in accordance with this Court's Notice and Order in In re: Objections to Nomination Petitions/Papers of Candidates for Statewide and State-Level Office (Pa. Cmwlth., No. 126 Misc. Dkt. No. 3, February 7, 2025).

D. At the hearing, Objector shall offer proof of timely service of the Objection Petition on the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

2. It is FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall comply with the following in advance of the hearing:

A. Objector shall file a list of all witnesses to be called at the hearing and the curriculum vitae and expert report for each expert witness. Any witness not identified may be precluded from testifying except for good cause shown.

B. Candidate shall file a list of all witnesses to be called at the hearing and the curriculum vitae and expert report for each expert witness. Any witness not identified may be precluded from testifying except for good cause shown.

3. If signature line challenges are at issue, it is FURTHER ORDERED that the parties shall comply with the following in advance of the hearing:

A. Objector and Candidate or Candidate's representative and, if appropriate, a SURE system operator, shall meet to review each and every challenged signature line.

B. Objector and Candidate shall file a stipulation of the parties that identifies:

(a) the total number of completed signature lines submitted;

(b) the total number of uncontested signature lines submitted;

(c) the total number of signature lines challenged;

(d) each and every signature line to which there is an objection, identified by page number and line number, and the basis for the objection;

(e) each and every signature line to be stricken as invalid or for which an objection is to be withdrawn, identified by page number and line number, if the parties can reach such a stipulation.

C. Candidate shall file a list of all signature lines, identified by page number and line number, that are facially defective and that Candidate intends to rehabilitate. Candidate shall also state the manner in which Candidate intends to rehabilitate the signature lines.

4. Objector and Candidate may each file a memorandum of law in support of their respective positions. No further memoranda will be permitted unless ordered by the Court.

5. Unless otherwise ordered, the parties shall file all items required or permitted by paragraphs 2, 3, and 4 of this Order no later than 48 hours in advance of the hearing. Filing may be accomplished electronically by PACFile (the Pennsylvania appellate court electronic filing system) or in person with the Prothonotary at the Pennsylvania Judicial Center, Suite 2100, 601 Commonwealth Avenue, P.O. Box 69185, Harrisburg, PA 17106-9185. Parties may not file by facsimile or email without express prior permission from the Court.

6. Failure to comply with any provision of this Order may preclude the noncompliant party from entering any evidence, and may result in the imposition of monetary sanctions.

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March 22, 2025	Entry of Appearance			
	Petrossian, Elaine Tara	Cataldi, Richard	Petitioner	
Document Name:	Atty. Elaine Petrossian for Objector/Petitioner			
March 22, 2025	Status Report Filed			
	Petrossian, Elaine Tara	Cataldi, Richard	Petitioner	
Document Name:	Meet and Confer Report to the Court			
March 24, 2025	Praecipe for Discontinuance			
	Petrossian, Elaine Tara	Cataldi, Richard	Petitioner	
March 25, 2025	Discontinued			03/25/2025
	Per Curiam			
Document Name:	Hearing scheduled for 3-25-25 is cancelled. Objection is Discontinued.			
Comment:	AND NOW, March 25, 2025, upon consideration of Objector Richard Cataldi's Praecipe to Discontinue, the hearing scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., in Courtroom Number 1, The Widener Building, Philadelphia, is CANCELLED. The Prothonotary shall mark the docket in this case as closed. Objector shall serve a copy of this order on Candidate Elliot Williams and file proof of service with the Prothonotary promptly thereafter.			

DISPOSITION INFORMATION

Final Disposition:	Yes		
Related Journal No:		Judgment Date:	
Category:	Disposed Before Decision	Disposition Author:	Per Curiam
Disposition:	Discontinued	Disposition Date:	March 25, 2025

Disposition Comment: AND NOW, March 25, 2025, upon consideration of Objector Richard Cataldi's Praecipe to Discontinue, the hearing scheduled for Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., in Courtroom Number 1, The Widener Building, Philadelphia, is CANCELLED.
The Prothonotary shall mark the docket in this case as closed.
Objector shall serve a copy of this order on Candidate Elliot Williams and file proof of service with the Prothonotary promptly thereafter.

Dispositional Filing: Filing Author:
Filed Date:

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