Mohamed Mursi
The head of
the Muslim
Brotherhood's
Freedom and
Justice Party
(FJP) has become
the Islamist party's
nominee after Khairat
al-Shater was barred
from running in Egypt's

■ Born: Aug 20, 1951, in Al-Adwa, small village in Nile delta

presidential election

at Zagazig University

Family: Married with four children

■ Education: Masters in engineering from Cairo University, PhD from University of Southern California. Now heads engineering department

■ Political career: Prominent member of MB's executive council, with seat in parliament from 2000-05.

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Apr 2011: Resigns from council to
lead FJP – MB's first political party

■ Harassment: Jailed and held under house arrest in 2006 and again in Jan 2011, shortly after eruption of street protests that toppled Mubarak

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Mursi as presidential candidate