

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

**Dorothy Brizill,et.al.,
Complainants,**

v.

**Michael A. Brown
Respondent**

Administrative Hearing No. 12-011
Challenge to Nominating Petition
of Michael A. Brown, Candidate
At-Large Member of the Council

ORDER

The above-entitled matter came before the Board on September 6th and 10th 2012, pursuant to D.C. Code §1-1001.08(o)(1) brought by Challengers, Dorothy Brizill and David Grosso. The Board is required to determine the validity of the challenged nominating petition not more than 20 days after the challenge has been filed, D.C. Code §1-1001.08 (o)(2). Both the Brizill and Grosso challenges were filed on August 20, 2012. Therefore, the Board must render its decision today.

Based on the Board's review of the parties' submissions, the applicable law, and the expedited nature of these proceedings, as required by statute, the Board hereby enters the following:

1. The complaints challenging the nominating petition of Michael A. Brown, Candidate, At-Large Member of the Council of the District of Columbia are **DISMISSED;**

2. The Candidate, Michael A. Brown is **GRANTED** ballot access for the November 6, 2012 General Election; and
3. This Order will be followed by a Memorandum Opinion, detailing the Board's reasoning within the next two days.

Date: September 10, 2012

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deborah K. Nichols", written over a horizontal line.

Deborah K. Nichols, Chair,
Board of Elections