



Voters' Guide

Primary Election 2018

League of Women Voters of Howard County

INTRODUCTION

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The Voters' Guide includes only the names of the candidates on the official ballot certified by state and local officials. Some candidates may have withdrawn since the material was compiled, and not ever candidate listed in the the Guide will appear on every ballot.

Thanks to all candidates who replied to the League of Women Voters questionnaire.

PARTY PRIMARIES IN MARYLAND

Party primaries in Maryland are "closed" primaries. You must be a member of a political party to participate in that party's primary, though all voters may vote for nonpartisan offices such as the Board of Education. **You may change your party affiliation up until the close of voter registration on June 5** by completing a voter registration form and submitting it to your Board of Elections. You may also change your party affiliation online if you have a Maryland driver's license or identification card from the Motor Vehicle Administration. If you have not previously registered to vote, **you may register during early voting (JUNE 14-21) at an early voting center** in your county and choose a party at that time. For those already registered, you may correct your address or other information during early voting, but you cannot change your party registration at that time.

In Maryland, only the Republican and Democrat candidates appear on official ballots published by the Board of Elections.

FACTS FOR PRIMARY ELECTION VOTERS

Questions about whether you are registered to vote or your polling place location can be checked online at <https://www.electionsmaryland.com> or by calling the Howard County Board of Elections at 410-313-5820.

You may take this Voters' Guide into the polling place with you.

Sample ballots will be posted in all polling places.

All registered voters can vote for Board of Education candidates.

Voters are not obligated to answer questions about how they voted.

ABSENTEE VOTING: Any registered voter may request an absentee ballot application from the Howard County Board of Elections, 410-313-5820 or <http://www.elections.state.md.us/voting/absentee.html>.

For the Primary Election, your request must be received (not just mailed) by June 19, 2018, if you want to receive your ballot by mail or fax, or by June 22, 2018, if you want to download your ballot from the State's website.

An absentee ballot will be mailed to your designated address. Emergency absentee applications are accepted in person until the polls close on Election Day. For more information, call the Board of Elections at 410-313-5820.

PROVISIONAL BALLOT: A provisional ballot must be issued: if the voter's name is not on the polling place registrer; if the voter moved from the address listed on the polling place register more than 21 days before the Election; if the voter is required to show identification and does not have it; if the register indicates that the voter was issued an absentee ballot or has already voted.

For nonpartisan election information, contact the League of Women Voters at 410-730-0142 or info@howard.lwvmd.org.

League Website: www.howard.lwvmd.org
League online voters' guide at <http://vote411.org>

County voter and election information is available at <https://www.howardcountymd.gov/BOE>

Download a voter registration application at: http://elections.state.md.us/voter_registration/documents/2011_English_Internet_VRA.pdf

EARLY VOTING

June 14,15,16,18,19,20,21 (10:00 am to 8:00 pm)

Ridgely's Run Community Center
8400 Mission Road, Jessup

The Bain Center
5470 Ruth Keeton Way, Columbia

Miller Branch Library
9421 Frederick Road, Ellicott City

Howard County Fairgrounds - The Old Bingo Hall
2210 Fairgrounds Rd
West Friendship, MD 21794

PRIMARY ELECTION: June 26

Polls are open from 7am to 8pm



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If you believe as we do, that informed voters are essential to a democracy, please make a contribution to the League of Women Voters of Howard County (LWVHC) or a tax-deductible contribution to the League of Howard County Education Fund (LWVHCEF).

Enclosed is my contribution of: \$500 \$100 \$50 \$25 Other \$ _____
Name _____
Address _____

Please make your check payable to LWVHC or LWVHCEF, or donate online via Paypal
THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!

STATEWIDE OFFICES

GOVERNOR / LT GOVERNOR

GOVERNOR DUTIES: The Governor is the chief executive officer of Maryland and appoints judges to the state courts and the heads of statewide departments. The Governor also makes other appointments as provided by the Maryland Constitution or by law and proposes the annual operating and capital budgets to the legislature. The Governor may veto legislation passed by the legislature.

SALARY: \$180,000 per year.

TERM: Four years, limit of two consecutive terms.

HOW ELECTED: Elected statewide as a team with the Lt. Gov.

LT. GOVERNOR DUTIES: The Lieutenant Governor assists the Governor and is elected jointly on a ballot with the gubernatorial candidate. The Lieutenant Governor fills the office of Governor in case of death, resignation, or disability and carries out specific duties assigned by the Governor.

SALARY: \$149,500 per year.

WEBSITE: see [Maryland Manual Online](#)

QUESTIONS

1) QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of Governor?:

2) BUDGET: What are your priorities for the state budget, particularly regarding education and transportation?:

3) REDISTRICTING: What changes, if any, do you support in the process for drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland?:

4) ENVIRONMENT: What are the most significant environmental challenges and how will you address them?:
questions?:

NOTE:

Under Maryland law, the order of candidates on the ballot is determined first by the party of the governor, then by the principal minority party, then by other minority parties in descending order based on statewide party registration. The order of listing in this Voters' Guide follows that directive.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Larry Hogan / Boyd K. Rutherford

Campaign Website: <http://www.LarryHogan.com>

Questions: No response received by deadline.



DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Rushern L. Baker III / Elizabeth Embry

Campaign Website: <http://www.rushernbaker.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am the only candidate who has served as County Executive of Prince George's County, leading one of Maryland's largest jurisdictions and in the Maryland House of Delegates. I have also served as the executive director of a non profit organizations that recruited and trained teachers to work in schools with diverse populations and urban problems.

2) BUDGET: Education and transportation funding will be my top two spending priorities as governor. Our public schools are the heart of our communities and must be fully funded. As one of the most densely populated states, we need a governor who makes strategic investments in mass transit infrastructure to create jobs, provide equity and reduce congestion.

3) REDISTRICTING: I would support the creation of a non-partisan, independent body to draw legislative and congressional district maps after each census. Non-partisan redistricting ensures that no political party can rig the system. "Safe districts" can lead to a decrease in voter participation, limit voter choice and reduce the incentive to have meaningful debate and conversations.

4) ENVIRONMENT: I have brought a world class environmental program to the county, which now leads the state in waste diversion and recycling. As governor, I prioritize innovative environmental policies to make Maryland a leader in clean energy, and create jobs across the state. I will announce my comprehensive "Baker Green Print for Maryland" soon to address climate change, sea level rise, and Bay restoration.

Ralph Jaffe / Freda Jaffe

Campaign Website: <http://www.fedupwithcrookedpolitics.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Political science teacher since 1964. Taught in public and private sectors. Leading a movement which started in 2002 and is an evolving process to get rid of corruption in MD govt. and replace it with true ETHICAL reform. My website, [fedupwithcrookedpolitics.com](http://www.fedupwithcrookedpolitics.com) documents everything

2) BUDGET: Stop wasting taxpayer money on public education and transportation programs that don't work. Invest the saved money in public police departments and public schools.

3) REDISTRICTING: Because of unscrupulous, unethical practices of politicians in power for last 50 years, it's an impossible task. Until we get ethical politicians who care about their constituents rather than themselves district lines will be unfair.

4) ENVIRONMENT: We need ethical politicians who will work together on the complicated environmental issues. They need to arrive at compromises that will be fair to both sides.

Ben Jealous / Susan Turnbull

Campaign Website: <http://benjealous.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: At 35, I was named the youngest-ever President & CEO of the NAACP. In my role there I advanced a strong, progressive agenda across the board. In Maryland these achievements were recognized in 2013 when I was named Marylander of the Year for my pivotal roles in abolishing the death penalty, passing the Maryland DREAM Act, helping pass marriage equality, and expanding voting rights.

2) BUDGET: We don't have a money problem when it comes to education, we have a priority problem and we need a governor who is willing to make education a number one priority. We will fully fund our schools and make sure lottery and casino revenues finally supplement

education funding. We need a plan for transportation that will revive the Red Line and provide dedicated funding for the DC Metro.

3) REDISTRICTING: I believe that Maryland should lead the fight on redistricting reform in a fair and non-partisan manner that does not indefinitely hand control of the House of Representatives to Republicans. Redistricting compacts such as the one passed by the Maryland legislature and vetoed by Hogan are a fair solution to increase the accountability of Congress to the voters and reduce gerrymandering.

4) ENVIRONMENT: My vision in regards to the environment brings together the economy, civil rights, and public health. I will build on the surge of clean energy jobs and put our state on a path to 100% clean energy well before 2050 and reverse Trump's attempts to kill the progress we've made on cleaning up the Chesapeake Bay. Bill McKibben, Friends of the Earth Action, and 350.org have all endorsed my campaign.

James Hugh Jones, II / Charles S. Waters

Questions: No response received by deadline.

Kevin Kamenetz / Valerie Ervin

Campaign Website: <http://Kevinformaryland.com>

PLEASE NOTE:

THIS CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR DIED AFTER THE PRIMARY BALLOTS HAD BEEN PRINTED.

Rich Madaleno / Luwanda Jenkins

Campaign Website: <http://www.madalenoformaryland.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My experience serving the people of Maryland in the State Senate and the House of Delegates for the past sixteen years uniquely prepares me to be Governor. I have an extensive record of public and community service and accomplishment, and hold leadership positions in the General Assembly, as Vice-Chair of the Senate Budget & Finance Committee, and as a member of the Kirwan Commission on Education.

2) BUDGET: My key budget priorities are investments in education -- such as the \$200 million dedicated to funding recommendations to improve education and opportunity for all Maryland children in this year's budget -- as well as long-term sustainable transportation, such as securing \$178 million for the Baltimore Metro and \$167 million for the DC Metro. I will be the Governor who funds these priorities.

3) REDISTRICTING: I support redistricting reform. I support establishing a nonpartisan Redistricting Commission to prepare and adopt decennial redistricting plans for congressional and legislative districts in Maryland. Each congressional district should consist of adjoining territory; be compact in form; and be of substantially equal population, giving due regard to natural and political boundaries.

4) ENVIRONMENT: The most significant environmental challenges are to protect and continue to be an active steward of the Chesapeake Bay and to address climate change and its impacts. As governor I will protect, defend and improve the health of the Chesapeake Bay, one of Maryland's abundant natural treasures. I will reduce harmful emissions and increase our reliance on renewable energy sources.

Alec Ross / Julie C. Verratti

Campaign Website: <http://alecross.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have spent my entire career in public service. I came to Maryland as a public school teacher and went on to the highest levels of federal government working on innovation and technology. I believe that our government needs leaders who will push for new solutions in a constantly changing world. Talent is everywhere in Maryland but opportunity is not, and we can change that.

2) BUDGET: The proper funding of our education system, especially resetting the formula through recommendations by the Kirwan Commission, is the single most important budgetary concern for our next governor. Regarding transportation, I will prioritize use of state money for multimodal transportation solutions like mass transit and multi-use roads - not just on highway widening projects.

3) REDISTRICTING: We need to make the modification of Congressional districts a process conducted by independent commissions that rely on the fairness of mathematics rather than the bias of politics. We also need to look into ways to de-polarize our politics, like open primaries and Rank Choice Voting. These are simple steps and will bring more competition into our politics and more choices for voters.

4) ENVIRONMENT: My administration will prioritize cleaning up and preserving the Chesapeake Bay by participating in regional and statewide conservancy programs. We will make Maryland the center of the green economy and provide funding for environmental innovators by establishing a statewide Maryland Green Bank. Conservation and innovation should go hand in hand and Maryland is the perfect place to make it happen.

Jim Shea / Brandon M. Scott

Campaign Website: <http://JimShea.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Over the course of my career, I have led large public and private organizations across the state. For four years, I served as Chair of the University System of Maryland – the state’s largest public entity. I also served as Chair of the Central Maryland Transportation Alliance, the Downtown Partnership of Baltimore, and the Empowerment Baltimore Management Corporation, and my law firm, Venable LLP.

2) BUDGET: In my budgets, education and transportation will be my top two priorities. As Governor, in my first legislative session, I will pass legislation that includes some of the policies I know we need in education – from universal pre-K through increased compensation for our teachers. Transportation will be my second priority, and I will focus on mass transit options that moves people across the state.

3) REDISTRICTING: I support forming a bipartisan and independent commission to advise the Governor during the process of drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland. As Governor, I will also work diligently to implement changes to the system to make it more transparent and accountable to the people.

4) ENVIRONMENT: Our way of life and our economy is strictly tied to our environment. The largest challenges include ensuring that our water is safe to drink, our air is safe to breathe, and the Chesapeake Bay is healthy. I will push for a shift more completely towards renewable energy, including solar and wind. I will also work to get more cars off of our roads and onto cleaner, mass transit lines.

This Voters' Guide will be available online at our League's website, www.howard.lwvmd.org.

For Maryland residents living outside Howard County, please check the state League website, www.lwvmd.org, or the national voters' guide website at www.vote411.org

Krish O'Mara Vignarajah / Sharon Y. Blake

Campaign Website: <http://www.krishformaryland.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am a lifelong Marylander, who has lived the American Dream--going from a basement apartment on the Baltimore City/County line and attending Maryland public schools to serving as Michelle Obama's Policy Director at the White House & Senior Advisor to Sec. of State Hillary Clinton. I've led complex organizations, multi-billion dollar budgets & initiatives in education, healthcare, & creating jobs.

2) BUDGET: Education is my absolute top priority. As the only candidate who attended Maryland public schools (K-12), I am committed fully funding our schools, guaranteeing Pre-K, closing the achievement gap, expanding STEAM education opportunities, & providing free community college and retraining. I will restart Baltimore's Red Line and invest in transportation solutions that cut commute times in half.

3) REDISTRICTING: Gerrymandering and unlimited dark money are the greatest threats to the health of our democracy. I support independent experts drawing district lines in Maryland using transparent processes/formulas to ensure fairness. At the same time, I will work regionally on solutions to ensure that our good government actions in Maryland do not adversely affect the overall balance of power in the U.S. House

4) ENVIRONMENT: Saving the Chesapeake Bay, reducing air pollution, and acting on climate change will be my top priorities. For the Bay, we will reduce water pollution at its source, improve the Bay's resilience, & hold upstream states accountable. We will reduce air pollution from our transportation and power sectors by investing in clean energy (offshore wind, solar, etc), energy efficiency, & public transit.

COMPTROLLER

DUTIES: The Comptroller is the financial officer of Maryland, responsible for collecting, managing and planning for revenue to support the state budget. The Comptroller collects and administers Maryland taxes on income (both personal and corporate), retail sales, motor vehicle fuel tax, tobacco, beer, wine and liquor, and estate tax. The Comptroller serves on the Board of Public Works along with the Governor and the state Treasurer, who is appointed by the General Assembly.

SALARY: \$149,500 per year.

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

HOW ELECTED: Elected statewide.

WEBSITE: see [Maryland Manual](#)

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE

Anjali Reed Phukan

Campaign Website: <http://mscomptroller.weebly.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I believe the top tax collector, auditor & maintainer of the public general ledger should be proficient in accounting. I am a certified public accountant, legally licensed to practice public accounting in Maryland. I also have an MBA in finance & another masters degree in information systems. I have private, federal & state work experiences in financial management systems, tax, accounting & audit.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE

Peter Franchot

Campaign Website: <http://www.franchot.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As Maryland's independent fiscal watchdog, I'm proud of my record of achievement and results that I've delivered for Maryland taxpayers since I became Comptroller in 2007. Thanks to

initiatives that we have implemented, and the hard work of the dedicated public servants in our agency, ours is regarded as the most efficient and effective Comptroller's Office in the nation.

ATTORNEY GENERAL

DUTIES: The Attorney General is the chief legal office of Maryland, providing legal advice to the Governor, the legislature, and all State departments, boards and most commissions. The Attorney General represents the state in all cases that relate to the Governor, the General Assembly, and most state agencies. The office also has responsibilities for consumer protection, civil rights, medical and investment fraud, and the juvenile justice system.

SALARY: \$149,500 per year.

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

HOW ELECTED: Elected statewide.

WEBSITE: see [Maryland Manual](#)

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE

Craig Wolf

Campaign Website: <http://wolf4ag.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am a former state and federal prosecutor, counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee, business leader and decorated Soldier/Veteran. I have also been a volunteer EMT/Rescue Diver. I have a history of public service and management. I believe the AG should focus on public safety, not politics and partisanship and should focus on issues of importance to all Marylanders regardless of party.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE

Brian E. Frosh

Campaign Website: <http://www.brianfrosh.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have served as Maryland's Attorney General for the past three years. Prior to being elected Attorney General, I was Chair of the Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee, where I sponsored many laws that now protect Marylanders and our state including the law prohibiting oil drilling in the Chesapeake Bay, the Maryland Recycling Act and the Maryland Firearm Safety Act.

U.S. SENATOR

Duties: U.S. Senators make laws along with the members of the House of Representatives, ratify treaties, and conduct investigations on issues of national importance. The Senate confirms Presidential appointments.

How Elected: Elected statewide. In 2018, Maryland voters will elect one of our two Senators. About one-third of the 100 members of the Senate is elected every two years. Senators must be at least 30 years old, have been citizens of the United States at least 9 years and be residents of the state they want to represent.

TERM: Six years.

BASE SALARY: \$174,000 per year.

HOW ELECTED: Elected statewide.

WEBSITE: <https://www.senate.gov>

QUESTIONS

1) QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?:

2) HEALTH CARE: What changes in federal healthcare policy do you advocate and why?:

3) DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?:

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: What policies will you support to strengthen the national economy, such as those affecting international trade, taxes, labor rights, and infrastructure?:

5) IMMIGRATION: What changes, if any, will you support in immigration policy?:

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Tony Campbell

Campaign Website: <http://www.campbell4maryland.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have 30 years of government and non-profit experience. I served on a Congressional staff and as a presidential appointee at Social Security Administration. As a former Army officer, I understand national security issues as well as the need for sound foreign policy based on our national interest. I have real world experience and academic knowledge which is necessary to serve in the US Senate.

2) HEALTH CARE: I advocate for an end to ObamaCare. The national government should not be in the business of mandating health care coverage. A possible change I would be in favor of is looking at providing block grants to states from the national government to try to solve the opioid epidemic. Another change in health policy would be to allow Veterans to go to any hospital to get the care they need.

3) DISCRIMINATION: The Constitution of the United States guarantees liberties for citizens so they are equal under the law through the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment. Education Reform is one of the most pressing issues which can help to eliminate discrimination in our country. I support School Choice initiatives for all parents to send their children to the schools of their choice.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: I am against raising taxes. I support a balanced budget amendment. I am in favor of bi-lateral Fair Trade policies. Keeping America Secure is a key focus of my campaign for US Senate. Our cyber infrastructure is severely compromised with American companies being hacked by foreign countries. Our energy grid infrastructure is also at risk and should be priority of the national government.

5) IMMIGRATION: National Sovereignty is connected to the ability of a country to protect its borders. I support enhancing our border security through a variety of means including building a border wall and increased border agents. I am against current policies of the diversity lottery and chain migration. I am against a pathway to citizenship for undocumented people. I would support permanent residency status.

Chris Chaffee

Campaign Website: <http://www.chrischaffee4usenate.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am an American, son of a Veteran, son-in-law of a Veteran, a brother-in-law to a Veteran. These men not only fought for my freedom but yours as well. I am husband, father, father-in-law grandfather, Catholic, coach, union worker, state worker, business owner, volunteer, and a lifetime Maryland resident.. All of these experiences have given me the insight necessary to represent Maryland.

2) HEALTH CARE: I would advocate getting the government out of Healthcare. Healthcare should be turned over to private industry. This will create jobs in the private sector and would lower the price of health care. It is also expensive, but using volume or cooperatives to buy blocks of coverage in large numbers would drive down the costs. The current administration had made a start with important policy changes.

3) DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination in any form is harmful, detrimental and offensive. There are numerous additional brackets including age. It extends from employment, finance, insurance, banking, and real estate. We should have a Zero tolerance policy.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Under the current administration we have taken large steps to improve our economic policies. The tax reform, cancelling NAFTA, Tariffs across the board especially on steel and aluminum, the re-negotiation of current trade deals, repealed net neutrality law. We need to train our workers from trades which include welders to cyber security using American workers first.

5) IMMIGRATION: We need a border wall, or a fence, a means of stopping the flood of illegal's crossing into the United States. Security along our border is vital to the safety of all Americans. People should not live in fear of illegals, gang

members, drug dealers and sexual offenders jumping over our border. The current number of illegal people who are in our country proves what we have currently isn't working

Evan M. Cronhardt

Campaign Website: <http://evancronhardt.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I believe our Founding Fathers intended for Congress to compose of multiple backgrounds of people—business persons; scientists; educators; civil leaders; government workers & private citizens; each a life experience. I'm prepared for office because I embody diversity through a range of life challenges. I put principle over politics & party loyalty, and my motto is "be the change you seek".

2) HEALTH CARE: Making CHIP/PACE permanent & legislating a single-payer co-pay/free market system for PCIP by increasing FICA 1% & keeping 3.8% surtax on capital gains; amending the ACA cost-sharing reduction payments toward Ambulatory Care Centers; legislate Medicare drug price negotiations; focus on a balanced hospital Charge Description Master. To do so will be closest to making healthcare a right.

3) DISCRIMINATION: Strengthen Trans protection/public prejudice, healthcare & endocrinologists; focus on school to prison, Summer Slide, reduce Juvenile CJS/Adult CJS recidivism; emphasis on gentrification; disabled 'needs' earmarks allowance; efficiency in entitlement programs; vocational schooling; advocating sex ed. & business ed. Pub. Sch. changes; emphasize discrimination/racism/sexism; cordial understanding.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Three stand. deductions: \$18k (earners under \$24k), \$12k and \$6k; stand. deduction on overtime pay; legislating top dollar corps. shareholders foot 40% bottom tier employees pay (i.e. Wal-Mart's); Corp. tax 21%; close S & C Corp. 'pass through' loopholes; 5% federal sales tax; progressive tax rates; fair employee benefits (sick, family & medical leave); support \$1.0T+ infrastructure spending.

5) IMMIGRATION: Minimum H1-B visa changes; merit based immigration; deter/modify birth tourism; full-proof bio-metrics data system; support DACA; ITIN/DACA-esque lottery/pathway to citizenship; border defense-drones, patrols, structures; NAFTA renegotiation/prisoner transfers; foreign aid negotiations Latin America & Mexico/end Mexico City Policy & allow remittances; expedite deportation of criminal aliens.

