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Statewide Offices

Maryland 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*

The Issues

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

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

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

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

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

HEALTH CARE: What are the most significant health challenges facing Maryland and how will you address them?

OTHER PRIORITIES: What are your priorities on issues not covered by the other questions?

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Larry Hogan / Boyd K. Rutherford
Republican Party

No response received by deadline.

Ben Jealous / Susan Turnbull
Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I've been a partner in a business or ran large advocacy organizations since I was 26 years old. As a businessman, I've helped to grow small businesses in Maryland and across the nation. While leading the NAACP, 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.

BUDGET: As a businessman, I'll also make sure our transportation policies also encourage economic growth and help to create good jobs. 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 supplement education funding.

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.

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.

DISCRIMINATION: I've dedicated my life to service and I have a long track record of securing progressive victories in our state. Growing up as the child of a biracial Maryland couple who were forced to leave the state in order to legally marry, Marylanders know I'll stand up to Trump's hateful attacks on our environment which disproportionately harms marginalized communities and his attacks on our public schools.

HEALTH CARE: As a businessman and civil rights leader, I believe we have to stop rising healthcare premiums and drug costs from bankrupting our families, small businesses and seniors. As governor, I'll work for a Medicare For All system which will provide affordable care for all, help our small businesses grow, and provide more tools to stop pharmaceutical companies from spiking drug costs on our seniors.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Maryland's economy is ranked near the bottom for this region and our wages are flat. As a businessman, I know how to create good paying jobs and I'll ensure we get our healthcare costs under control so that families keep more money in their pockets and small businesses can grow. I'll also ensure more capital goes to entrepreneurs instead of large corporations. Learn more at www.benjealous.com.

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Offices and Candidates are listed in Ballot Order.

These abbreviations are used:

Rep = Republican Party • **Dem** = Democratic Party
• **Lib** = Libertarian Party • **Grn** = Green Party • **Con** = Constitution Party
• **Una** = Unaffiliated Candidate • **WRI** = Write-In

WRITE-IN INSTRUCTIONS

Write-in candidates who filed with the State Board of Elections and who provided the League of Women Voters with responses by September 18 are included in this Guide. LWV Baltimore City will invite later write-in filers to respond and appear in the on-line version of the Voters' Guide at www.Vote411.org.

Write-in candidates may file for certification until Thursday, October 18 and are listed with the SBE's general election candidates at Elections.state.md.us.

Only filed write-in candidates will have their votes reported on the official canvass. A certified write-in candidate list is also posted at early and precinct polling places.

To cast a write-in vote on a paper ballot:

Use a black pen and: • Fill in the oval to the left of the Write-in line for the contest in which you wish to cast a write-in vote.

• Write the candidate's first and last name on the write-in line next to the filled-in oval.

• Any abbreviation, misspelling, or minor variation in the form of the name of a candidate shall be disregarded in determining the validity of the write-in vote as long as the intended candidate can be determined. Writing the last name only will constitute a valid vote, unless there is more than one candidate with the same last name.

• Candidates may give out cards containing a diagram and instructions, including how to spell the candidate's name. Applying stickers or labels to the ballot with the write-in candidate's name is not permitted.

• If you write in a candidate's name and change your mind, you will need a new ballot. If you are voting during early voting or on election day, ask an election judge for a new ballot. If you have an absentee ballot, contact your local board of elections and ask for a new ballot.

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Shawn Quinn / Christina Smith

Libertarian Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.citizen4quinn.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: Shawn Quinn has lived a lifetime doing the types of jobs that real people do, not politicians. This gives him a street-level view of life that somebody only used to the “big picture” will miss. Shawn served for twenty years in the United States Navy. Shawn Quinn worked in law enforcement for five years. He has seen firsthand what an impersonal government does to the people.

BUDGET: Shawn Quinn plans to drastically reduce the income tax within his first two years of office. These tax cuts will be paid for by reducing the role of government in areas best handled by private-public partnerships. Shawn wants to achieve cost savings in education by leveraging technology throughout. This includes everything from computers in the classroom up to entire virtual schools.

REDISTRICTING: Shawn Quinn wants to give all citizens a voice at the state and federal level. Lines shouldn’t be drawn just so that the party in power can stay in power. Take the power to draw boundaries away from partisans and politicians. Draw the lines algorithmically using fixed rules. This takes human bias away from drawing boundary lines as much as possible.

ENVIRONMENT: The health of the Chesapeake Bay is the number one environmental problem facing Maryland. It is our most important resource. The entire ecology of the state flows into and from the Chesapeake Bay. Shawn plans to go after polluters directly. Individuals and businesses polluting the Chesapeake Bay or damaging the environment in any way will be held financially responsible.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination in any form is bad for all of us. When a person is not allowed to live to their full we all miss out of all of their possible achievements. There are already laws on the books to address discrimination. If somebody has an idea to improve an existing law or policy then Shawn will weigh the merits of each proposal individually. Every change will be looked at for its benefit to people.

HEALTH CARE: The biggest health crisis facing Maryland and the nation is the opioid epidemic. People need help. People are scared to get help. They have seen what the government does to nonviolent drug offenders. We need to completely end the War on Drugs in Maryland. We will turn the government into a partner instead of an enforcer. We will stop ruining lives by people to prison over a chemical or a plant.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Politics in Annapolis needs a cultural change. When Shawn Quinn is Governor, there will be no special favors. When Shawn Quinn is Governor, he will make our legislature answer to the people every year. Not just every four years. Shawn Quinn will break the two-party agenda here in Maryland. Shawn cares what people think. People are more important than philosophy or politics or policy.

Ian Schlakman / Annie Chambers

Green Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I believe that people are no longer willing to limit their choices, They want new leadership. I am a small business owner and a community organizer. My running mate and I are people who see the need for new systems and a new vision for our economy. I envision programs that will make Maryland a national leader and I will represent Marylanders who want to live in a state that wants justice for all.

BUDGET: We'll create programs for the well-being of all Marylanders and create universal, single-payer health care for all Marylanders. We'll raise taxes on millionaires and use the new tax revenue and invest in the well-being of all Marylanders. Public school funding should be allocated according to the needs of disadvantaged students, We'll prioritize public transit over the construction of new roads.

REDISTRICTING: We support creating a non-partisan commission to draw congressional & legislative district lines. Gov. O'Malley's defense of drawing Democrat-friendly districts in 2010 is a stain on Maryland's commitment to fair elections. As a technology consultant I know how to utilize resources to solve problems. We need an open dialogue on using technology & data analysis to create fair legislative districts.

ENVIRONMENT: Our largest environmental challenge is re-prioritizing the health of our environment. The health of our communities are top priority, & we'll put an end to harmful activities by setting & enforcing limits on pollution & environmental use. We must set a goal of fueling our needs through 100% renewable sources, & then pu Marylanders to work building the infrastructure we need to get the job done.

DISCRIMINATION: Our priorities of creating a universal, single-payer health system, free tuition to public colleges and universities, a basic income, and jobs guarantee are all designed to address discrimination by giving Marylanders the tools they need to be successful regardless of the privileges or lack of privilege they possess based on their race, gender, religion, disability, or wealth.

HEALTH CARE: The most significant health challenge facing Maryland is ending our existing model of employer-based, private insurance & transitioning to a model in which health care is recognized as a human right. We will create a universal, single-payer health care system by funding adequate medical care for every resident of Maryland. We'll also fight to make sure our state produces clean & healthy energy.

OTHER PRIORITIES: From urban to rural areas we're hearing that residents are concerned that in a wealthy state like ours basic services like schools and fire departments are facing cuts. This is why we're calling for a millionaires tax to close our communities budget gaps. We will continue to post our priorities to www.schlakman.com/issues as Marylanders continue to ask us to respond to their top priorities.

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*

The Issues

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

REVENUE SYSTEM: What policies will you implement to improve the efficiency and fairness of the collection of Maryland taxes?

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS: As a member of the Board of Public Works, what criteria would you use for evaluating contracts and capital projects that are subject to approval by that Board?

OTHER PRIORITIES: Please describe any other priorities you have for this office.

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Anjali Reed Phukan

Republican Party

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

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.

REVENUE SYSTEM: I will update information systems statewide for usability and security, and promote tax credits and other incentives such as energy star, solar panels, etc. I also will reduce interest and penalties for people who are being proactive & voluntarily reporting additional income the state would normally not have time to audit; coming clean should never be penalized.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS: I want spending to be more spread across Maryland, for all to enjoy the amazing nooks and crannies of our beautiful state. Safety is my number one priority in public works - safe roads for motorists, law enforcement, cyclists, pedestrians, businesses and our delicate environment. The prior history of contractors completing projects in time, safely, and within budget should also be reviewed.

OTHER PRIORITIES: I think it is unfair to tax retirement income. If we remove it all together we would increase our property and sales tax base, hence bring up our net revenues. I will also increase transparency across the comptroller office, not just in the general ledger, but also in how the state audits and comes to final resolution with tax payers. I will loving enforce the law equally for all.

Peter Franchot

Democratic Party

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

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.

REVENUE SYSTEM: Our main focus continues to be processing tax returns accurately and efficiently. We have improved our agency's responsiveness to taxpayers and reduce call wait times. In my agency, tax fairness is a top priority. We continue to embrace innovative ways to make sure that everyone is paying their fair share. Moving forward, I will continue to build upon the tremendous progress we have made.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS: As a BPW member, I am proud to be a strong fiscal watchdog for Maryland's working families. I have advocated against single-bid contracts, fought for the inclusion of more Minority and Women-owned contracts in the procurement system, and have worked in a bipartisan fashion to instate reforms to our state's previously broken procurement process.

OTHER PRIORITIES: If elected to another term as Comptroller, I will continue to provide the independent leadership that Marylanders expect and deserve this office. I will fight for policies and priorities that grow our economy, safeguard our fiscal future, and protect the financial well-being of working families and small businesses.

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*

The Issues

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

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE: What steps will you take to improve the efficiency and fairness of legal processes in Maryland?

LITIGATION: When should the Attorney General join lawsuits relating to federal regulations or corporate misconduct?

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

OTHER PRIORITIES: What actions will you take to address other issues, such as domestic violence, human trafficking, substance abuse, and protection of consumers?

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Craig Wolf

Republican Party

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

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 lifetime 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.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE: The Attorney General should be focused on balancing the need to enforce the laws and ensure public safety while ensuring due process for all Marylanders. The AG should lead by example by being ethical, avoiding conflicts of interest and making sure that all voices are heard before weighing in on a particular case, while at the same time vigorously enforcing the laws of the state.

LITIGATION: With respect to federal regulations, the Attorney General should weigh in

only when there is a compelling state interest, a sound legal basis and a determination that the case can be won on the merits. Those decisions should not be based on political considerations. With respect to corporate misconduct, the AG ensure respect for the law and hold corporations fully accountable for misconduct.

DISCRIMINATION: There is no room in this state for discrimination based upon race, gender, religion, disability or poverty/class. The Attorney General should be vigilant to ensure that our laws are respected and people are treated equally.

OTHER PRIORITIES: As a prosecutor/counsel to the Senate Jud. Comm., I focused on domestic violence/sexual exploitation/trafficking. The AG should make protection of the most vulnerable a priority. The opioid crisis in Maryland needs leadership from the AG to bring together the law enforcement, public health and recovery communities to find appropriate solutions. Consumer protection must be a priority as well.

Brian E. Frosh
Democratic Party

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

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.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE: Among the many steps that my office has taken to improve the efficiency and fairness of the legal processes in Maryland is our fight for and achievement of reforming the cash bail system, which jailed people in our state simply because they were poor. I will continue to work with the legislature to find and invest in strategies that increase public safety and recidivism.

LITIGATION: The Attorney General should join lawsuits relating to federal regulations or corporate misconduct when there is evidence that the people or state of Maryland have been or will be adversely effected.

DISCRIMINATION: In 2015, my office was the first in the country to issue guidelines to all law enforcement agencies prohibiting profiling based upon race, religion, ethnicity, gender, sexual preference, etc. We published a study of discrimination against LGBT citizens that was cited by the Supreme Court in its historic Obergefell decision. We have penalized and shut down industries that prey on the poor.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Over the past three years my office has achieved hundreds of millions of dollars of settlements and judgments from Wall Street Banks, Predatory Lenders, Automakers, Tobacco Companies, and Polluters who sought to injure or defraud Marylanders. My office is working with the multi-state investigation of opioid manufacturers. If re-elected, I pledge to remain the People's lawyer & continue our efforts.

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.

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

The Issues

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

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

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

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

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

ENVIRONMENT: What are the most pressing environmental challenges and how will you address them?

OTHER PRIORITIES: What other issues are priorities for you?

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Tony Campbell
Republican Party

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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 undocu-

mented people. I would support permanent residency status.

ENVIRONMENT: In Maryland, a pressing environmental challenge is the dredging of our waterways. Maryland is unique in the amount of waterways we have and the need we have for a partnership with the US Army Corps of Engineers. As your next United States Senator, I will work to fully fund dredging projects to make sure our beautiful Chesapeake Bay is environmentally healthy.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Advocating Success, not subsistence. The American Dream has been not possible for a lot of Marylanders. As your next United States Senator, I want to promote a vision of economic success. I believe limited government intervention is important so people can build a legacy of wealth creation to pass onto their children and grandchildren.

Ben Cardin
Democratic Party

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

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.

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.

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.

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 labors rights, environmental provisions & anti-corruption provisions.

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.

ENVIRONMENT: The president's unwillingness to confront climate change. I will fight for federal resources that compel this administration to invest, especially in clean air, clean water, renewable energy and public transit. We've seen success with funding for the Chesapeake Bay. If the Trump administration will not take steps necessary to protect our environment, we must encourage states to continue their work

OTHER PRIORITIES: Opioid addiction and abuse is a public health crisis. We must fight it head on with every available resource at all levels of government. Our drug laws must be smart, fair and rational, and treat addiction as a disease that requires treatment. We should improve access to evidence-based treatment centers, promote prevention education methods, and provide support for those in or seeking recovery.

Arvin Vohra
Libertarian Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: As an educator and entrepreneur, I have seen the damage government has done. I advocate repealing regulations, ending government involvement in education, abolishing public schools, abolishing all government welfare, and ending the income tax. As Vice Chair of the Libertarian Party, I support ending the welfare-warfare state, ceasing involvement in foreign civil wars, and downsizing the military.

HEALTH CARE: I will sponsor legislation to abolish Obamacare, Medicare, Medicaid, the FDA, and cut taxes accordingly. Consider this: laser eye surgery, which is not covered by government insurance, has dropped from several thousand dollars to a few hundred per eye. EpiPen, which is covered, has increased in price from a hundred to several hundred dollars. Free markets make medicine actually affordable

DISCRIMINATION: I will sponsor legislation to immediately end Affirmative Action and all other government racial quotas and preferences. I will also work to eliminate all "anti-discrimination" laws, which accomplish nothing besides creating resentment. Any business has the right to refuse service to anyone, or fire any employee, for any reason. I will defund related government programs and cut taxes accordingly.

ECONOMIC POLICY: I will work to end the income tax by cutting federal spending, eliminating federal departments, firing federal employees, dismantling the welfare state, shutting down foreign military bases, and bringing the troops home. We'll have more money to spend on businesses that work, creating more free market, legitimate jobs, while also attracting job creating businesses to America.

IMMIGRATION: I will sponsor legislation to open borders and end all welfare, including food stamps, public schools, social security, medicaid, and college financial aid. I also support ending the income tax, in order to attract entrepreneurs and job creators. Anyone who wants to come to America to work and create jobs should be welcome. No one who comes to America should get a cent of welfare.

ENVIRONMENT: The federal government is the biggest polluter in America. Much of that comes from massive military production of unneeded equipment. If elected, I will sponsor legislation to end production of needless military equipment, and to cease all environmentally destructive military overreach. I will work to end all involvement in foreign civil wars, bring the troops home, and cut taxes accordingly.

OTHER PRIORITIES: I will sponsor legislation to end all welfare, to encourage personal responsibility. I will sponsor legislation to end the drug war, to eliminate prohibition-created violence. I will sponsor legislation to cut federal spending, fire federal workers, dismantle federal agencies, in order to increase freedom and end the income tax.

