

BEFORE THE STATE ELECTION BOARD OF THE  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTEST OF )  
THE CANDIDACY OF DARRICK )  
MATTHEWS IN THE SPECIAL ELECTION )  
FOR THE OFFICE OF STATE SENATOR, )  
DISTRICT 22

CAUSE NO. 2020-14

FILED BY: **ROB JOHNSON,**  
Petitioner

NOTICE OF HEARING

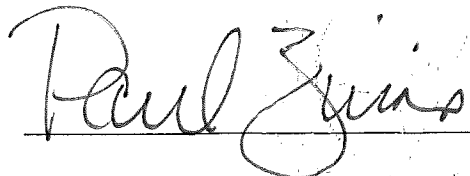
To: **DARRICK MATTHEWS**  
  
**21321 HIGHLANDER RIDGE DR**  
  
**EDMOND, OK 73012**

You are hereby notified that a Petition in the above-styled cause has been duly filed with the State Election Board on **Friday, December 11, 2020**, and a hearing has been set to be held on **Wednesday, December 16, 2020**, at **9:30 A.M.** at the following location:

**JIM THORPE BUILDING**  
  
**2101 N. LINCOLN BLVD., ROOM G41**  
  
**OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73105**

A copy of the Petition is attached.

**PAUL ZIRIAX**

 Secretary

OKLAHOMA STATE ELECTION BOARD

PETITION FOR CONTEST OF CANDIDACY

I, the undersigned, am a candidate for the Office of

State Senate District 22

(Title of Office, including District Number, if applicable)

by virtue of having lawfully filed a Declaration of Candidacy during the filing period held

12-7-20 through 12-9-20, 20 20. I hereby contest the candidacy

of Darrick Matthews

(Name of Candidate)

(herein referred to as Contestee) for the same office, pursuant to Title 26, Section 5-118, of the Oklahoma Statutes. I accompany this petition with a cashier's check or certified check in the amount of \$250.00.

As the basis for this contest, I allege that the Contestee was not qualified by law to become a candidate for the office for the reasons shown below:

Contestee does meet the requirements of 14 O.S. sec 80.8 to be an eligible candidate. Formal petition attached.

(Signature)

Robert Johnson

(Printed or Typewritten Name)

12/11/20

(Date)

**BEFORE THE STATE ELECTION BOARD  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

In re Contest of Candidacy of  
DARRICK ROSS MATTHEWS

No. \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTEST OF CANDIDACY**

Comes now Robert D. Johnson, by and through his counsel, Robert G. McCampbell, and alleges and states as follows:

1. Darrick Ross Matthews has filed a Declaration of Candidacy in the Special Election for Senate District 22.

2. Robert D. Johnson has also filed a Declaration of Candidacy in the Special Election for Senate District 22. Mr. Johnson files this petition to contest the candidacy of Mr. Matthews pursuant to 26 O.S. 5-118.

3. One of the requirements to be a candidate for Senate is that the candidate must have been a registered voter in the district for the six months immediately preceding filing for office. Specifically, **“A person must have been a registered voter in the district and a resident residing within such district for the six month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period . . . .”** 14 O.S. § 80.8, emphasis added.

4. Mr. Matthews was not a registered voter in Senate District 22 for the six-month period immediately preceding the first day of the filing period, which was December 7.

5. Mr. Matthews is therefore ineligible and should be stricken from the ballot.

6. Exhibit A attached is a copy of certified records of the Oklahoma County Election Board.

7. The certified records of the Oklahoma County Election Board show as follows:

- (a) Beginning on August 31, 2018, Mr. Matthews was registered to vote at 21321 Highlander Ridge Dr., in Edmond, Oklahoma. That address is within Senate District 22.
- (b) On November 4, 2020, Mr. Matthews changed his registration so that he was registered to vote at 1400 Autumn Creek Dr., Edmond, Oklahoma. That address is not within Senate District 22, but is within Senate District 41.
- (c) Ten days later, on November 14, 2020, Mr. Matthews changed his voter registration back to 21321 Highlander Ridge Dr., Edmond, Oklahoma.

8. For the period November 4 to November 14, 2020, Mr. Matthews was not a registered voter in Senate District 22.

### CONCLUSION

Because Mr. Matthews cannot meet the requirement of 14 O.S. § 80.8 of being registered to vote in the district for the previous six months, his name should be stricken from the ballot.

Respectfully submitted,



ROBERT D. JOHNSON, JR.

*My attorney in this matter, who is entitled to appear on my behalf, is:*



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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and forgoing will be served on Candidate Matthews pursuant to 26 O.S. 5-123.

  
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Robert G. McCampbell

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