Nnabu Eze

Campaign Website: <http://nnabueze.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: In Information Technology to implement or upgrade a system we gather information, analyze the information, present the findings before a solution is implemented. I will use this same strategy to analyze national issues such as immigration, social justice and gun control that both parties have been kicking down the road with opposing views to ginger their base.

2) HEALTH CARE: I would advocate for a Patient Centered Healthcare system which involves listening to, informing and ensuring that patients values guide all clinical decisions. My wife Chioma Eze a nurse and other doctors heavily influenced my view in healthcare. The healthcare professionals shared the view that when patients are treated with dignity and respect they tend to recover from their illness quicker.

3) DISCRIMINATION: I know that you can not legislate an end to discrimination but government is a critical site for struggle and change. I would support legislation that would require public/private bodies to have regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, advance the equality of opportunity and the financial consequences of noncompliance are made real.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: I will continue to support President Trumps campaign promise to simplify the tax code and lowering the marginal income tax rates. When tax rates are reduced people will be motivated to work, save and invest which will help strengthen the national economy.

5) IMMIGRATION: Immigration is one of the lingering issues that both parties do not have a desire to resolve because they can use immigration to ginger their base during election cycles. I would support securing our borders (terrorists have indicated an interest in the past to enter through our southern borders) but establish a program of providing Guest Workers with a path to citizenship.

John R. Graziani

Campaign Facebook: <http://facebook.com/grazianiforsenate/>

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

Christina J. Grigorian

Campaign Website: <http://www.grigorianforsenate.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am a first-generation American who is a mother, a wife, and a lawyer who has practiced for almost 22 years. While raising my three children, I have also counseled financial institutions related to compliance with state and federal regulatory requirements. I taught Sunday school for 11 years and am an active volunteer in protecting the gardens and grounds at the Washington National Cathedral.

2) HEALTH CARE: Greater attention should be given to eliminating waste in our healthcare system, which represents over 30% of healthcare spending. Providers must be incentivized to deliver efficient care while maintaining quality, and we must re-engineer the way care is delivered (e.g., best practices that rely on data and analytics to identify the most efficient way of delivering healthcare services)/

3) DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination in any form is anti-American and has no place in our society. It is our responsibility, as an informed electorate, to ensure that Americans of all races, genders, abilities and religions have access to good jobs, quality schools and a healthcare system that meets their needs. If I become Maryland's next U.S. senator, I will work tirelessly to end all forms of discrimination.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Maryland needs to look forward to high-growth industries and develop policies that attract those businesses now. For example, there is a revolution coming to the automotive industry in connection with self-driving vehicles. Maryland should become the "incubator" for these technologies and create economic incentives to attract those high-growth businesses that will be the future's "job creators."

5) IMMIGRATION: Immigration reform remains a bottleneck to our country's growth, security and prosperity. A bipartisan solution must be devised to determine the status of those currently in the United States illegally. Once a solution is achieved, the United States Congress must decide our country's immigration policies, not federal agency officials or others who unilaterally impose their own political agenda.

Albert Binyahmin Howard

Campaign Website: <http://www.HowardForMaryland.com>

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

Bill Krehnbrink

Campaign Facebook: <http://BillKrehnbrink>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Before I was a teacher I fixed bulldozers, tractors, and plant equipment. I am a Class A mechanic. If it rotates I can fix it. I became a teacher of History & American Government so I created lesson plans to have my audience understand not only what happened in the past but why it happened. Senators should create and preserve the Republic & History. As a proud Coppin graduate I am prepared.

2) HEALTH CARE: Prior to Obamacare problems with healthcare or prices could be taken to the Maryland Insurance

Commissioner...and solved. Governor, your Delegates, and Senator could also leverage a solution if necessary. Now, the two Senators from Oregon and the entire complement of Texas Congressman are required to adjust / modify the benefits, premiums, or authorizations of anything. Current plan is too much.

3) DISCRIMINATION: When we find discrimination it must be addressed quickly. In the Senate it is important to have 59 other Senators on your side to reach a solution. The next Senator must communicate effectively with other Senators to elicit help and speed toward discovering solutions which will work. A working solution is key because most law breakers don't give a hoot what the law says or what words are on paper.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: As a Senator I pledge not to pick economic winners. As a former business person I know the hassles of making payroll every week. I still flinch when I hear tales of cost overruns, hostile bureaucratic interactions, fees, and fines. I will work for one rule for everyone not 20 different rules. There is a reason that the contents of your wallet are called "your money". I will respect that notion.

5) IMMIGRATION: We are a nation of legal immigrants. My ancestors followed the rules and obeyed the law. They recognized that "American" was not a place but an attitude with a place. What defines "American" is our attitude. We hold our head up. We walk in like we own the joint. We look people in the eye. We speak our mind even if you don't like it. American newcomers must be legal because that's the way it's done.

Gerald I. Smith, Jr.

Campaign Website: <http://www.humanrightssupport.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I had an outstanding military career in many leadership roles. I work very well with others and listen to all sides before making decisions. My decisions are based on facts vs. politics. I was a Peace Corps volunteer in Ukraine which has given me a very good understanding of other cultures. Also lived in Germany for over 3 years while serving on active duty military. Living overseas is an import

HEALTH CARE: The goal of the Affordable Care Act was to ensure all Americans received health coverage. I believe in the goal but the implementation of the Affordable Care Act led to drastic price increases for all Americans. If an individual mandate was not required then many healthy uninsured individuals would have probably not purchased healthcare. Nobody likes higher prices and nobody likes mandates to p

DISCRIMINATION: While serving on active duty in the military the Department of Defense has a zero tolerance policy for discrimination & harassment therefore I would have the same policy. Many laws currently exist to protect individuals and I would ensure employers are adhering to the law. If laws need to be strengthened then I would do everything to propose new legislation in protecting individuals from discrimination

ECONOMIC POLICY: I'm a proud supporter of President Trump and believe strongly in his agenda and policies which are based on his campaign slogan "Make America Great Again". The tax plan that was signed by President Trump will create economic growth therefore I will always be for less taxes. Individuals spend their money more wisely and efficiently than the gov't will. When I was in the Peace Corps from 1997 to

IMMIGRATION: I fully support President Trump's immigration policies. I would add temporary visas for farm workers and other areas that may need temporary workers.

Blaine Taylor

Campaign Facebook: <http://facebook.com/blainetaylor>

QUALIFICATIONS: Vietnam combat veteran; careers in journalism, public relations, advertising, Capitol Hill press secretary for Congress, four winning PR political campaigns at local, State, and Federal levels 1974-78, '90, '92; prodigious researcher

HEALTH CARE: Single payer National Health Insurance for all citizens only, no illegals; ban

all assault rifles and high-capacity magazines, raise firearms purchasing age from 18 to 21, start complete informational universal background checks.

DISCRIMINATION: I support all such laws currently in effect dealing with all of these aspects, and whatever else is deemed necessary and prudent when I take office.

ECONOMIC POLICY: Repeal NAFTA. Support the President on what he's doing in these areas. Introduce legislation for a one-time credit card debt forgiveness program that wipes out all debt with provision that these debtors can never charge again. Banks write off these losses as tax credits. The entire nation gets to start over with a clean slate thereby.

IMMIGRATION: I support the President. Deport all illegal, undocumented aliens ASAP. Build the Wall on the Mexican-US border. Outlaw all sanctuary territories within the US: cities, towns, colleges, etc. Enforce all our laws regarding the above.

Brian Charles Vaeth

Campaign Website: <http://www.vaethforgov.com>

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Ben Cardin

Campaign Website: <http://www.bencardin.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: In the Senate, I fight every day for the issues of concern to my fellow Marylanders, promoting policies, legislation and programs that help our local and regional economy, encouraging public safety and supporting public health. My success navigating the Small Business, Environment & Public Works, Finance and Foreign Relations committees allow me to effectively continue my advocacy for Marylanders.

2) HEALTH CARE: Health care is a human right. We should have seamless quality health care from pre-natal to death that is affordable without sacrificing quality and basic protections. Congress must restore the payments to insurers that have helped keep premiums in reach for millions. I have long supported a public option in the health exchanges that would increase competition, put patients first and lower costs.

3) DISCRIMINATION: Bills I have authored or cosponsored include: the End Racial and Religious Profiling Act, a resolution to remove the deadline for the Equal Rights Amendment, the Democracy Restoration Act, The Equality Act of 2017 and the Paycheck Fairness Act. I continue to support legislation to protect our LGBT students and adults. I support an increase in the federal minimum wage.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: We should modify our tax code to truly target middle-income and working families, help small businesses & make smart investments in infrastructure & green technologies. Investments should address income inequality & raising wages. We need trade agreements that level the field for our workers, including robust & enforceable labor rights, environmental provisions & anti-corruption provisions.

5) IMMIGRATION: I support bipartisan, comprehensive immigration reform, but Congress must first pass legislation to permanently protect Dreamers. We need a legal pathway to residency for TPS recipients. We don't need a wall but we can strengthen technology and other border security. We must stop President Trump's proposal to slash legal immigration, break up families and mostly close America's doors to refugees.

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Erik Jetmir

Campaign Website: <http://www.ErikJetmir.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Erik Jetmir was born in 1967, grew up in Harlem and the Bronx in New York. Erik is the son of a Korean War veteran who became a Baptist minister in Harlem, his mother is from Albania and met his father while attending college. He spent the last 6 years on active duty with the United States Navy, most recently as part of the Navy Cyber Warfare Group Six team at NSA.

2) HEALTH CARE: Health Insurance has an impact on all Americans and represents challenges that directly affect all communities. A single-payer health insurance program with a strong mandate (backed by incentives) to innovate and root out waste insures a system that addresses the entire population. The key is to mandate and fund incentives to innovate all processes and ensure waste is addressed at every level.

3) DISCRIMINATION: Building inclusion & making change that addresses gender, race, religion, disability & social class requires that we first accept this issue exists. We must define and obligate ourselves to the work of addressing these issues by clearly expressing their impacts, the generational results and solutions. These include greatly increasing visible programs and funding for cultural education & training.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: I believe with the best trained and highest skilled workforce, we position the nation to drive all areas of the economy. We know that by investing in our youth, this will drive all economic policy. No cost college with room, board, meals, childcare & healthcare is an investment in the long-term success of our citizens, their families, our communities, our nation and economic vibrancy.

5) IMMIGRATION: DACA represents a way forward to ensure we are providing a path of citizenship to many of the folks that are already here and doing great things in our country. We need to look at our immigration policy in the perspective (1) as the foundation that built this nation (2) our enduring legacy of inclusion and multiculturalism. I would build on that foundation with a strong focus on national security.

Chelsea Manning

Campaign Website: <http://xychelsea.is/running>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have been homeless. I spent the summer of 2006 living on the streets of Chicago. I have been to war. I enlisted in the military as an intelligence analyst in 2007, and served in Iraq in 2009-10. I have been to prison. I spent seven years in prison, one year in solitary confinement, and four seeking trans-related healthcare. These experiences provide incredible insight into our policies

2) HEALTH CARE: Free healthcare for all. No conditions or questions asked. No one should be denied free healthcare for any reason. No one should be afraid to seek healthcare based on who they are, how much money they have, or what their "legal" status is.

3) DISCRIMINATION: Work toward dismantling the police, the military, the vast surveillance state, and the prison systems. These systems carry out discriminatory policies on a vast scale, such as mass incarceration of people of color, detention and deportation of immigrants, and the implicit support of incumbent businesses and the wealthy. The combined effect of the policies is a vast, gradual ethnic cleansing

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Universal basic income for all. Advanced automation is making the vast majority of all jobs becomes obsolete. We need to transition our economy away from an outdated expectation of people working endlessly, to one of people thriving and living life.

5) IMMIGRATION: Abolish the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agency. Abolish the Customs and Border Patrol (CBP) agency. Provide full rights for all immigrants. No bans, no walls, no borders at all.

Marcia H. Morgan

Campaign Website: <http://marciahmorgan.com>

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

Jerome "Jerry" Segal

Campaign Website: <http://www.segalforsenate.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: all your questions are answered in great detail on my campaign website www.segalforsenate.org I apologize for this, but I am lurching from one campaign crisis to another - PHd. Philosopher, MPA as well 4 year on Hill, 10 years in USAID, 20 years at School of public affairs. founded the Jewish Peace lobby 29 year ago etc.

2) HEALTH CARE: Medicare option for all. Access to solid and affordable coverage is a human right, especially is a wealthy society.

3) DISCRIMINATION: I favor a guaranteed job or retraining for any American able to work. Employment in decent jobs (higher minimum wage + variable earned income tax credit = living wage income level is the way to cut through most of the impact of discrimination and poverty. We also need strong targeted laws, but going after the core economic reality is key to change.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: I reject Trickle Down. I taught incoming hires at USAID about the Basic Human Needs approach to development. We need that in the US as well. My book: Graceful Simplicity: the philosophy and politics of that alternative American dream lays out a detailed policy agenda and a philosophical grounding.

5) IMMIGRATION: I go with the Statue of Liberty, give me your wretched. Like the Jews on the St. Louis who went back to Europe and died in the Holocaust.

Richard "Rikki" Vaughn

Campaign Website: <http://www.rikkivaughn.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: For growing up in working class household in Baltimore to working my way up from a McDonald's employee to receiving my MBA and becoming husband, father, business owner, and restaurateur life experiences have given me the tools to become a solid and accountable US Senator for the great state of Maryland. I have a fluid understand of the needs of people throughout the spectrum of Maryland life.

2) HEALTH CARE: The Affordable Care Act (ACA) needs to be strengthened. My belief is a single-payer ACA would be better for businesses and provide better services to taxpayers. Reduce Cost for Prescription Drugs. Work with Companies to Reduce and Monitor Sales of Opioids. Get more federal monies to screen packages for opioid deliveries. Decriminalizing cannabis and removing it from being a Schedule 1 drug.

3) DISCRIMINATION: The most important cure to inequalities in race and poverty is to have good paying jobs. But, we need to go further to fully address systemic inequalities to include the disabled with upgrades to education, higher education, housing, transportation, criminal justice, and healthcare must all be addressed. For healthcare and criminal justice complete decriminalization of marijuana is necessary.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: There are three major policies I'll support on day one to strengthen our nation's economy: support for to decriminalization of marijuana leading up to billions of dollars of potential federal tax revenue, new labor laws that support current workers and the growth of unions in new industries like tech, and a national infrastructure upgrade bill.

5) IMMIGRATION: Immigration laws in the US should be changed to: 1 allow children of immigrants who were born outside of the US, but raised in the US (Dreamers) should be allowed to stay in the US; 2 misdemeanors and small crimes by immigrants should not warrant deportation; 3 deportations should apply to those who commit violent crimes in the US and will be subject to imprisonments 4 open doors to asylum seekers

Debbie "Rica" Wilson

Campaign Website: <http://www.politicalbank.com/find-candidates/debbie-wilson>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Life experience has prepared me to serve my country. I am dedicated to equality, fairness, and justice. As a mother, disabled African-American woman, and concerned citizen, I am committed to what is in the best interest of American citizens. Moreover, I work to improve lives daily through Brown Girl Wellness, Incorporated. I founded Brown Girl to make a positive difference for families.

2) HEALTH CARE: A universal healthcare system would benefit all Americans. Yes, Medicare should be available to every American regardless of income. A universal healthcare system is essential to ensure every citizen has access to quality healthcare. Quality healthcare is a human right. Moreover, job status should not determine access to care.

3) DISCRIMINATION: As a disabled African-American woman, I know how discrimination feels. I will support practical policies that promote diversity and inclusion regardless of race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty. I will continue to support policies that oppose discrimination.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Economic inequality impacts every American. Elected leaders must continually seek solutions to eliminate economic disparities in middle-class and low-income communities. By providing transparent solutions regarding trade, taxes, labor and infrastructure, access to viable change will help American communities suffocated by despair. I will support fair policies that improve lives.

5) IMMIGRATION: Dreamers are Americans! This country was built on the backs of men and women who worked for low wages to help their children live better lives. Deportation and family division is not the answer. Congress must continue to create laws to protect Dreamers and families. I will only support changes that create better opportunities for individuals and families.

Lih Young

Campaign Website: <http://www.vote-md.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Reformer/advocate/activist. Promote fairness/freedom/justice/peace; productivity/accountability/cost-effectiveness. Identified "socio-economic-political- election- media- budget- legislation-system problems"; local- global; testify/recommend to officials, law enforcement, 3 branches. TV programs producer speaker; field/studio. Expertise, commitment: intensive/extensive/diversified civic services

2) HEALTH CARE: Support single-payer healthcare by government, affordable health care. Our health care system should not be controlled by for-profit corporations. To improve quality, affordable health care for all as a fundamental right and should be achieved by the government. Medical costs should not be shifted onto other programs (e.g., Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries). Promote productivity, accountability

3) DISCRIMINATION: Equal protection, non-discrimination; employment/business/activities; rights/homes/vehicles/resources/ reputation/freedoms/ affiliation, environment; document, evidence. Equal pay, sick paid leaves. Prosecute "official misconduct-government gang- MURDER- FRAUD- CRIME- INJUSTICE NETWORKS" operation; threat/coercion/victimization; physical/mental/financial/ medication/litigation/levies/ foreclosures

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Prosecute/eliminate "official misconduct-government gang-MURDER-FRAUD-CRIME-INJUSTICE NETWORKS" operation, unjust/false/misleading practices; private-public; 3 branches, local-fed- global, inc. non-profit, think tanks. Protect people/families/ businesses: lives, rights, reputation, assets, vehicles, resources. Promote productivity, public interest, cost-benefits, social needs, budget constraints.

5) IMMIGRATION: SUPPORT: Comprehensive immigration reform. Promote humanity, productivity, justice, peace. Protect people, families, environment. Prosecute "official misconduct-government gang- MURDER FRAUD- CRIME- INJUSTICE networks"; unjust practices, victimization, deprivation, destruction; threat, coercion; unjust arrest, detention, torture. Reduce fees, fast processing of citizen application/replacement card

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

Duties: Representatives make laws along with the members of the Senate, and may conduct investigations on issues of national importance. Laws that impose taxes always begin in the House of Representatives. Representatives can recommend that the Senate remove from office a public official accused of a crime.

How Elected: Elected by voters in each congressional district. Maryland has eight of the 435 Representatives, based on the state's population in the 2010 Census.

Term: Two years

Base Salary: \$174,000

Website: www.house.gov

QUESTIONS

1) QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?:

2) HEALTH CARE: What changes in federal healthcare policy do you advocate and why?:

3) DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?:

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: What policies will you support to strengthen the national economy, such as those affecting international trade, taxes, labor rights, and infrastructure?:

5) IMMIGRATION: What changes, if any, will you support in immigration policy?:

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Liz Matory

Campaign Website: <http://lizmatory.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I'm a former Democrat turned Republican! I have had several career, educational, and life experiences that will help us better prepare for our country's future. In addition to my law and business degrees, I have worked to find equity in access to resources, communication, and truth. As congresswoman, I will fight to make sure that our congress represents the people first and not special interest.

2) HEALTH CARE: Crony capitalists (BigPharma/ Insurance Lobby/Paid Politicians) have destroyed our health care system. Both my parents and two of my siblings were surgeons, and they spoke about how different the practice of medicine had become. Healthcare is more about profiting even before Obamacare. But Socialized Medicine is NOT the answer. Individuals must have options. Free the market. Stabilize pricing.

3) DISCRIMINATION: There are very few policies that can address any lingering discrimination that exists in our society. We have many laws on the books already. We just need enforcement. My concern is that we are in a "cry wolf" scenario. We have become desensitized to real issues. What we need is 1) a stronger appreciation for our God given potential and 2) respect for each other to express that potential.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: We have lost our economic ladder. We must free the market place from burdensome regulations and taxes that favor the powerful incumbents that lobby congress to protect their market share. When innovative companies form and grow, citizens and families benefit. I support temp tariffs for some industries to help rebuild our nation's economy, address currency manipulation, intellectual property theft.

5) IMMIGRATION: Immigration policy is the constitutional responsibility of Congress. I'd push to enforce the laws that exist on our books and support local and state governments who work to protect the safety and security of their citizens, like 287(g). I would support full funding of border enforcement and perimeter strengthening, increase criminal penalties for drug and human traffickers and gang violence.

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Hubert Owens, Jr.

Campaign Website: <http://www.hubertowens.com>

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

Mark Shell

Campaign Website: <http://www.shellforcongress.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My experience includes manufacturing, banking/finance, and public sector (USDA and IRS). I also possess three master degrees covering IT, Business, and Finance.

2) HEALTH CARE: Healthcare needs to be more affordable with better access - everyone should have healthcare coverage. Prescription medication costs are too high and that also needs to be addressed.

3) DISCRIMINATION: My primary focus in this area is pay equality as well as setting a fair and equitable living (minimum) wage.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Need to reduce taxes on income, improve labor rights through living wages, actively negotiate trade agreements. Enact tax legislation to repatriate income from large corporations. Simplify all tax laws.

5) IMMIGRATION: The whole immigration system needs to be overhauled to improve the immigration process as well as handling of those who are currently undocumented.

Mitchell J. Toland, Jr.

Campaign Website: <http://www.mitchformd.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a political activist over the past decade, I felt a need to get more involved and take the message of liberty and Constitutional government to the people of my district. I hold a B.A. in Economics and Business and spent the first five years following graduation working at two CPA firms. I have the knowledge to promote a strong economic plan in Congress leading to economic opportunity for all.

2) HEALTH CARE: I believe every citizen should have the ability to receive the care that they need at an affordable rate. Unfortunately, unconstitutional government interventions in health-care over the decades have driven up the cost of coverage and decreased competition within the marketplace. The federal government has no authority here and we should allow free markets to improve and reduce the cost of care.

3) DISCRIMINATION: There are already countless laws on the books regarding this issue. However, contrary to popular opinion I believe this has resulted in more tension between various groups of people and is the antithesis of a free society. I personally am opposed to all forms of discrimination against any and all parties, but do not believe individuals should be forced to interact with anyone on private property.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: The economy can perform best when it allows individuals to voluntarily interact and exchange goods and services free of government intervention of any kind. A free economy where the government doesn't provide bailouts to failing companies, and pick winners and losers in the marketplace. Government should reduce taxes to a minimal level. This would provide the best opportunity for all Americans.

