

48th Ward Democratic Party

February 27, 2014

RE: Judicial Races in the March 18, 2014 Democratic Primary Election

After interviewing candidates and reviewing their resumes, qualifications, and bar association ratings, the Judicial Review Committee of the 48th Ward Democratic Party has made the following decisions:

- To not make endorsements in uncontested judicial races
- To ENDORSE **Shelly A. Harris** for the Gordon Vacancy in the First Appellate Court
- To ENDORSE **John B. Simon** for the Steele Vacancy in the First Appellate Court
- To ENDORSE **Alfred M. Swanson Jr.** for the Arnold Vacancy in the Circuit Court of Cook County
- To ENDORSE **Peter J. Vilkelis** for the Connors Vacancy in the Circuit Court of Cook County
- To ENDORSE **Cynthia Y. Cobbs** for the McDonald Vacancy in the Circuit Court of Cook County
- To ENDORSE **William B. Raines** for the Neville Jr. Vacancy in the Circuit Court of Cook County
- To ABSTAIN from making an endorsement in the race to fill the Reyes Vacancy in the Circuit Court of Cook County
- To ENDORSE **Andrea Michelle Buford** for the Veal Vacancy in the Circuit Court of Cook County

Verified:

Hon. Mary Ann Smith, Judicial Review Committee Chair

Hon. Carol Ronen, 48th Ward Democratic Party Committeewoman