Neal Simon
Unaffiliated Candidate

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I've run several professional services companies in my career, where I was surrounded by many smart people with different ideas. My job in managing those companies was to listen, bring people together, and find common ground. I have also

been very involved in my community as a volunteer, board member, and board chair. I've chaired the Montgomery County and Greater Washington Community Foundations. **HEALTH CARE:** It is time for the two parties to stop fighting over how to pay for an inefficient, costly health care system and instead find ways to reduce the crippling cost of healthcare for businesses and families. We need to enact reform that will incentivize wellness instead of incentivizing more procedures, to lower the overall cost of care. **DISCRIMINATION:** I believe that America should be a place where everyone is treated equally, regardless of their race, religion, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status. I support equal pay for equal work, and other measures designed to accomplish this goal. I believe deeply that America should be a place where everyone can work hard and get ahead.

ECONOMIC POLICY: One of my primary objectives as your Senator is to create high-paying jobs in Maryland. I will work with our Governor & other leaders to attract large businesses and incentivize investment in small businesses, especially in lower income parts of our state. As far as infrastructure, I find it inexcusable that the two major parties have failed to work together to invest in our future.

IMMIGRATION: Immigration is an area where, despite 15 years of debate, the parties have been unable to agree on immigration reform. We need comprehensive reform that will strengthen our borders, increase temporary work visas, expand the e-verification program, keep immigrant families together, and create paths for the law-abiding immigrants who have been here for a long time.

ENVIRONMENT: It is clear that the greatest environmental threat to our civilization is climate change, which is real and needs to be addressed in partnership with other countries. In Maryland, we need to protect the Chesapeake Bay from sediment flowing over the Conowingo Dam, I will work with our Governor, as well as Senators from NY and PA to ensure we have the federal resources we need to keep the Bay clean.

OTHER PRIORITIES: The extremes of the two parties have co-opted our government, and altered the rules in their favor. We need political reform, and it's clear that neither party is going to fix the brokenness in our government. I support 5 policies that will change the way Washington works: ending partisan gerrymandering, opening primaries, campaign finance reform, term limits, and modernizing the senate rules.

Michael B. Puskar

Write-in

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

QUALIFICATIONS: The most important experience anyone can have when representing the People is living the way the majority of the People live. I am a working-class man for the working class. This is an asset lacking in or lost to most elected officials.

HEALTH CARE: One word: UNIVERSAL. Healthcare is a right, and certain groups take advantage of the People's health for their own gain. While current proposals are far from the right solution, we need to move in that direction. Have you (or anyone you know) had a point in life when medical bills/costs were an impediment? There's no need for that to be. **DISCRIMINATION:** Everyone is equal/equitable. Women & men deserve equal pay. No one should be singled out by law enforcement because of skin color. 1A allows for freedom of religion, so anyone can worship (or abstain therefrom) as they wish. Income inequality is too huge an issue in our wealthy nation: we need to stop giving breaks to those who don't need them - that is why they are called "breaks!"

ECONOMIC POLICY: America First, but that does not mean alienating allies. Workers first, but we need to help small biz too. Taxes: what if we stop paying elected officials far more than we ourselves make? MD's per capita income is about \$80k - Congressional salaries are >2x that for working as little as 1/3 of a year! As for infrastructure, we need to spend more there than on the war machine. Give jobs to vets!

IMMIGRATION: 1. Legal immigration needs to be prioritized to asylum seekers: We have an ancestry of immigrants based on need, not based on whom we like or dislike. 2. For every issue (not just immigration), I will put children first. So, when it comes to families not entering legally, we need to look at the needs of migrant children.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change is an issue. Going green is an eventual ideal, but we cannot do it overnight... miners still have jobs; most people can only afford gas-powered cars. The aforementioned economic issues need fixing first.

OTHER PRIORITIES: With children first, education matters greatly, and dealing with income equality/healthcare can assist with that. Eliminating college debt would help immensely and allow for a more diverse/stress-free assortment in the workforce. I also strongly support the rights of veterans. The gov't can't do enough to repay those who have sacrificed much for us. Finally, I support animal welfare. #MustLoveDogs

Lih Young

Write-in

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

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

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

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 **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.

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

ENVIRONMENT: End: dependence/subsidies for fossil fuels, coal, nuclear energy, offshore oil drilling, spills. Curb carbon pollution, medical costs. Improve regulation/oversight.

Promote clean air, water, renewable energy. Protect public health, environment. Promote efficiency, technology, research. Reduce unjust practices, hacking, manipulation, obstruction; false excuses, distortion. Prosecute wrongdoers.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Prosecute/eliminate “official misconduct-government gang-MURDER- FRAUD- CRIME- INJUSTICE NETWORKS”= "cruel tyranny”= "robbery machine”= "ROBBER-ISM”= “super classes of frauds, crimes, parasites, disservices”; public-private; 3 branches, local- global. Promote accountability, social needs. objective evaluations. Tele-vise candidate debate; maintain/disseminate accurate meaningful records,proceeding

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.

Term: Two years

Base Salary: \$174,000

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.

Website: www.house.gov

The Issues

QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office? **HEALTH CARE:** What changes in federal healthcare policy do you advocate and why? **DISCRIMINATION:** What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty? **ECONOMIC POLICY:** What policies will you support to strengthen the national economy, such as those affecting international trade, taxes, labor rights, and infrastructure? **IMMIGRATION:** What changes, if any, will you support in immigration policy? **ENVIRONMENT:** What are the most pressing environmental challenges and how will you address them? **OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

U.S. Representative District 2

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Liz Matory

Republican Party

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

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.

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.

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 j ust 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.

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.

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.

ENVIRONMENT: Conservative and conservation come from the same root "conserve". Whether for our republic or our lands, it is a personal virtue not a government mandate to conserve our natural resources as it is for our nation. We have very strict environmental laws already on the books that need fair enforcement. We should allow regions to give guidance who have lived off the land for generations.

OTHER PRIORITIES: We have to emphasize American citizenship and national sovereignty. Our Country is exceptional and Americans have every right to defend it from enemies both foreign and domestic. We need to protect our civil liberties, 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th and 10th. End government overreach and encroachment into the lives of private citizens. We must protect the Right to Life. Honor our service members and families.

C.A. Dutch Ruppensberger

Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I have served in public office for nearly 40 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

ENVIRONMENT: The progress we have seen in the health of the Chesapeake Bay is in jeopardy: the Administration has proposed eliminating the Chesapeake Bay Program and others have proposed removing core Clean Water Act protections for polluted streams, rivers and tributaries in the Chesapeake Bay watershed. As an Appropriator, I will fight for full Bay funding as well as these dangerous regulatory changes.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Both national and economic security remain top priorities for me: we must make sure we are prepared for the threats of tomorrow, like cyber attacks and nuclear weapons. Congress needs to stop the partisan bickering and find ways to create jobs and help businesses grow. Locally, we must provide communities with the resources they need to address the opioid epidemic and gun violence.

Michael Carney
Libertarian Party

Campaign Website: <http://carneyforcongress.us>

QUALIFICATIONS: Ideally, the only qualification to be a representative is being a part of the community, which I very much am. I have spent many years working and being involved in the several of the communities making up my district. District 2 also contains two US Army bases, Ft Meade and Aberdeen Proving Grounds. I served as an enlisted man in the Army for four years.

HEALTH CARE: My focus for healthcare is a focus on market, and using legislation to ensure competition and prevent monopolies. While there is a lot of reasons to look at single payer, and I am willing to consider it, I am not convinced it will address the reasons for the extreme prices we're seeing. The most effective means to improve health care will be to improve the quality of life of poor and rural people

DISCRIMINATION: In the long term, Discrimination is only possible with legislative support. In that mind set, I will focus on making urban spaces more livable, bringing jobs and money back into the city centers. I will also seek legislation that will end the focusing of federal housing loans on new homes, making it easier for people of low income to purchase and improve older homes. I will end For-Profit prisons.

ECONOMIC POLICY: All of these issues are questions of Economy. The key to a strong economy is to maximize opportunity for as many people as possible. To manage that, we have to make it easier for people to build privately owned businesses, owning and operating them. This, combined with housing changes, will revitalize the urban environment. I will support bills that encourage competition and end monopolies.

IMMIGRATION: I will pursue legislation to ease immigration and migration laws, as well as providing a legal distinction between the two. We are a country of immigrants, a nation without ethnicity. We are based on laws and justice, and as such, all immigrants are innocent until proven guilty. As such, detainment of them is a despicable and immoral practice. I am against the construction of the Wall.

ENVIRONMENT: The primary goals should be to create a sustainable, next gen energy system, and reduce dependency on fossil fuels. These include pushing for support mass transit systems and next gen nuclear power, which has solved many of the problems with older generators that we are all familiar with. I will end government support of states and companies that encourage dependency on outdated fuels.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Military: Changing the dynamic between the military and the industrial complex. The dependency on powerful firms has trapped us in a cycle of burning money and lives, saddling us with a huge burden. I would severely curtail our use of military alliances and oversea bases, most notably in the middle east. The notion that the people and powers there are a threat to us is simply a lie.

Guy Mimoun
Green Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.guyforcongress.us>

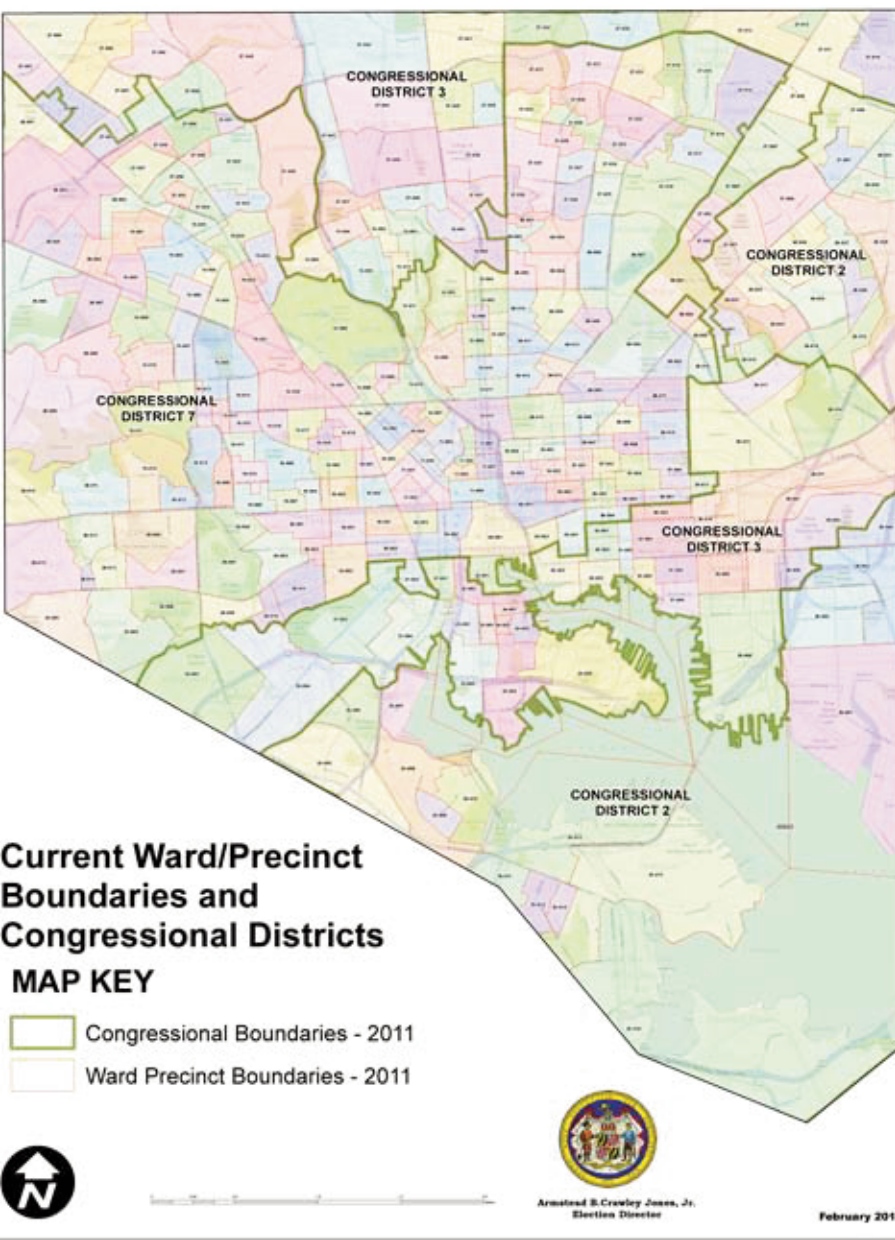
QUALIFICATIONS: I recieved a qualtiy education from Hunter College and have worked extensively in sales and managment as well as own my own business but more importantly I understand what the position entails, specifically the power granted to Congress to make laws declare war and deficit spend on the public purpose rather than special interest who have used a bought congress to their exlusive advantage.

HEALTH CARE: While Repubicans wish to repeal the Affordable Care Act (A Republican Plan that was enacted by Governor Mitt Romney) and Democrats who claim to improve upon it as is the case seen in the incumbents position, I will replace it with Medicare For All & have it paid without raising taxes by deficit spending through Congressional appropriations. If we can afford war, we can afford healthcare.

DISCRIMINATION: There already federal laws in place for protected classes however parity still lacks for the LGBTQ+ community. For the disabled and pensioners, the benefit amount will be increased to match with cost of living enabling payments to become a basic income. With 50% of Americans living on or below the poverty line & 500,000 homeless, I will undo Clinton era "austerity" that decimated social programs.

ECONOMIC POLICY: We need a Green New Deal (GND) which will divest our energy needs from fossil fuels to renewables at zero cost to the taxpayer. This will create many jobs which will necessitate for a Federal Jobs Guarantee (FJG). The FJG can also address our crumbling infrastructure. A Worker Cooperative program will be created to help workers become owners by democratize the economy and further secure it.

IMMIGRATION: Amenesty to all DREAMers. According to the Anti Defamation League there are roughly 787,000 people who benefited from the DREAM act only to be marginally protected under DACA when DREAM wasn't reauthorized.These are people who consider themselves American with no roots to their country of Origin. We need a comprehensive immigration policy which starts with ending regime change and fair trade deals



ENVIRONMENT: Federaly fund divestment completely away from Fossil Fuels which is the main driver for Climate Change & air pollution. A jobs act that will retrain people in the oil industry & apply their talent to transition America's energy needs to renewalbes. Ban Fracking, Ban Neonicotinoids to protect pollinators (6000x more toxic than DDT) & address lead contamination in Maryland's drinking water.

OTHER PRIORITIES: -Restore Glass Stegal -Repeal The Stock Act -Enact A Permanent Payroll Tax Holiday To Help Increase The Minimum Wage To \$15/hr -Ban & Buyout Private Prisons -End the warrantless spying & data collecting on Americans -Repeal the telecom-munications act -Reinstitute the Countering Disinformation & Propaganda Act -End The Drug War -End Citizens United -Restore Our Civil Liberties/Amend NDAA

U.S. Representative District 3
Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Charles Anthony
Republican Party

No response received by deadline.

John Sarbanes
Democratic Party

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

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.

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.

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 gender pay disparities and ensure low- and moderate-income Americans have equal opportunity to achieve the American dream.

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.

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.

ENVIRONMENT: There is no question the most pressing environmental problem is climate change. The government must act. We can invest in clean energy technologies; cap and reduce greenhouse gases; require utility companies to generate energy from renewable sources; develop capabilities to capture and store carbon emissions; and advance smart grid technologies so electricity is delivered efficiently.

OTHER PRIORITIES: One of my top priorities continues to be ending the reign of big money in our political system. For too long, special interests have used our broken campaign finance system to corrode our institutions of democracy, blocking progress on the issues that matter most to Americans. That's why I introduced the Government By the People Act to return power to the people and fix our democracy.

