

BOARD OF REGISTRARS

Meeting Minutes November 8, 2023 – 4:00 pm BOARD OF REGISTRARS MEETING



Members Present (Quorum): Elisabeth Verde (Chair); Heather Harper (Clerk); Julie Cataldo (Member)

Members Absent: Elizabeth Sturdy (Vice Chair)

Other Participants: Lauren Goldberg (Town Counsel and Managing Attorney at KP Law); Raphael Richter (Complainant and Truro Voter); Attorney Donna Brewer (Counsel to Specific Respondents); Stephanie Oneill (Respondent); Thomas Engellenner (Respondent); Brian Tetreault (Respondent); Nadine Tetreault (Respondent); Paul Griffin (Respondent); Anthony Valdez (Respondent)

The meeting convened at 4:00 pm, Wednesday, November 8, 2023, by Chair Verde who opened the meeting via the Zoom videoconference platform, at the Community Center, and further announced that the hearings would take place from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm over the next consecutive days. These hearings were scheduled following Mr. Raphael Richter's written complaints regarding the Truro voting registry status of 66 individuals.

Chair Verde read aloud the process for these hearings as well as housekeeping rules for those in attendance. Chair Verde noted that there would be no public comment this evening and this meeting was not being livestreamed. Chair Verde stated that all documentation (also referred to as "exhibits") were provided to the complainant, the respondent, Town Counsel, and each member of the Board of Registrars). Any other exhibits introduced this evening by either the complainant or the respondent would be added to that specific hearing file.

Scheduling of Hearings:

Chair Verde stated that unless otherwise requested by a respondent, the hearings would be heard in order of the summons number and continue through Thursday of this week. More information is posted on the Town website.

Hearings:

Michael Oliverio – Chair Verde announced Mr. Oliverio's name and there was no reply or representative present. Chair Verde said that the Board would proceed with this matter as the respondent did not appear last night for the hearing for which Mr. Oliverio was scheduled.

Chair Verde noted that Mr. Richter had been sworn in previously and it was still in effect.

Mr. Richter presented his evidence.

Chair Verde reviewed Mr. Oliverio's voting record.

Chair Verde and the Members reviewed the evidence and determined what evidence were facts before considering a motion. Chair Verde noted that the respondent failed to provide any documentation as requested in the summons.

Chair Verde made a motion that the objector had provided sufficient evidence to strike Michael Oliverio from the Truro Registry of Voters.

Clerk Harper seconded the motion.

By a vote of all in favor, 3-0-0, motion carries.

Jessica Barton - Chair Verde announced Ms. Barton's name and there was no reply or representative present. Chair Verde said that the Board would proceed with this matter as the respondent did not appear last night for the hearing for which Ms. Barton was scheduled.

Mr. Richter presented his evidence.

Chair Verde noted that moving forward she will specify the exhibits entered into evidence and then she reviewed Ms. Barton's voting record. Chair Verde clarified that the Massachusetts database only went back as far as 1996 so it was possible that the respondent may have voted elsewhere previously.

Chair Verde and the Members reviewed the evidence and determined what evidence were facts before considering a motion. Chair Verde noted that the respondent was issued a summons and it was posted on the Town website. Chair Verde also stated that the respondent failed to submit any documentation as requested in the summons and has not communicated with Chair Verde.

Chair Verde made a motion that the objector had provided sufficient evidence to strike Jessica Barton from the Truro Registry of Voters.

Clerk Harper seconded the motion.

By a vote of all in favor, 3-0-0, motion carries.

Jeffrey Weilburg – Chair Verde announced that it was agreed upon at last night's meeting to hear this matter on November 9, 2023 as requested previously by Attorney Andrew Bettinelli.

Kenneth Horgan – Chair Verde announced Mr. Horgan's name and there was no reply or representative present. Chair Verde said that the Board would proceed with this matter as the respondent did not appear last night for the hearing for which Mr. Horgan was scheduled.

Mr. Richter presented his evidence.

Chair Verde reviewed the voting record but noted that the respondent had voted previously in Truro (2016) and in Provincetown. Chair Verde noted that there was not sufficient evidence presented.

