

August 20, 2004



To Whom It may Concern,

It is with deep regret that I withdraw (again) as a candidate for El Paso County Commissioner District #3. The reason for my withdrawal involve health issues. After consultation with my family, colleagues, and local political pundits, I have decided to withdraw from the Democratic Party nomination for District #3 seat, out of respect to the party, the process, and the position.

I would like to thank everyone who supported and helped my brief candidacy. I intend, and urge others, to remain active in the political process.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas McElroy".

Sincerely,
Thomas McElroy.