David Lashar
Libertarian Party

Campaign Website: <http://lashar2018.us>

QUALIFICATIONS: A successful executive in business and technology who plans and leads the turnaround of organizations that are not delivering results and are failing in their missions. A top official for Gov. Hogan at the Maryland Department of Health for 2+ years. An appointee to the Maryland Transportation Commission. A former congressional staffer whose work received national recognition. Respectful, civil.

HEALTH CARE: Stabilize but overhaul the flawed Affordable Care Act (ACA), which expanded insurance coverage, especially for those with low income, but has failed to control costs or improve quality, especially for those who are self-employed. Adopt the innovative Maryland Model, on which I possess direct experience, as a patient-centered, outcome-based, cost-controlled alternative to ACA.

DISCRIMINATION: Protect and promote the equality of all persons before the law regardless of race, gender, or sexuality; regardless of disability or economic status. Do so consistently and vigilantly. Quit diminishing those who either differ from us or disagree with us. Affirm and respect the humanity and dignity of all individuals. Take pride in diversity of all kinds but reject identity politics.

ECONOMIC POLICY: Force Congress and the President to debate and decide the hard decisions on the budget by adopting a constitutional amendment for a balanced budget. Make small adjustments over the coming decade to rates of growth in entitlement programs to preserve their financial solvency for those who are currently under 50 years of age. Promote open, reciprocal trade that is firmly but sensibly negotiated.

IMMIGRATION: Embrace immigration as a source of dynamism for our society and our economy. Embrace our many heritages that compose our one country. Practice lawful immigration that is administered humanely. Provide a path to citizenship, with both its rights and its duties, for the so-called DREAMers. Revive and expand the use of work permits for workers. Cooperate with Mexico and Central America.

ENVIRONMENT: Acknowledge climate change without obsessing on science, imposing mandates, splurging on green projects, or otherwise succumbing to alarm. Prioritize clean energy by encouraging private enterprise with limited government support to raise funds, apply talent, and bear accountability for bringing new technologies and methods to market. Continue to support federal funds for Bay cleanup.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Restore political power to all voters with a constitutional amendment that puts an end to gerrymandering; that creates competitive districts that represent genuine communities across the country. Create turnover and responsiveness in Congress, reduce the influence of special-interest money, and break the grip of party leaders on our representatives by adopting term limits. Break the duopoly.

U.S. Representative District 7
Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Richmond Davis
Republican Party

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

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.

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

DISCRIMINATION: I oppose discrimination based on such factors.

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

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.

ENVIRONMENT: There are undoubtedly legitimate worries about the status of the world's environment but none is “pressing”.

OTHER PRIORITIES: The state of America's educational systems. The nation's cultural divide and the animosity that accompanies it.

Elijah Cummings
Democratic Party

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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

ENVIRONMENT: I support efforts to (1) limit carbon pollution from power plants and other major sources; (2) strengthen federal efforts to clean our air and water; (3) strengthen and implement national and international climate change agreements and (4) protect the Chesapeake Bay and our natural heritage.

OTHER PRIORITIES: I will continue our fight to hold the President and Executive Branch accountable; to defend our voting rights and electoral process from both foreign and domestic interference; to better protect our communities from inadequately regulated firearms; and to strengthen and sustain Social Security, Medicare & Medicaid.

David R. Griggs
Libertarian Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.griggsformaryland7th.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: My principle qualification is holding a Ph.D. degree in physics. I worked for approximately 35 years with several DoD and NASA contractors as a senior physicist and analyst. I am well acquainted with many aspects of government activities, especially in the area of national defense. My scientific education and libertarian principles will allow me to more effectively address the issues of the day.

HEALTH CARE: As a Libertarian I think the federal government is too involved in health-care. My position is that healthcare should not be paid for by the government; the only money it has is taken from the taxpayers. If taxes were lower and government control lessened, we would eventually more easily pay for our own healthcare. Libertarians believe each person should be in control of his/her own life.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination by all levels of government for any reason should not exist. Individual discrimination based on the listed individual properties is a sign of ignorance; libertarians believe in completely equal rights for all. Non-violent discrimination by an individual, however abhorrent, cannot be banned but can be countered with education and wisdom. All people have all inalienable rights.

ECONOMIC POLICY: A smaller, less costly government would better serve the people. The federal government controls too much of the economy. The American populace is over taxed by a significant amount. The government should have minimal control of international trade. People should be able to work for anyone who will employ them and unionize if they so desire. Publicly-financed infrastructure should be minimized.

IMMIGRATION: The success of the United States has been based on immigration. Everyone here (with few exceptions) is an immigrant or a descendant of immigrants. Except for criminals or the seriously ill, immigrants should be welcomed to our country. They are making a choice to become Americans as millions of people have done before. We should consider them as contributors, not hindrances, to our nation.

ENVIRONMENT: On the macro scale, the largest environmental problem is global warming. Undoubtedly, human activity is having a generally negative effect on the environment. The looming question is how best to address this issue. On a more local scale, pollution can have a detrimental effect on our quality of life; polluters should be responsible for paying for the negative effects of their pollution.

OTHER PRIORITIES: My primary other priority is ending the ineffective, harmful, ridiculous, and racist War on Drugs. We should not penalize the possession or voluntary sale of any chemical and should release from jail or prison everyone convicted of a drug possession or sale crime. We would save money and cease to ruin many lives. We need to try to help our fellow citizens who have become addicted to any drugs.

General Assembly

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.

SALARY: \$50,330 annual base.

TERM: Four years, no term limit.

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

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

The Issues

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

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

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

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

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

HEALTH CARE: What are the most significant health challenges facing Maryland and how will you address them?

TRANSPORTATION: What are your transportation priorities and how should they be funded?

Senator District 40
Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Antonio Hayes
Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I was raised by my grandmother in the Penn North neighborhood of Central West Baltimore, right here in the 40th District. She inspired me to dedicate my

life to building a community that supports families in need. I started out as a community organizer for the HotSpots program, went on to work for the City Council President, then became an Assistant Deputy Mayor. The highest honor throughout my c

REDISTRICTING: I support the creation of a non-partisan, independent body to draw legislative and congressional district maps. It is important that natural, contiguous communities have unified legislative representation, dividing neighborhoods and town s into multiple districts has a very negative affect on their ability to influence politicians, because it diminishes their voting power within any districts.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change poses an existential threat to our environment, public health, and the economy. Maryland's coastal communities, are particularly vulnerable to sea level rise (which degrades roads and ruins cropland), Many urban and suburban communities, are experiencing increased summer heat and associated smog elevation. Maryland must continue to be proactive in reducing greenhouse gas.

DISCRIMINATION: During the last legislative session, I co-sponsored HB1224 which created aGrant Program to focus on preventing and ending youth homelessness in the State and addressing disparities based on race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, and gender identity. The funds provided would go to housing and supportive services for at risk and unaccompanied homeless youth.

EDUCATION: As a member of the House of Delegates I signed a pledge offered by the Baltimore Education Coalition to support the recommendations of the Kirwan Commis-sion. The commission recognize the significant resources required to provide an adequate education to the young people in high-risk communities in Baltimore City that I serve in the zip codes of 21215, 21216 and 21217. It also recognize the need t

HEALTH CARE: Access to affordable health care and the opioid addiction are two of the most significant challenges we face in Maryland. Increased funding for the Maryland Health Exchange is an ever-present option, but we also need to increase the quality of employer-provided healthcare packages. I was a lead sponsor of the HOPE Act, which fought to provide access to the wrap around service.

TRANSPORTATION: With the cancellation of the Red Line and the advent of Baltimore-Link, Baltimore continues to be inadequately served by our transit system. Investing in public transportation must include investments in quality public transportation like fixed rail trains and subways, not just buses, so that we can compete on even footing with other cities in our region. This year I helped pass HB378, which alloca

Senator District 41

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Jill P. Carter
Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I have dedicated my life to the fight for justice. My vast experience as a practicing attorney, coupled with my fourteen years of service in the Maryland House of Delegates has prepared me to be an effective senator for all of the residents and communities of the 41st legislative district.

REDISTRICTING: I support the appointment of an independent redistricting commission to ensure a fair and transparent process of determining congressional and legislative boundaries. With Maryland currently being one of the most gerrymandered states in the country we must ensure that any and all efforts are non-partisan.

ENVIRONMENT: Lead poisoning, water quality, leaking sewage and air toxins are all pressing environmental issues, that I will continue to create legislation that holds willful wrong doers accountable. All these hazards destroy lives and caste an additional burden on those with the least. I will also support legislation that moves us toward 100% clean energy usage and fossil fuel independence.

DISCRIMINATION: As senator, I will sponsor and support legislative initiatives to address pay equity and criminal justice reform. I believe in equal access and opportunity for all people no matter their background, race, sexual orientation or religious belief. In my current role as Director of the office of civil rights and wage enforcement I fight any and all forms of discrimination.

EDUCATION: I would sponsor and support legislation to ensure that the recommendations of the Kirwan Commission would be implemented and become law. I will ensur e that the school funding formula directly addresses the historic inequities suffered by children of Baltimore City. My goal as senator will be to ensure equity in education funding from pre-k to higher education, inclusive of our HBCU's.

HEALTH CARE: I support a single-payer health care system. No matter where one lives one should have access to quality and affordable healthcare. I believe that access to quality and affordable healthcare is a fundamental right.

TRANSPORTATION: I support interconnectivity of a comprehensive Baltimore city transportation system with expanded bus, rail and subway access using a complete streets model. I will be a consistent advocate for funding such a model because we know that an individual's commute time is directly correlated to their ability to break the cycle of poverty.

Senator District 43

Candidates

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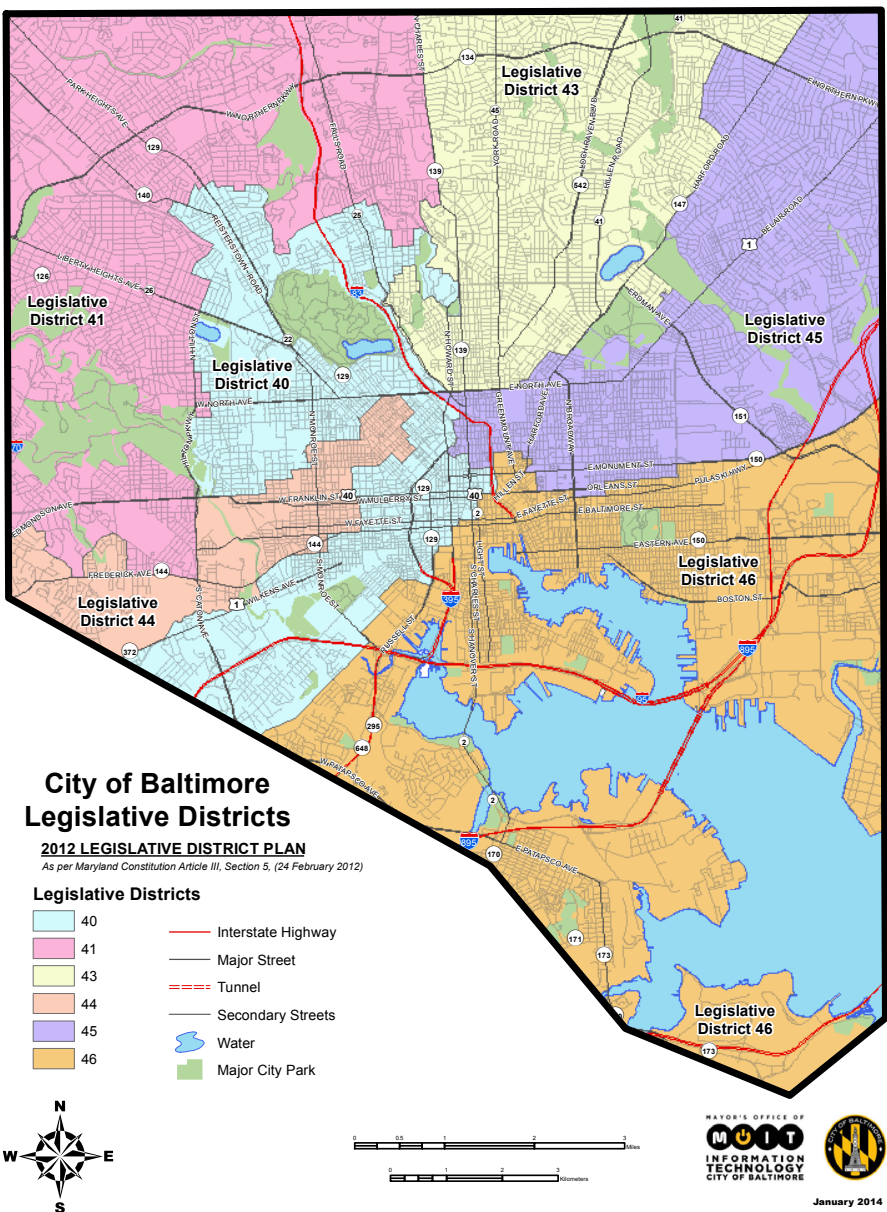
Mary Washington
Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I will build on my progressive and sensible track record in the House of Delegates, to improve the safety and quality lives of the people of my District. I have passed bills to increase and put a “lock box” on education funding, protect people losing their homes at water tax sales, secured funding for senior centers and provide housing and health care for homeless youth.

REDISTRICTING: First, we must ensure full and accurate participation in the 2020 Census. A repeat of the 2010 undercount of Baltimore City residents will be the single-most threat to redistricting. Additionally, I support the concept of a non-partisan, equitable and independent body and process to implement and make recommendations for decennial redistricting of congressional and legislative districts.

ENVIRONMENT: The high rate of asthma and lead poisoning in our children, the rising



cost of water and sewer rates, poor air quality, the lack of safe and affordable housing and water affordability are challenges I will address in the Senate. I continue to fight fracking and water lien sales, promote lead mitigation in rental properties, and work against tax incentives for incinerators

DISCRIMINATION: I always vote to protect against all forms of discrimination. Additionally, I will advocate and build coalitions around legislative actions to address discrimination in access to health care, the enforcement of law, housing, wages and employment, and public accommodations based on race or ethnicity, sex or gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, age, immigration status, and income

EDUCATION: I support an emphasis on funding a state-wide community school strategy, universal Pre-K, increase improved facilities, competitive professional salaries for educators, full implementation of the Kirwan Commission recommendations, and the development of a funding formula that addresses disproportional impacts of concentrated poverty, homelessness and race inequity on local school systems.

HEALTH CARE: Every Maryland resident should have access to affordable, quality health care, and the full range of reproductive services. In addition to placing requirements on insurance companies, I support a single-payer system in MD to ensure everyone has access to affordable healthcare. I support making prescription drugs more affordable.

TRANSPORTATION: We need to do much more to improve bus and rail connections between neighborhoods and job centers. We also need an integrated rail system that better connects Baltimore to the rest of the metro area. We must reverse the governor's policy of spending on building more lanes for our Beltways and instead better fund MD's Transportation Trust fund to invest in public transportation.

Senator District 44

Candidates

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Victor Clark, Jr.
Republican Party

Campaign Email: victorclarkjr@yahoo.com

QUALIFICATIONS: I have many valuable experiences that have prepared me for this position which are all encompassing. My (15) years of employment with the State of Maryland at DBED/Commerce in small business development, service on Baltimore City boards and commissions which include the Wage Commission, Community Relations Commission, Board of Fire Commissioners and the Planning Commission.

REDISTRICTING: I support any efforts that would make the process less partisan and more community focused. This could range anywhere from an outside commission to having citizens becoming more engaged in the overall process by voting on competing proposals prior to the actual passage of the laws that implement the changes.

ENVIRONMENT: Clean air to me is the most challenging of our environmental issues. Expanding the use of the many emerging technologies available today to overcome some of our more stringent concerns that effect everyone. Use of legislation that helps to accelerate through incentives the growth of small innovative companies to address environmental problems.

