



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND ETHICS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20001-2745



Monday, January 9, 2012

VIA: Certified and First-Class Mail

Mr. Barack Obama
1901 Lincoln Road, NE Unit #104
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Mr. Obama:

I am pleased to inform you that the Board of Elections and Ethics has preliminarily determined that you have met the qualifications to appear on the **Democratic Party** ballot in the **April 3, 2012 Presidential Preference Primary Election** for the Office of President of the United States. As you requested in your "Declaration of Candidacy", your name will appear on the ballot as follows:

BARACK OBAMA

Please verify the information above and call me immediately if there are any errors.

The nominating petition challenge period began at **8:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 7, 2012 and ends at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2012**. During this time, all nominating petitions which have been filed for this election will be available for public inspection and possible challenge between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. You will be notified, in writing, if there is a challenge filed against your petition.

BALLOT POSITION

The lottery for ballot position will be held at **12:00 p.m. on Friday, February 10, 2012**, in the Board's hearing room at **441 – 4th Street, NW, Suite 280N**. If you are unable to be present for the ballot lottery, you may, in writing, appoint someone to represent you. If no one is present on your behalf, a member of the Board's staff will represent you during the drawing.

POLL WATCHERS

Enclosed with this letter is a "**Petition for Credentials Authorizing Poll Watchers**". Pursuant to D.C. Code §1-1001.09 (c), the deadline for filing this petition is **4:45 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20, 2012**.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me or Karen F. Brooks, Registrar of Voters at 0 (202) 727-2525.

Sincerely,

Clifford D. Tatum
Executive Director

cc: Kenneth McGhie, General Counsel

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