Chair Verde made a motion that the objector had not provided sufficient evidence to strike Kenneth

Horgan from the Truro Registry of Voters and the complaint be dismissed.

Clerk Harper seconded the motion.

By a vote of all in favor, 3-0-0, motion carries.

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Barbara Weilburg - Chair Verde announced that it was agreed upon at last night's meeting to hear this matter on November 9, 2023 as requested by Attorney Andrew Bettinelli.

Stephanie Oneill – Chair Verde announced Ms. Oneill's name and the respondent came forward and Ms. Oneill submitted documentation as requested in the summons.

Chair Verde swore in Ms. Oneill.

Upon review of the newly submitted documentation, Mr. Richter withdrew his complaint.

Chair Verde announced that the complaint was withdrawn and that Ms. Oneill would remain on the Truro Registry of Voters.

Barry Klegman – Chair Verde announced Mr. Klegman's name and there was no reply or representative present. Chair Verde announced that the hearing in this matter would be rescheduled for November 9, 2023 without objection.

Dyanne Klein – Chair Verde announced Ms. Klein's name and said that the respondent had requested the hearing be rescheduled for November 9, 2023. There were no objections.

Sumner Slavin – Chair Verde announced that the respondent was no longer registered to vote in Truro so there would be no hearing.

Thomas Engellenner – Chair Verde announced Mr. Engellenner and the respondent came forward accompanied by Attorney Brewer. Mr. Engellenner submitted documentation on his behalf.

Chair Verde swore in Mr. Engellenner.

Mr. Richter presented his evidence.

Chair Verde reviewed Mr. Engellenner's voting record and Mr. Engellenner made an opening statement.

Mr. Richter asked several questions which were answered by the respondent. Attorney Brewer objected to the question from Mr. Richter as to what address the respondent uses when filing taxes and the respondent did not reply. Mr. Richter noted that the respondent had voted in Newton and Truro in 2023 so this should concern the Board.

Chair Verde asked Mr. Engellnenner if he served on any boards in Newton and Attorney Brewer objected; however, Mr. Engellnenner replied that he no longer served on boards in Newton. He stated that he currently serves on the board of a non-profit organization in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Chair Verde and the Members reviewed the evidence and determined what evidence were facts before considering a motion.

Chair Verde made a motion that the objector had not provided sufficient evidence to strike Thomasown Clerk Engellenner from the Truro Registry of Voters and the complaint be dismissed.

Clerk Harper seconded the motion.

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By a vote of all in favor, 3-0-0, motion carries.

Michael Deambrose - Chair Verde announced Mr. Deambrose's name and there was no reply or representative present. Chair Verde announced that the hearing in this matter would be rescheduled for November 9, 2023 without objection.

Christine Deambrose - Chair Verde announced Ms. Deambrose's name and there was no reply or representative present. Chair Verde announced that the hearing in this matter would be rescheduled for November 9, 2023 without objection.

Stephen Zinner – Chair Verde announced that the respondent was no longer a registered voter in Truro so there would be no hearing.

Ann Grossman – Chair Verde announced Ms. Grossman's name and there was no reply or representative present. Chair Verde announced that the hearing in this matter would be rescheduled for November 9, 2023 without objection.

Mark Rosen – Chair Verde announced Mr. Rosen's name and said that the respondent's attorney had contacted the Board and requested that the hearing be rescheduled due to a medical issue. Chair Verde said that they will coordinate a hearing date with Mr. Rosen's attorney.

William Dunn – Chair Verde announced that this matter was resolved.

Kathy Dunn – Chair Verde announced that this matter was resolved.

Paul Griffin – Chair Verde announced Mr. Griffin's name and there was no reply or representative present. Chair Verde said that the respondent had requested the hearing for this evening so the Board will keep the hearing on the agenda for this evening in the hope that the respondent will appear tonight.

Anthony Valdez – Chair Verde announced Mr. Griffin's name and there was no reply or representative present. Chair Verde said that the respondent had requested the hearing for this evening so the Board will keep the hearing on the agenda for this evening in the hope that the respondent will appear tonight.