DISCRIMINATION: I would be supportive of any and all policies including many that currently exist to overcome the inhumane obstacles placed in the path of people through discriminatory practices. Equal protections under the law would as always be my primary

concern in the areas of employment, housing and education.
EDUCATION: I have always supported education policies that give more power to parents in the process and would continue to follow that methodology. Ideas that include attainable performance and evaluation criteria for both the students, teachers and administrators of our school systems. I could be supportive of having certain funding sources of the State to be lock boxed for education only.
HEALTH CARE: Mental health issues in my opinion are the number one significant issue of today . With the explosion of drugs, an aging population with many suffering from a declining mental state this issue surpasses all others. The quality of life issues that are not addressed as wholeheartedly as I believe they could be would be a good starting point as we develop programs along those lines.
TRANSPORTATION: In today's society the transportation issue is ever changing. Mass transit modes, personal transportation needs and access to all forms of transportation are a priority to me. Because of this I think there is a need to create flexible funding sources that have the ability to be expanded or contracted as the needs arise and I would support efforts along these lines.

Shirley Nathan-Pulliam
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.shirleynathan-pulliam.com>
QUALIFICATIONS: I was elected as State Senator in 2014 and I am finishing up my first term. Prior to that I served as a State Delegate for 20 years.
REDISTRICTING: I support the development of a bi-partisan or non- partisan committee after a census to create the mapping for congressional and legislative districts.
ENVIRONMENT: The challenges are trash burning incinerators have contaminated the air quality, threats of harmful pesticides to humans, birds, and most specifically the pollinating bees, off-shore drilling, and fracking. I sponsored the Pollinator Protection Act that protects bees and other pollinators. i have also sponsored similar bills that address harmful pesticides.
DISCRIMINATION: This session I sponsored SB 350 Taskforce on Reconciliation and Equity Conversation on Race that will explore issues on inclusionary justice and racial equity and make recommendations to the Maryland General Assembly. I also sponsored SB 444 Taskforce on Social Determinants of Health in Baltimore City. The purpose is to examine economic stability, education, social justice and housing.
EDUCATION: I support the findings of the Kerwan Commission and especially want to work to ensure that the appropriate resources are allocated for early childhood education, quality teachers, and equalizing funding for at risk students who live in areas of concentrated poverty. I supported legislation that would direct revenues from Maryland casinos to education and would provide \$500 million over four years.
HEALTH CARE: Health disparities around chronic illnesses like cancer and cardiovascular disease. Increased violence and drug addiction are currently a public health threat and should be treated as chronic health care concerns. The cases of HIV, Hepatitis C are growing to be a public health crisis, screening and treatment need to be accessible and available. Need to ensure access to care for the uninsured.
TRANSPORTATION: Reducing traffic congestion and improving crumbling infrastructure. Also providing a transit system that is interconnected and increase mobility van services for the disabled, elderly and chemo and dialysis patients. Funding should come from money set side from the transportation trust fund, and revenue from the highway tolls.

Senator District 45

Candidates

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Cory V. McCray
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.electcorymccray.com>
QUALIFICATIONS: I stand by my track record as an impactful legislator. My bills have:
• Restored voting rights to returning citizens who were incarcerated for a felony, & after the governor vetoed the legislation, I lead a veto override
• Expanded funding and usage for apprenticeship programs
• Created a need-based scoring rubric for infrastructure funds in Baltimore City schools, so no community is left behind
REDISTRICTING: I supported Craig Zucker’s bill (SB1023) in 2017. There’s no honest way to discuss the issue that does not acknowledge the politics present though. I support more compact districts that use more coherent representations of community, but I have economically challenged constituents who depend on Democratic policies. I remain, however, open to viable nonpartisan solutions.
ENVIRONMENT: I’m proud to have supported the fracking ban, the Clean Energy Jobs Act, and extending protection of oyster sanctuaries in the Bay. I want to increase attention to environmental impacts on urban communities. Improving my constituents’ water quality is incredibly important to me, both by decreasing the prevalence of lead and by improving pollution levels in the Herring-Run watershed.
DISCRIMINATION: Before I took office, my District was left out of funding for Baltimore’s billion dollar 21st Century Schools program. That’s why I passed a HB 76 (2017) that creates a need-based scoring rubric for future infrastructure funds in Baltimore schools. I am committed to advancing economic justice in Maryland, because I believe financial empowerment increases equality.
EDUCATION: Improved teacher compensation, which includes more transparent health-care packages and safeguarding their retirement benefits. I also support a statewide community schools plan, increased teacher staffing levels, and an adequate number of service providers to address trauma. You can read an op-ed outlining my complete vision here: <http://www.afro.com/time-stand-education-funding/>
HEALTH CARE: Food deserts fuel obesity-related illnesses like heart disease. I believe we should invest in local-solutions to food insecurity, like community agriculture and farmers markets. The biggest healthcare challenge facing Maryland though, is a healthcare system that does not offer a sufficient quality of coverage for all Marylander’s. We must continue to improve the Maryland Health Exchange.
TRANSPORTATION: An important transportation priority for me, is making sure existing funds are distributed fairly. That’s why I co-sponsored HB 807 this year, which would change the allocation process for highway user funds so that municipalities like Baltimore get their fair share. We also need better public transportation systems, so that families can spend less money to access goods and services.

Senator District 46

Candidates

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Christine Digman
Republican Party

No response received by deadline.

Bill Ferguson
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.billforbaltimore.com>
QUALIFICATIONS: For the last seven years as the 46th District's State Senator, I have led some of Baltimore's most significant public policy victories for educational excellence and City revitalization in the General Assembly. If reelected, I will continue to build coalitions that bring an urgency to helping Baltimore meet its fullest potential.
REDISTRICTING: I support the formation of an independent commission to lead the process of redistricting in Maryland for both state and federal districts. Getting this process right nationally is imperative for the future of our democracy.
ENVIRONMENT: Global climate change is crisis that threatens every single one of us. We must be more urgent and more innovative in our approach to tackling this problem. In Maryland, we need to be leaders in clean energy generation, which is both good for the environment and for our future economy. We also must be more aggressive in protecting our most vital natural resource, the Chesapeake Bay.
DISCRIMINATION: We must own and accept the systemic inequities that have perpetuated discrimination in our State throughout our long history. With a better appreciation of the intentional policy decisions that created and furthered discriminatory outcomes, we can take active steps to create a more just and more equal State. I am open to all ideas to furthering this objective.
EDUCATION: Next term, the single most important initiative we will address will be passing, funding, and implementing the recommendations of the Innovation & Excellence in Education Commission ("Kirwan Commission"). This framework for building world-class schools is visionary and bold. Associated tax reform will be essential to provide the needed resources.
HEALTH CARE: Health disparities existing across the spectrum that largely correlate with race and income are wholly unacceptable in a state like Maryland, yet are not addressed effectively or purposefully. We must engage further in a public health approach to creating healthy communities with a lens on equity, focusing on prevention and intervention, while vigorously protecting access to high-quality care.
TRANSPORTATION: Our state, and more specifically the Baltimore region, lacks a coherent vision and plan for public transportation. We are insufficiently building for the future and we are letting our public transit systems fall into disrepair. We need a new vision for how best to move people and goods efficiently and effectively in the 21st century, and less focus on accommodating automobile-based travel.

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>

The Issues

QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?
REDISTRICTING: What changes, if any, do you support in the process for drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland?
ENVIRONMENT: What are the most significant environmental challenges and how will you address them?
DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you support to address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?
EDUCATION: What education policies would you support and how would you fund them?
HEALTH CARE: What are the most significant health challenges facing Maryland and how will you address them?
TRANSPORTATION: What are your transportation priorities and how should they be funded?

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Candidates

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Frank M. Conaway, Jr.
Democratic Party

No response received by deadline.

Nick Mosby
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.nickjmosby.com>
No response received by deadline.

Melissa Wells
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.electmelissawells.com>
QUALIFICATIONS: As a Union Representative and community advocate, I have worked

with federal, state and local decision-makers to ensure the 40th district is receiving the resources and investments it needs. My top priority is fair inclusion of all communities in developing legislation, and in how we direct resources and investments to communities. **REDISTRICTING:** For too long redistricting has been a partisan political tool. I support efforts such as assigning the task to a nonpartisan commission to determine fair representation. However, any effort to address this issue must ensure that my constituency is given the tools and programs they need to build on the status quo. **ENVIRONMENT:** The emission of greenhouse gasses is the most significant crisis facing our environment. I support tax incentives for those who put solar panels on their homes, conservation easement that creates wind and solar farms without taking up good tillable farm land, I support putting solar arrays on government buildings, and energy-efficient public transportation, such as electric busses. **DISCRIMINATION:** The decline in funding to the Maryland Commission on Civil Rights needs to be addressed. Given the commission has taken a strong stance on discrimination cases, it is important to the state of Maryland that this is properly funded and have the scope to accomplish the goal of a discrimination-free state. **EDUCATION:** I would support implementing apprenticeship programs in schools. Not all children have a desire or the choice to go to college. As a viable alternative, apprenticeship programs offer a valuable trade that will result in higher incomes as adults. To fund this program, I would support a lockbox on casino revenue, reinstate the Millionaires Tax, and legalize/tax marijuana. **HEALTH CARE:** Access to quality healthcare is the most significant issue facing health in Maryland. Not only do health insurance plans cover too little at too high a price, but for many in the 40th district, access to quality facilities is not a viable option. Health Care is a right and seeing it as such; I would support a single-payer system. Marylanders should have equal access, no matter where they live. **TRANSPORTATION:** Connecting residents of North and West Baltimore to resources and jobs is a top priority. As delegate, I will continue working with residents and community leaders in the 40th to fight for a public transit system that works for communities that are underserved. This should be funded by the Millionaires Tax, revenue from legalizing marijuana, and reallocating funds from the Traffic Relief Plan.

Joshua Harris
Green Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.harrisforbaltimore.com>
No response received by deadline.

Will Hanna
Write-in

Campaign Website: <http://www.hannafordelegate.com/Home>
QUALIFICATIONS: As the Chairman and CEO of a community development corporation, my experience in that capacity, which I serve currently, gives me the insight to dealing with the varied and complex issues in our communities throughout the 40th District. **REDISTRICTING:** I support any redrawing of the lines that allow for a fair representation of the population of the districts. Lines should be drawn not to party design or desire and to prevent gerrymandering. **ENVIRONMENT:** In my opinion, one of the most significant challenges is trash and litter. If we can strategically combat illegal dumping and keeping streets clean, we will enable the State to put even more priority on keeping the Chesapeake Bay clean and meet its environmental goals. **DISCRIMINATION:** One policy that I'd support will be funding in support of the Affordable Housing Land Trust legislation passed in 2010. This would alleviate gentrification concerns and promote home ownership while stabilizing some of Baltimore's most impoverished communities. **EDUCATION:** Maryland schools are underfunded by nearly \$3 billion. The lock box is legislation I support. I believe the Kerwin and Thornton recommendations for school funding must be reevaluated. I would inquire about VLT funding for schools promised in previous sessions and add funds to the school's budgets from the general fund. It is an investment we must make and should have done a long time ago. **HEALTH CARE:** I believe the most challenging issue is the rising cost of insurance and coverage for children. One thing I would introduce is legislation that would curb insurance costs and introduce a formula for capping what insurance companies can charge for premiums. **TRANSPORTATION:** The voters of the 40th District have been concerned about funding for the Red Line. I would like to take a look at some alternatives in the State budget to partially fund and leverage funding with private capital and equity to bring this project to fruition for the residents of the district.

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Candidates

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Dalya Attar
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.dalyaattar.com>
QUALIFICATIONS: I was born and raised in the district to parents who immigrated to Baltimore from countries of Muslim extremism. As a government prosecutor, my familiarity with the criminal justice system provides a keen understanding of legislation needed to fight crime and drugs, as well as combatting recidivism. As a mom of 2, I understand the economic, educational, and housing challenges city families face. **REDISTRICTING:** I support a non-partisan commission that would ensure fair districts and representation. I believe that as much as possible, we should keep cultural, ethnic and racial populations living in close proximity within the same district, to give them more representation by their peers, rather than dividing them without a proper voice. **ENVIRONMENT:** As a mom of 2 kids, I know that environmental issues have increased contemporary health problems, including asthma and allergies, in our families. And as a Baltimore resident, I am extremely concerned about the air and water, and they will be a priority for me. **DISCRIMINATION:** My background as a non-white female raised by parents who fled political and religious persecution overseas and overcame cultural and financial challenges here lead me to desire equal treatment, particularly in the workplace, and respect for all as humans and individuals. Two Central Committee candidates on my slate are running to advocate for those with special needs and disabilities. **EDUCATION:** I support universal pre-K and free community college, as well as stronger city public schools including more skills training in high school to better prepare for

careers or college. We need more state funding with better prioritization and spending accountability, so taxes do not go up. **HEALTH CARE:** All families need affordable and accessible health care. This includes mental health prevention, care and treatment. For drug users in Baltimore City, we must provide needle exchange that will help prevent Hepatitis and other illnesses. **TRANSPORTATION:** As someone who has relied on public transportation to get to work, I personally know that we need better services and better connections at low costs through more efficient government transportation spending. Our city residents must be able to depend on reliable, convenient, accessible, and affordable public transportation to get to jobs, school, appointments, and shopping.

Tony Bridges
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.tonybridges41.com>
QUALIFICATIONS: As a neighborhood liaison in the Mayor's Office, I advocated for communities in City Hall and fought to have the city provide services that the communities demanded. As I progressed in my career, I have taken on different roles from Chief of Staff for government agencies, to Director of Community Affairs for Johns Hopkins and working for a local community development corporation. **REDISTRICTING:** I support reform for how we draw our voting boundaries in the state. Having a transparent, independent commission to draw district lines is a popular choice for most Marylanders as demonstrated in a Spring 2017 Goucher poll. I believe further research into others states with independent commissions (such as California) is required and we should evaluate their processes and outcomes. **ENVIRONMENT:** Environmental Justice is a significant challenge and one that I would look to address. The most effective way to ensure that individuals in low income communities and food deserts have access to fresh food is a farm to table approach working with farmers and farmer's markets to become part of these communities. Both groups need incentives to increase accessibility. **DISCRIMINATION:** There is no one initiative that will address the long-lasting effects of discrimination in this city, state or nation. I do believe we must find multiple ways to address discriminatory practices that have led to the disparities in our state such as increase the minimum wage to give individuals a living wage of \$15 per hour and ensure that new housing development includes affordable units. **EDUCATION:** The Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education has multiple promising preliminary findings in its draft, but I look forward to seeing the final recommendations and will fight to ensure they include priorities such as universal access to Prekindergarten, adequate funding for Baltimore City Public Schools, and teacher incentives for those who are highly effective in the classroom. **HEALTH CARE:** The opioid crisis is a significant challenge in the state and must be treated as a public health crisis. Simply stated, it requires a multi-pronged approach which incorporates the efforts of many initiatives and agencies to include better monitoring of prescription drugs and their over use and expansion of programs for drug treatment versus the criminalization of users. **TRANSPORTATION:** As Delegate, I will work with to address the need for Baltimore to restart proposals to bring a 21st century transportation system to Baltimore. There is a clearly a disproportionate gap between what's spent on roads and public transportation. The state has not taken a comprehensive look at the transit system and recommendations since 2002. This region is not adequately served by transit.

Samuel I. "Sandy" Rosenberg
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.delsandy.com>
QUALIFICATIONS: During my career in the House of Delegates, I have increased pre-kindergarten-12 education funding; preserved and broadened civil rights protections; expanded behavioral health programs; and ensured that vulnerable tenants are not taken advantage of by unscrupulous landlords. I ask that you judge me by my legislative record in Annapolis. **REDISTRICTING:** I will vote for a new process consistent with the holdings in the cases which will be decided by the Supreme Court later this year. We need a constitutionally sound redistricting process in every state that adheres to a national standard. **ENVIRONMENT:** I have been a leader in significantly reducing the number of lead poisoned children, but work remains to be done. I sponsored House Bill 852 this year, which would reform rent court to prevent evictions by a landlord who has not met the lead risk reduction standard for a lead-affected property. I have also been an advocate for an environmentally sound redevelopment of Pimlico Racecourse. **DISCRIMINATION:** I sponsored the Lilly Ledbetter Civil Rights Restoration Act of 2009, which protects the rights of all workers to secure redress for discrimination in compensation. I have enacted several laws to protect our right to vote against fraud and intimidation. I was a key player in enacting our first-in-the nation response to the Kremlin's disruption campaign during the 2016 election. **EDUCATION:** I support all of the Kirwan Commission's recommendations. Requiring the State to provide universal access to public and private prekindergarten for all four-year olds and low-income three-year olds is of particular interest to me because of my efforts in this area. When we raise money for public schools, I would vote for a more progressive way rather than the current reliance on gaming revenues. **HEALTH CARE:** Increasing access to health insurance coverage and boosting enrollment are significant health care challenges. I support efforts to protect our state's health insurance marketplace. I was a leader on HB 1083 (2017), which requires the Governor to fund the health care provided by Planned Parenthood if the federal government does not. **TRANSPORTATION:** I supported the Red Line project, and I would support similar projects in the future to increase mass transit options in and out of Baltimore City. Funding can be attained by appropriate distribution of existing resources.