5) IMMIGRATION: The process of becoming a citizen is extremely burdensome, expensive, and time consuming. We should encourage immigration as a means of advancing our society and bringing skilled individuals into our workforce. We should reform the process of becoming an immigrant to make it more streamlined, and make sure that any changes ensure that those currently waiting in line remain at the front of the line



CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Jake Pretot

Campaign Website: <http://www.jakepretot.vote>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I pride myself on being an innovator and someone who thinks outside the normal box. Over the past 25 years I have been assigned the tough jobs of putting out fires and solving problems. My vast experience in multiple industries from military to telecommunications and private sector to government consulting means I can handle pretty much anything that is thrown at me.

2) HEALTH: Our country made significant progress with the ACA. Women who now buy insurance on their own are no charged more than men for health insurance. Before ACA, roughly 35-60% of women's insurance covered contraceptives. Now most plans provide contraception coverage without cost sharing. I have spoken with many breast cancer survivors who say the ACA saved them from bankruptcy.

3) DISCRIMINATION: The push for privatization of our schools is what concerns me. We combat, we overcome discrimination through understanding and exposure. Our public schools are the best way to bring children together of different race, gender, religion, disability and socio-economic status. Our public schools often provide breakfast for students who would normally go hungry.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Education is the best way that we can strengthen our economy. We generally have failed to match industry needs with educational training. There is no reason why if Maryland needs software developers that we can't have software development coursework in the last two years of high school. Graduating students could start a good paying job straight out of high school.

5) IMMIGRATION: We must protect our borders. That being said, we must also be sensitive of those women fleeing extremely violent and abusive environments in Central America. We must provide humanitarian aid for those seeking asylum while at the same time increasing pressure on those Central American governments to ensure their safety. All illegals with jobs and without a criminal record should get a green card.

C.A. Dutch Ruppberger

Campaign Website: <http://www.dutchforcongress.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have served in public office for nearly 30 years, including eight terms in Congress, where I have developed a reputation for supporting bipartisan, common sense legislation. I am an expert in national security issues and leverage my role as an Appropriator to ensure the Second District gets its fair share. I have also built one of the best casework teams in the country to serve my constituents.

2) HEALTH CARE: There is no question the Affordable Care Act is imperfect, but repeal is not the answer. We need to maintain its consumer protections and the individual mandate. I think we should consider a "public option" and allowing Americans to buy into Medicare at a younger age. I would also support expanding the exemption for small businesses to reduce costs for many American employers.

3) DISCRIMINATION: There is no place in our society for discrimination of any kind. That's why I support ratifying the Equal Rights Amendment and passing The Equality Act. I recently fought efforts to undermine the Americans with Disabilities Act, as another example. Raising the minimum wage and improving our education system would go a long way toward closing the wealth gap.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: I believe the middle class needs to make more money, which is why I support extending tax cuts for the working class - not just the wealthy - as well as a minimum wage increase. Robust "Buy American" provisions and workers' rights will also help strengthen the middle class. I support investing in infrastructure to create jobs, as well as tax incentives for small business.

5) IMMIGRATION: I support the bipartisan, comprehensive immigration reform package passed in the Senate in 2013, which included protections for Dreamers. We must work to secure our borders with a 21st century "wall" of technology and manpower and to deport illegal immigrants who have committed violent crimes. We should target businesses who knowingly hire illegal immigrants at the expense of American workers.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Charles Anthony

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

Thomas E. "Pinkston" Harris

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have a BS degree and two Master Degrees which gives me a well rounded education. I studied Economics at Hopkins. I'm retired from my own financial services business. So I know how to jobs are created and how our economy works.

2) HEALTH CARE: We should be able to buy insurance across state lines. This would increase competition and keep prices low.

3) DISCRIMINATION: One thing more education on these subjects. People have to stop making everything about race. That's like crying wolf when there is no wolf.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: I support the corporate tax cuts. America has one of the highest business tax rate in the world. Cut taxes that would incentivize businesses to bring the money home and expand.

5) IMMIGRATION: We don't need any new laws. We just need to enforce the old ones.

Rob Seyfferth

Campaign Facebook: <http://Facebook.com/robseyfferthforcongress>

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Adam D. DeMarco

Campaign Website: <http://www.electdemarco.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My professional experience as an Army Officer, federal consultant, small business owner, and non-profit leader give me a robust and broad understanding of the challenges and opportunities we currently face. Whether it be security threats, job creation, healthcare solutions, or education reform, I have spent my entire working in these realms and am best prepared to lead on these vital issues.

2) HEALTH CARE: We must continue to fight for the Affordable Care Act and ensure that every American is able to attain quality and affordable healthcare. I believe that healthcare is a universal right for every American, and in the country with the most advanced centers for medical research and innovation, I will fight to make universal healthcare a reality for every American.

3) DISCRIMINATION: A policy and program that I have unveiled is my 21st century jobs program to ensure that marginalized members of our communities are able to attain and retain new 21st century jobs. In Baltimore, much of the crime we face is due to the lack of living and family wage paying jobs in our city. I am also advocating for a complete review of our criminal justice system across our district.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: We live in a 21st globalized economy and as such we must operate like one. However, I believe that fair trade and protecting jobs is not mutually exclusive.

I will fight to ensure that our current trade agreements not only are fair, but equitable for our economy. We also need to ensure that our transportation infrastructure, for people and cargo, meets the demands of our 21st century economy.

5) IMMIGRATION: As great grandson of an Italian immigrant, I firmly believe our country was founded by immigrants. The variety of cultures and ethnicities is what gives our United States strength. Call it amnesty, call it common sense, I believe that all DACA dreamers deserve citizenship. I also believe that we must reform our current immigration policies to allow immigrants an easier path to citizenship.

John Rea

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

Eduardo Rosas

Campaign Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/eduardorosasforcongress/>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I bring over 30 years of combined federal government experience; public service as a Commissioner with the Maryland Veterans Commission and as a Member for the Advisory Committee on Minority Veterans. I am the Executive Director for a nonprofit helping veterans. I am the best qualified and strongest advocate for veterans and the military running for the third district.

2) HEALTH CARE: Eradicate Opioid Addiction: This is a real problem! As a cybersecurity guy, there are ways which we can apply technology and big data to stop the sale of illegal prescription opioid at the point of sale. Available technology can help identify corruption with Medicare and other federal and state programs saving taxpayers millions (billions at the national level).

3) DISCRIMINATION: Legislative action and public leadership! The first step is to acknowledge the gravity of the problem. Education is always key and it must start at home at a very young age. We must build better relationships between communities and law enforcement, particularly in low-income communities and how we educate community members regarding the legal remedies for discrimination.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Improving infrastructure and productivity: Our national infrastructure is aging and much should be spent to maintain our road networks; electrical grids and water systems. Productivity ensures gainful employment for as many people as possible to provide for those who have trouble providing for themselves.

5) IMMIGRATION: For the pass, Congress has failed to come to an agreement on immigration - this is unacceptable! We must provide a path to citizenship to Dreamers and other eligible immigrants so that these future citizens can move on to continue being productive members of society. Only strong bipartisan support for comprehensive immigration reform will allow us to move forward as a country.

John Sarbanes

Campaign Website: <http://www.johnsarbanes.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Prior to entering Congress, I had nearly 20 years of experience in the private, public and non-profit sectors. I worked with the MD State Dept of Education, represented non-profit hospitals and senior living providers and championed efforts to protect consumers and ensure fair treatment in the workplace. This prepared me well for the diversity of issues one must manage as a member of Congress.

2) HEALTH CARE: I am a strong supporter of the Affordable Care Act and have opposed every attempt to repeal or defund this important law. That said, improvements could be made to further lower costs and expand access to care for all Americans, including passing legislation to help stabilize health insurance markets, provide premium rate relief for working Americans and to address the nation's opioid epidemic.

3) DISCRIMINATION: There is no question that our laws and governing practices continue to permit and sometimes encourage discrimination against racial and ethnic minorities, the disabled, the poor and other minority communities. We need to end racial profiling in our law enforcement, prohibit

minorities, the disabled, the poor and other minority communities. We need to end racial profiling in our law enforcement, prohibit gender pay disparities and ensure low- and moderate-income Americans have equal opportunity to achieve the American dream.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: To combat growing economic inequality, we need to focus on economic policies which grow the middle class. These include ending tax breaks for the corporations who ship American jobs overseas, investing in national infrastructure, and raising the minimum wage. No American who works full time should have to worry about their economic security.

5) IMMIGRATION: I support a policy that considers both national security and economic interests, as well as the need to provide a fair, legal and humane framework for people who want to come to America. I support a solution for our nation's DREAMERS, a focus on punishing employers who knowingly hire undocumented workers, and a practical approach to addressing undocumented workers currently in the country.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 7 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Ray Bly

Campaign Website: <http://raybly.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Life experience, owning a home in Howard County, that they do not want to exist. I have been fighting the system for our rights since 1969 I have won a lot and lost a lot. No matter how many times the state and county has knocked me down I am still standing and fighting on as I will in Congress. I have ran two businesses for over forty years.

2) HEALTH CARE: I believe in a one payer system where low income people are 100% covered and high income people will have the add on insurance. I would include prescription, eye and dental 100% covered when necessary only health care. No cosmetic or elective surgery be paid for.

3) DISCRIMINATION: my wife was Vietnamese she was also Buddhist I witness outrageous discrimination even in the nursing home she was in Forest Haven in Catonsville, MD concerning her religious and being Asian. We all have bias because of life experiences and we can not legislate to stop these bias but if you blatantly abuse other races or religions we can legislate that you can be liable both criminally and financi

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: 400 characters is not long enough to describe this question. fair trade, sales taxes not income taxes, a balance budget nation building in America not third world countries and the right to unionize or de-unionize

5) IMMIGRATION: BUILD THE WALL AND A COMPLETE OVERHAUL OF OUR IMMIGRATION LAWS TO MAKE THE MORE FAIR AND JUST FOR THE PEOPLE WHO WANTS TO COME HERE LEGALLY

Richmond Davis

Campaign Website: <http://davisforcongress2018.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a congressman, I will have had decades of experience dealing with problems derived from my experience as a practicing attorney. I, further, am well read and knowledgeable on public affairs to which I will bring a conservative perspective.

2) HEALTH CARE: I oppose Obamacare. I will support alternatives - expanded health savings accounts and increased competition among insurance companies.

3) DISCRIMINATION: I oppose discrimination based on such factors.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: I am a firm believer in the free enterprise system and free trade.

5) IMMIGRATION: First priority - control our borders. It is a national obligation. Keep better track of the whereabouts of legal admittees authorized to stay on a limited or visitor visa.

William T. Newton

Campaign Website: <http://newton4congress.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: 2009 Maryland Delegate to the Continental Congress. 2014 Republican nominee Maryland House of Delegates. 2016 Candidate for U.S. House of Representatives in Congress. Baltimore County Republican Central Committee Representative for District 3 -Current. Founder/Co-Chair of the Maryland State Republican Election Integrity Committee Curriculum vitae/resume can be viewed at: <http://www.newton4congress.com/blog>

2) HEALTH CARE: Government has no Constitutional authority to be involved in personal health insurance.

3) DISCRIMINATION: It's called the Bill of Rights. There can be no equality by designations using labels.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: Read my policy statement(s) at: <http://www.newton4congress.com/blog>

5) IMMIGRATION: We have a Federal immigration policy (and laws) NOT being followed....begin by up holding the law... And yes I support a Wall! There are but few actual Constitutional requirements/functions/duties of government. Actually, 17. One of them is defence of our citizens and that includes defending our borders.

Michael Pearson

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 7

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Anthony Carter, Sr.

1) QUALIFICATIONS: The value

2) HEALTH CARE: I would continue supporting the affordable care act by President Obama , make changes where appropriate and need it

3) DISCRIMINATION: I would expose areas of concern and educat

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: No response received by deadline.

5) IMMIGRATION: No response received by deadline.

Elijah Cummings

Campaign Website: <http://www.cummingsforcongress.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Howard Univ.(Phi Beta Kappa 1973). Univ.Maryland Law School(JD 1976). Md General Assembly (14 years - Speaker Pro Tem). U.S. House of Representatives (1996 -). Oversight & Government Reform (Ranking Democrat) and Transportation & Infrastructure Committees, Congressional Black Caucus (Past Chair). Lifetime 7th Dist. Maryland resident.

2) HEALTH CARE: I have long supported universal access to affordable, high-quality healthcare. I will continue to defend the Affordable Care Act as a first step toward making healthcare a federal civil right, while also fighting for a single-payer system based on expanded and improved Medicare (H.R. 676), expanded children's healthcare, and reformed veterans' healthcare.

3) DISCRIMINATION: • As a former civil rights attorney and Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, I will continue our fight for fair and equal treatment of all Americans, especially in the areas of education, healthcare, economic empowerment, criminal justice reform and voting rights.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: I am working to create more 21st Century jobs by investing in American manufacturing, exports, sustainable energy and innovation while ensuring a living wage, protecting union organizing, expanding worker training, making higher education affordable for all, solidifying the social safety net, fighting pay discrimination, and improving corporate governance.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: I am working to create more 21st Century jobs by investing in American manufacturing, exports, sustainable energy and innovation while ensuring a living wage, protecting union organizing, expanding worker training, making higher education affordable for all, solidifying the social safety net, fighting pay discrimination, and improving corporate governance.

5) IMMIGRATION: I support comprehensive immigration reform with a path to citizenship to better secure our borders, protect workers against abuse, limit the downward pressure on wages, and unify families – policies that are both realistic and humane.

John Moser

Campaign Website: <http://nb.johnmoserforcongress.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I'm a problem solver with an IT Security and a Project Management background. I leverage subject matter experts to solve problems, rather than relying solely on my own knowledge and experience; and I believe strongly in stakeholder management to ensure the needs of all parties are considered and addressed properly. This is not a job you do alone, and no single person is qualified.

2) HEALTH CARE: The ACA must require employers to provide healthcare YOU can afford: the payroll cost must fit within 9.65% of YOUR paycheck for a family plan with out-of-pocket costs based on YOUR income level. A zero-premium public option must continuously cover ALL Americans who don't have healthcare, with the same out-of-pocket cost structure. Congress gets ACA Bronze or a HDHP. You can buy up if you want.

3) DISCRIMINATION: Ongoing project: this question needs constant examination. For the FOUNDATION, however, I believe in criminal justice reform based on restorative justice, justice reinvestment, and the expansion of behavioral health services, minimizing sentences and maximizing the success of those who interact with corrections. This will disempower any discriminatory agenda.

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: A Universal Dividend will end poverty and create jobs in the poorest areas WITHOUT tax increases or welfare cuts. Modernize the NLRA; prohibit permanent replacement of striking workers. Trade and progress WILL displace workers; we must support them until they find new jobs, rather than harm our economy with isolationism and tariffs. End identity theft by technical means. YES WE CAN.

5) IMMIGRATION: Sanctuary cities can keep their unauthorized immigrants IF they interface with corrections just as anyone else AND they implement these more-humane, behavioral-health-focused corrections systems. Even if you have a suspected terrorist, YOU can hold them while DHS does their investigation. Work visas should be easy to convert to permanent residence (green card). DACA to green card.

Charles U. Smith

Campaign Website: <http://charlesusmith.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: serve in every level of command in MD Guard and National Guard Bureau as General officer .

2) HEALTH CARE: the same as I supported when I work for the state of Maryland under the state medical board .I address

3) DISCRIMINATION: I address these issues Adjutant general state of Maryland

4) ECONOMIC POLICY: fair trade polices for all .

5) IMMIGRATION: they have to be here legally .

Charles Stokes

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.



GENERAL ASSEMBLY SENATE

DUTIES: State Senators and Delegates represent residents in each legislative district in the Maryland General Assembly. The General Assembly enacts laws, raises revenue through taxes and fees, and appropriates funds for all state agencies in an annual budget. The General Assembly may propose amendments to the state Constitution for ratification by the voters. The Senate also confirms the Governor's appointments of judges and the heads of certain government agencies.

HOW ELECTED: The state is divided into 47 legislative districts, and each district elects one State Senator.

SALARY: \$50,330 annual base.

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY WEBSITE: <http://mgaleg.maryland.gov>

QUESTIONS

1) QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?:

2) REDISTRICTING: What changes, if any, do you support in the process for drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland?:

3) ENVIRONMENT: What are the most significant environmental challenges and how will you address them?:

4) DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?:

5) EDUCATION: What education policies would you support and how would you fund them?:

GENERAL ASSEMBLY SENATE DISTRICT 9

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Gail H. Bates

Campaign Website: <http://www.gailbatesforsenate.com/>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: 4 years as Maryland Senator 13 years as Maryland State Delegate 8 years as Assistant to County Executive Charles Ecker - Legislative liaison During that time, I have introduced and tracked legislation, served on a budget committee and worked with constituents to get answers to their problems and concerns.

2) REDISTRICTING: I support a non-partisan redistricting commission as Governor Hogan has proposed. I would also support single member House of Delegates districts rather than the one, two or three person districts we now have.

3) ENVIRONMENT: With respect to the environment, we need to utilize the best science available to protect the quality of the Chesapeake Bay that are economically feasible and fiscally responsible.

4) DISCRIMINATION: Maryland law currently protects citizens from discrimination based on a wide variety of factors. It is our diversity that makes us successful.

5) EDUCATION: As a former educator and parent, I believe our students need to receive the best education possible. I have been a strong supporter of computer science to help prepare them for the jobs of the future. Students must be able to read on grade level by the end of the 3rd grade as that is the transition from learning to read and reading to learn. I support the lockbox on casino revenues for education.

Reid J. Novotny

Campaign Website: <http://howardcarroll.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a Lt. Colonel (US Airforce) and high-tech business owner, I have first-hand experience in working collaboratively and within a system steeped in tradition. The Maryland Legislature is very similar except the client is the citizens of Maryland. I also understand the role of high-tech in our future and intimately involved on the front lines of cyber, the fastest growing field in Maryland.

2) REDISTRICTING: Gerrymandering has been with us for 200 yrs. But it was never done based on party registration. The Democrats in Maryland, based on party registration, drew the maps to marginalize Republican, Independent, and Hispanic voters, which I think is racist and morally wrong. Since the democrat controlled legislature cannot be trusted with this process, I support a judicial commission.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Statewide, nitrogen runoff from Pennsylvania continues to threaten the Chesapeake Bay. Locally, toxic industrial mulching threatens our groundwater. I will be an environmental steward of our lands and waterways, including supporting environmental legislation that this is cost efficient, quantifiable and measurable. I feel strongly that our land and water are a legacy that we must protect.

4) DISCRIMINATION: It is 2018. There should be no room or acceptance or apologists for discrimination. All citizens have the right to be treated fairly both an opportunity and in the outcome. We as legislators should act to make sure this happening. I have a military background, I have zero tolerance for discrimination or discriminatory practices.

5) EDUCATION: Public schools are getting too big. It is too easy for kids to be anonymous or fall through the cracks. I support building smaller, community-based middle and senior high schools. I support no class larger than 30 students per class. And I support treating our teachers with dignity and respect (which includes salary parity). There is currently sufficient budget to accomplish these goals

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Katie Fry Hester

Campaign Website: <http://www.katiefryhester.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: For 20 years I have worked with governments, Fortune 500 companies, communities and nonprofits – facilitating collaboration to reduce poverty, increase education, improve health and the environment. With a technical engineering background and proven track record on partnership building, I look forward to working on innovative, bipartisan solutions in Annapolis.

2) REDISTRICTING: I support the establishment of an independent redistricting commission that will be responsible for drawing congressional and legislative district lines after each census. There need to be clear national guidelines, to which all states would have to abide, on representative fairness and a transparent process that ensures accountability.

3) ENVIRONMENT: An increase in sea levels due to global warming threatens 61,000 homes across Maryland at an estimated cost of \$19 billion in damages. Maryland can be a part of the solution by investing in renewable energy, expanding incentives for best-environmental practices and pursuing partnerships with environmental groups and other states that share an interest in a clean, vibrant Chesapeake Bay.

4) DISCRIMINATION: We need to ensure protections for women, people of color, 4) individuals living with disabilities or mental illness. I will support policies to eliminate wage gaps, achieve universal pre-K and provide incentives and funding for job readiness and career training. I will also work closely with other delegations to eliminate discriminatory policing and rebuild community trust.

5) EDUCATION: I support the Kirwan Commission findings, which are vital for the 21st century needs of our students. Improved teacher salaries, smaller class sizes, manageable caseloads for support services, expanded career training and apprenticeships, universal pre-K, and supporting our most vulnerable students are all priorities. We can afford this by locking gaming revenue into general education funding.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY SENATE DISTRICT 12

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Joseph D. "Joe" Hooe

Campaign Website: <http://www.joehooe.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a business owner, husband and father, community activist, past volunteer firefighter, former trustee of the Lansdowne Improvement Association, Maryland State Inspector, Roman Catholic, Member of Howard Lodge and a Johns Hopkins University graduate with a Bachelor's of Science in Business and Management, I know what it takes to balance a budget, create jobs and fairly solve our state's problems.

2) REDISTRICTING: Gerrymandering is, in my opinion, one of the most offensive practices in politics and all voters should be incensed at the mere mention of the word. Unfair redistricting has kept numerous highly qualified public servants from getting into office and improving the problems we all face, while it has allowed many unproductive politicians to exploit their positions of power. We need fair boundaries.

3) ENVIRONMENT: We need to protect the Chesapeake Bay, our drinking water and the air that we breathe. It is absolutely unacceptable that Maryland has been deemed a "non attainment zone" since the clean air act standards were implemented in 1975. Our politicians have repeatedly failed us for decades with regards to the environment. We must improve green initiatives as well as vehicle safety and pollution standards.

4) DISCRIMINATION: Even with record job numbers we still have more work to do. We need to elect new senators like me, who will work with Governor Hogan to continue his success. We need to make sure that the working class gets stronger and that everyone gets a fair chance to succeed. Let's fight crime and drug addiction, let's make education affordable, let's build new schools and let's work together.

5) EDUCATION: We need more teaching and less testing, more studying and less protesting, better safety measures, new schools, better pay and benefits for teachers. Let's implement my "Immigrant pay to work program" it will raise \$350 million annually in permit sales alone and millions more after income taxes. My "Pay to Work Program" will generate revenue without raising taxes, and it will treat people fairly.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Clarence K. Lam

Campaign Website: <http://www.clarencelam.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Over the past three years that I have represented District 12, I have become deeply familiar with the priorities, perspectives, and challenges facing the diverse communities that span both Howard and Baltimore Counties. As a physician, I recognize the importance of being a good listener, working together with others, and basing decisions on evidence--all important qualities for a legislator.

