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Colatorti challenged for not being legally qualified to be elected to Sheriff and for filing false paperwork

Woodstock, Illinois: Two objectors, both former law enforcement officers, have filed a challenge to the nomination papers filed by Antonio 'Tony' Colatorti for the office of McHenry County Sheriff. As a part of the comprehensive police reform legislation passed last year, candidates for sheriff must possess a certificate indicating that they have completed the Minimum Standard Basic Law Enforcement Training Course. The objection alleges that Colatorti has not completed the minimum basic class required and does not possess an active certificate required by law to be elected to the office of sheriff. The objection also states that Colatorti falsely swore that he was qualified to hold the office when he was not.

"I am aware of the objections that have been filed against my opponent's petition to run for Sheriff and I support that objection. The law requires sheriffs to have experience and training as full-time law enforcement officers. Unlike my opponent, who has not had any experience in full-time law enforcement and is currently out of the profession, I am a certified full-time law enforcement officer and currently acting in that capacity. It is surprising that my opponent would seek this office without the appropriate qualifications or credentials, and that he would falsify paperwork to say that he has the qualifications when, in fact, he does not. Law enforcement officers swear to uphold the law. If he cannot even follow the basic laws to get on the ballot as a qualified candidate, how can the public have any confidence in him to uphold the very same laws that protect them and this great community?" said Robb Tadelman.

In addition to the support of local elected officials, Tadelman has received the backing of three Sheriffs from surrounding counties. Boone County Sheriff Dave Ernest, DeKalb County Sheriff Andrew Sullivan, McHenry County Sheriff Bill Prim, and Winnebago County Sheriff Gary Caruana have all endorsed Robb Tadelman for Sheriff and have based their support on an assessment of Tadelman's qualifications and their own interaction with him in his capacity as Undersheriff.

Tadelman resides in Lake in the Hills with his wife and two children. He is an 18-year veteran of the McHenry County Sheriff's Office and a full-time law enforcement officer who has risen through the ranks to become Undersheriff, the ranking deputy to the Sheriff.