Drew A. Pate
Green Party

Campaign Website: <http://drewpateforbaltimore.com>
QUALIFICATIONS: I am running because after years of working as a physician and caring for those who primarily come from disadvantaged and neglected neighborhoods, I have seen politicians and the political status quo return over and over again to failed solutions for our communities while ignoring the input and needs of the very communities they represent unless it's an election year. **REDISTRICTING:** I support a non-partisan approach to redistricting that removes all politicians from the redistricting process. We need to focus on creating districts which allow many diverse voices to be heard rather than creating districts that perpetuate the status quo and political incumbents. Districts created to be politically safe for incumbents or particular parties result in voters who feel powerless.

ENVIRONMENT: Maryland should lead the way in addressing the “climate chaos” that has resulted from global warming. We’ve already seen many of our own communities devastated by extreme weather patterns, and we must do our part by legislating toward a goal of 100% renewable energy over the next 25 years as well as creating carbon-based taxes and exchanges. We must create renewable energy initiatives for cities.

DISCRIMINATION: Honesty is the first step to creating a more just and fair society. We need to ensure that all political processes which make decisions on issues related to equality and opportunity are accessible and open to all. I will pursue policies which address past and present racial, social, environmental and economic discrimination. We can address discrimination by creating opportunity with no boundaries.

EDUCATION: I support the re-prioritization of our budgeting process so that we can make early preschool available to our families in need. It is been consistently shown that creating an enriching educational environment for children before they are three years old and their families results in dramatically better lives as adults with better jobs and education with lower crime and more stable neighborhoods.

HEALTH CARE: The lack of access to quality, outcome-driven healthcare that is centered in our communities is our greatest challenge. We must create centers of health excellence in our neighborhoods and ask those health systems that greatly benefit from our state dollars to have a direct role in improving the health of our communities. We should also set higher standards for the care delivered to our residents.

TRANSPORTATION: We should begin with a comprehensive community needs assessment to understand the gaps in our transit system. We must restructure transportation systems to ensure that mass transit connects to the economic centers of our state in an efficient manner. We should restart the Red Line and use our dollars to expand light rail statewide. I support the plans created by Baltimore Transit Equity.

House of Delegates 43

Candidates

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Curt Anderson

Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I attended Guilford and Winston elementary schools and graduated from Baltimore City College in Baltimore. My children also attended Baltimore City public schools, so I am passionate about making our city schools great for our children. I am also a graduate of Morgan State University and the University of Baltimore Law School. I serve on, among others, the Maryland Police Training Commission

REDISTRICTING: Maryland’s legislative districts should be drawn In a manner to reflect the diversity of the state’s population without regard to political party. If we do this, each district would have the power to directly impact the needs of the district. In the 43rd district that means more money for schools and more trust in our police so that they can keep our community safe.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change obviously is an important issue around the state and the country. But a safe environment is most important in our community. Stopping violent crime is key to maintaining a safe environment. We need police who are trained, not just to use a gun and make arrests, but officers who respect those they are sworn to protect. That is why I work on the Maryland Police Training Commission.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination in any form is unacceptable. Some discrimination is not always easily detectable. Most notably, Baltimore City school students are being discriminated against because many school buildings are still inferior to many jurisdictions around the state. I and my delegation of representatives from Baltimore have started to change that by securing \$1 billion in new school construction.

EDUCATION: In addition to fighting for money to construct new schools with central air and clean drinking water, we need to ensure that our teachers and administrators are strong leaders and are given the tools they need to lead and educate. I would also return music and art to the schools all of which would be funded by changes in the education formula to make the funding of school equitable thru the state.

HEALTH CARE: The high cost of healthcare is the most significant health challenge faciing Marylanders. I support Maryland’s enhancements of Obama care in light of the current federal push back. But just as important is the need to improve treatment for mental health problems. Too many of our citizens end up in jail or on the street simply because of a mental health issue.

TRANSPORTATION: Many people in my district have to take 2 or 3 buses to work e veryday. I want the buses to be clean and on time. No new funding is needed. The MTA should be doing this now in its current budget. Along with local 1300 (bus drivers), I will continue to force the MTA to do the right thing in Baltimore City. I will also restart talks on the red line to create transporting solutions for city folk

Regina T. Boyce

Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: My personal, professional and public service experiences have prepared me to serve the 43rd district. I received a BS from Towson University and a MPA from the University of Baltimore. I worked in my community for 13 yrs. and worked in city government with communities to solve problems for 5 yrs. As an adult education provider, I want to secure my students present and future success in Baltimore.

REDISTRICTING: I support the creation of an independent, non-partisan body to draw the lines. This would enhance public trust and confidence in government and provide integrity and ethics by removing self-preserving power or party favor.

ENVIRONMENT: The most significant environmental challenges are are trash, plastics/ disposable items, and pollution of waterways and the air.To address our challenges, we must reduce trash and disposable items, ban plastics/plastic bags/styrofoam, updating crumbling water and sewer infrastructures, strictly regulate chemicals and toxin in our waters, air and open space.

DISCRIMINATION: I support all policies that level the playing field and provide opportunities to all, no matter one’s race, gender, religion, disability or socio-economic background. I would like to work on policies that remove questions or boxes pertaining to the disclosure of demographic information that tends to allow for discriminatory practices.

EDUCATION: I support the findings of the Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education as well as the Kirwan Commission formula for school funding. I am committed to funding reforms that include increasing the funding contribution from the City and police department budgets. We must closely track how funds are spent at the school/classroom levels to assure resources are provided for enhanced learning.

HEALTH CARE: Too many of us cannot afford health care due to its high cost, or have to

bear the burden of high deductibles, and high prescription drug costs. We have to provide more preventive care, mental/behavioral health care, and drug addiction treatment. A holistic and universal approach is needed which starts with further study: SB878/HB1312, creations of a task force to consider Medicaid Buy-In for all.

TRANSPORTATION: We need safe, equitable transportation system, with roles for walking, biking, bus and rail so that all residents are within a reasonable commute to work, educational opportunity, family and play (social). Moving away from a car-first approach to transportation in the region allows for real transit choices that can be currently funded by city/state budgets if the needs of Baltimore are priorities

Maggie McIntosh

Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: It has been my honor to serve as a member of the House of Delegates since 1992, including the last four years as Chair of the Appropriations Committee. Previously I chaired the Environmental Matters Committee and was the first woman in Maryland history to serve as minority leader. I have also served as a Baltimore City teacher and former state director for Senator Mikulski.

REDISTRICTING: Generally, I support some sort of reform in the way Maryland draws congressional and legislative districts. However, the proposals put forward in recent years by Governor Hogan would not produce an impartial process. I support creating an independent redistricting commission so long as it is truly independent and transparent.

ENVIRONMENT: As former Chair of the Environmental Matters Committee, I’ve played a role in many of the gains for the Chesapeake Bay over the past 15 years. Right now, I believe our greatest environmental challenge is protecting the gains we have made for the health of the Bay and to improve our resiliency against climate change.

DISCRIMINATION: I think it is important that we use the power of government to enact policies that combat and correct discrimination whenever we see it. It is imperative that we enact policies that prohibit discrimination where we see it, but also that our investments in education, housing, transportation, and more are made with an eye towards making amends for past discrimination.

EDUCATION: I am a member of the Kirwan Commission and committed to implementing the recommendations necessary to ensure Maryland’s public education system provides a world-class education to every student regardless of ZIP code. Sen. Conway and I sponsored legislation to put gaming revenue for education in a “lockbox” that will put up over \$500m annually in additional spending towards priority reform areas.

HEALTH CARE: Our most significant healthcare challenges are stabilizing the ACA marketplace, rising prescription drug costs, and delivering care in underserved rural areas. This session, we passed legislation to have a commission of experts make recommendations to stabilize the ACA and keep care affordable. We should implement those recommendations when they arrive continue to pursue innovative delivery models

TRANSPORTATION: The Baltimore region needs a truly integrated, multi-modal transportation system. My top transportation priority is the revival of some form of the Red Line to move residents east-west across the City and tie into our existing subway and light rail lines. The State invests plenty in transportation, the key is changing our policies to put public transit investment at least equal footing to roads.

Bonnie "Raven" Lane

Green Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.bonniefor43.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: Real world experiences have prepared me. Having been homeless, I can truly understand the lack of and need for affordable housing. I am working with several groups on this. Having been both hungry and food insecure , I can relate to those who are working 2-3 jobs to put food on the table. Almost a daily rider of the MTA and Baltimore Link, I know how horrible and lacking transit is.

REDISTRICTING: I support a non partisan body drawing the lines to make voting districts equal sizes.

ENVIRONMENT: All schools including those in the 43rd district should have drinkable lead free water. Tax polluters to pay for pollution. Use the funds to start an arborist corps in Baltimore to teach youth to plant trees. Create urban agricultural training centers. Don’t allow crude oil trains to run here.

DISCRIMINATION: In the 2018 session these bills were super racist: Criminal Law- Comprehensive Crime Bill of 2018- D-SB122- Sponsored By Zirkin I would have definitely voted no on this: HB1803f allowing campus cops to become armed like the BCPD and further profile black and brown poor people. Poverty- I support a \$15 an hour minimum wage tied to inflation . Tougher laws on source of income discrimination

EDUCATION: Fully fund schools before police. No school police being turned into armed guards. No further diversion of public dollars for private schools. The public school funding formula must take into account the effects of intergenerational poverty and white supremacy. Schools should have proper heat and air conditioning. School meals should be free for all.

HEALTH CARE: Opioid crisis. 1 - support safer consumption facilities, community narkan trainings 2 - respond to the crisis from a harm reduction viewpoint and support harm reduction legislation in Annapolis, including safer consumption spaces (where people can use drugs safely and find the care and support they need, without judgement or retaliation) see more at www.bonniefor43.com/issues

TRANSPORTATION: I will work on transit projects that will not further redline communities. The Greenmount Corridor is in my district and needs help to have become as vibrant as Charles Street and as many transit options. A subway system that is safe and goes to all areas of the city/region has been needed for years. The Charm City Circulator should have free buses to all neighborhoods not just the wealthy one

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Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Keith E. Haynes

Democratic Party

Campaign Facebook: <http://Keith E. Haynes>

QUALIFICATIONS: I am currently serving my 4th term in the House of Delegates. I serve in the capacity of Dep. Majority Leader, Dep. Majority Whip, Vice Chair of the Baltimore City Delegation, Chair of the Appropriations Public Safety and Administration Sub-Committee, The Capital Budget and the Joint Oversight Committee on Pensions, the Joint Audit Committee all which assist me in representing my district.

REDISTRICTING: Currently there is a court case pending on appeal and we are waiting

the decision on redistricting. I believe we should wait to review Court Decision and then determine the best course of addressing the issue of redistricting.

ENVIRONMENT: I believe we need to establish a strategic policy to move more towards green energy and renewable energy, as well as, doing more to protect the Chesapeake Bay in order to address the environmental challenges we face.

DISCRIMINATION: I am a strong advocate for eliminating discrimination on all levels. I have supported in the past and continue to support poilicies prohibiting discrimination as well as legislation to the same.

EDUCATION: I have been a strong supporter of education and education issues over the last 4 terms. I supported the new Kirwin Commission which addresses the new educational funding formulas for the State. I supported the casino revenue as a revenue source to fund our educational system However, I believe that we should fund education "first" from the general fund in order to meet our constitutional mandate.

HEALTH CARE: The biggest challenge is protecting the healthcare coverage and access to affordable healthcare established under the Affordable Healthcare Act which is being rolled back by the federal government. We also have to address our current epidemic with the opioid crisis and other drugs with more treatment and treatment on demand.

TRANSPORTATION: My priorities with regard to transportation has always been wotking to create a transportation system in the Baltimore Metro area which is connected to various systems and efficiently and expediently transport riders to every area of the Baltimore City Metro region.

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Candidates

Vote for no more than 3.

Ronald M. Owens-Bey

Republican Party

No response received by deadline.

Jewel Rucker

Republican Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.rucker45.com>

No response received by deadline.

Andy Zipay

Republican Party

QUALIFICATIONS: I am a social worker and my job allows me to work with all kinds of individuals , from all different backgrounds. I have an ability to work and achieve goals with folks from all different political perspectives. My job requires me to develop action plans and to focus on specific goals and I feel this is needed in Annapolis.

REDISTRICTING: I know the current map district line set up is not fair. The current lines were drawn to make the districts more favorable to democrat incumbents. Not fair to the people of the state! I think an independent body should redraw the districts.

ENVIRONMENT: I love our Chesapeake Bay. There is so much rich history there and I will do everything I can to devote the needed money to improve the Bay.

DISCRIMINATION: I will always fight against discrimination of all kinds. As a social worker, I often advocate for my clients who have suffered discrimination in many different aspects of life. So I am especially alert to this issue. I was always taught to judge a person by their actions, and not by anything else.

EDUCATION: I am a strong supporter of school choice. I believe that schools will improve only if we have competition and value our students enough to allow them to leave failing schools. We must put pressure on school systems to fire bad teachers. My Mother was a public school teacher. And I have so much respect for teachers.

HEALTH CARE: We must allow more health insurance companies to compete with each other here in Maryland. Right now, we only have one or two main health insurance carriers. We need more choices! More choices will equal better costs and better care.

TRANSPORTATION: We need to make services less confusing! I feel that changes can be made at the state level , to improve education on services and routes. As a social worker, I run into the confusing MTA bus and train route system. I think our focus should be on supporting President Trumps infrastructure bill, which would provide much needed money to our roads and bridges.

Talmadge Branch

Democratic Party

Campaign Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/talmadge.branch>

QUALIFICATIONS: I am an incumbent of 24 years.

REDISTRICTING: That will depend on the demographics of whether the district has grown or loss population. Last census we lost population ad loss 2 delegates in the city. I would support seeing more of the 7th congressional district back in Baltimore City.

ENVIRONMENT: I have a proven environmental record. Currently serving on the Energy Subcommittee on the Economic Matters Committee.

DISCRIMINATION: Proven record. I have voted for womens rights and equality, LGBT issues, disability..ect.....

EDUCATION: Currently formula funded, general fund, and tax credit programs.

HEALTH CARE: Making sure we can continue to find ways to. . funding for the Affordable Heath Care, and the MCIP.

TRANSPORTATION: Baltimore needs its own major subway system. It should be funded by a public and private partnership. Maglev train is another mode of transportation needed for a faster commute to Washington D.C. This would be a game changer for jobs and residency. Arriving in Washington from Baltimore in 15 minutes. Should be funded by public and private partnership.

Cheryl D. Glenn

Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I have a lifetime of public service. I served more than 12 years as a PTA President, 8 years as a Commissioner for the MD School for the Blind, 8 years elected to the Baltimore City Democratic State Central Committee, 6 years as President of the City Union of Baltimore, and 12 years as a State Delegate.

REDISTRICTING: I support the appointment of a bipartisan commission, to include elected officials, representatives of the faith community and community representatives, as well as the NAACP, the ACLU, and representatives of organized labor, to propose a process for Redistricting.

ENVIRONMENT: Communities that have high concentrations of poverty are disproportionately impacted with food deserts, incinerators, industrial fumes and noise,

and high levels of various types of cancer. The lack of a good transportation system results in unhealthy traffic concentrations. We must work harder to reach higher goals for renewable energy.