2) REDISTRICTING: I am concerned about the level of partisanship involved in the drawing of district maps, and that is why I support legislation that creates a nonpartisan, independent body to oversee redistricting in the state. California has a nonpartisan redistricting commission that I believe has been fairly successful in drawing reasonable district maps, which I believe could serve as a model for Maryland.

3) ENVIRONMENT: The most significant environmental challenges facing Maryland are climate change, reducing the negative impact of runoff on the health of the Bay, and decreasing federal funding for Bay programs. I support higher standards to reduce nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment runoff; better technology to reduce septic effluent; reduction of greenhouse gases; and increased state funding for Bay initiatives.

4) DISCRIMINATION: In employment, I support equal pay for equal work, prohibitions on requiring disclosure of prior salaries, expanded family leave policies, and greater support for childcare and preschool programs so that working families won't face gender discrimination. I favor increasing the number of contracts allocated for women and minority-owned businesses and ensuring better compliance with targeted goals.

5) EDUCATION: I support greater funding for school construction and renovation, improving teacher recruitment and retention, increasing resources to students in low-income schools, narrowing the achievement gap, and expanding career/technical programs. I favor increasing fees on developers to support local school systems and the referendum to spend 100% of Maryland's casino revenue to supplement school funding.

Mary Kay Sigaty

Campaign Website: <http://www.marykaysigaty.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Crafted policy and legislative solutions for the past 14 years as a County Council member and a School Board member; forged alliances with colleagues, organizations and businesses to effect positive change; passed county budgets that managed within means and maintained a AAA bond rating; worked hard for my constituents to solve problems with housing, food insecurity, jobs, and infrastructure.

2) REDISTRICTING: The Maryland Redistricting Reform Commission recommendations should be implemented. Selection of members should be well-publicized for the largest pool possible. Districts should be equally populated, in compliance with the Voting Rights Act, congruent, contiguous and compact. Districts need to ensure ethnic and racial diversity so that no votes are suppressed because all votes should be equal.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Clean air and water, replenishing the soil and slowing the pace of global warming are big challenges. Communities must become sustainable with land preserved for agriculture, waste managed within communities, streams protected from pollution, and renewable energy supplanting fossil fuels. The ultimate challenge is convincing residents that they are part of the solution thereby changing behavior.

4) DISCRIMINATION: I support laws that prevent discrimination in public places, education, housing, employment, voting & disability. Additional regulations are needed to ensure women receive equal pay, new parents have leave for child rearing, women have adequate and appropriate reproductive health care and seniors can find affordable housing. State budgets must support affordable childcare enabling parents to work.

5) EDUCATION: I support the Kirwin commission--quality early childhood education, rigorous teacher certification and commensurate pay, clear graduation standards, resources for at-risk students and system accountability. I await the Commission's funding guidance. Potential revenues include returning gambling revenues as supplementing funds, reworking formulas to require equal participation across the state.



GENERAL ASSEMBLY SENATE DISTRICT 13

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Guy Guzzone

Campaign Website: <http://guyguzzone.com>

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY HOUSE OF DELEGATES

DUTIES: Delegates share responsibility with State Senators for enactment of the State's laws as provided for in the Constitution of the State of Maryland. This includes the approval of all state taxes and the spending budget for all state programs.

SALARY: \$50,330 annual base.

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

HOW ELECTED: There are three Delegates for each of the 47 Senate districts for a state total of 141 Delegates. Most of the Delegate districts are three-member at-large districts, but some areas of the State have a district subdivided into three single-member districts, or a one single-member district and one multi-member district.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY WEBSITE: <http://mgaleg.maryland.gov>

QUESTIONS

1) QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?:

2) REDISTRICTING: What changes, if any, do you support in the process for drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland?:

3) ENVIRONMENT: What are the most significant environmental challenges and how will you address them?:

4) DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?:

5) EDUCATION: What education policies would you support and how would you fund them?:

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 9A

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 2.

Trent Kittleman

Campaign Website: <http://trent@trentkittleman.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Broad & deep government experience as: Deputy Transportation Secretary and CEO of MD Transportation Authority; minority counsel for Sen. Fred Thompson; and incumbent legislator. Broad & deep experience in private industry as: VP Legislative Affairs for Marriott; co-owner of small business, GenderStrategy, independent consultant on contract to re-write regulations of NY Taxi & Limousine Commission.

2) REDISTRICTING: I fully support the bill governor Hogan proposed in his first year (HB458, 2015) to take the process of redistricting completely out of the hands of politicians. Maryland's third Congressional District was described as a "broken-winged pterodactyl, lying prostrate across the center of the state" by a federal Judge. Hopefully, a good Supreme Court decision in Benisek v Lamone will help.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Maryland is making significant progress in protecting and promoting clean air and water, although you seldom hear about the progress being made. We should follow the lead of Governor Hogan, whose common sense commitment to environmental progress is clear and substantive; last year, the Governor signed 20 pieces of environmental legislation into law, including the Clean Water Commerce Act of 2017.

4) DISCRIMINATION: The greatest source of discrimination I've seen is our failure to provide a decent education for the majority of African

American children in Baltimore City. It's not a lack of funds! The City has the 4th highest per-pupil expenditure in the country & most highly paid teachers in MD. We MUST encourage innovation, but instead we forbid it! After 40 years of failure, how much worse can it get?

5) EDUCATION: Howard & Carroll have extraordinary public education. Not all of Maryland does. We have to support charter schools, encourage access to MANSEF options for children with disabilities, and embrace innovation where current public schools continue to fail. Educating ALL of our children is paramount; public schools are critical, but cannot be allowed to preempt other options when they continue to fail

Warren E. Miller

Campaign Website: <http://www.miller4delegate.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have served 15 years in the Maryland House of Delegates. I have made the most out of supporting my constituents when they have unsolvable issues with the State of Maryland. My Experience includes working at the White House, Agency for International Development and Office of Personnel Management for Presidents Reagan and Bush. I also successfully ran a re-election campaign for Rep. Barlett.

2) REDISTRICTING: I support the legislative changes that have been offered by Gov. Larry Hogan, Maryland's Congressional lines are so bad that out fifth graders joke about them. We are better than this and should get rid of the traditional one party gerrymandering that happens here.

3) ENVIRONMENT: I'm happy to see that the health of the Chesapeake Bay is improving.

4) DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination is against Federal Law and there are many state laws that address this issue.

5) EDUCATION: I would start with reforming how the local Board of Education and State Department of Education staff and attempt to micromanage what is done in the classroom. These entities receive and spend too much of the money that is intended for our classrooms. I also think that Howard County needs to refocus on how our school buildings are maintained - leaking roofs and mold in classrooms is unacceptable

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 2

Steven M. Bolen

Campaign Website: <http://StevenBolenForMD.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: State Delegate is a position in the public trust. It demands commitment, hard work, and selfless leadership. I am a 27-year veteran of patriotic, dedicated Federal Service. I have proven leadership at executive levels driving collaboration across global enterprises to successfully meet our nation's challenges. A lifelong learner, I have also earned a Ph.D. in engineering.

2) REDISTRICTING: I strongly support an end to partisan politics in drawing federal, state, and local districts. An independent panel should be formed to draw district lines that are fair, balanced, and unbiased. The panel should be transparent in its methods, determinations, and with the data it uses.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Maryland must lead the nation, and the world, to protect our environmental heritage. We must set a path to "clean living" and build a renewable, clean energy economy, modernize and expand our transit systems, preserve our forests and open spaces, and stop pollutants from entering our landfills, water, and air. We must support ecologically sound legislation and ensure enforcement of our laws.

4) DISCRIMINATION: No one should have to face discrimination. We must create opportunities for everyone to succeed and ensure universal access to fair paying jobs, quality education, public safety, healthy foods, health care, and to safe, affordable housing.

To do this, we need to provide affordable transportation, end money-based bail, and allow all lawful income to be used to determine the ability to pay rent.

5) EDUCATION: Education is the key to our socioeconomic success and long-term prosperity. We need sensible, holistic solutions that work for our children, parents, teachers and communities. I support the Kirwan Commission findings - to close the opportunity gap, support families with young and special needs children, and recognize teachers as high-skilled professionals. We also need to "Lock-In" school funding.

Michael David Gross

Campaign Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/michaelgross9a/>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I've lived a life filled with experience in the failures of our government and the institutions that are supposed to be developed for its people. I believe that all the experience that someone needs is understanding, the willingness to listen to the concerns of others and the desire to do something to better the lives of the people they represent, and the ambition and willpower to fight for it.

2) REDISTRICTING: I support taking the power of redistricting away from legislators and forming an independent commission to handle the process of drawing Maryland's district lines using research drawn from U.S. Census data that gives adequate and accurate representation of the people from such districts.

3) ENVIRONMENT: I believe that because we have the technology available to move away from sources of energy that are strong polluters that we should be doing all that we can to implement renewable sources of energy, like solar, in place of natural gas. I also believe that we need to respect the Chesapeake Bay by combating climate change and instill regulations on the use of various chemicals in our soil.

4) DISCRIMINATION: I will support any and every policy that has the goal of setting equity standards in public and private institutions. That's only responsive, though, that's not confronting the root of the issue. Along with responsive policies I'd support preemptive policies such as researching early education programs that have the goal of instilling compassion for others regardless of who they are.

5) EDUCATION: Piloting programs to develop alternative methods to standardized testing, work with school boards to develop plans for reducing class sizes and developing more scrutinized hiring policies for teachers, policies that support equity in funding to support public schools in low-income areas, and lock-box status public education funding. I would fund them through gaming revenue & levying a carbon tax.

Natalie Ziegler

Campaign Website: <http://www.nataliefor9A.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I'm a mother of two who attended public schools in Howard County, and education is my top priority. My first career was in broadcast journalism, which provided me with an incredible education in politics, economics and current events, and I currently own and operate a farm and a small business, which has provided me an incredible education in perseverance, budgeting and creative problem solving.

2) REDISTRICTING: Gerrymandering is wrong, no matter which party engages in it, and every attempt to disenfranchise voters is a threat to our democracy, no matter the means. I support the creation of a non-partisan, independent body to draw districts. Given the complexity of the task, we need to ensure that the process is completely open and transparent from beginning to end.

3) ENVIRONMENT: With its 3,190 miles of coastline, climate change is a direct threat to Maryland. Scientists estimate that by 2035, 22 communities will experience chronic flooding. We need to support our two major wind projects and work towards producing 100% clean renewable energy. Solid waste is another big threat to our environment. As a start, I support a ban on EPS (Styrofoam) food containers.

4) DISCRIMINATION: There are a lot of anti-discrimination laws- and a lot of discrimination. I favor much stronger enforcement of existing laws, particularly in mortgage lending, and a focus on the factors that keep poor people poor; addressing needs in the areas of education, affordable housing, health care, public transportation, good, family- sustaining jobs, food deserts, and an all-out crime fighting effort.

5) EDUCATION: I support the recommendations of the "Kirwan Commission", including universal pre-K, regardless of income. We need more accountability and oversight in school funding and to make sure the funds are spent in the classroom and not disproportionately in administration. Education needs to be our top priority, and should get the first dollars in the budget, in addition to all casino revenues.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 9B

See page 10 for DUTIES, HOW ELECTED, SALARY, TERM and QUESTIONS.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Bob Flanagan

Campaign Website: <http://Flanaganfordelegate.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: For four years, I have worked successfully with Governor Hogan, County Executive Kittleman, Councilman Weinstein and a bipartisan group of legislators to achieve solutions for Maryland. Instead of partisanship, we responded to the needs of Ellicott City after the flood, made steady progress on improving the environment, promoting accountability in education and other quality of life issues.

2) REDISTRICTING: I have joined Governor Hogan in supporting a Maryland constitutional amendment to create a non partisan and independent commission to draw congressional and legislative districts. I support an amendment to the U.S. Constitution so that the entire nation benefits from a ban on partisan gerrymandering. In 2018 session, I sponsored legislation to allow independent voters to vote in party primaries.

3) ENVIRONMENT: After Gov. Hogan added Maryland to the alliance of states that support the Paris Climate Accord, I joined a bipartisan coalition to ensure that Maryland would not be withdrawn by any future Governor. I voted to ban fracking. Reducing emissions is also important to meet EPA mandated clean air standards and I co-sponsored the 2018 Clean Cars act. I will continue my work to clean the Chesapeake

4) DISCRIMINATION: As a former member of the Howard County Human Rights Commission, I want to address discrimination in all forms, As Secretary of Transportation, we fixed transit services for the disabled. As a lawyer for domestic violence victims, I advocate to strengthen legal protection for women. My bill to create a grant program for asthma hot spots is a top priority of advocates for environmental justice.

5) EDUCATION: I joined Governor Hogan and a bipartisan coalition to put a constitutional amendment on the ballot in November to place gambling revenues in a lockbox for public school education; voted for raising school construction funding; expressed my strenuous objection to stripping the oversight role from Comptroller and Governor. I support his proposal for creation of a State Education Investigator General

The *League of Women Voters* is where hands on work to safeguard democracy leads to civic improvement. Learn more at www.howard.lwvmd.org

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Daniel Medinger

Campaign Website: <http://www.danielmedinger.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am actively involved in our community, serving on many boards doing public service. As an entrepreneur, I have created jobs and done business in every county in Maryland and in countries around the world. I am effective at collaborating with others and getting things done. My experience in business and communications will help me represent Ellicott City as we prepare for our future.

2) REDISTRICTING: It's time to stop gerrymandering. Drawing legislative districts is a civic process. It should not be a political process. Elected offices do not belong to political parties; they belong to the people. We need an independent commission that uses demographic data -- that does not include voter party affiliation. Politicians should not select voters; voters should pick the politicians.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Over development causes deforestation and water pollution. The Forest Conservation Act needs improvement to preserve and protect our water ways. I will work to increase renewable electricity standards and grow Clean Energy Jobs that transition us from fossil fuel-generated carbon emissions. I will support expanded recycling efforts to reduce trash. I will be a champion for the environment.

4) DISCRIMINATION: The pay gap for women and minorities must be eliminated. Employers should show that they are paying employees equally. Equal pay for equal work must become the law of the land. As a member of the newly founded Housing Center in Howard County, I have worked for "intentional housing integration" that encourages inclusion and diversity. Wage equity and fair housing policy will reduce discrimination.

5) EDUCATION: Pre-K, especially for children from economically disadvantaged homes, should be expanded because the benefits of early childhood education echo for a lifetime. We need free community college for eligible students. We also need lifelong learning opportunities for adults to make career changes. I will fight to get the millions of dollars from Casinos "locked in" as a revenue source for education.

Courtney Watson

Campaign Website: <http://www.courtneywatson9b.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Years spent serving as a community activist, Board of Education member, Community College Trustee, County Councilmember and small business advocate have prepared me for the statewide role of Delegate 9B. Budget analysis, innovative solutions, transparency, fiscally responsible decisions, and getting things done for citizens, have been my hallmarks and will allow me to hit the ground running.

2) REDISTRICTING: Increased polarization has occurred in part due to gerrymandering and the lack of swing (balanced) districts. As a County Councilmember, I represented the only swing district in Howard County and learned that safe districts for elected officials act as a disincentive to working with both sides. I support changing the partisan process of drawing district lines to one that is truly nonpartisan.

3) ENVIRONMENT: The most significant environmental challenge is climate change followed by water, air, and solid waste pollution. I support strengthening the renewable portfolio standard, BAT for septic systems, larger buffers between streams and agriculture, higher tree replacement ratios, increased investment in transit infrastructure, increased recycling and decreased use of plastic and foam.

4) DISCRIMINATION: Education is the central pillar of strategies to combat discrimination by providing tactics and information that counter ignorance. I support funding for educational initiatives, as well as maintaining and enhancing laws that prevent discrimination. I was the lead sponsor on a bill to make gender identity a protected class in Howard County and know that we must lead by example and be vigilant.

5) EDUCATION: I support Kirwan Commission recommendations including expansion of early childhood education, highly qualified and

compensated teachers, pathways to career and college that prepare students for industries of the future. Funding of these reforms will come from an increased investment and a redirection of present education expenditures. Casino funding must be used to add to education funding.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 12

See page 10 for DUTIES, HOW ELECTED, SALARY, TERM and QUESTIONS.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 3

Bob Cockey

Campaign Website: <http://www.citizenstoelectbobcockey.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a small businessman I have had to deal with making payroll, keeping budgets, and human resource issues for over 40 some years. I am familiar the plight of the small businessman with complying with regulations and restrictions. I am eager to transfer these skills to help and become the champion of the little man. I know what they are going through to make ends meet and I want to help. .

2) REDISTRICTING: I would recommend the removal of any reference to race, religion, sex, political affiliation, or any other personal information from the census. Redistricting would then be done on a fair, numeric basis and not slight any category of persons. Redistricting should be based on population alone.

3) ENVIRONMENT: I would encourage the use of high-tech, non-fossil fuel vehicles. Corporate incentives should be offered for employees to telecommute and work from home in today's digital world. Create more flex hours to reduce road congestion thereby saving fossil fuels. I would also expand commuter ride-share and parking.

4) DISCRIMINATION: I would remove all reference to the aforementioned criteria employment applications, driver's licenses, loan applications and census bureau's forms. People would then be judged on information provided and not by any ethnic origins. The fact that we ask these questions are discriminatory in themselves. It encourages discrimination rather than promote unfair practices.

5) EDUCATION: I would create more vo-tech schools specializing in the trades and other vocations not requiring the traditional college education. By graduates entering the workforce from high school with a skill encourages more people to be successful. I would work hard to raise the salaries of the teachers who do not receive the accolades they deserve. I would investigate where the lottery/casino monies go

Melanie Harris

Campaign Website: <http://www.harrisinthehouse.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I'm the only candidate besides the incumbents that has worked in Annapolis. My experience working for a state Senator has prepared me for everything this job entails, from constituent relations to shaping policy. I began a formerly defunct political club, bringing its local membership to the highest in the state. I'm extremely well-organized, thoughtful, and purpose-driven.

2) REDISTRICTING: I support Governor Hogan's efforts to put together a nonpartisan redistricting commission to redraw fair lines statewide. Maryland has some of the most gerrymandered districts in the country, and with the help of our legislature, we can support redrawing the lines in a fair and nonpartisan process.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Improper waste disposal and dumping are large challenges that we face to our environment and our Bay. I recycle, compost, carpool, and eat vegetarian, but I don't expect everyone to. We need more environmental education in schools. We have a lot of environmental regulations on the books, and rather than more, we need greater enforcement.

4) DISCRIMINATION: I support school systems in allowing Muslim and Jewish students leave

for holidays to practice their faith. I support higher penalties for employers who violate Title VII in the state of Maryland, whether the causal relationship between the firing and the racial, gender, maternity status or any other is expressed or implied. There is currently too much leniency with circumstance.

5) EDUCATION: We are paying \$17k per student in Baltimore City. We need to introduce a voucher system, and evenly distribute school funds to parents, who can send their children to any public or nonpublic school they choose. This eliminates All location-based discrimination, and will pay more to teachers. Any leftover funds can be in a lockbox for any future health or testing needs for that child.

Michael Russell

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 3

Jonathan Bratt

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

Dario J. Broccolino

Campaign Website: <http://db4d12>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: For the last 11 years I have served as the elected State's Attorney for Howard County. During that time, I served as a member, and for 4 years the chair, of the Legislative Committee. The Legislative Committee review every bill dealing with Criminal Law and testifies before the Legislature. I've seen the "sausage" being made and it's not a pretty sight. I will bring an open, fresh perspective.

2) REDISTRICTING: The gerrymandering by the party in power makes elections for legislators almost meaningless. . This is true in most States controlled by one party - Dems or Republican. The only answer is to create a commission to set district boundaries. This will not take politics out of the process, I'm not naive, but it has to be better than the current process. Just look at a map of current districts.

3) ENVIRONMENT: I have 4 grandchildren that I want to live in a healthy environment. We owe all children that much, at least. I would support measures that work to accomplish such. However, we must take a balanced approach that does not burden the citizenry with over regulation and costs. Solar, wind, geothermal and other forms of renewable energy should be encouraged through grants and tax credits.

4) DISCRIMINATION: The problems facing us are so significant that we need the talents of EVERY citizen. To discriminate based on any of the above - and I would include sexual preference or gender identity - would be counter-productive to our best interest. I would support any legislation that imposes severe sanctions on any individual or company practicing any form of discrimination.

5) EDUCATION: We must provide a quality education for all in SAFE, MODERN facilities. We must pay our teachers fair and just compensation. This must be done throughout the State. Conditions in City schools are disgraceful; Dulaney (where I taught) and Lansdowne are unacceptable. The "lockbox" proposal of using gambling money should be passed, and tax on the eventual legalization of Marijuana (I'm opposed).

Eric Ebersole

Campaign Website: <http://ericebersole.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have served as a state delegate since 2015. I serve on the Ways and Means committee Education, Elections, R evenues, Finance Resources subcommittees. In particular, I find the work in Ed Sub to be the most important. As a public school teacher for 35 yrs., I attach great value to education and I have a unique classroom perspective to offer on educational issues and how they will manifest themselves.

2) REDISTRICTING: I believe we need more compact and fairly drawn districts. One of the great dangers of unfairly drawn districts is that voters feel powerless and disenfranchised. Voting may be suppressed. The most significant thing we can do to advance the democratic process is encourage voters to the polls. Drawing more representative districts will do that. The process needs to be as non-political as possible.

3) ENVIRONMENT: The large issue is climate change. The first challenge is to get everyone to acknowledge the science behind it. We need to take actions to decrease our contribution to it. We need to incentivize clean energy production by increasing goals for percentage of and offering tax incentives for it, as well as more restrictively defining clean energy. We must also continue to protect our natural resources.

4) DISCRIMINATION: Justice reform. From bail reform to flexible sentencing to decriminalization of lesser non-violent offenses, we can help mend the extreme racial imbalance in our justice system, which tends also to follow socio-economic lines. Also, we must eliminate biases in the work place against women and the LGBT community. Restrictions on employer questioning and information gathering are critical here.