Brian Tetreault – Chair Verde announced Mr. Tetreault's name and the respondent came forward accompanied by Nadine Tetreault and Attorney Brewer.

Chair Verde swore in Mr. Tetreault.

Mr. Richter presented his evidence and Mr. Tetreault made an opening statement. Mr. Tetreault then submitted documents for the Board's consideration; however, additional copies had to be made available.

Chair Verde reviewed Mr. Tetreault's voting history and noted that he had not voted in Truro. Chair Verde also reviewed the other exhibits presented.

Mr. Richter asked Mr. Tetreault several questions, which the respondent answered but Attorney Brewern Clerk objected to Mr. Richter's questions of where Mr. Tetreault filed his taxes, from what location Mr. Tetreault worked as the respondent said that he worked remotely, and if Mr. Tetreault was a member of

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the Truro Part-Time Resident Taxpayers' Association. Mr. Tetreault answered the question from where he worked.

Town Counsel Goldberg then asked Attorney Brewer if she wanted to continue the objections as previously agreed to instead of objecting per individual matter when the questions deemed inappropriate by Attorney Brewer and were asked by Mr. Richter. Attorney Brewer agreed.

Upon review of the submitted documents, Mr. Richter then withdrew the complaints against Mr. and Ms. Tetreault and welcomed them to Truro. There were no objections from the Board.

Nadine Tetreault – Chair Verde asked Mr. Richter again if he wanted to withdraw the complaint against Ms. Tetreault and Mr. Richter replied in the affirmative.

Paul Griffin – Chair Verde announced Mr. Griffin's name for a second time this evening and the respondent came forward accompanied by his husband, Anthony Valdez, whose hearing was also on the docket for this evening.

Chair Verde swore in Mr. Griffin.

Mr. Richter presented his evidence and Mr. Griffin made an opening statement.

Mr. Griffin noted that he and Mr. Valdez have signed a listing agreement for their home in Cambridge, Massachusetts and it is currently professionally staged. Over the weekend, Mr. Griffin said that they received an offer for that property which may result in a closing date in January 2024 or February 2024 depending on financing for the buyer. Mr. Griffin and Mr. Valdez have owned a home in Truro for nineteen years and are transitioning to full-time residency to Truro. Mr. Griffin submitted documents for the Board to consider.

Chair Verde reviewed Mr. Griffin's voting history and it indicated that he had not voted in Truro.

Chair Verde noted that Mr. Griffin was transitioning to full-time residency in Truro and the Members concurred.

Chair Verde made a motion that the objector had not provided sufficient evidence to strike Paul Griffin from the Truro Registry of Voters and the complaint be dismissed.

Clerk Harper seconded the motion.

By a vote of all in favor, 3-0-0, motion carries.

Anthony Valdez – Chair Verde announced Mr. Valdez' name for a second time this evening and Mr. Richter withdrew the complaint. There were no objections from the Board.

Breta Boots – Chair Verde announced Ms. Boots' name and there was no reply nor representative present. Chair Verde announced that the hearing would be rescheduled for November 9, 2023 and there were no objections.

Kingsley Weihe – Chair Verde announced that the respondent is no longer registered to vote in Truro son Clerk there would be no hearing.

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Terry Rothchild - Chair Verde announced that the respondent is no longer registered to vote in Truro so there would be no hearing.

Joseph Rothchild - Chair Verde announced Mr. Rothchild's name and there was no reply nor representative present. Chair Verde announced that the hearing would be rescheduled for November 9, 2023 and there were no objections.

William Laplant - Chair Verde announced that the respondent is no longer registered to vote in Truro so there would be no hearing.

Sherman Teichman – Chair Verde announced Mr. Teichman's name and there was no reply nor representative present. Chair Verde announced that the hearing would be rescheduled for November 9, 2023 and there were no objections.