DISCRIMINATION: We must develop a system whereby we look at every issue using a “racial equity lens” similar to that proposed by the Associated Black Charities. Doing so would help the Maryland General Assembly to look at our current policies, and newly proposed policies, and how these policies impact factors that could potentially result in discrimination of any type.

EDUCATION: This 2018 Session the General Assembly passed legislation that begins to implement the recommendations of the Kirwan Commission, starting in the fall of 2018. I also support the recommendations of the Knott Commission. Additionally, I was happy to support Senate Bill 1122 CASINO LOCKBOX, a ballot question for voters.

HEALTH CARE: We must continue to support legislation to curb the rising cost of health care, stabilize the market, control the high cost of brand-name drugs, and make sure that the citizens of MD have the needed access to health care. We must also provide more treatment for opioid abuse.

TRANSPORTATION: The Red Line must be developed for Baltimore City. The funding that had previously been appropriated needs to be restored. We must continue to explore the feasibility of the MAGLEV, high speed rail system. Our public transportation system, including buses and the Mobility system must be improved with the input of the citizens of Baltimore.

Stephanie Smith

Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I have the education and experience to harness the power of state policy for the good of Maryland's 45th District. Specifically, I have engaged in policy analysis, advocacy and development at the municipal, state and federal levels. I possess a Masters in Urban Affairs and Public Policy and a law degree. I'm admitted to the Maryland bar. My leadership will be rooted in equity, data and engagement.

REDISTRICTING: I believe Marylanders should determine who represents their communities. In order to avoid piecemeal efforts, I think national standards to limit gerry-mandering are ideal. However, I would not rule out a nonpartisan body redrawing lines.

ENVIRONMENT: Maryland's lawmakers must be vigilant to protect our people, air, water and lands. We need to ensure truly clean renewable fuel sources are included in the Renewable Portfolio Standard, adequate funding is appropriated to protect the Chesapeake Bay and the cumulative impact of environmental health burdens are factored into environmental regulations. I will support bills that address these issues.

DISCRIMINATION: I will fight for fair pay and reducing barriers in hiring that disadvantage women and candidates of color. I support: banning employers from asking about salary history, integrating an equity analysis into state capital funding, transportation planning and school funding formulas,

EDUCATION: I will fight to secure adequate funding for Baltimore public schools because it is tied to our city's competitiveness and ability to retain/attract new residents. To set the best foundation for students, I also support universal Pre-K to make sure every Baltimore student is given a sound start. These policies can be funded through tobacco taxes and increased taxes on millionaire inheritances.

HEALTH CARE: With the Affordable Care Act weakened, it is important for Maryland's policy makers to consider if there's merit to developing a state single payer system. Also, health disparities abound across Maryland and within Baltimore. That's why state health dollars should be directed to community health groups with the evidenced based policies to close these gaps.

TRANSPORTATION: The Baltimore region needs transportation funding to: expand the metro route, reinstate the Red Line, review the efficiency of the Baltimore Link and expand protected bike lane networks.Investments should be applied using an equity lens to ensure communities with the longest commute times are prioritized. Funding should come from federal grants and new motor vehicle registrations/taxes.

Steven "Andy" Ellis

Green Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I studied political science at Towson university where I was a captain of the Policy Debate team. After Towson I coached college and high school debate and worked with other youth programs around the country with a focus on underserved urban populations. I have been a Baltimore and Maryland Chair of the Green Party where I have helped expand the party across the state and recruit candidates.

REDISTRICTING: I support a Independent Redistricting Commission.The IRC should seek to: 1)Explicitly ensure that minority voting rights are protected and explicitly prohibit minority voting rights from being hindered. 2)Establish a process to ensure public involvement and to transparently communicate process. 3)Expand the use of multi-member districts when possible. 4)Remove partisan politics when possible.

ENVIRONMENT: Problem: Fossil fuel based electricity generation. Solution: 100% renewable electricity generation by 2050. Problem: Fossil Fuel based transportation Solution: Clean energy based mass transit with focus on regional rail solutions. Problem: Watershed protection Solutions: Regulation of Factory Farms, ban natural gas pipelines, safety study at Cove Point LNG export Terminal

DISCRIMINATION: Economic and Racial justice are a key part the platform, including: 1)End the criminalization of poverty:remove unnecessary fines and fees, end criminal penalties for civil violations, removal of non convictions from case search, automatic expungement. 2)Remove non-driving related factors from auto insurance rates. 3)Shield salary history from hiring process. 4)Raise the minimum wage, now.

EDUCATION: 1)Equitably funded Pre-k-12 education with a focus on investing in places that are suffering from inter-generational poverty and systemic racism. 2)Free community college for all MD residents, not just recent grads or GED recipients. 3)Tuition-free attendance at University System of Maryland schools. Funding: Expanded War-poverty-pollution-millionaires taxes + casino and sports betting lockboxes

HEALTH CARE: 1)Cost- remove private insurance companies from the administration of Medicaid. Oklahoma and Connecticut found significant cost savings from this. 2)Access- Create community health clinics in the most undeserved zip codes via partnerships with non-profit hospitals. 3)Expanded Medicare coverage of mental, dental, and vision. 4)Education-More community health workers in most at need zip codes.

TRANSPORTATION: 1)Decrease transit time inequity- We must bring this down by providing more, better, transparent and efficient options. 2)Rail and bike based development-The Red line, Western MD and Southern MD rail connections vastly expand access to economic opportunity. 3)Regional Transit Authorities-Democratically elected bodies with ability to raise money and coordinate across jurisdictions.

Glenn L. Ross
Green Party

Campaign Website: <http://greenteam45.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been a community leader and advocate for nearly 40 years. I worked for 3 mayors and spent my entire adult life building successful coalitions to address social ills such as environmental decay and ghettoization. Through my work with local organizations, we delivered real results where the politicians wouldn't, including securing almost \$1M from the Obama administration without political aid
REDISTRICTING: We need to remove politics from the process of redistricting by taking it out of the hands of the political parties and creating an independent, non-partisan commission that draws the lines in a fair and equitable way, maintaining actual community bonds whenever possible.

ENVIRONMENT: East Baltimore is plagued by numerous forms of contamination as a result of Baltimore's legacy of industrial waste and environmental racism. I will work to bring in federal and state brownfield remediation investment so that we can deliver community-led job training and leadership development programs and begin to remedy the destruction I have spent decades documenting.

DISCRIMINATION: We need to break the "Mason/Dixon line" mentality that has plagued our state for generations. As a Green Party candidate, I will work to deliver racial, economic and environmental justice to all communities not just by fighting discrimination, but by working on the many root causes of inequality, such as laws that unfairly burden the poor and underinvestment in services for minority youth.

EDUCATION: I will look closely at the recommendations of the Kirwan commission and work to provide our children with the world class education they deserve. We can fully fund PreK-12 and free college for Marylanders by reclaiming our casino money and by returning to a more progressive taxation system that ensures that the wealthiest Marylanders and large corporations pay their fair share.

HEALTH CARE: We have significant health disparities in East Baltimore. I would like the elite institutions here to directly deliver health care to the neighborhoods they use for research, alongside a statewide network of neighborhood-based clinics including mental health services. The problem of health care cost can be remedied by removing profit-driven companies from the Maryland Medicaid Administration.

TRANSPORTATION: I support expanded public transit, including the Red Line, which would also be a driver of economic growth in East Baltimore. It will need to be funded through a combination of federal and state dollars, which we knew was feasible until Governor Hogan canceled it. Costs of a statewide expansion of transit may be offset by taxes on pollution and by deprioritizing expensive "luxury" toll highways.

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Candidates

Vote for no more than 3.

Jeremy Baron
Republican Party

No response received by deadline.

Nicholas Wentworth
Republican Party

No response received by deadline.

Luke Clippinger
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://www.luke46.org>

QUALIFICATIONS: I am a native Baltimorean, a prosecutor, and a leader in the General Assembly. I grew up in a dollar house, and I'm a proud graduate of City Schools. As a prosecutor, I have been an advocate for victims of crime for ten years. As a legislator, I led the fight and created earned sick leave for 700,000 Marylanders, advocated to build 25 new schools in the City, and expanded access to solar power.

REDISTRICTING: I support the creation of an independent, non-partisan body for drawing congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland.

ENVIRONMENT: We must lower our reliance on burning fossil fuels for the electricity we use every day. I have been a leader in the promotion of renewable energy in the House of Delegates. I drafted the Community Solar legislation which is providing an opportunity for thousands to purchase clean solar power. I also support raising the amount of energy we generate from clean, renewable sources.

DISCRIMINATION: As a member of the LGBT caucus, I am acutely aware of the ongoing need to address discrimination based on race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or genetic information. I have supported anti-discrimination bills in the past and I will do so in the future.

EDUCATION: I support the recommendations of the Kirwan Commission related to school funding. I also support the Constitutional Amendment that will create a lock-box to ensure revenues from casinos supplement and not replace existing funding. I support further opportunities for high school students to participate in apprenticeships for credit, and support expanded funding for adult education.

HEALTH CARE: We must continue to improve access to affordable, accessible quality healthcare. We must support the ACA's implementation in Maryland, particularly as the federal government undercuts the law's success in shrinking the number of uninsured. We also protect our Medicaid waiver as it ensures providers have an incentive to focus on health as opposed to a fee-for-service model.

TRANSPORTATION: We have sufficient funding for a comprehensive plan for transportation across the State with the passage of the gas tax in 2013. I support a new, long-range transportation plan for the Baltimore area that will improve mass transit across the entire area - and I will hold MDOT responsible for ensuring that existing transportation systems are properly maintained.

Robbyn Lewis
Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: My training in anthropology, international public health and languages are the foundation of my strong cross cultural, communication and partnership building skills. Two decades of devoted community service demonstrate my ability to improve life for everyone by bringing people together to solve shared challenges. These skills are essential to fulfilling my duties as Delegate.

REDISTRICTING: I support an impartial, transparent process for redistricting. The health of our democracy depends on this. One of the most important first steps to achieving this goal, however, is to conduct a complete, unbiased, comprehensive federal census. Without such a census, redistricting cannot be done fairly.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change is the foremost environmental challenge facing all of humanity, not just those of us living here in Maryland. I have led local efforts e.g., creating and leading a grassroots greening movement in my neighborhood. As Delegate I have supported renewable energy, clean air, clean water and forest preservation legislation. I will continue to champion climate adaptation efforts.

DISCRIMINATION: As an African American woman who has directly benefitted from the Civil Rights Act, Fair Housing Act and all of the liberation movements of our century, I am a staunch defender of human rights. I utterly oppose discrimination in all forms and will continue to fight at the legislative, social and interpersonal level to protect every human being's right to exist and thrive.

EDUCATION: Every child in this country, no matter where they were born, what their zip code or genetic code, deserves access to quality public education. Public education should be funded by equitable distribution of public resources. As Delegate I have voted for progressive education, and will continue to do so. I also support the right of teachers to organize and collectively bargain

HEALTH CARE: Health care is a human right. The greatest challenge to health today is Republican sabotage of the ACA. They seek to deny broad access to health coverage. I have worked hard to protect and expand coverage with legislation to create reinsurance, explore options for a Basic Health Plan, and prevent African American infant mortality. I have also passed laws to protect Planned Parenthood funding.

TRANSPORTATION: As a long-time transit and bicycle activist, I have a demonstrated track record organizing to secure Red Line construction funding, creating policy & designs for Complete Streets & working to expand bike infrastructure. That was all before I held office. As Delegate I will continue to support equitable, sustainable transportation options. Creative funding, e.g. public/private, must be explored.

Brooke Elizabeth Lierman
Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I ran for delegate 4 years ago as a mom, community activist & civil rights attorney, so I could be a champion for our communities and pass progressive state legislation. I have worked every day to do just that - passing important statewide bills while acting as an advocate for local families & communities. I will work to be an effective advocate locally and statewide to support our communities.

REDISTRICTING: I support an independent commission to draw congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland, and voted in support of legislation in 2017 to establish such a commission.

ENVIRONMENT: Global warming and plastic trash are two extremely important challenges we must confront. I was designated a Legislative Green Champion by League of Conservation Voters for my support of clean energy initiatives and my advocacy against single-use plastic trash, like plastic bags and styrofoam. Although we have not yet banned these products at the state level, I will continue to lead the charge.

DISCRIMINATION: I work to identify state policies that that can be ended or enacted to end discrimination. For instance, thousands of young children of color or with disabilities were being suspended/expelled from our schools so I passed a bill to prohibit suspension/expulsion in preK-2nd grade. I actively champion policies that create opportunity & break down barriers, including supporting our schools.

EDUCATION: MD can have a world-class education system if we choose to update our policies for the 21st century & provide the funding needed to allow children to learn & grow. Students should graduate with the knowledge/skills to succeed in careers in which they can find satisfaction, earn a living wage & be involved citizens. I have actively participated in the Kirwan Comm process & will push to enact reforms.

HEALTH CARE: Rising premiums, unaffordable prescription drugs, and lack of access to caregivers all present challenges that MD must confront. In the 2018 session, we enacted reforms to stabilize the insurance market to keep premiums down, provide additional funding for Medicaid providers, and require more transparency in prescription drug prices. We must act boldly to ensure all Marylanders have access to care.

TRANSPORTATION: I have been a champion for public transit this term, passing bills to hold MTA more accountable, end the farebox recovery mandate, require a new Central MD transit plan, and mandating increases in funding for MTA after years of underfunding. I will continue to advocate for more reliable, accessible, and comprehensive public transit, including bike/pedestrian infrastructure and complete streets.

Judicial Offices

Judge of the Circuit Court Circuit 8

DUTIES: Judges preside in the Circuit Court, which is a trial court that hears major civil cases and more serious criminal cases, such as those requiring a jury trial. Circuit Courts also may decide appeals from the District Court and certain administrative agencies.

SALARY: \$159,433.

TERM: Fifteen years, no term limit. Mandatory retirement age of 70 years.

HOW ELECTED: The state is divided into 8 Judicial Circuits. The General Assembly determines the number of judges in each circuit and county. When there is a vacancy, the Governor appoints a qualified person to fill the office. Each newly appointed Circuit Court judge then must stand for office at the first election that occurs at least one year after the vacancy happened. One or more other qualified members of the bar may also run to fill the vacancy. All candidates run on both the Democratic and Republican primary ballots.

The Issues

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

DISCRIMINATION: How can the courts address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?

COURT NEEDS: What are the greatest needs of Maryland's court system and how can these be addressed?

Candidates

Vote for no more than 5.

Charles H. Dorsey

Campaign Website: <http://www.baltimorecitysittingjudges.com>
No response received by deadline.

Lynn Stewart Mays

Campaign Website: <http://www.baltimorecitysittingjudges.com>
No response received by deadline.

Dana Michele Middleton

Campaign Website: <http://www.baltimorecitysittingjudges.com>
No response received by deadline.

John Nugent

Campaign Website: <http://www.baltimorecitysittingjudges.com>
No response received by deadline.

Jennifer Bridget Schiffer

Campaign Website: <http://www.baltimorecitysittingjudges.com>
No response received by deadline.

Judge, Court of Special Appeals At-Large

DUTIES: Judges preside in the Court of Special Appeals, the intermediate appellate court in Maryland. The Court reviews the actions and decisions of the Circuit Court and of the Orphans' Court in cases brought before it. The Court, usually sitting in panels of three judges, decides if the trial judge followed the law and legal precedent. The Court is composed of 15 judges: eight at large and one each from seven appellate judicial districts.

SALARY: 168,633 annual base.

TERM: Ten years, no term limit. Mandatory retirement age of 70 years.

HOW ELECTED: When there is a vacancy on the Court of Special Appeals, the governor appoints a qualified person to fill the office, with the consent of the State Senate. Once appointed, the appellate judge holds the office until the first election that occurs at least one year after the vacancy happened. At that time, the judge runs for an uncontested election for a ten-year term on their record (yes or no for continuance in office). No one is permitted to file against them. If the incumbent judge is approved, the judge faces another "retention election" every ten years to continue in office. If the incumbent judge is rejected by the voters, the post becomes vacant, and the governor makes a new appointment.