5) EDUCATION: We need universal pre-k for 3 & 4 year olds. The funding can come from the Ed Trust Fund once we "lock the box." A severe imbalance of school quality exists along socio-economic & disability status. We must make sure educational opportunities are equitable, both for those who are in poverty and those with disabilities. Finally, we need to let school calendar decisions be made at the local level.

Jessica Feldmark

Campaign Website: <http://jessicafeldmark.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I've worked 22 years in a variety of nonprofit and government roles with a single common focus of strengthening our communities. As Chief of Staff and Council Administrator, I have extensive experience in the legislative process and government operations. I tackle complex issues and get things done. I'm a practical progressive who collaborates on solutions without compromising on values.

2) REDISTRICTING: It is the job of the voters to elect their representatives, not the job of the elected representatives to select their voters. I support reforming the redistricting process as well as other small-d democratic efforts including public campaign financing and initiatives to increase access to and ease of voting, such as same-day voter registration and voting by mail.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Without federal leadership on climate change, we must redouble our own mitigation efforts: increasing renewable energy standards, investing in clean energy job training, strengthening forest conservation, and pricing carbon. We must focus on resiliency and adaptation strategies for communities at risk from rising sea levels, rising smog levels, and flooding from increased major storm events.

4) DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination continues to persist in a number of areas. One specific example is wage discrimination. We should require transparency and accurate reporting of wage data; prohibit retaliation against employees who share information about their pay; prohibit use of salary history during the hiring process so historical disparities are not perpetuated; and establish real penalties for pay inequity.

5) EDUCATION: Strong public schools are essential to our democracy, economy, and opportunity for upward mobility. We must ensure all schools and students get the resources they need: universal pre-K, highly qualified diverse teachers, and college and career readiness. We can't afford to underfund education any longer. We must approve the Fix the Fund Act and stop diverting public dollars to private schools.

Malcolm J. Heflin

Campaign Website: <http://www.malcolmheflin.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I was in the Navy for 12 years, and my experiences from that help me to appreciate the value of teamwork and compromise, as well as serving one's country and community with integrity and honor. We are all a part of a larger whole, and maintaining that perspective helps to better understand how each of us fits into that larger whole. We all have to work together to make Maryland better for all.

2) REDISTRICTING: I support a system where a non-partisan board determines our legislative and congressional districts. Elected officials should not be able to select their constituents. This system also forces both parties to listen to the people of Maryland, and to adopt a platform that is more representative of what we want out government to do for us.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Our most troubling challenge comes from an administration that has appointed an EPA director that is hostile towards the department that he runs. We are looking at the systematic dismantling of decades of hard-won environmental policy. I will work to buttress Maryland's efforts to stay in step with the rest of the world, and get a Democrat into the White House. Only a change in leadership will do.

4) DISCRIMINATION: I support addressing the inequity of infrastructure in lower-income areas. I would make sure that these areas receive enough of a share of investment, to close the quality gap. More attention should also be paid to how infrastructure is planned and managed in lower-income communities and communities of color. Universal pre-k will also help to close persistent academic achievement gaps.

5) EDUCATION: I support new school construction; our students and teachers deserve to learn and work in modern facilities. I also support initiative to create more community schools, which will improve the communities that they serve by providing free breakfast and lunch, after-school activities, job placement and training, and health care. I also support significantly increasing teacher pay.

Terri Hill

Campaign Website: <http://www.voteterrihill.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a District 12 delegate serving on the HGO committee, I review every bill before my committee. I rely on my unique experience as a practicing surgeon to introduce legislation to improve health care access and peoples' lives. I've built relationships and gained the respect of colleagues, advocates, and house leadership for my tenacity, thoroughness, coalition building skills and analytic approach

2) REDISTRICTING: I've introduced legislation to create a non-partisan, independent body to draw legislative maps and separate non-partisan commission to study ways to dismantle MD's congressional gerrymandering without disadvantaging citizens. Governing rules and factors to prioritize must be spelled out. The 2020 and future censuses must be as accurate as possible. Supreme Court may establish national standards.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Climate change, environmental disparities and Bay health are our greatest environmental challenges. I support accelerating transition to 100% renewables, joining the US Climate alliance, challenging EPA's retreat on environmental protection, assuming EPA's role, and am against increased underwater fracked gas pipelines, unfettered drilling off MD's shoreline, and weakened mitigations for runoff.

4) DISCRIMINATION: Systemic discrimination effectively creates a caste system. Correction requires looking at policies and practices through an equity lens, asking "who might be hurt by this action", and checking for compounding, unintended consequences. Banning inquiries on past salaries, assuring equal pay for equal work, supporting affordable childcare, enforcing laws that address inequities will help.

5) EDUCATION: Lock box and grant funding to support Kirwan recommendations: universal pre-k; trade and technical training; p-tech & other accelerated curricula; resources for students facing barriers such as poverty,

disability or language; identifying, hiring and retaining great teachers; assuring diversity in admin and teaching staff; and providing compensation and incentives commensurate with their value.

James Howard

Campaign Website: <http://jameshoward.md>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am a working mathematician. This has meant four years in law enforcement working on counternarcotics and human trafficking interdiction. And work to make the citizenship application easier. I've created systems for internet security and looked for holes in our election process. These are the core policy problems I work on daily. I am running to get things done.

2) REDISTRICTING: Maryland should adopt an independent commission for both Congressional and state redistricting. The commission should be charged to create compact districts approximately equal in population. Finally, the courts should have the power to review, upon challenge, the district maps and the independent judiciary should be able to evaluate if the maps meet the requirements.

3) ENVIRONMENT: In the short term, the Bay is at risk due to pollution. Increasing mitigation and managing development to view risk holistically must be done across the entire watershed. In addition, climate change is real and will disproportionately affect Maryland. We must cut carbon emissions, but we cannot rely on everyone else. Therefore, we must establish a mitigation program against rising sea levels.

4) DISCRIMINATION: The good news is that Maryland is holding firm against the tide, but more can be done. Historically, the enforcement mechanisms are weak, subject to substantial review, and expensive for the victim. We must address the enforcement piece before creating new hurdles. That is, we can't give up on the existing solution when it really hasn't been tried.

5) EDUCATION: I support the recommendations of the Kirwan Commission. I am a firm believer in the value of education and the Commission has provided many good ideas. But the Commission does not address the importance of capital improvements to existing facilities and the need for new facilities. Our schools are in disrepair and must be improved. This should be paid for through long-term bonds.

Mark Weaver

Campaign Website: <http://weaverfordelegate.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My blue collar work experience gives me an appreciation for practical problem solving. My political activism has given me a front row seat in the political arena in Maryland. I am past president of the S.W. Balt. Co. Democratic Club (7 years). We fought for marriage equality and against fracking, among other issues. Now I want to serve inside the system.

2) REDISTRICTING: We should draw them fairly. When drawing, we could tally the vote by party from two past elections in the proposed districts. Then, if the results statewide doesn't come close to the overall statewide vote, then the districts should be redrawn until the new result closely reflects the overall state vote. Ideally, we would team up with a Republican state to do this, but in the end we have to.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Climate change is the number one threat to human civilization, so we have to do our part by raising Renewable Portfolio Standards, stopping the Trans Canada pipeline and encouraging renewable power generally. We also need to continue cleaning up the bay by limiting the nutrient pollution that creates "dead zones."

4) DISCRIMINATION: I support the HOME Act that stops landlords from discrimination by source of income. I support eliminating cash bail that penalizes the poor.

5) EDUCATION: I support expanded public preschool education. I also believe that life skills, such as knowledge of how credit cards work and budgeting, should be required to graduate high school. Preschool would be expensive. We should pay for it by raising taxes on high income Marylanders.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES 13

See page 10 for DUTIES, HOW ELECTED, SALARY, TERM and QUESTIONS.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 3

Chris Yates

Campaign Website: <http://www.citizensforchrisyates.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a citizen candidate I bring lifelong experiences from not one but two careers. I spent 34 years with the Navy. Served a tour as Commanding Officer and at the Naval War College. Earned the rank of Captain before retiring. After the War College, I joined Defense Intelligence Agency. Among assignments, I served as a Program Manager and as the U.S. Head of Delegation.

2) REDISTRICTING: The primary authority to draw district lines rests with the state legislature. I support Governor Hogan's effort to create a non-partisan, independent commission to draw districts that more fairly represent the community's interests within a geographic area. Even though his bill was killed last year, it should be seen as viable alternative over previous efforts to redistrict the state.

3) ENVIRONMENT: One of the most significant environmental challenges we have is combating excessive noise pollution from commercial aircraft operating out of BWI. I am the vice-chair of the state appointed community roundtable with the purpose of correcting this travesty. We are working with the FAA to restore the acceptable environment that existed prior to the implementation of their new policies.

4) DISCRIMINATION: The amendments to the US Constitution clearly provide the basis for the rejection of discrimination based on a myriad of factors that touch all socials ills. Further refinements include among others the Civil Rights Act, Americans with Disability Act, Equal Credit Opportunity Act, and Fair Housing Act. I support all these efforts to safeguard American citizens.

5) EDUCATION: I support moving educational policy decisions and its control closer to the community where the needs can best be handled. Also school choice should be considered as a remedy to failing schools. And finally Maryland should continue to expand existing funding to provide scholarships for low-income students. We should fund associated reforms that appropriately match long term improvements.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 3

Vanessa Atterbeary

Campaign Website: <http://www.vanessaatterbeary.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My educational background, career as a practicing attorney and first term in the General Assembly has prepared me to serve a second term. I graduated from the College of William and Mary with a B.A. in government and I earned a J.D. from the Villanova University School of Law. I began my career as a law clerk for the Honorable Judge David Young, in Baltimore City, hearing juvenile matters.

2) REDISTRICTING: Gerrymandering has been largely supported and accomplished by the GOP and that is reflected overall in the current national political climate. Maryland's representation in the General Assembly is reflective of the political demographics in the state. I support an independent body to draw legislative and congressional district maps after each census.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Maryland must continue to protect the Chesapeake Bay. The federal administration and governor have attempted to roll back these efforts. I have supported legislation in the Maryland General Assembly, and will continue to support legislation, that reduces storm water runoff, help farmers to reduce soil and nutrient runoff from their farms and nutrient runoff from their farms.

4) DISCRIMINATION: The fight against poverty and racial discrimination in Maryland

requires addressing many issues. The state must increase the minimum wage to \$15 per hour so that families earn a living wage, expand pre-kindergarten so that all of our children have an opportunity to be successful when they start school and invest more funding in transit in Central Maryland to get people to and from jobs

5) EDUCATION: I support the Commission on Innovation and Excellence's findings in Education. In particular, I believe that the state should do everything it can to implement quality early childhood education for all of its children. I am committed to funding reforms that ensure the recommendations of the commission are fully implemented. The General Assembly passed legislation during the 2018 session ensuring

Shane Pendergrass

Campaign Website: <http://shanependergrass.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: A former teacher, I served on the Howard County Council from 1986-1994 and as a District 13 delegate since 1994. I served as vice chair of the Health and Government Operations Committee (2007-2016) and as chair since 2017. I have helped pass bills to make health care accessible and effective for all, including one this year to create a reinsurance pool to help stabilize health insurance premiums.

2) REDISTRICTING: Independent redistricting commissions operating in all states, and starting at the same time, would help ensure fair districts (that don't dilute minority communities' votes) and a more responsive Congress. Gerrymandering, largely by the GOP, has created a Congress whose actions rarely reflect the will of voters (such as on gun-safety measures, health care or taxes).

3) ENVIRONMENT: Climate change is the biggest environmental challenge we face. Scientists say we are running out of time, and reducing our reliance on fossil fuels helps address many other forms of pollution as well as limiting health threats from resulting heat waves, infectious diseases and extreme storms. I was proud to vote to ban fracking; I plan to support measures that move us quickly toward renewables

4) DISCRIMINATION: This session, I worked on bills to protect LGBTQ youth and to ensure that African-American firms get licenses to sell medical-marijuana. I co-sponsored the 2016 Equal Pay for Equal Work, considered among the strongest such laws. I'd like MD to follow my county's lead and ban housing discrimination based on income source. With measures such as these, I plan to continue to tackle all discrimination.

5) EDUCATION: As a parent and former teacher, I understand the importance of quality public schools. I am reviewing the Kirwan report and am committed to improving how we educate all children and on measures to provide affordable community college and trade schools. Ensuring that casino revenue is used for education will be on the ballot this fall. I support using public funds exclusively for public education.

Larry Pretlow II

Campaign Website: <http://www.larrypretlow.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My worked began as a 19-year-old outspoken youth advocate in the District of Columbia. I have served as President of the National Youth Rights Association, D.C. Chapter of the Greater Washington Area. I worked to make sure youth were acknowledged as stakeholders in our political process. I have the passion to advocate for others through my ability to inherent their experiences for better outcomes.

2) REDISTRICTING: I support an fully independent commission to review and draw congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland. While gerrymandering has seemed to work in the favor of my party, I do believe in the adequate representation of the people. Each district should be served by representatives who are their neighborhoods.

3) ENVIRONMENT: I support ending the use of coal to generate electricity - by transitioning to clean energy jobs. We must also take measures to address sea level rise in coastal communities by no longer contributing to emissions of heat-trapping greenhouse gases. Lastly, the MDE should consider the cumulative sources of pollution and not issue a permit, if

an established limit is exceeded.

4) DISCRIMINATION: I believe that we have to move towards policies that are more inclusive and provides better protections, to combat discrimination and to hold discriminators more accountable. More often, race, gender, religion, disability and poverty - unfairly are used as determining factors in various environments. I believe in policies that protect our human rights and provide protections for everyone.

5) EDUCATION: I believe in well-paid culturally-competent educators, who teach culturally-relevant curriculum in smaller class sizes - that do not leave behind students with learning disabilities or those from lower-income communities. Conceptual understanding of skills not standards. Eliminating standardized testing, along with better budget appropriations =, will help support our public education system

Jen Terrasa

Campaign Website: <http://www.teamterrasa.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I've been a councilwoman for nearly 12 years. I chair the Zoning Board and serve on MACo's legislative committee. I grew up in HoCo and graduated from OMHS. I have a BA from UMCP and a law degree from UB Law School. After law school, I clerked for 2 years for the MD Ct of Appeals and HC Circuit Ct. Prior to serving on the Council, I worked for The Women's Law Center and taught at UB Law School.

2) REDISTRICTING: I was on the County Council last time we did councilmanic redistricting. The process of drawing district maps is incredibly complex and should be conducted by a truly non-partisan, independent body. In addition, the legislature needs to create transparent parameters for drawing districts that are codified, rather than leaving the process wholly open.

3) ENVIRONMENT: Climate change threatens ecosystems, agricultural production, public health, security and adversely impacts MD due to sea level rise, heavier rains, and prolonged periods of extreme heat. We need to act fast, invest in making communities resilient through clean energy and energy efficiency while recognizing the interplay between climate change, environmental justice, clean water, and governance.

4) DISCRIMINATION: Despite anti-discrimination statutes, there's a lot the state needs to do, including more legislation and enforcement, to address the continued serious problems with discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, and poverty. These issues must be addressed in our schools, the workplace, and the criminal justice system, and we have to look at ways to address income inequality as well.

5) EDUCATION: I support the Kirwan Commission recommendations especially the emphasis on early childhood learning and the impact of poverty. I support creating an early warning system for at-risk students, expanding after-school and summer programs, ensuring students are on track for college and career readiness, and requiring the availability of technical training leading to an industry-certified credential.

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*Please remember that
Democracy is not a
spectator sport!*

HOWARD COUNTY OFFICES

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

DUTIES: Proposes and administers the operating and capital budgets, carries out policies established by legislation, interacts with the state and other local governments, helps citizens resolve concerns and oversees county departments.

SALARY: \$160,198

TERM: Four years, two term limit.

HOW ELECTED: Countywide

QUESTIONS

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Please describe how your education and experience prepare you for the duties of this office.

2) PRIORITIES: If elected, what would be your priorities for this office?

3) LAND USE: What changes, if any, are needed in the county's land use policies?

4) BUDGET: What areas within the county's budget should be increased or decreased?

5) TRANSPORTATION: What are the county's greatest needs with regard to transportation, and how should those be addressed?

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Allan H. Kittleman

Campaign Website: <http://www.kittleman.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: HC native; Atholton HS (1976), UMBC (1981), MD Law School (1988). Student taught at Glenelg HS and Dunloggin MS (1984). HC Council (1998-2004); MD State Senate (2004-2014). Practiced law 26 years; certified mediator. Elected as HC's 9th County Executive in 2014. Led efforts to rebuild of Ellicott City, maintain HC's AAA Bond Rating, accelerated several important school construction projects.

2) PRIORITIES: Education: funding the budget, building the 13th HS and other new facilities, narrowing the achievement gap through 24/7 initiative; Public Safety: community policing and keeping our county/school buildings safe and secure places to learn and work; Economic development: attracting jobs and business opportunities which increases commercial tax base, relieving the residential tax burden.

3) LAND USE: My Admin performed the first review of APFO in 15 years, which resulted in legislation that strengthened infrastructure requirements. Currently, we are working with an independent expert to engage stakeholders and communities as we rewrite our development regulations. Our goal is to update development regulations to make them easier to understand and in line with our community's needs by 2019.

4) BUDGET: My Admin made Education and Public Safety our top funding priorities. We have prioritized investments in student and school safety, new school construction, and other important HCPSS initiatives. Additionally, the efficiencies realized by my Admin has enabled us to create an innovation district in Columbia Gateway, a community resources campus, and new Police/Fire facilities.

5) TRANSPORTATION: I believe a flourishing community requires an effective transportation system. To date, my Admin has invested in new buses, the expansion of Rt 32, bus rapid transit on Rt. 29, an improved pedestrian/bike bridge over Rt 29 in Columbia, enacted a Bicycle Master Plan which includes BikeHoward Express (48 miles of new bike infrastructure throughout HC) and established a BikeShare program.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Calvin Ball

Campaign Website: <http://VoteCalvinBall.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As an educator, certified mediator, and councilman I understand the need for more opportunities. As a leader on the County Council, I have worked with others to find solutions for the problems facing our

County while encouraging rigorous debates with the civility that recognizes our first priority must always be the promotion of good government for the people of Howard County.

2) PRIORITIES: I will work to increase education funding and address school overcrowding. The future of our natural resources needs to be a priority. I will invest education funding and address school overcrowding. The future of our natural resources needs to be a priority. I will invest in our older neighborhoods, work toward community revitalization, and aging in place. Combating poverty, increasing opportunity for all, working to unite our community, and ensuring we give voice to the voiceless will be core to my mission.

3) LAND USE: We need increased investment in adequate public facilities, including making developers pay their fair share. We should be building for the future, which means more electric vehicle stations, expanded use of solar, full spectrum of affordable housing for people of all abilities, better stormwater management practices, and a growth management philosophy that protects us against overdevelopment.

4) BUDGET: We must create more private sector jobs that pay a living wage, increased support and opportunity for disadvantaged, minority, small and women owned businesses, so that all hardworking people can build wealth. That investment will put more money into families' pockets and help us increase funding for our schools, transportation and stormwater remediation.

5) TRANSPORTATION: Public transportation and connecting our biking and walking pathways needs to become a priority if we are serious about ensuring Howard County is the best place to live, work, or play. We must also encourage Howard County and its businesses to promote more Live Near Your Work-type initiatives. This is an issue that impacts the

Harry Dunbar

Campaign Website: <http://ChildrenFirstDunbar.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: 1) trained as a Volunteer in Service to America (VISTA) at Columbia School of Social Work in NYC. 2) worked in East Harlem around issues related to community control of NYC public schools (IS-201) 3) I am a retired federal employee of 33 years as a Human Resource Manager providing line management with advice, options and direction around management of employees 4) BA in Early Childhood Education.

2) PRIORITIES: 1) "Slow Growth" through out Howard County 2) "Children First" ensuring that schools are not populated over 100% of capacity 3) fund 100% of Howard County school budget 4) fix Adequate Public Facility Ordinance (APFO) by removing poison pills etc. 5) stipulate developers must provide affordable housing 6) establish Environmental Protection Office to monitor our sources of well water etc..

3) LAND USE: I do not support TIFs (tax payer dollars) for development by wealthy developers. Ho Co TIF's provide free tax payer owned land for the developer. The TIF pays for the construction costs. Once the project is utilized the developers receive the rental and/or various management fees. Lastly, once the payments are completed, the developer freely owns the land and project all tax payer funded.

4) BUDGET: The education budget must keep up with development. The developers in Howard County pay fees roughly one third of the cost of what surrounding counties charge. I am perplexed that as to why over the past 14 years our County Executives, County Council representatives and our members of the Maryland State Legislature have not raised those fees.

5) TRANSPORTATION: We need more buses and routes on faster schedules.

COUNTY COUNCIL

DUTIES: As the legislative branch, the Council approves the laws for Howard County. Members also sit as the Zoning Board and the Liquor Board.

SALARY: \$53,400, Chair \$54,400.

HOW ELECTED: Elected by district. The county is divided into five districts

Questions:

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Please describe how your education and experience prepare you for the duties of this office.

2) PRIORITIES: If elected, what would be your priorities for this office?

3) LAND USE: What changes, if any, are needed in the county's land use policies?

4) BUDGET: What areas within the county's budget should be increased or decreased?

5) TRANSPORTATION: What are the county's greatest needs with regard to transportation, and how should those be addressed?

COUNTY COUNCIL

DISTRICT 1

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Raj Kathuria

Campaign Website: <http://vote4raj.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have lived in Howard County for more than thirty years. My wife & I live in Ellicott City with our three children. I am a small business owner. I owned Bistro Blanc, a restaurant in Glenelg & am currently a partner in a real estate company. I believe in maintaining diversity in Howard County and setting a path for those who want to work hard to help them succeed.

2) PRIORITIES: I will focus on maintaining our high quality schools without constant redistricting. Secure funding for High School 14 in Elkrige. Ensure sustainable development while guaranteeing adequate public facilities, and focus on common sense land use development.

3) LAND USE: We've seen the unintended consequences of overcrowded schools & roads from higher-density residential development in the eastern Howard County. Commercial & industrial development generates more tax revenue & consume much less in services. We need to protect our commercial & industrial tax bases as much as possible to ensure a balance of services so that we can live, work and play within Community

4) BUDGET: I would be working on reducing the wasteful spending in our budget. County Infrastructure is in dire need of repairs and updating, better infrastructure would increase the quality of life of our citizens. My priority will be the school system and its infrastructure, I will work on HS#14 in Elkrige and reducing the portables from our schools.