Chair Verde made a motion to adjourn at 5:34 pm. Member Cataldo seconded the motion. Voted all in favor, 3-0-0, motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexander O. Powers

Board/Committee/Commission Support Staff

Attachment:

Legal Notice





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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE- Revised

All revisions are in red ink

NAME OF BOARD/ COMMITTEE:

Board of Registrars



DATE OF MEETING: Wednesday, November 8, 2023

TIME OF MEETING: 4:00 pm

LOCATION OF MEETING:

Truro Community Center, 7 Standish Way, North Truro, MA 02652

AGENDA TOPIC:

1. Public hearings to answer to the matters set forth in the 66 complaints filed by Raphael Richter related to voter residency in the Town of Truro. Copies of the complaints are posted on the Town web site. The objections will be reviewed in the order that they were received by the Town. It is not possible to know how long each hearing will take, so to keep the public informed about the process, the Town will post the progress of the hearings on the Town web site (www.truro-ma.gov).

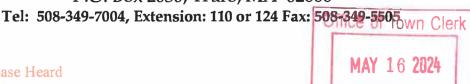
The following is a list of the complaints filed by Raphael Richter with status updates:

- Polly Guggenheim- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 2. Rose Bayani- Case Heard
- 3. Steven Pinker- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 4. Susan Rocca- Case Heard
- 5. Rosemary Boyle Case Heard
- 6. Peter Weiss- No longer registered to vote in Truro as of 11/9/23
- 7. Tobin Gerhart- Will be heard on 11/9/23
- 8. Lawrence Cetrulo- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 9. Joan Boratis- Case Heard
- 10. Diedra Dietter- Case Heard
- 11. Edward Kinsella-Complaint Withdrawn
- 12. Roberta Kinsella Case Heard





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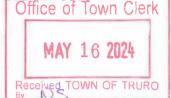
- 13. Karen Kinsella- Case Heard
- 14. Gail Pisapio- Case Heard
- 15. Gonzalo Castro-Case Heard
- 16. Katherine Burroughs-No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 17. James Armstrong -- Complaint Withdrawn
- 18. David Hammerman - Will be heard on 11/9/23 per their request
- 19. Sylvia Hammerman-Will be heard on 11/9/23 per their request
- 20. Theodore Kurland- Will be heard on 11/9/23 per their request
- Barry Donahue- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting 21.
- 22. Joseph Kinnealey-Case Heard
- 23. Joshua A. Boyce- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 24. Deborah R. Joyce- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 25. Joshua A. Boyce- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 26. Michael Oliverio Will be heard on 11/8/23
- Jo Carino- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting 27.
- 28. Christopher Borden- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this
- 29. Kimberly Swain- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 30. Christian Draz-Complaint Withdrawn
- 31. Kathleen Henry- Complaint Withdrawn
- 32. Joseph Anarella- Complaint Withdrawn
- 33. Amy Ford- Complaint Withdrawn
- 34. Lawrence Pisapio Complaint Withdrawn
- Meredith Dickinson-Case Heard 35.
- 36. Jessica Barton- Will be heard on 11/8/23
- 37. Jeffrey Weilburg- Will be heard on 11/9/23 per their request
- 38. Marjorie Posner- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- Jesselyn Tobin-No Longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting 39.
- 40. Paula Grandberg- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 41. Mariann McDonagh- Complaint withdrawn
- 42. Linda Denault- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 43. Kenneth Horgan-Will be heard on 11/8/23
- 44. Barbara Weilburg Will be heard on 11/9/23 per their request
- 45. Stephanie Oneill
- Barry Klegman 46.
- 47. Dyanne Klein
- 48. Sumner Slavin- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting





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- 49. Thomas Engellenner
- 50. Michael Deambrose
- 51. Christine Deambrose
- 52. Stephen Zinner- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 53. Ann Grossman
- 54. Mark Rosen
- 55. William Dunn-Case Heard
- 56. Kathy Dunn-Complaint Withdrawn
- 57. Paul Griffin-Will be heard on 11/8/23 per their request
- 58. Anthony Valdez n- Will be heard on 11/8/23 per their request
- 59. Brian Tetreault
- 60. Nadine Tetreault
- 61. Breta Boots
- 62. Kingsley Weihe- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 63. Terry Rothchild- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 64. Joseph Rothchild
- 65. William Laplant- No longer registered to vote in Truro at the time of this posting
- 66. Sherman Teichman