The Issues

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

DISCRIMINATION: How can the courts address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?

COURT NEEDS: What are the greatest needs of Maryland's court system and how can these be addressed?

Candidates

Vote Yes or No For Continuance in Office.

Donald E. Beachley

No response received by deadline.

Matthew J. Fader

No response received by deadline.



City Offices

State's Attorney

DUTIES: The State's Attorney is the chief law enforcement official in Baltimore City, responsible to the citizens of Baltimore for enforcing the law. She/he manages a staff of attorneys responsible for the prosecution of all criminal cases and juvenile matters. In addition, the office is involved in advocating for the public interest in legal matters and involving the community to address and resolve issues regarding crime and the criminal justice system.

ANNUAL SALARY: \$238,772.

TERM: 4 year term.

HOW ELECTED: Citywide

The Issues

QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for this office?

Violent Crime: What plans do you have to address the problem of violent crime in Baltimore City?

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SUBSTANCE ABUSE CRISIS: What is the impact of the opioid crisis on the criminal justice system and how will you address it?

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE: How do you plan to address the problem of public confidence in law enforcement?

PERSONNEL: How will you attract, recruit and retain qualified prosecutors?

OTHER PRIORITIES: In addition to the issues you described in the other questions, what are your priorities for this office?

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Marilyn J. Mosby Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I am the only candidate who has served as State's Attorney and during some of the most turbulent times in our City's history, I have stood firm in my convictions and on the side of the people. I am uniquely qualified to serve this City at this moment. I am committed to the hard work of ushering in substantive reform and continuing to shift the trajectory of our City.

VIOLENT CRIME: Using data driven approaches led by the Crime Strategies Unit (CSU) I created, and ensuring close coordination with the Police, including embedding detectives in our offices, we effectively prosecute violent repeat offenders and maintain a 92% felony conviction rate. We have convicted all 12 Public Enemy #1's since 2015, resulting in six life sentences and more than 700 years in prison.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE CRISIS: Understanding and recognizing that the drug trade fuels gun violence, I re-established the Narcotics Unit to combat the current opioid crisis. This unit held a 98 percent conviction rate in 2017. However, we also need to recognize the public health needs the opioid crisis has created and treat the disease of addiction in our population rather than simply jailing nonviolent drug users.

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE: Victim and Witness services has been a priority from the start of my administration and it is a major factor in restoring the community's faith in the criminal justice system. We have doubled the size of our Victim/Witness Unit with the support of a record \$2.4 million in grant funding and secured an additional \$360,000 each year of support for victim/witness relocation services from Annapolis.

PERSONNEL: The SAO recruits mission-minded prosecutors who share our belief in justice over convictions. We look for attorneys who are effective in holding violent offenders accountable for their crimes, but who also seek to build a better Baltimore by addressing the root causes of crime. We recruit from the many law schools in the region with an emphasis on increasing diversity and cultural competency.

OTHER PRIORITIES: My family lives in the heart of West Baltimore and I see first-hand what is possible when you believe in the capacity of our City and our neighbors to do great things. I am committed to the hard work of ushering in substantive reform and continuing to shift the trajectory of our city. Building a criminal justice system that the people trust and want to participate in is the key.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

DUTIES: The Clerk of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City handles administrative duties for the Circuit Court. The office maintains records of criminal, civil, and juvenile cases, as well as land transactions. Clerks also issue business and marriage licenses and administer oaths to some local officials

ANNUAL SALARY: \$114,500

TERM: 4 year term.

HOW ELECTED: Citywide

The Issues

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

RESOURCES: Does the Clerk's office have sufficient resources to support its functions and, if not, how will you address its lack of resources?

ASSISTANCE TO THE PUBLIC: How will you improve service by the Clerk's office to the public?

PRIORITIES: In addition to the issues you described in the other questions, what are your priorities for this office?

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Marilyn Bentley Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I currently serve as Clerk following appointment by the judges of the Circuit Court for Baltimore City in December 2016. I have 30 years of varied experience in

the courts, including service as Chief Deputy Clerk. I have worked with the public, judges, lawyers and other legal professionals across every dimension of Baltimore City Circuit Court operations.

RESOURCES: I have requested additional personnel to support the processing of an increased number of petitions for expungement due to changes in the law. I addressed staffing shortages in the Family Division. I have initiated staff training and cross training, and emphasized professionalism. I look forward to the introduction of updated computers and systems in the next two years.

ASSISTANCE TO THE PUBLIC: The Clerk's Office will be using more online forms to improve service and will be making more public service announcements on various topics, including mediation for foreclosure cases and self help resources. I encourage the public to use the court confident that the court records are being properly maintained and services are timely.

PRIORITIES: My priority is preparation for electronic filing. Training for use of electronic filing is essential, and it is important to sustain existing files and systems during the transition. Land records must be accessible to ensure the orderly transfer of property. The same is true for marriage licenses and divorce records, so essential for those filing for government benefits and other transactions.

Register of Wills

DUTIES: The Register of Wills handles administrative duties dealing with estates and heirs. The office appoints representatives to make sure that a deceased person's property passes to others, assists in legal paperwork dealing with wills and probate, collects inheritance taxes, keeps records of wills and probate documents, and does clerking duties for the judges of the Orphans' Court.

ANNUAL SALARY: \$114,500

TERM: 4 year term

HOW ELECTED: Citywide

The Issues

QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?
AREAS OF NEED: What are the areas of greatest need in the Orphans' Court system and how would you address them?

ASSISTANCE TO THE PUBLIC: How will you improve the service provided by the Register's office to the public?

PRIORITIES/GOALS: In addition to the issues you described in the other questions, what are your priorities for this office?

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Belinda K. Conaway
Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: I have an earned Masters Degree in Education. After serving the children and families of Baltimore City for 23 years as an educator and 7 years as the elected City Council Representative, I was elected to the Register of Wills office. Since then, I have updated and streamlined the office.

AREAS OF NEED: The Orphans Court is an independent agency established by the State Constitution. It maintains its own schedule and hires its own personnel. The Register of Wills serves as the de facto Clerk Court for the agency.

ASSISTANCE TO THE PUBLIC: Under my direction, the Register of Wills has established a Welcome Center for members of the public who choose to participate in the probate process without attorneys. We also have commenced unprecedented public outreach that informs citizens of the importance of having a will. We will continue this.

PRIORITIES/GOALS: Goals: 1. Continue to update and refine the operation of the agency in the emerging digital age. 2. Continue public outreach and citizen education about the importance of having a will. 3. Continue to stress to employees that the citizens are our boss. Their needs come first.

Judge of the Orphans' Court

DUTIES: The Orphans Court is a probate court that presides over the administration of estates where assets of the deceased do not automatically pass to a beneficiary. In such cases an administrative account is created. Orphan Court judges are responsible for overseeing the account and for making sure that appropriate payment and distributions are made. Where disputes arise, Orphans Court Judges hold formal hearings.

SALARY: \$74,000 to \$84,500

TERM: 4 year term

HOW ELECTED: Citywide

The Issues

QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for the duties of this office?
DISCRIMINATION: How can the courts address discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty?

COURT NEEDS: What are the greatest needs of the Orphans' Court and how can these be addressed?

Candidates

Vote for no more than 3.

Charles "Chuck" Bernstein
Democratic Party

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been an AV lawyer for almost 50 years. I have been an ASA, an AUSA, the first Federal Public Defender for Maryland, a Lecturer at the U of M Law School, a Circuit Court Judge, and am now finishing my first term as an Orphans' Court Judge, seeking a second term.

DISCRIMINATION: The Maryland Courts have extensive rules, regulations, and procedures in place to guard against any type of untoward discrimination. These items are constantly reviewed to make sure they are adequate. Our having a diverse bench is also helpful.

COURT NEEDS: The greatest problem facing Orphans' Court Judges is the large number of people appearing without counsel. We are constantly faced with unschooled litigants trying to navigate the Byzantine world of Estates and Trusts. Without funding for court-appointed counsel, it is difficult to address the issue.

Lewyn Scott Garrett
Democratic Party

Campaign Website: <http://OrphansCourtJudges2018.com>

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been an attorney for 40 years and have sat as an Orphans' Court Judge for 23 years in the State most busiest Orphans' Court. Combining my knowledge of the law that I have accumulated over the years with its practical application have enable me to not only become an expert in the areas of estate and probate, but to maintain an up to date docket.

DISCRIMINATION: The court can render opinions that clearly condemn any type of discrimination any time it appears in any judicial proceeding. Also, the court can work with law related organizations to help draft policy and establishing legal information and representation venues. The Orphans' Court is cooperating with Legal Aid to establish a probate division to represent low income individuals.

COURT NEEDS: To have the necessary resources to advise and inform the general public of its rights, thereby enabling them. An informed public will be beneficial to all. At the same time, the resources to address the concerns and any proceedings initiated by an individual.

Michele E. Loewenthal
Democratic Party

QUALIFICATIONS: I have been a practicing attorney since 1983 and represented clients in estate matters. I have served on the Orphans' Court since 2011 and attend yearly trainings on issues relevant to the Orphans' court.

DISCRIMINATION: I took a course required of all judges on sensitivity to discrimination issues in the courtroom. Our court prides itself in treating all litigants compassionately.

COURT NEEDS: The Orphans' Court would benefit from having a list of attorneys who can represent litigants appearing before us either pro bono or for a reduced fee.

Sheriff

DUTIES: According to the Baltimore City Sheriff's Office, its duties include the following:

- Service of Writs of Execution, Summonses, Subpoenas, and Writs of Possession.
- Service of Rent Court Orders and Evictions
- Execution of Arrest Warrants.
- Execution of Sheriff's Sales.
- Collection of Fines and Court Costs.
- Transportation of prisoners to place of incarceration.
- Maintaining order in the Circuit Court courtrooms.
- Custodial charge of prisoner during trial.
- Custodial charge of jurors during sequestration, including transportation to and from overnight accommodations.
- Execution of Domestic Violence and Peace Orders
- Criminal Patrol and Crime Suppression Details
- Traffic Enforcement.

ANNUAL SALARY: \$132,600

TERM: 4 years

HOW ELECTED: Citywide

The Issues

QUALIFICATIONS: How does your experience prepare you for this office?
RESOURCES: Does the Sheriff's office have sufficient resources to support its functions and, if not, how will you address this lack of resources?

DISCRIMINATION: What policies will you implement to prevent discrimination in law enforcement?

OTHER PRIORITIES: In addition to the issues you described in the other questions, what are your priorities for this office?

Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

David Anthony Wiggins
Republican Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: In 2015 I spearheaded the movement against police brutality, I was the only individual interviewed by the DOJ to have a complaint forwarded to the Criminal Division leading to the Consent Decree. I warned voters in 2010 & 2014 if I was not elected Sheriff, that police brutality and government corruption would lead to riots, I was right. Can you afford to not heed my warnings? Wiggins for Sheriff.

RESOURCES: No, By lobbying the Legislature to fund the Department in accord with Maryland Statutory Authority: Md. COURTS AND JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS Code Ann. § 2-309(d) § 2-309. Sheriffs--- Salaries and expenses; deputies; employees; equipment; inmate labor. To seek and divert funds from the bloated BPD overtime budget that has been used by various BPD personnel to engage in criminality and overtime fraud.

DISCRIMINATION: By having a Sheriff that is trained in law and litigation, and who is willing to perform the Constitutional duties of the Office, who is willing fight the BPD Culture of Corruption and hold criminally negligent and malfeasant government officials and employees accountable. The City government, BPD and State have failed the people, I will work with the DOJ to enforce the Consent Decree on BPD.

OTHER PRIORITIES: A Moratorium on illegal evictions & foreclosures Ending the 30 Year Culture of Police & Government Corruption Investigating the Murder of Det. Sean Suiter Ending Sanctuary City Policies Ending the City Opioid Crisis Create an Anti-Corruption Unit Restoring the Peoples Access to the Grand Jury End Judicial Corruption Restoring the Primacy of the Sheriff's Law Enforcement Duties Restore Your Trust

John W. Anderson
Democratic Party

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

QUALIFICATIONS: As the Sheriff of Baltimore City, John W. Anderson has built a reputation for serving Baltimore's citizens with commitment, integrity, and professionalism. Through his daily acts and deeds, Sheriff John W. Anderson embodies the spirit of public service. He is committed to Baltimore City's success and has lived here all of his life.

RESOURCES: The important work of the Office of the Baltimore City Sheriff is carried

out by only 103 deputies, which is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the women and men in uniform. Sheriff Anderson’s leadership has forged the Office into a successful, proud, and professional team that efficiently serves Baltimore City.

DISCRIMINATION: Sheriff Anderson’s experience and core values reinforce community based, constitutional law enforcement. Sheriff Anderson mandates non-discriminatory enforcement and his Deputies act as Peace Officers that protect the rights of all parties. Inside the Office, women and people of color serve in most of the top leadership roles.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Community outreach is the backbone of community policing, which is why Sheriff Anderson has made community outreach one of the highest priorities in the office. Our Deputies treat all people with respect and dignity. We believe it is our duty to uphold the trust of the people of Baltimore by protecting public safety with care, honor, and respect for the dignity of every individual.

Stanley Brandford
Write-in

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

QUALIFICATIONS: In 1990, Stanley joined the Baltimore Police Department as a patrolman to the Western District. He ascended through the ranks, serving in various leadership positions, and received two of the department’s highest honors: the Bronze Star and the Accommodation Award, which was awarded for his tenacity and dedication to justice. Stanley is a veteran of the Marine Corp.

RESOURCES: No the Sheriff Office does not have adequate resources to support it's functions. I will seek law enforcement grants from the state and federal government as well as donations from the private sector to supplement the Sheriff Office budget. I will also speak with the Governor to further examine the budget to solicit more funds and resources to assist with it's functions.

DISCRIMINATION: To prevent discrimination in law enforcement I will create an office of diversity and inclusion to assist with developing a better relationship with the community. I will provide in depth training to the staff of the Sheriff Office to assist with preventing discrimination within the department and amongst our citizens.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Stanley sees himself in the youth of Baltimore, and as part of his plan for Baltimore, looks to change the status quo for the most at-risk youth in the city. This fuels his purpose as a public servant. He believes that examining the roots of a problem leads to the best solution, a philosophy he plans to carry forward as Baltimore City Sheriff.

Ballot
Questions

Question 1 -
Education Funding

•Constitutional Amendment (Ch. 357 of the 2018 Legislative Session)
Requiring Commercial Gaming Revenues that are for Public Education
to Supplement Spending for Education in Public Schools

Ballot Language: The amendment requires the Governor to include in the annual State Budget, as supplemental funding for prekindergarten through grade 12 in public schools, the revenues from video lottery operation licenses and any other commercial gaming dedicated to public education in an amount above the level of State funding for education in public schools provided by the Bridge to Excellence in Public Schools Act of 2002 (otherwise known as the Thornton legislation) in not less than the following amounts: \$125 million in fiscal year 2020; \$250 million in fiscal year 2021; \$375 million in fiscal year 2022; and 100% of commercial gaming revenues dedicated to public education in fiscal year 2023 and each fiscal year thereafter. The amendment also requires the Governor to show in the annual budget how the revenues from video lottery operation licenses and other commercial gaming are being used in a manner that is in addition to the level of State funding for public education provided by the funding formulas established by the Bridge to Excellence in Public Schools Act. The State Constitution currently authorizes video lottery operation licenses for the primary purpose of raising money for public education. (Amending Article XIX, Section 1(c)(1) and (g), and adding Section 1(f) to the Maryland Constitution)

- **Current Law:** Maryland voters approved a constitutional amendment (Article XIX) in 2008 authorizing video lottery operations for the "primary purpose" of raising money for public education. The funds must be used to support programs in public schools, such as early childhood education, career and technical education, high school courses for college credits, training for public school teachers, improvement of school buildings, and capital projects at community colleges and state-supported colleges and universities.
- **Proposed Change:** This amendment would require that beginning in 2020, the Governor must include specified amounts from gambling revenues in the state budget for public education. These amounts must be in addition to, and not a substitute for, any other state funding for public education. The amendment would also repeal the provision that allows gambling revenues to be used for capital projects at community colleges and state-supported colleges and universities.
- **Origin of the Ballot Question:** The 2018 session of the Maryland General Assembly passed legislation (SB 1122) proposing an amendment to the Maryland constitution to add more specific requirements for how gambling revenue is used in the state budget to fund public education. A bill to amend the Maryland constitution does not take effect unless it is approved by the voters at the next general election.
- **Arguments FOR the amendment:**
 - * It ensures that gambling revenues are directed to public education as intended and approved by voters.
 - * It addresses concerns that the state was using gaming revenues to substitute for education funding that was already required by law, rather than increasing

- the total amount of education funding.
- * It ensures that gaming revenues paid into the Education Trust Fund (also called a “lockbox”) may be spent only in addition to other public education funding and cannot be used as a substitute for other funding that is already required by the Bridge to Excellence law.
- **Arguments AGAINST the amendment:**
 - * The amendment would reduce the state’s flexibility to use gambling revenues for other state programs.
 - * The amendment would eliminate the use of gaming revenues to fund capital projects at community and public colleges.
 - **A vote FOR the constitutional amendment means** the state constitution would be amended to specify that revenue from gambling be used to supplement other state funding for public education and cannot be used as a substitute for other required education funding.
 - **A vote AGAINST the amendment means** the current provision in the constitution would remain in effect, under which gambling revenue is used for public education but those funds may be in place of other state funding for schools.
- [State Board of Elections [summary](#) of Ballot Question 1.]