5) TRANSPORTATION: Howard County population is aging and I can envision a massive need for service that helps adults over 50 and adults with disabilities finding transportation for medical services, errands, social activities and more. We should look at a great program of Montgomery County; Connect-A-Ride (CAR) links people with public, private, and volunteer transportation services.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Elizabeth "Liz" Walsh

Campaign Website: <http://walshforone.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am a civil engineer by education: I insist upon verifiable, relevant input, data and complete analysis. And I am a lawyer by trade: I fiercely advocate for what cannot be compromised. In its next term, this County's Council will oversee a comprehensive re-writing of all land-use laws and plans. We need experience and independence like mine when that happens. Constituents are my special interest.

2) PRIORITIES: 1.) Restoring top-notch education for all of our County's students: bolstering funding, addressing the causes of our schools' worsening overcrowding and



keeping neighborhoods' kids together 2.) Wrestling control of further development in this County from special interests 3.) Refocusing government back on serving the public good: protecting our rapidly vanishing green space and flooding watersheds

3) LAND USE: Our local government doesn't enforce the land-use laws that are on the books now. Maximum possible density (i.e., Developer profit) is the singular driver: no matter the topography of the land, the rise of the flood waters or the number of portables already outside the neighborhoods' schools. We need fair, honest cost/benefit analyses of new development. We need to honor comprehensive planning.

4) BUDGET: Our schools are the economic driver of this County, and they must be fully funded. But they also must be built: we need new schools, especially in District 1, and we need brick-and-mortar additions (not portables) at our existing ones, where the kids already are. To fund these capital expenses now, we must assess fair-value school surcharge fees. As is, this County's rate is a fraction of others'.

5) TRANSPORTATION: Our roadways have become parking lots, and yet the queue of traffic analyses submitted in support of new development assures "there will be no impact." We know, from driving those roads—or more likely, avoiding them—this cannot possibly be true. We need to strengthen our Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance (APFO) law to fairly, completely assess and address new developments' impacts on our roads.

Jon Weinstein

Campaign Website: <http://www.Vote4Jon.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: A few unique qualifications include: - Only Council candidate with Council experience; two terms as Vice Chair and one as Chair - Successful Howard County business owner focused on improving performance and processes in county, state, and federal government agencies - Former Army Reserve Military Police officer - Founding member of the Ellicott City Partnership - Non-profit leadership experience

2) PRIORITIES: Priorities for my next term are built upon many activities I initiated on the Council. A few include: * Increasing developer fees * Funding to build and open High School 13 * Continuing the work of the Elkridge Renewal Group I established during my first term and efforts to improve the Route 1 corridor * Ensuring stormwater and flood mitigation projects move forward in the Ellicott City watershed

3) LAND USE: - Simplify the code; remove outdated conditional uses, review and improve the zoning process - Increase transparency, including public visibility and input into the process - Increase understanding and community input in the development process, including programs like the PlanHoward Citizen Academy - Consider an appointed Zoning Board to separate the responsibilities of the Council and the Board

4) BUDGET: Based on a recent constituent survey I conducted, I would increase funding for: - School construction/renovation - Infrastructure, e.g., roads, stormwater and flood mitigation - Financial incentives to renew older communities - Expand county renewable energy use - Hire additional public safety personnel - Expand training and services for domestic violence victims and human trafficking victims

5) TRANSPORTATION: Greatest needs include improving the transit system and network. As a Councilman, I have supported County efforts to improve an antiquated bus network by approving new bus purchase and contributed to new routes based on constituent input. Furthermore, I support improving and expanding bike and pedestrian networks, Bus Rapid Transit on Rt 29 and developing transit centers in Downtown Columbia.



COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

John Liao

QUESTIONS: No response received by deadline.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Opel Jones

Campaign Website: <http://www.opeljones.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My leadership experience, numbers- and data-driven education, as well as community activism have prepared me to be the next Councilperson from District 2. A Human Rights Commissioner (appointed by CE, Ken Ulman), active with the Alpha Achievers in several HCPSS schools, active with several community service organizations and efforts, as well as a leader in my field, I am uniquely qualified!

2) PRIORITIES: If elected, my priorities are to work in conjunction with the Board of Education and to communicate frequently with the HCEA (Teacher's Union) to keep education the best in Maryland, stay connected to our law enforcement agencies and unions to keep our county safe, and community vibrancy, any needed redevelopment of village centers, etc.

3) LAND USE: Although I do have some ideas about land use, zoning, etc., I will refrain from answering this question in depth, for I may have to recuse myself on certain cases or issues once taking office.

4) BUDGET: The first area that comes to mind is education; which should be increased. The last few years, although the education budget has increased by dollar amount, it has decreased percentage-wise. For example, in 2009, HCPSS was 56% of the county budget. In 2014/15 it was 51%. This past year, only 52%. Why the decrease percentage-wise?

5) TRANSPORTATION: With respect to transportation, Howard County needs are more robust central hub for buses, more reasonable bus routes so that it doesn't take an hour to get from East Columbia to the mall, and consideration for transportation from both metropolitan Washington, DC and Baltimore City should be analyzed.

COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Their are no Republican candidates for this office.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Christiana Rigby

Campaign Website: <http://christianarigby.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: After graduating from Hammond HS and UMBC, I dedicated my life to public service-I've spent over a decade working in the government and nonprofit sector with groups like U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the PIRGS, Alice Ferguson Foundation, and United Way. I've served as a tireless advocate through my service on the Kings Contrivance Village Board, and other local government boards and committees.

2) PRIORITIES: My highest priority is to expand opportunities for all residents in Howard County. Opportunities are created when families and individuals have access to quality education, wages, and housing. We must fully fund the education budget and ensure that we maintain safe and inclusive neighborhoods that provide people of all ages, backgrounds, and abilities a welcoming place to call home.

3) LAND USE: We need a simplified process to provide predictability for communities. The revisions must include the public in an open process. We need to improve Columbia (NT) zoning due to infill/growth, create an Open Space zone to protect remaining green space, and ensure neighborhood protection standards. We must revise the Rt 1 plan and invest in redevelopment while providing infrastructure capacity.

4) BUDGET: Budgets are about values—we need to fully fund education, ensure safe and inclusive communities, and revitalize our older neighborhoods. The County must continue to deliver a level of high quality service to our residents. We need to invest in positions and policies that will increase transparency and accountability for our community as we seek to become a fiscally sound and efficient government.

5) TRANSPORTATION: We need to move towards Complete Streets policies that shift the focus away from a "car only" culture. Our system must evolve into an option that people CHOOSE to use. We need clean, efficient, reliable service and an outreach program for the community. The public transit overhaul must align with housing that supports people with mobility limitations (adults with disabilities, seniors, etc).

Greg Jennings

Campaign Website: <http://www.jenningsforhoward.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have always been passionate about public service. As a current prosecutor, former legislative aide in Annapolis, and longtime Democratic activist, I have the experience necessary to achieve meaningful change. As a new dad, I am passionate about making Howard County the best place to raise a family.

2) PRIORITIES: I am committed to ensuring our students and educators have the tools to thrive; high quality and affordable early childhood programs for Howard County parents; and ensuring our seniors remain in their homes and communities as they age. This is not an exhaustive list. I confess I am an unabashed policy wonk. My hope is that Howard County can return to being an innovative hub of bold ideas.

3) LAND USE: I do not support unchecked overdevelopment, but principled smart growth. I believe the prior APFO framework was inadequate, and I support the meaningful reforms that the Howard County Council adopted. I support including high schools in the school capacity tests, efforts to impose reasonable utilization tests for elementary and middle schools, and efforts to increase studying intersections.

4) BUDGET: While an exhaustive list of budget changes would be impossible to list, I want to be clear as a County Council member, I would be a strong advocate for ensuring that schools have the resources they need to deliver for our County's students. Howard County has the state's fastest growing school system, necessitating additional funding to support students and teachers.

5) TRANSPORTATION: As a councilman for Howard County, I believe long-term investment in mass transit is crucial. I support a plurality of mass transit options, especially making improvements to our existing bus system which is currently inadequate to support the needs of our flourishing community. We have not invested enough to make our community walkable and bike-able. I support increasing that funding.

Hiruy Hadgu

Campaign Website: <http://www.hiruyhadgu.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Nuclear Engineering and Radiological Sciences. I also have an MBA. I have been working as a nuclear analyst for over 7.5 years. My strength is data. I think public policy should primarily be driven by data. My interaction with community leaders as well as research of various issues have shown the absence of data in many important pieces of legislation.

2) PRIORITIES: My "the preferred future" platform identifies four areas: increasing accountability, better planning, government reforms, and better opportunities for our future workforce as well as older adults.

Specific plans include working with the State Delegation to raise the school and road development impact fees to fund new schools and reduce congestion and funding the citizen's public financing program.

3) LAND USE: Land use policies should not be made to benefit special interests. Developers have influenced these policies for many years. As a candidate I am not accepting their contributions. My platform specifies that we need to reform the Planning Board, establish a citizens attorney on land use issues, and ensure that our growth management program allows for adequate public facilities.

4) BUDGET: The school budget is not keeping up with growth. This is because the growth management policy of the county has not been effective. Howard Co collects on average \$5,000 per new home for school impact fees, while other MD counties charge up to \$27,000. Hanover Hills ES cost the county \$57,000 per student. The taxpayer is subsidizing developer profits because of low school impact fees.

5) TRANSPORTATION: The transit planning process is not integrated in the overall county master plan. The five-year transit service planning process uses existing census data to assess need and routes. A more forward looking planning process would work with the county's affordable housing and housing allocation process to clear barriers for additional affordable housing needs where it doesn't exist.

Steven F. Hunt

Campaign Website: <http://www.stevhunt4hoco.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have over 10 years of experience in public policy matters in Howard County, serving on various Boards to address county issues such as education, development, governance, and financial matters. In addition, I have over 25 years private sector experience, including serving as an executive at two different firms. I have an A.A. in Business Administration, and am a Certified Facilities Manager.

2) PRIORITIES: My priorities will include ensuring equal educational opportunities for all of our students; responsible growth and development, with a focus on community revitalization; investing in public safety to keep our communities - and the people that live there - safe; and fiscal transparency and responsibility.

3) LAND USE: I'm proud to have served on the Steering Committee for the Development Regulations Assessment initiative. I fully support the implementation of Phase 2 of the initiative, which is the complete rewrite of the Zoning Regulations and policies. We need to make our policies consistent and enforceable - a common-sense document that allows all voices to be heard when it comes to development decisions.

4) BUDGET: I would like to see our county do a comprehensive view of our fiscal situation, both in terms of revenues and expenditures, as well as an analysis of each department. We could leverage the intellectual capital of the Spending Affordability Committee to perform this review, with the goal being to determine how we can continue to deliver quality services, but in a fiscally responsible manner.

5) TRANSPORTATION: As a county, we definitely need to increase our investment in all elements of public transportation. We should work harder with our partners at the RTA to make it a true regional network, and require any major development project to include a traffic plan that incorporates public transportation elements. We should also increase funding to accelerate the construction of the BikeHoward network.



COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES

REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Lisa Kim

Campaign Website: <http://VoteLisaKim.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am a former financial analyst for Lockheed Martin, currently, I am a volunteer with children and adults with special needs, a non-profit board member, a wife, a mother and a business owner as well as a 3 time elected legislator. I will bring years of community and legislative experience to the Howard County Council and I have a balanced approach to legislating afforded me by my experiences.

2) PRIORITIES: 1. Serve us 2. Pace development/infrastructure 3. Make our top notch schools better 4. Increase/modernize school safety and security 5. Minimize school overcrowding/redistricting 6. Meet the needs of our exploding aging population 7. Oversee land use and development code/regulations rewrites 8. Fight for our right to set our own surcharge fees 9. Work within our budget to keep from raising taxes

3) LAND USE: Currently, our county land use and development codes/regulations are written for development and need to be rewritten to include redevelopment. There are over 268 different FDP's in Columbia and we need to streamline codes/regs. to allow for clean process and predictability. When you buy a home in the county you should be able to have a level of certainty as to what may pop up next door to you.

4) BUDGET: I would like to see more funding go to infrastructure and less funding to administrative costs. We can explore the privatizing of county services where applicable. There are over 200 county and local government services that are privatized across the nation and we can look at our services and determine what may work for us. This will free up funding that we can allocate to areas of priority.

5) TRANSPORTATION: We need roads that are less clogged. We have to address this by expanding roads and expanding public transportation. We need bus lines that go within and throughout the entire county enabling all of our residents to reach all areas inside Howard County. We can ensure county residents are able to work at county businesses if they can reach their areas of employment by public transportation.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Deb Jung

Campaign Website: <http://www.votedebjung.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a successful attorney in the nonprofit sector for over 25 years and a community leader, I bring strong advocacy, drafting, analytical, and negotiating skills to the legislative arena. I have a history of bringing people together to find consensus solutions and have been trained to conduct due diligence and ask tough questions - qualities important to legislative oversight and transparency.

2) PRIORITIES: My priorities are a strong school system, responsible environmental policies, more public transportation, public safety, increased affordable housing, and maintenance of a strong safety net, particularly for our children, senior and disabled populations. I support continuation of the Watershed Protection Fee and pledge diligent oversight of the Downtown Columbia Redevelopment effort.

3) LAND USE: We need to move forward with Phase Two of the Development Regulations Assessment and the drafting of a new unified code to simplify, clarify, and modernize our land-use rules, including criteria related to New Town zoning, environmental review, and improved processes for citizen involvement in decision-making. I support the final APFO school capacity limits of CB 1-18 as a reasonable compromise.

4) BUDGET: K-12 funding should be increased to reflect higher enrollment, special education needs, and school safety measures. I would support increases in human services (including mental health) for at-risk populations, affordable housing programs, and public transportation. If elected, I would closely review the budget for inefficiencies or unnecessary spending. Expenditure discipline is important.

5) TRANSPORTATION: Better transit is a key need. The Central MD Transit Development Plan (2018) recommends basic performance and service improvements, reconfigurations and expansions, and additional capital investments. There needs to be additional focus on mobility services for the aging and disability populations. Other needs include safety and congestion relief in the MD 32, MD 175 & MD 108, and US 1 corridors.

Ian Bradley Moller-Knudsen

Campaign Website: <http://ianknudsencampaign.wixsite.com/campaign2018>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I was raised in a multi-cultural adoptive family. I served as a missionary for two years. I am the Vice-President of my HOA, and I am on the Friends of Bridge Columbia Committee and the Traffic and Safety Committee. I have worked as an electrician and am managing two small family-owned farms. I am finishing a science degree at Howard Community College.

2) PRIORITIES: My priorities are in community infrastructure: to maintain a safe and healthy county, support a school system which will provide all our children with a world-class education to prepare them for the future, and to provide police, fire, and safety related services to the community in proportion to our growing population.

3) LAND USE: Our agricultural businesses need to continue to be supported in order to flourish and we should cautiously approach the removal of existing agricultural zones. The County should also develop our right-of-ways to facilitate a more efficient public transportation system.

4) BUDGET: Our county should increase the budget for sidewalks and crosswalks to provide a safe way for our children and citizens while traveling to and from schools, libraries and the community. The County should also increase its budget for bike paths to provide an alternative transportation option.

5) TRANSPORTATION: The county needs to invest in a sustainable bus system, which meets the needs of the community, provides routes which will be strategically located, and safely accessible to everyone. The roads need to be widened in high congestion areas to allow for the influx of more vehicles as Howard County continues to develop.

Janet Siddiqui

Campaign Website: <http://janetsiddiqui.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a Physician, I have served the needs of the families health & emotional welfare. This has given me insight and knowledge of what our community needs to grow and prosper while maintaining the quality of life. My public service on the Board of Education for 10y has provided me invaluable knowledge of the day to day workings of the county government. I am also an MBA candidate at Carey Bus. School

2) PRIORITIES: Maintaining our Quality of Life, Public Safety, Safety in schools, Addressing overcrowded schools, High Quality Education Increased Mental Health services Increased Government Services for Seniors, Access to Quality Healthcare, Addressing Addiction, Transportation services Affordable Housing, Minority and Women owned business development, Open Space Diversity, Inclusion and Social Justice for all

3) LAND USE: Zoning and Land use regulations should maintain public health and welfare, & control development. New construction should seek the highest level of LEED certification of green buildings. Goal oriented planning with focus on schools, roads, infrastructure, & open space. Affordable housing should always be included. Work with minority and women owned developers, & ensure the process is open to public

4) BUDGET: Vital services to the county must not be put at risk, so there should always a maintenance level of funding. Certain county departments may benefit from

zero-based budgeting for one-time costs or specific programs or projects. Budget reviews & stakeholder input is critical. I will support a citizen task force to explore different opportunities for tax revenues to support the county budget.

5) TRANSPORTATION: We need to improve regional service within Columbia & surrounding county for seniors & people with disabilities. I'd like to work with the county and state to look at a mass transit project between Anne Arundel County near NSA & Fort Meade with Howard County. Bus stops should be connected with safe walkways, accessible & ADA compliant & weather friendly. Green transportation solutions & biking.

COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

David George Yungmann

Campaign Website: <http://DavidYungmann.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Finance background critical for Council given two complex budgets and decisions regarding county debt/capital investment. Professional and advocacy background has given me skills to deal with regulations, legislation, government and processes. Hands-on community advocacy and volunteer work have connected me with a broad base of county residents so I understand county needs and priorities.

2) PRIORITIES: Completion of zoning code revision with better managed growth and protection of the rural west. Study effectiveness of MIHU funds and possible re-allocation to schools. Explore separating Zoning Board from County Council. Push HCPSS to explain why FARMS and special ed populations are growing exponentially versus peers. Complete HS 13 and Turf Valley ES. Expand opportunities in agriculture.

3) LAND USE: Reduction of conditional uses and reform of that process, reform of comprehensive zoning, increase role of General Plan in zoning decisions, employ separate project intensity limits for the rural west, improve zoning enforcement, promote commercial over residential development, target new residential development to mixed use projects versus suburban growth, oppose extension of planned use area.

4) BUDGET: I support the CE's FY 19 budget. Future budgets must balance with no tax increases and debt be tightly managed to maintain our bond rating. Public schools remain top priority given factor in county-wide property values and quality of life for many taxpayers. However, HCPSS must tightly manage its budget so the county can adequately fund other services that also contribute to our quality of life.

5) TRANSPORTATION: Finish Rt. 32 expansion and expand Rt. 70 from Marriottsville Rd to Rt. 29 and Rt. 29 from Rt. 70 to Rt. 32. Physical and operational improvements on Rt. 108 through River Hill and Rt. 99 west of Rt. 29. Improved interchanges at Rt. 32/108 and Rt. 70/29. Additional access from Rt. 29 into Downtown Columbia. Improved public transportation servicing employment centers.

Jim Walsh

Campaign Website: <http://www.walsh4hoco.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have been practicing law (estates and trust and taxation) in Maryland since 1983, and in Howard County since 1995. I am also a certified public accountant. I have long been active in Howard County political and civic affairs. I served 10 years on the Howard County Board of Appeals, as well as on the Charter Review Commission.

2) PRIORITIES: 1. Schools (including school safety) 2. Orderly development that does not outpace our infrastructure 3. Public safety 4. Keeping government spending in check, and in turn 5. Keeping the lid on taxes

3) LAND USE: Many zoning and land use policies are written to favor certain well-connected special interests. We need to level the playing field for citizens, both substantively and procedurally, who seek redress for over-crowding and over-development in their

neighborhoods. I am in favor of further strengthening the recent revisions to our Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance.

4) BUDGET: All Howard County departments need a comprehensive review as to how efficiently they are spending money. E.g., when a public meeting is being held on minor road improvements, does the County really need to send 3 staff engineers? The County should not be the major funding source for certain political organizations that in turn use our tax money to lobby for more spending for their pet projects.

5) TRANSPORTATION: Our infrastructure should be allowed sufficient time to expand before we allow more building in already overcrowded areas. We should take a hard look at the cost-effectiveness of our public transit system. We should consider using public-private partnerships to serve those citizens who reside in areas where public transportation is not cost-effective.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

China Christine Williams

Campaign Website: <http://www.chinawilliams.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As a travel guidebook writer, I am a "parachute artist," meaning I land in a strange place and master it in a short time. As an education advocate, I know how schools and students consistently get short changed. I will bring tenacity, courage, and compassion to the office. I am owned by no special interest, will receive no benefits to my business or profession, and would work for the residents.

2) PRIORITIES: My top priorities are full funding for education, responsible growth that keeps pace with infrastructure, and ensuring a high-quality of life. Constituent services would be my day-to-day focus.

3) LAND USE: There needs to be more predictability for all parties, from the investors to the residents. Upzoning and conditional use should be rare exceptions rather than standard course. APFO needs to be strengthened so that the lower school capacity thresholds can provide relief to overcrowded schools. The county needs to plan for the future instead of zoning for the past.

4) BUDGET: The school budget needs to be increased to get class sizes down to 2015 levels. Currently the school budget increases are inadequate for the expanding student population and the rising costs of health benefits and debt services. The county could redirect more allocated funds to instruction if state funding increased proportionally and if health care were a more affordable option in this country.

5) TRANSPORTATION: I'm running in District 5. Our greatest need is adequate road capacity. Residential projects should only be built with the requisite road expansion. In the short term, chokepoints on major highways and roads need to be resolved to keep neighborhoods from becoming thoroughfares and development needs to be managed in concert with infrastructure enhancements.

HOWARD STATE'S ATTORNEY

Duties: Prosecutes criminals and juvenile cases and determines whether to extradite persons in other areas who have been charged with crimes in Howard County.

Term: Four years, no term limit

How Elected: Elected countywide

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Kim Yon Oldham

Campaign Website: <http://kimoldham.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: 21 years experience as a Howard County prosecutor most prepares me for this position. I have spent my entire career collaborating with law enforcement and other community partners with the goal of keeping our community safe. Since 2011 as Deputy State's Attorney I have been a leader in management, supervision and training while still prosecuting the most serious crimes.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Rich Gibson

Campaign Website: <http://www.richgibson.net>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been a prosecutor for 13 years. I have prosecuted virtually every kind of criminal case. Additionally, I am supervisor in an elite unit tasked with overseeing the pro-active investigation of violent repeat offenders & previously I was the lead prosecutor of the juvenile drug court. In 2016 I was named Prosecutor of the Year for the entire Mid-Atlantic Region.

HOWARD CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

DUTIES: The Clerk of the Circuit Court oversees the office that performs many administrative duties for the Circuit Court including the maintenance of court records. Other duties include recording of deeds and collecting taxes and fees based on property transactions, issuing licenses for fishing, hunting, sales of liquor and marriage. They also perform civil wedding ceremonies and process passport applications.

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

HOW ELECTED: Elected Countywide.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Marlena Jareaux

Campaign Website: <http://Www.sponsorhetruth.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: With a bachelor's degree in business, and a Master's degree in Psychology, my work has always involved the intersection of both fields in my work for companies. Additionally, I've learned a great deal about the Clerk's office from my dealings with Mr Robey himself.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Wayne A. Robey

Campaign Email: waynerobey@att.net

QUALIFICATIONS: I have over 30 years experience working in the Clerk of the Courts Office in Howard County. I have a working knowledge of all departments and have a thorough knowledge of the duties of Clerk. I am a 2018 graduate of the Institute for Court Management 4 year Program and former past president of the Maryland Clerks Association and former Chair of the Conference of Circuit Court Clerks.



HOWARD REGISTER OF WILLS

DUTIES: The Register of Wills assists the general public with administrative processes concerning estates of deceased persons. The Register collects Maryland inheritance tax on estates and probate fees; maintains all records of wills and estates of deceased persons; acts as clerk to the Orphans' Court; and safeguards wills of living persons.

SALARY: Not more than \$98,000. Salary is based on the size of the county and determined by the Board of Public Works.

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

HOW ELECTED: Elected countywide.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

John G. Vandenberg

1) QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Shawn Conley

Campaign Website: <http://shawnrconley.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My compassion for others, as well as my extensive experience with the requisite documentation and strict adherence to governmental guidelines that I've operated under for most of my professional biotech career, give me the experience necessary to improve the service offered by the office. I am comfortable working in a regulated environment and helping others understand complex information.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Byron Macfarlane

Campaign Website: <http://www.byronmacfarlane.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I grew up in Howard County, graduated from Glenelg High School, and received degrees from the University of Maryland, College Park and University of Baltimore School of Law. I've had the privilege to serve as Register of Wills since 2010. During my tenure I've been recognized as a trusted and effective manager, an innovative reformer, and a visible and accessible presence in the community.

Terrence C. McAndrews

Campaign Website: <http://www.terrencemcandrews.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: As an attorney with 25 years of legal and administrative practice, I not only bring experience representing families with estate matters, drafting wills and related documents, I also have served as a Personal Representative of estates. Running my office has given me the practical administrative experience to effectively run the office of the Register of Wills.

HOWARD JUDGE OF THE ORPHANS' COURT

DUTIES: The Maryland Orphans' Court is the state's probate court. It also has jurisdiction over guardianship of minors. The Orphans' Court supervises the handling of estates of people who have died – with or without a will – while owning property in their sole name.

TERM: Four years, no term limits.

HOW ELECTED: Elected countywide. Candidates for Orphans' Court Judge must be Maryland citizens and residents of their jurisdiction for at least 12 months before their election.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

There are no Republican candidates for this office.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

Ajile F. Brown

Campaign Email: afbrowlaw@gmail.com

QUALIFICATIONS: I am a licensed attorney who has practiced estate law for over 18 years. I currently work as the Court Administrator in the Orphans' Court for Baltimore City. I spend every day dealing with the issues surrounding estates and their proper administration. I am also an adjunct professor at Howard Community College where I've taught Business Law for the past 10 years.

Anne L. Dodd

Campaign Website: <http://annedoddfororphanscourt.org>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been a Judge of the Orphans' Court since my first election in 2010. The Governor appointed me Chief Judge in 2015, and since my appointment, NO decisions have been overturned on appeal. I was also appointed to a statewide advisory committee, was twice elected chairman, and contributed changes to the MD Rules, a legal text. Associate judges routinely seek my advice on confusing estates.

Elizabeth Ann Fitch

Campaign Website: <http://www.elizabethannfitch.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I am the only candidate who has studied trusts & estates and tax law. I am professionally trained to read, write, and interpret estate documents, and I am adept at legal research. I work on estate cases for a well-respected litigation firm. I served the Orphans' Court as a law clerk, and I worked for a judge at the Court of Appeals for Maryland. I also have a demonstrated commitment to service.

Nicole Bormel Miller

Campaign Facebook: <http://facebook.com/nicolebormelmiller>

QUALIFICATIONS: My experiences have always been non-biased, as a courtroom clerk in the Circuit Court and now as an Orphans' Court Judge. I participate in public and community service by serving on the boards of the PTA and the MD Assoc of Orphans Court Judges. I am constantly learning through our weekly cases as well as attending classes on different aspects of issues relevant to probate.

James Ward Morrow

Campaign Website: <http://www.jameswardmorrow.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: BA, Johns Hopkins; JD, Univ. of Md, Former Special Assistant U.S. Attorney/Assistant State's Atty, Member of the Supreme Court Bar, U.S. District Ct. for MD Bar, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit Bar, Member of the Maryland Bar (28 years of practicing law), former Better Business Bureau Arbitrator-National Panel of Arbitrators, former Panel Member of the MD Health Claims Arbitration Panel.

Leslie Smith Turner

Campaign Website: <http://www.citizensforjudgelesliesmithturner.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: Experiences have enhanced my knowledge & confidence, plus enabled me to be a careful, patient, thorough, thoughtful, considerate & kind jurist. I have already served 2 terms. Have had 49 years of applying the law; MA & JD Degrees; Chief Judge 2014-2015; Secretary of Court Association; mediator; MA psychologist; former State & Federal prosecutor; public defender; Court Conference appointee.

HOWARD COUNTY SHERIFF

DUTIES: The Sheriff carries out court orders, delivers summonses, and executes bench warrants. The Sheriff performs police or corrections functions in jurisdictions where there are no County police or correction departments. The Sheriff's office is divided into four areas: the Civil Section, the Criminal Section, the Court and Transportation Section, and the Special Operations Section.

SALARY: \$85,000 per year

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

HOW ELECTED: Elected countywide.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1.

Bill McMahon

Campaign Website: <http://billmcmahonsheriff.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: 28yrs w/ Howard County Police (8 as Chief); improved response to domestic violence, behavioral health issues, minority communities, seniors; led response to Columbia Mall shooting; appointed to fill term of the prior Sheriff when he left office amid findings of misconduct. Restoring trust in Sheriff's Office; strong ties to Howard Co. communities; MAS (JHU); FBI Nat Acad; Leadership HoCo

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 1

John Francis McMahon

Campaign Phone: (301) 717-0803

QUALIFICATIONS: BA Economics Providence MBA UCONN Ford Motor Company controllers office President of local construction company 40 years community activist 5years 42600 votes in last election for sheriff major court case to replace sheriff who refused to take oath of office and forced deputies to campaign for him

Marcus Harris

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.



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Please remember that Democracy is not a spectator sport!

Howard County Republican Central Committee

DUTIES: Voters participate in governing the national, state, and local party in their selection of members of the county party central committee. The county central committee sets local party policy and assists local candidates and chooses representatives to the state central committee. The state party committee, in turn, sets the state party's policies, assists state-wide candidates and selects Maryland's representatives on the national party committee. The national party committee sets the rules for nominating candidates for President and assists candidates for federal office. In Maryland, party central committees fill vacancies in state and local offices when a member of the party resigns or dies in office.

TERM: Four years.

HOW ELECTED: Elected by the members of the party in the primary.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES REPUBLICANS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 9.

William H. Campbell

Campaign Facebook: <http://BillCampbell>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been active in MD Republican politics for two decades. I was the MDGOP nominee for State Comptroller in 2010 and 2014, and received over 600,000 votes both times. I have first hand experience in what it takes to run a political campaign, and how the Central Committee can get GOP candidates elected. I would like to use my experience to help other Republicans get elected.

Gary Clark

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Michael Eisenberg

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Chris Kirby

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Frank Mirabile

Campaign Facebook: <http://@FrankMirabileMDHoCo>

QUALIFICATIONS: 16 years of political activism, supporting candidates, developing marketing materials, co-coordinating No Sanctuary HoCo efforts, Trump campaign HoCo co-coordinator, elected by GOP peers as 2016 RNC alternate delegate, 2010-2012 nominee for Congress, 2014 candidate for MD Delegate – coupled with creative problem solving, marketing and research skills my leadership will be an asset to grow the GOP.

Dave Myers

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Christopher Oxenham

Campaign Facebook: <http://https://www.facebook.com/chris.oxenham.54>

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Jenny Park

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Mark A. Regal

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Lee Sachs

Campaign Email: leesachs85@gmail.com

QUALIFICATIONS: I am a lifelong Republican who has served the party by voluntarily working on campaigns for qualified candidates since 1994. From 2003 - 2007 I served former Governor Ehrlich as public information officer for the Office of Service and Volunteerism and later as Legislative Director for the Department of General Services.

Steven Lee Sendelbach

Campaign Email: mhzbrain@gmail.com

QUALIFICATIONS: After completing my PhD in Physics in 2012, my wife and I moved to Howard County where we became active in Republican politics. I was the treasurer, and for the last two years, president of the Republican Club. Our family just welcomed our first child which gives me that much more incentive to ensure that Howard County continues to be one of the best places in the country to live for years to come liberty. We truly believe our policies will lead to the best outcomes for all and convincing voters will be the most robust and sustainable way to grow the party.

Loretta H. Shields

Campaign Email: lhshield@gmail.com

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been a member of the Howard County Republican Central Committee for 20 years. In that time we elected many Republicans, most especially, a Republican County Executive and a Republican Governor.

Laura M. Walsh

Campaign Email: LW.walsh4hoco@gmail.com

QUALIFICATIONS: Elected GOP central committee member in 2014. Since 1986, recruiting volunteers, managing campaigns, organizing candidate education, developing marketing materials to grow the GOP base and GOTV, countywide phone banking, lit drops, voter registration drive, activate community contesting CB9, contested Question A, Trump campaign HOCO co-coordinator, elected RNC Delegate, RNC Credentials Committee

Howard County Democratic Central Committee - Male

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TERM: Four years.

HOW ELECTED: Elected by the members of the party in the primary.

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES DEMOCRATS MAY VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN 10

Bill Adams

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Najee Bailey

Campaign Facebook: <http://Friends of Najee Bailey>

QUALIFICATIONS: My experiences in the community have prepared me for the duties of serving on the Howard County Democratic Central Committee. With advanced local Democratic and community interests, I work hard to get my peers engaged in our local political process through the Young Democrats of Howard County. I have also been able to offer concrete recommendations on policy issues at local and state levels.

Scott A. Berkowitz

Campaign Website: <http://www.scottberkowitz.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: My experiences prepare me to serve on the Democratic Central Committee from the perspective of having: a) advanced local Democratic and community interests through the Columbia Democratic Club and other organizations; b) developed collaborations to address complex challenges both locally and throughout the state; and c) offered recommendations on policy issues at local, state and federal levels.

Rich Corkran

Campaign Website: <http://voterichcorkran.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I was on the Central Committee from 2010 until 2014. I ran for State Senate in 2006 and House of Delegates in 2014. I have been vice-president, president, and now treasurer of the Ellicott City and Western Howard Democratic Club. I am a member of other Democratic clubs. I have worked on many campaigns, including being a neighborhood coordinator. I support the Democratic party financially.

Jeremy Eldridge

Campaign Website: <http://vote4jeremy.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have prepared for serving on the Democratic Central Committee for Howard County by volunteering at innumerable outreach events to interact with voters, developed relationships with local party clubs, and I have offered recommendations on policy including criminal law and public policy as that is my forte as a former prosecutor.

Bob Ford

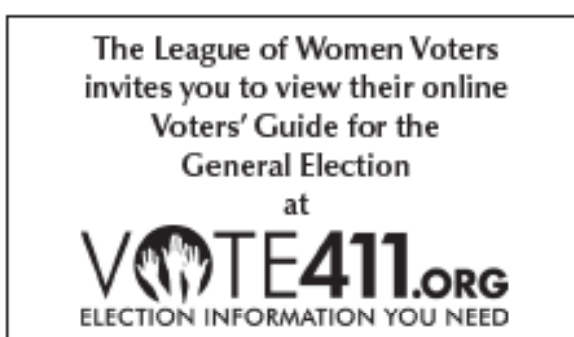
Campaign Website: <http://facebook.com/BobFord4HCDCC>

QUALIFICATIONS: I've worked hard on the central committee these past 4 years and have been the co-chair for voter registration. I've been active in politics for over 40 years emphasizing my desire to achieve equality for all individuals especially those who are LGBT. I serve on the county's Human Rights Commission and am treasurer of the Columbia Democratic Club. I am active in PFLAG-Howard Co. and #OneHoward.

Sean Ford

Campaign Email: seanford42@gmail.com

QUALIFICATIONS: My experience as the Vice President of the Howard County Young Democrats and my experience working on Democratic campaigns in Howard County will allow me to hit the ground running. I want to work with the other members of the Central Committee to strengthen and energize our Party and my experience in Howard County Democratic politics and as a legislative aide in Annapolis will help me do that.



Josh Friedman

Campaign Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/FriedmanforCentralCommittee/>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have spent over 10 years as an organizer for the Howard County Democrats. I've been President and Vice-President of the Columbia Democratic Club, but most importantly, I've stood shoulder to shoulder with my fellow Democratic volunteers walking neighborhoods and phone-banking for Democratic candidates for office. I can speak up for the average Democratic volunteer who deserves a voice!

Dave Grabowski

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Tim Lattimer

Campaign Website: <http://mlattimer4howard.wixsite.com/timlattimer>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have served on the HoCo Democratic Central Committee since Feb. 2018. I have done voter outreach for Democratic candidates, helped lead the HoCo chapter of Indivisible and other progressive groups, managed million-dollar environmental planning projects for ten years, and negotiated international trade and environmental agreements in my 24 years as career diplomat with the State Department.

Matthew Molyett

Campaign Facebook: <http://facebook.com/MatthewMolyett>

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Gabriel M. Moreno

Campaign Website: <http://www.facebook.com/DemocraticCentralCommittee>

QUALIFICATIONS: I run as an individual that continues to live the experience of a first generation born United States citizen. My parents emigrated from Mexico not knowing English but they always made sure my brother and I had enough to succeed in our lives. I am an attorney that advocates for unaccompanied and undocumented children in the courts. My life outside of politics makes me qualified for the duties.

Pravin Ponnuri

Campaign Website: <http://www.pravinponnuri.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I am currently the 2nd Vice Chair of the Central Committee, and have worked hard to build coalitions with minority groups, progressive groups and others non-political groups to strengthen the party. I have worked on voter registration, advocated common sense gun laws, advocated removing big money from politics. Worked on multiple county, state and federal campaigns and knocked on over 10K doors.

Shahan Rizvi

Campaign Website: <http://www.vote4shahan.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I am a community organizer, entrepreneur, and public servant based out of Columbia, MD. I am a member of the Howard County Democratic Central Committee, former President of the Howard County Muslim Council and a Commissioner on the Equal Business Opportunity Commission. I have extensive experience in community organizing, local politics, interfaith work, and emerging technologies like blockchain.

Lewis O. Saunders

Campaign Email: saundlo1@verizon.net

QUALIFICATIONS: PhD in Public Policy and Administration concentration in Information Management Technology. Other degrees: Master of Public Administration) and BA in Physics/Mathematics. Membership: (1) America Society for Public Administration (ASPA); (2) Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) and (3) Howard County Police Citizens Advisory Council (CAC).

Dhaval Shah

Campaign Website: <http://shah4howard.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been a lifelong Democrat and have worked on many campaigns since 2010. I have been more involved in Howard County Democrats since 2014 and had the pleasure to be the President of the Young Democrats of Howard County last year. I believe it is important for us to continue to work with our youth and keep them engaged in the process as they are our future generation of community leaders.

Herbie Smith

Campaign Website: <http://www.hocoforward.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: My experiences prepare me for the duties of serving on the Democratic Central Committee from the perspective of having served in an elected position before on a local Democratic Committee as a Vice Chair. I have also volunteered, worked, and ran campaigns from the local level to the national level. I have fought for access to healthcare, education, and protection of our natural resources.

Peter Spann

Campaign Website: <http://www.hocoforward.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I am actively involved in the community. First as an executive board member with the Howard County NAACP advocating for justice. Also as an attorney I am a member of the Waring-Mitchell Law Society which focuses on giving back to the community. I am a current member of the Howard County Democratic Central Committee and I desire to continue working for equity and inclusion.

Howard County Democratic Central Committee - Female

DUTIES: Voters participate in governing the national, state, and local party in their selection of members of the county party central committee. The county central committee sets local party policy and assists local candidates and chooses representatives to the state central committee. The state party committee, in turn, sets the state party's policies, assists state-wide candidates and selects Maryland's representatives on the national party committee. The national party committee sets the rules for nominating candidates for President and assists candidates for federal office. In Maryland, party central committees fill vacancies in state and local offices when a member of the party resigns or dies in office.

TERM: Four years.

HOW ELECTED: Elected by the members of the party in the primary.

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Alicia Altamirano

Campaign Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/risenow/>

QUALIFICATIONS: As an Immigration and Family law attorney and legal volunteer, I can reach across cultures and facilitate inclusion. And as an Immigrant with U.S. Citizen children, and as a human, I have experience interacting with other humans. And, as such, I understand the need for facilitation of diverse representation and outreach.

Maureen Evans Arthurs

Campaign Website: <http://meaforhoco.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.



Mae A. Beale

Campaign Email: maeabeale@gmail.com

QUALIFICATIONS: Who is Mae A Beale? These are the words that best describe her: Leader, Committed, Dedicated, Hard working, Experienced, and has a proven record of success. I have lived in Columbia MD for forty four years doing what I love "making a difference in the lives of others." I have a unique ability to bring people together for the betterment of the community. One entity working for equality and inclusion

Ethel Brown-Hill

Campaign Facebook: <http://Ethel B. Hill>

QUALIFICATIONS: As a 2 term elected member my incumbency is a plus. I have continued my record of encouraging qualified minorities and women to seek elective and appointed office. I have run for county wide office, served on numerous appointed positions, managed and/or strategized on behalf of several successful candidates, including that of William Manning, first Black elected to the Howard County School Board.

Mary Catherine Cochran

Campaign Website: <http://www.hocoforward.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I've been deeply involved in issues critical to Democratic values including; improving access to healthcare, ensuring a strong public education system, preserving our natural resources, and building a community based on equity and inclusion. I've worked on local, state and national Democratic political campaigns to elevate and elect diverse candidates and ensure equitable representation.

Candace Dodson-Reed

Campaign Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/CDR4HoCo/>

QUALIFICATIONS: My parents moved to Columbia in the 70s because of Rouse's vision for our community. I am a community advocate committed to supporting leaders who stand up for values of inclusion, equity, & opportunity for all. Prior to my current position, I served Howard County as Deputy Chief of Staff, where I collaboratively worked on solving complex challenges. I have also worked on many campaigns.

Maura Cleary Dunnigan

Campaign Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/maura4hoco>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been a civically engaged resident of Howard Co. for 28 yrs and my experiences have prepared me for the duties of serving on the DCC in a variety of ways. As a teacher, volunteer, coach, and advocate, I have a deep understanding of complex issues from a grassroots level. My advocacy on progressive issues began locally and has expanded to state and national issues that impact our community.

Suzanne R. Geckle

Campaign Facebook: <http://Suzanne Geckle for Howard County Democratic Central Committee>

QUALIFICATIONS: As a current Central Committee member, president of a Democratic Club, campaign volunteer & past PTA President I am well prepared to continue to serve on the Central Committee. I've worked all facets of campaigns, successfully recruited volunteers, fund raised and worked with diverse groups of people to accomplish goals. I'm organized, dedicated and can meet deadlines.

Safa Hira

Campaign Website: <http://www.hocoforward.com/>

QUALIFICATIONS: As a student at the University of Baltimore, I was presented with the opportunity to serve 2 Baltimore City representatives on the local and state levels. These experiences have given me an

advance understanding on addressing complex community challenges. These experiences combined with my position as a Muslim youth leader prepares me to serve on the Democratic Central Committee for Howard County.

Jennifer Jones

Campaign Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/FriendsofJenniferJones/>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have accomplished the following (1) assumed leadership roles in groups to organize and register voters (2) collaborated with groups to increase advocacy around issues (3) focused on community outreach by canvassing door to door to listen to voters and coordinated local advocacy training for the community. I was awarded Howard County Democrat of the Year by the current Democratic Central Committee.

Jan Oliver

Campaign Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/Jan-Oliver-for-Howard-County-MD-1779002945484973/>

QUALIFICATIONS: Serving the past 4 years on the Central Committee as well as my extensive experience working for local, state & federal candidates' campaigns, door knocking, phone banking, recruiting and managing volunteers has prepared me well for this office. My experience promoting and supporting Democratic initiatives and ideals - such as the ACA and preventing gun violence among others - was also invaluable.

Margaret Weinstein

Campaign Facebook: <http://@MargaretWeinstein4HoCo>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been engaged in our community for over 20 years. As a life-long Democrat, I have worked to elect Democrats in our county, state, and beyond. I have worked on candidate campaigns and ballot measures on campaign finance reform and marriage equality. I support elected Democrats in their efforts on key local issues. I am excited to bring my skills and enthusiasm to the Central Committee.



NONPARTISAN OFFICES

Howard County Board of Education

DUTIES: The Board of Education of Howard County is responsible for setting local education policy consistent with state and federal laws governing public education. At the direction of the Board, the Superintendent and the school system's administrative staff develop procedures and administrative regulations to support policy decisions. The Board is composed of seven members elected at-large for four-year terms, and a student member elected by students for a one-year term.

SALARY: \$15,000 chair, \$12,000 individual

TERM: 4 years, no term limit

HOW ELECTED: Elected countywide

QUESTIONS

1) QUALIFICATIONS: What qualifications and experience do you have that qualify you for a position on the Board of Education?

2) PRIORITIES: If elected, what would be your priorities for this office?

3) BUDGET: What areas within the school budget should be increased or decreased?

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: How should the national standards for education be used to ensure a quality education for each child in the county?

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: How should county schools address the needs of students who are not planning to attend college?

CANDIDATES

Voters may vote for no more than 4.

Vicky Cutroneo

Campaign Website: <http://vicky4BOE.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My 3 years of advocacy have provided me with a deep understanding of fiscal challenges, special education issues, the budget, APFO, redistricting, equity, overcrowding, policies, school climate and more. As the elected President of PTA Council, I already enjoy productive working relationships with both HCPSS and HCEA leadership, as well as community partners and elected officials.

2) PRIORITIES: Budget: To maximize educational program delivery with limited resources, we must develop a 3-5 year strategic plan that lays out HCPSS's direction and goals. Equity: Achievement levels have consistently been among the highest in Maryland, but averaging masks variations across student groups that are falling behind. Need to target interventions/support. School climate: mental health, bullying

3) BUDGET: Increase funding to lower class sizes, provide adequate materials of instruction for teachers, increase quality professional development for all staff, maintenance of our buildings and ensuring special education student needs are met. Decrease Central Office by redirecting staff to the classroom and freezing "me too" raises. Re-evaluate all programs not research based, hire Board budget analyst.

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: We should lobby to have standards be developed at the local level using the expertise of the the trained professionals: classroom teachers. In the meantime, our school system must track performance measures for these national standards and ensure the every school, grade and classroom has access to the same opportunities and tracking for the standards.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: We must ensure that appropriate courses are offered in every school; different math courses are more helpful for certain trades, for instance. We should also develop relationships with various organizations and trade unions for apprenticeship opportunities. Finally, we should have a long-term plan for a variety of vocation offerings in our course catalog that are fully funded.

Bob Glascock

Campaign Website: <http://www.bobglascock.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have 38 years experience as a Howard County educator including ten years as a social studies teacher, Coordinator of G/T Programs, Director of Elementary Curricular Programs, Director of K-12 Curricular Programs, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology, and six years as an Executor Director at the Maryland State Department of Education.

2) PRIORITIES: My initial priorities for this office are to: • Restore confidence in the school system, • Develop responsible budgets that support student learning, • Promote safe, nurturing and student-centered schools.

3) BUDGET: I feel a priority for the school system and community is to accelerate achievement for all students with an intense focus on eliminating student achievement gaps for African-American and Hispanic students, English learners, and students with disabilities. I support increasing funding for this initiative. Use of a zero-based budget development process could yield budget efficiencies.

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: The Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards include the national standards for education. Howard County's curriculum is aligned to the state standards. The use of these standards will establish high expectations for student achievement and result in quality educational experiences for each child in Howard County.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: As former Assistant Superintendent in the Howard County Public School System, I transformed HCPSS's vocational program into career academies that provide greater access for all students. I feel we need to assist students and parents in identifying viable career pathways,

especially for students who are planning on enrolling in two year colleges or do not plan to go to college.

Timothy Hodgson Hamilton

Campaign Website: <http://hamiltonforboe.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Christopher Michael Hilfiger

Campaign Website: <http://hilfigerforboe.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: No response received by deadline.

Danny Mackey

Campaign Website: <http://dannymackey.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: My 13-year experience as a student in HCPSS uniquely qualifies me to keep students in the forefront of my decision making as a member of the BOE. I have been involved in education advocacy for years, coordinating with educators, parents, and advocates county-wide. This has provided me with institutional knowledge that will allow me act immediately to start tackling the problems facing our schools.

2) PRIORITIES: 1) Shaping policy to foster a safe learning environment that fosters positive mental health for students and staff, including our special education community. 2) Promoting equity system-wide to address the achievement gap pervading the system. 3) Involving stakeholders to address financial crises responsibly and craft policy that promotes accountability and prevents repetition of past mistakes.

3) BUDGET: Increased: Hiring of mental health professionals, paraeducators, and support staff; investment in vocational opportunities; special education staff; educator salaries; student early intervention and support programs. Decreased: Outside contracts such as MAP testing and Gallup Strengthsfinder; non-evaluated/non-research-based program initiatives; Central Office salaries.

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: Implementing national standards will continually develop over the next several years. Implementation will require experts to evaluate whether our approach meets student needs and regulatory requirements. I will advocate for educator input on how implementation will evolve, respecting the expertise of educators and advocating for local needs to successfully meet and exceed national standards.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: HCPSS must work diligently to think outside the box to take ownership of our often touted mantra that graduates are college and career ready by offering students avenues for success through pursuing public private partnerships that provide vocational opportunities outside of the traditional college-bound path. I'd like to see a vocational high school opened in Howard County within 10 years.

Jen Mallo

Campaign Website: <http://votejenmallo.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have served for 4 yrs as the Chair and Vice Chair of the HCPSS Community Advisory Council (liaison between BOE and community), 5 yrs as member of system-wide policy review committees & initiatives, PTA Pres., Cultural Arts, Science Fair & Reading Room Coordinators, classroom volunteer, Pres. of East Columbia Preschool, Intelligence Analyst with the DoD & have a background in economics & analysis

2) PRIORITIES: My priorities are to continue my work to (1) be a strong steward of tax dollars with in-depth examinations of spending and accountability by adding in long range fiscal planning, (2) engage community members to participate and give voice to their concerns, (3) promote diversity, equity and inclusion, (4) research, analyze, and look for solutions to problems & policies, & (5) empower teachers.

3) BUDGET: I will prioritize spending for classroom size/instruction & student safety as those are the critical and mandatory areas to fulfill the mission of the schools. The budget deficit must also be addressed with a long-term plan to fix the health and dental fund. We cannot continue to spend more than we have. Any new programs would need to be show substantial return on investment to be funded.

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: National standards should serve as a floor upon which we build with our more comprehensive local standards. I believe that Howard County has both the desire and the resources to offer a premier public education. Howard county must ensure that high standards are set and met so that every child in attendance is challenged to meet his or her full potential.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: The schools should promote and increase the offerings & tracks of vocational education offered through CTE programs, like our new HVAC & Agricultural Science. Students who start a CTE program need to be assured that the follow-on courses will be offered & enrollment is guaranteed. The school system needs to offer technology & IT certifications that do not require a college degree.

Robert Wayne Miller

Campaign Website: <http://www.miller4boe.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I retired in 2015 after 34 years teaching in HCPSS at ES, MS, & HS levels (band director); Children attended HCPSS schools from K-12; BS in Psychology and BS & M.Ed. in Music Education from College Park; Adjunct HCC professor for 15 years; Directed band camps & adult community bands; Private music teacher; CAC member & OBRC observer 2017-18; Endorsed by Howard County Education Association (HCEA).

2) PRIORITIES: Focus on the classroom, and remove barriers to instructional & individual assistance time; Encourage climate of administration serving teachers, students, and parents; Support physical, mental, and emotional health; Responsibly balance budget; Alleviate overcrowding; Pursue equity; Properly support spec. ed. students; Improve tech. plan; Maintain high-quality academic, arts, & athletic programs.

3) BUDGET: Regarding the budget as presented to the Cty. Exec. from the Board — Areas to increase: Ensure health/dental account funding and negotiated salaries; Reduce class sizes; Add social workers; Increase some materials of instruction and co-curricular funding. Areas to decrease: Consider for Central Office, technology, standardized testing, construction (would need more details before deciding these).

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: National standards should be a basis for consideration upon which our educators design curriculum. There should be accommodations for students who need them in order to access the curriculum. Furthermore, these standards should be subordinate to priorities of our curriculum designers and to students' needs. When necessary, hierarchical skills should be prioritized over information attainment.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: HCPSS should provide career and technical education opportunities either internally or in partnership with trade, tech, and apprenticeship schools, including dual-enrollment options. It should strive to ensure that these students have the foundational competencies to pursue their passions as well as to adapt to future changes. Dual enrollment need-based financial assistance should be available.

Anita Pandey

Campaign Website: <http://www.anitapandeyboe.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am a parent, author, a veteran and trained educator, and a P-12 teacher educator--a tenured full prof. and Professional Devt. Coordinator at Morgan State Univ. I served as an Ambassador for Childhood Education International & the Alliance for Childhood, and on the Board of of the National Assoc. for Bilingual Educ. I spoke at the U.S. House of Representatives.

2) PRIORITIES: I would increase family and community engagement (through cross-age language and vocational exchanges that would bridge language, cultural, curricular, racial, skills-based, generational, and "achievement gaps"); support and reward educators; and reduce student stress (e.g., the testing trauma, bullying, dyslexia/special needs). Diversification of our curriculum and educators is another priority.

3) BUDGET: Funding for low-income, special needs and "ESL" students (often conflated) should be increased. Increased funding for PD in cultural competency and restorative practices, & for World Languages and dual language immersion would also benefit these and all other students. Funding for non-HCPSS transport, & salaries and allowances for employees making over \$110K (e.g., admin.) could be decreased.

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: Instruction, resources, and assessment (qualitative too) must be individualized, differentiated, equitable, equity-oriented, and culturally inclusive. Partnerships (e.g., internships, apprenticeships) could help every child excel and PD (preferably college- or professor-provided--for timeliness & affordability) would bridge cultural gaps between educators and increasingly-diverse student bodies.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: We must train students for multiple career paths--add and expand offerings in vocational skills. Many "engineers" are unable to repair leaking toilets and to replace thermostats. All our high school students must learn how to check and change coolant and oil to their cars, and to perform basic 'operations' that young adults in many other countries CAN. School gardens are also educational P-8.

Carleen Pena

Campaign Facebook: <http://Carleen Pena 4 BOE>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am a parent, advocate and volunteer for our schools. I have worked with children for many years. Recently I initiated the community effort to bring equity to the students of Hammond High by having the much needed and often delayed addition and renovations to the school reinstated to the capital budget after being delayed for 10 years. I am also a member of the CAC.

2) PRIORITIES: We need strong fiscal management. The money HCPSS spends belongs to the taxpayers of Howard County and must be spent wisely and for the good of the majority of our students and managed with transparency. I want to expand restorative practices in all schools which will require extensive training but it is an effective tool in increasing equity reducing the school to prison pipeline.

3) BUDGET: A key issue must be school maintenance and construction. For many years, the failure to properly maintain our current facilities and add new ones while we add over 1000 new students per year has led to dire overcrowding in some schools.. Prior to adding any educational programs, we must ensure that we can fund the program.

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: Our standardized testing need to provide us with useful, valid and reliable information. We need to eliminate tests which fail to have predictive validity such as PARCC. We need to evaluate which tests will be the beneficial for our students while never forgetting that each day a student spends testing is one less day the student spends in the classroom learning.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: We need to help students determine what their goals are and the best manner to help them achieve them. HCPSS needs to continue to expand our vocational offerings and promote them as valid and worthwhile options to college. Schools can sponsor fairs for seniors which include alumni who did not follow the traditional 4 year college route. Students will receive this information better from peers.

Saif Rehman

Campaign Website: <http://www.vote4rehman.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I'm an engaged parent with three young children ages 12, 10 and 5, all in HCPSS. My career in IT provides me valuable skills that I can use on the Board. These include management, leadership, procurement, operations resource planning and more. I've also managed thousands of consultants and budgets over a billion dollars. These skills are sorely needed to run a school system as big as HCPSS.

2) PRIORITIES: 1. Equity/Inclusion/Fairness in our access to all resources (educational resources, facilities, human interactions, etc.) 2. Righting our fiscal ship in an accountable, transparent way. Finding creative sources of revenue and savings. 3. Reinventing our technology policies so our students and teachers have a more efficient, enjoyable, and enlightening educational experience.

3) BUDGET: We need more teachers to keep class sizes small, replace portables with brick and mortar classrooms, a new high school to eliminate overcrowding. We also need a better technology policy for the classroom. All these initiatives need budget increases. We can pay some of it by cutting down on some of the recently created, highly paid administrative positions and by finding creative funding solutions.

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: These standards are the bear minimum of what we need to aim for in HC in order for each child to be ready for college or workforce training programs. But we also need to lead in finding creative solutions that will work specifically for HC. Later school start times, less homework, limited testing are some of the initiatives we can introduce to ensure our children excel in next phase of their life.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: Each school should be equipped to prepare our kids for a productive life after high school, may it be college or another route. We can do this by introducing various vocational programs in each high school. I support apprenticeship programs with the help of over 10000 businesses in Howard County. These programs can equip students not going to college with relevant job skills.

Mavourene Robinson

Campaign Website: <http://www.mavourene4boardofed.com>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I am running for the Board of Education, because Howard County constituents have the right to expect elected officials to make objective, impartial and equitable decisions without his/her personal preferences taking priority over what is best for our County. I have been an actively engaged parent for 7 years, 3.5 of which include HCPSS Policy and Committee leadership, representation and advocacy.

2) PRIORITIES: 1. Identifying operational inefficiencies that are too quickly depleting/dRAINING operational budget resources. 2. Strengthening HCPSS BOE legislative advocacy and engagement at the County and State levels to influence legislation that directly impacts our schools. 3. Enhancing programs, based upon performance metrics and data, to move HCPSS forward.

3) BUDGET: I will absolutely not cut four areas: 1. Special Education 2. After-school programs/tutoring for students 3. Salaries for current teachers 4. Operations & Maintenance equipment budget I will consider cutting: 1. Under-enrolled none core curriculum courses 2. Additional On-line/digital instructional material that can't be qualified by student outcome data

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: Ensuring success for America's students is not optional, so I applaud the ideas of ESSA and POSA. However, I believe that as written ESSA has stated mandates that Federal and State resources/funding woefully ignore and are still too dependent on testing. We must fund data/outcome proven and experiential programs that are unique to each school's population.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: Expanded vocational programs, apprenticeships and certifications that are aligned with 1) Dept. of Labor career/economic projections, 2) HCPSS student interests, and 3) the needs of Maryland's labor market should be prioritized.



Sabina Taj

Campaign Website: <http://sabinataj.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: Foundation executive supporting K-12 education; adjunct professor at HCC teaching arts integration to educators; appointed member of the OBRC; board member and DEI (diversity, equity, inclusion) chair at my daughter's elementary school PTA; long active in the county as a Howard County Community Foundation program officer, Leadership Howard County graduate, and Little Patuxent Review board member

2) PRIORITIES: Healthy Schools, Healthy Students: health services for optimal learning; well-maintained buildings where all students feel safe; responsible use of technology. Community Representation: informed decisions reflecting community input and knowledge of what works; robust communications to a wide audience. Educational Equity: schools where all students have the services they need to thrive and grow

3) BUDGET: Increase: budget line-items that are proven to improve student success and promote teacher retention; the percentage the county devotes to the school system so that it is fully funded; expenses that will draw outstanding teachers to the county. Decrease: non-personnel costs like purchasing, equipment, and supplies; outside contractors

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: Combine national standards informed by the skills and knowledge of what is needed in a global economy with local assessments of what works to ensure student success. Replace punitive, high-stakes testing with testing that leads to informed instruction and better professional development. Incorporate local culture, knowledge and history into the curriculum to engage students

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: Develop specialized academies in schools with excess capacity, e.g., around STEM, the arts, or coding. Determine what skills and training will be needed to meet local and national labor market demands for the coming decades. Help "VoTech" programs adapt so that those not planning to attend college can gain the career skills they need, be it in programming or hair design

Chao Wu

Campaign Website: <http://www.chaowu.org>

1) QUALIFICATIONS: I have been actively involved with HCPSS. I served on BOE OBRC committee and testified on later school starting time, school redistricting, curriculum setup, etc. I testified on strengthening APFO at county council. I have been elected twice as a Board Member of Columbia Association since 2015. I was educated in China, Singapore and USA. I received my PhD from University of Maryland.

2) PRIORITIES: 1) Fix the deficit problem 2) Increase the school safety 3) Increase board collaboration 4) Provide equitable opportunities for students and motivate students to learn

3) BUDGET: Inside HCPSS, we should make any school programs accountable to reduce waste, improve efficiency and reduce cost. Outside, we should advocate for more funding from county, state and federal governments and other funding sources. We should decrease classroom size and increase teacher and resources. We should adequately fund all legally required programs. I would not cut teachers and school safety.

4) NATIONAL STANDARDS: We want to use the national standards as a tool to assist our school system, but not to be bound by the national standards. Our ultimate goal is to provide a quality education for each child in the county. We want to maintain local autonomy of school jurisdiction if need be.

5) NON-COLLEGE BOUND STUDENTS: We should promote vocational training and offer a different career path for them. We must promote vocational and technical trainings' reputation to be a good and first class choice to families. We also need collaborate closely with colleges and local businesses. We want to make sure high school students and their parents meet with their counselors to discuss their options for vocational training.

HOWARD COUNTY POLLING PLACES

Dist-Prec	Cong District	Leg District	Co District		Dist-Prec	Cong District	Leg District	Co District	
01-01	3	12	1	Elkridge Landing MS	05-04	7	12	4	Wilde Lake HS
01-02	3	13	1	Elkridge Lndg MS	05-05	3	13	4	Pointers Run ES
01-03	2	12	2	Mayfield Woods MS	05-06	3	13	4	Fulton ES
01-04	7	9B	1	Ilchester ES	05-07	7	12	4	Swansfield ES
01-05	7	12	2	Worthington ES	05-08	7	12	4	Bryant Woods ES
01-06	2	13	2	Deep Run ES	05-09	7	12	4	Harper's Choice MS
01-07	3	12	2	Mayfield Woods MS	05-10	3	13	4	River Hill HS
01-08	3	13	1	Elkridge ES	05-11	7	9A	5	Schooley Mill Park
01-09	2	13	2	Mayfield Woods MS	05-12	7	12	4	Hawthorn Neigh Ctr
01-10	7	12	2	Howard HS	05-13	7	12	4	Altholton HS
01-11	7	12	1	Ilchester ES	05-14	7	12	4	Longfellow ES
01-12	3	12	2	Rockburn ES	05-15	7	12	4	Clemens Crossing ES
01-13	2	12	1	Elkridge ES	05-16	7	12	1	Running Brook ES
01-14	3	13	2	Rockburn ES	05-17	7	12	4	Atholton HS
01-15	2	13	2	Ducketts Lane ES	05-18	7	12	4	Wilde Lake HS
01-16	2	13	1	Elkridge Lndg. MS	05-19	7	9A	5	Dayton Oaks ES
01-17	3	12	1	Ducketts Lane ES	05-20	3	9A	5	Reservoir HS
01-18	3	13	2	Elkridge Landing MS	05-21	7	12	4	Swansfield ES
01-19	7	12	1	Ilchester ES	05-22	3	13	4	Clarksville MS
01-20	7	12	2	Ilchester ES	05-23	7	12	4	Harper's Choice MS
01-21	2	13	2	Ducketts Lane ES	05-24	7	13	5	Schooley Mill Park
02-01	7	9B	1	Park View At Ellicott City	06-01	2	13	3	Forest Ridge ES
02-02	7	9B	1	Ellicott Mills MS	06-02	2	13	3	Hope Baptist Church
02-03	7	9B	2	Ellicott Mills MS	06-03	3	13	3	Hammond MS
02-04	7	12	2	Howard HS	06-04	3	13	3	Atholton ES
02-05	7	9B	1	Centennial Lane ES	06-05	3	13	2	Oakland Mills MS
02-06	7	9A	5	St Johns Lane ES	06-06	7	13	2	Thunder Hill ES
02-07	7	9A	5	Mt Hebron HS	06-07	2	13	3	Ridgley's Run Community Ctr
02-08	7	9A	1	Hollifield Station ES					
02-09	7	9B	1	The Heartlands	06-08	3	13	2	Stevens Forest ES
02-10	7	9B	1	Centennial HS	06-09	7	13	2	Talbott Springs ES
02-11	7	9A	5	Waverly ES	06-10	7	13	2	Howard HS
02-12	7	9B	1	Ellicott C. Sr Ctr	06-11	3	13	2	Jeffers Hill ES
02-13	7	9B	1	Dunloggin MS	06-12	3	13	3	Lake Elkhorn MS
02-14	7	9B	1	Dunloggin MS	06-13	3	13	3	Guilford ES
02-15	7	9B	1	Centennial Lane ES	06-14	7	12	2	Phelps Luck ES
02-16	7	9B	1	Centennial HS	06-15	3	13	3	Laurel Woods ES
02-17	7	9B	1	Burleigh Manor MS	06-16	3	12	2	Phelps Luck ES
02-18	7	9A	5	Mt Hebron HS	06-17	3	13	3	Owen Brown Place
02-19	7	9A	5	Waverly ES	06-18	3	13	3	Hammond HS
02-20	7	12	1	Northfield ES	06-19	3	13	3	Guilford ES
02-21	7	12	1	Northfield ES	06-20	3	13	3	Patuxent Valley MS
02-22	7	9B	5	Centennial HS	06-21	3	13	2	Long Reach HS
02-23	7	9B	1	Hollifield Station ES	06-22	3	13	3	Lake Elkhorn MS
02-24	7	9A	5	Patapsco MS	06-23	3	13	3	Hammond HS
02-25	7	9B	1	Bonnie Branch MS	06-24	3	13	3	Murray Hill MS
02-26	7	9A	1	Centennial HS	06-25	3	13	3	Hammond MSS
03-01	7	9A	5	West Friendship ES	06-26	3	13	3	Hammond HS
03-02	7	9A	5	Mount View MS	06-27	2	13	3	Forest Ridge ES
03-03	7	9A	5	Manor Woods ES	06-28	3	13	4	Lime Kiln MS
03-04	7	9B	1	Centennial HS	06-29	3	13	2	Long Reach HS
03-05	7	9A	5	Mount View MS	06-30	2	13	3	Ridgley's Run Comm Ctr
03-06	7	9A	5	Folly Quarter MS	06-31	3	13	2	Jeffers Hill ES
04-01	7	9A	5	St. Michael Cath Church	06-32	3	13	4	Gorman Crossing ES
04-02	7	9A	5	Glenelg HS	06-33	2	13	3	Patuxent Valley MS
04-03	7	9A	5	Lisbon ES	06-34	3	13	3	Laurel Woods ES
04-04	7	9A	5	Lisbon ES	06-35	2	13	3	Murray Hill MS
04-05	7	9A	5	St Michael Cath Church	EV-01				Ridgley's Run Comm Ctr
04-06	7	9A	5	Glenwood MS	EV-02				The Bain Ctr
05-01	7	9A	5	Clarksville ES	EV-03				The Miller Branch Library
05-02	7	12	4	Longfellow ES					Howard Co. Fairgrounds
05-03	7	12	4	Vantage House Ret Ctr	EV-04				