Question 2 -
Election Day
Voter Registration

Constitutional Amendment (Ch. 855 of the 2018 Legislative Session)
Same-Day Registration and Voting at the Precinct Polling Place
on Election Day

- Ballot Language:** Authorizes the General Assembly to enact legislation to allow a qualified individual to register and vote at a precinct polling place on Election Day. The current law requires voter registration to close before Election Day. (Amending Article 1, sections 1 and 2, and adding Section 2A to the Maryland constitution.)
- **Current Law:** Maryland law requires that voter registration close 21 days before an election. An exception allows people to register and vote in person during early voting at an Early Voting Center. They must provide proof of residence such as a driver's license or other specified identification. Under current law a person may not register to vote at a precinct polling place on Election Day and vote on the same day.
 - **Proposed Change:** The Maryland constitution would be amended to authorize the legislature to pass a law permitting people to register to vote at a precinct polling place on Election Day and to vote on the same day.
 - **Origin of the Ballot Question:** The 2018 session of the Maryland General Assembly passed legislation (HB 532) proposing an amendment to the Maryland constitution to allow people to register to vote on Election Day and to vote the same day. A bill to amend the Maryland constitution does not take effect unless it is approved by the voters at the next general election.
 - **Arguments FOR the amendment:**
 - * Voting is a fundamental right that should not be lost due to failure to comply with a registration requirement.
 - * Same day registration and voting already takes place during early voting. On-the-spot validation of a voter's documentation is conducted before the voter is allowed to vote. These procedures could also be used for same day registration and voting on Election Day.
 - * Fourteen other states allow same day voter registration and voting on Election Day and have not reported problems.
 - **Arguments AGAINST the amendment:**
 - * Permitting people to register and vote on Election Day could lead to voter fraud.
 - * Requiring people to register in advance is not burdensome, as the registration forms are readily available.
 - **A vote FOR the amendment means** that the constitution would be amended to allow the legislature to enact a law permitting people to register to vote at a precinct polling place on Election Day.
 - **A vote AGAINST the amendment means** that the constitution would not be amended and people would need to register to vote before Election Day. [State Board of Elections [summary](#) of Ballot Question 2.]

Baltimore City
Question A

Bond Issue
Affordable Housing Loan

Ordinance No. 18-152 to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to borrow up to \$10,000,000 to be used for the planning, developing, executing, and making operative the Affordable Housing Program of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, including, but not limited to, the acquisition, by purchase, lease, condemnation or any other legal means, of land or property in the City of Baltimore; the payment of any and all costs and expenses incurred in connection with or incidental to the acquisition and management of the land or property; the payment of any and all costs and expenses incurred for or in connection with relocating and moving persons or other legal entities displaced by the acquisition of the land or property, and the disposition of land and property for such purposes, such costs to include but not limited to rental payment and home purchase

assistance, housing counseling and buyer education, assistance, and activities to support the orderly and sustainable planning, preservation, rehabilitation, and development of economically diverse housing in City neighborhoods; the elimination of unhealthful, unsanitary or unsafe conditions, lessening density, eliminating obsolete or other uses detrimental to the public welfare or otherwise removing or preventing the spread of blight or deterioration in the City of Baltimore; and for doing all things necessary, proper or expedient in connection therewith.

• For • Against

LWV Write-up

In 2016 Baltimore City Voters created the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to be used exclusively for affordable housing. It is administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development and is financed through General Obligation (GO)bonds authorized by the voters every two years. In 2018, the program requests \$10,000,000 to be used for the acquisition and production of new housing, preservation of existing housing, housing counseling, rental assistance, project financing, and other related activities.

A vote **For** Question A will allow the city to issue a General Obligation (GO) bond for \$10,000,000 to support Affordable Housing. GO bonds are routine borrowing backed by the "full faith and credit" of the city.

A vote **Against** Question A will prevent the city from acquiring the necessary funds to support the program.

Baltimore City Question B

Bond Issue School Loan

Ordinance No. 18-145 to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to borrow up to \$38,000,000 to be used for the acquisition of land or property to construct and erect new school buildings, athletic and auxiliary facilities; and for additions and improvements to or modernization or reconstruction of existing school buildings or facilities; and to equip all buildings to be constructed, erected, improved, modernized, or reconstructed; and for doing any and all things necessary, proper or expedient in connection therewith.

• For • Against

LWV Write-up

This loan authorizes the Mayor and the City Council to borrow \$38,000,000 to invest in school facilities. This money will be used in conjunction with the 21st Century Schools Initiative for the investment in new schools and large-scale maintenance improvements and modernization.

A vote **For** Question B will allow the city to issue a General Obligation (GO) bond for \$38,000,000 to invest in school facilities. GO bonds are routine borrowing backed by the full faith and credit of the city.

A vote **Against** Question B will prevent the city from acquiring the funds needed for school facilities.

Baltimore City Question C

Bond Issue Community and Economic Development Loan

Ordinance No. 18-146 to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to borrow up to \$47,000,000 to be used for, or in connection with, planning, developing, executing and making operative the community, commercial, and industrial economic development programs of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore; the development or redevelopment, including, but not limited to, the comprehensive renovation or rehabilitation of any land or property, or any rights or interests therein hereinbefore mentioned, in the City of Baltimore, and the disposition of land and property for such purposes; the elimination of unhealthful, unsanitary, or unsafe conditions, lessening density, eliminating obsolete or other uses detrimental to the public welfare or otherwise removing or preventing the spread of blight or deterioration in the City of Baltimore; the creation of healthy, sanitary, and safe, and green conditions in the City of Baltimore; and authorizing loans and grants therefore; making loans and grants to various projects and programs related to growing businesses in the City; attracting and retaining jobs; providing homeownership incentives and home repair assistance; authorizing loans and grants to various projects and programs related to improving cultural life and promotion of tourism in Baltimore City and the lending or granting of funds to any person or other legal entity to be used for or in connection with the rehabilitation, renovation, redevelopment, improvement or construction of buildings and structures to be used or occupied for residential or commercial purposes; and for doing any and all things necessary, proper or expedient in connection therewith.

• For • Against

LWV Write-up

This loan authorizes the Mayor and City Council to borrow \$47,000,000 to support and help realize their program of community and economic (commercial & industrial) revitalization. This includes making grants and loans for major renovation to land or property to

eliminate blight and create healthy, safe, and green communities. It also authorizes loans and grants for specific projects designed to encourage business growth, create jobs, promote home ownership, and enhance cultural life in Baltimore City.

A vote **For** Question C allows the city to issue \$47,000,000 in General Obligation bonds to support the city's revitalization efforts. This is routine borrowing backed by the full faith and credit of the city.

A vote **Against** Question C will prevent the city from acquiring the necessary funds.

Baltimore City Question D

Bond Issue Recreation and Parks and Public Facilities

Ordinance No. 18-147 to authorize the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to borrow up to \$65,000,000 to be used for the acquisition and development of property buildings owned and controlled by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, the Enoch Pratt Library and public park or recreation land, property, buildings, structures or facilities; for the construction, erection, renovation, alteration, reconstruction, installation, improvement and repair of buildings, structures, or facilities to be or now being used by or in connection with the operations, function and activities of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, the Enoch Pratt Free Library, public parks and recreational programs; for the acquisition and installation of trees, for tree planting programs and for the equipping of any and all existing and new buildings, structures, and facilities authorized to be constructed, renovated, altered or improved by this Ordinance; and for doing any and all things necessary, proper or expedient in connection therewith.

• For • Against

LWV Write-up

The Recreation and Parks Facilities loan provides funds for improvements and additions to neighborhood parks, recreation centers, and libraries. The proposed \$65,000,000 loan will also be used for improvements to other city government building, e.g., courthouses, city office buildings, and fire stations.

A vote **For** Question D will allow the city to issue a General Obligation(GO) bond for \$65,000,000 for needed improvements to the city's Recreation and Parks and Public Facilities.

A vote **Against** Question D will prevent the city from borrowing these needed funds.

Baltimore City Question E

Charter Amendment Inalienability of the Sewer and Water Systems

Resolution No. 18-13 is for the purpose of declaring the inalienability of the City's sewer system and water-supply system and for excepting the sewer and water-supply systems, their operations and uses, from the Charter provisions otherwise authorizing the grant of franchises or rights relating to the operation or use of public property or places.

For the Charter Amendment Against the Charter Amendment

LWV Write-up

This charter amendment would forbid privatization of the City's sewer system and water supply system.

Arguments For: Proponents claim that water privatization abandons democracy and supports corporate interests while leaving poor communities with higher rates and unreliable service that come with corporate control of water. They point to a survey of the 500 largest water systems, taken by Food & Water Watch, which found that private water companies charge households an average of 59 percent more than local governments charge. Supporters argue that the city has the ability and the responsibility to correct the problems of our water system, from incorrect bills to massive water main breaks, with one goal in mind: making sure that everyone in our city has access to safe, affordable water service.

Arguments Against: Private water company representatives have proposed a lease agreement in which the company would pay the city upfront to take control of operating Baltimore's water system and then collect the money charged from water bills. They claim that company professionals are best equipped and resourced to improve services more efficiently than local government.

A vote **FOR** Question E would forbid city officials from selling, leasing or granting a franchise for the city's water and sewer systems.

A vote **AGAINST** Question E would leave city officials with the option to sell, lease or grant a franchise for the city's water and sewer systems.

Baltimore City Question F

Charter Amendment Office of the Inspector General

Resolution No. 18-08 is for the purpose of creating an independent Office of the Inspector General headed by an Inspector General. The law would establish the process for appointing and terminating the Inspector General and would establish the powers and duties of the Office of the Inspector General. The law would provide for the funding of the Office of the Inspector General, grant the Inspector General the power to issue subpoenas and require the Office of the Inspector General to issue an annual public report. The law provides for certain administrative procedures and establishes procedures to transition the existing Office of the Inspector General in the Law Department into the newly created independent Office of the Inspector General.

For the Charter Amendment Against the Charter Amendment

LWV Write-up

The current Baltimore City Office of the Inspector General was established in 2005, within the City's Law Department, pursuant to an Executive Order. This Charter Amendment would add a new section to the City Charter establishing an Office of the Inspector General (OIG), the head of which is the Inspector General (IG). The IG is responsible for investigating complaints of fraud, financial waste, and abuse in City Government, and promoting efficiency, accountability, and integrity in City Government.

The Executive Order creating the current OIG did not specify who appoints the IG (the last two IGs have been appointed by the City Solicitor with approval of the Mayor), did not specify a term for the IG, and did not address funding of the OIG, and was funded annually through the Mayor's budget. This Charter Amendment creates an Advisory Board, comprised of the Mayor (or designee), City Solicitor, City Council President (or designee), Comptroller (or designee) and a member of the City Council appointed by City Council President to appoint the IG, to annually review performance of the IG, and review the proposed budget of OIG. Upon agreement of Mayor and City Council President, two additional members of the Advisory Board may be appointed, consisting of the Dean of the University of Baltimore Law School and University of Maryland Law School. The Charter Amendment specifies a term of six years for the IG. The Charter Amendment specifies the OIG be funded annually in the Ordinance of Estimates and requires the IG to formulate and prepare a proposed annual budget to fund the operations of the OIG, with the Advisory Board having authority to approve or revise the budget. This Amendment grants the IG the authority to issue subpoenas and requires the IG to issue an annual public report.

A vote **FOR** the Question F would create an independent Office of the Inspector General, with appointment by an Advisory Board for a 6 year term. The OIG would be funded through the annual Ordinance of Estimates, and the IG would have subpoena power.

A vote **AGAINST** Question F would keep the Office of the Inspector General within the Law Department, with no changes to the method of appointing the IG and no formal budgeting requirements.

Baltimore City Question G

Charter Amendment Department of Legislative Reference

Resolution No. 18-11 is for the purpose of authorizing the replacement of the Board of Legislative Reference with an ad hoc board appointed by the Mayor, the President of the City Council, and the Comptroller and providing for the newly restructured ad hoc Board of Legislative Reference to make recommendations regarding the hiring of a Director of Legislative Reference. The law would also remove the Civil Service status of the Director of Legislative Reference making the Director's status the same as other department heads. The Director will be removable for any reason. The Mayor and the President of the City Council are required to jointly appoint and remove the Director of Legislative Reference.

For the Charter Amendment Against the Charter Amendment

LWV Write-up

This is a proposal to amend the Baltimore City Charter to provide that the Director of the Department of Legislative Reference will be the head of the Department, and to provide a process for appointing or removing the Director.

Whenever the Mayor and the City Council President find that the office of Director of Legislative Reference is vacant, an ad hoc Board of three members will be appointed, for which the Mayor, the City Council President, and the Comptroller will each make one appointment. The Board will solicit and interview potential candidates and will recommend two or three candidates to the Mayor and City Council President. The Mayor and City Council President will then jointly appoint the new Director from that list, and the ad hoc Board will be dissolved. The procedure for removal of the Director will similarly require agreement of both the Mayor and the City Council President. Current Charter provisions relating to the qualifications of the Director and the powers, duties, and staff of the Department of Legislative Reference remain unchanged.

Arguments for: The amendment would provide that in place of the Board as head of the Department, the Director will be the head, as with other City Departments. The current Board has seven members, four of whom are not subject to City oversight and control, while it has the power to appoint and remove the Director of a City Department. The most recent meeting of the Board was in 2009 about an issue relating to the City archives, and the meeting prior to that was in 2003 about a personnel issue. In other words, since 1996, the Board has met twice. The Charter Amendment, by requiring agreement of the Mayor and the City Council President for appointment and removal of the Director, ensures a balance of political interests, and encourages both accountability and independence

Arguments against: Rejection of the amendment will retain the current Departmental structure and the process for appointing and removing the Director. A possible problem: Since the Department of Legislative Reference administers the city's Ethics Program, a conflict between the Mayor and the City Council President could subject the Director to political pressures. In that case, an alternate process to resolve the issues might be needed.

A vote **FOR** Question G will make the Director of the Department of Legislative Reference (instead of a board) the head of the Department, as with other City Departments.

A vote **AGAINST** Question G will retain the current Departmental structure and the process for appointing and removing the Director.

Baltimore City Question H

Charter Amendment Fair Election Fund

Resolution No. 18-09 is for the purpose of authorizing the establishment of a continuing, nonlapsing Fair Election Fund, to be used exclusively to administer a public financing option for political campaigns for Baltimore City elected offices. The law would authorize the Mayor and City Council to dedicate revenue to the Fair Election Fund by ordinance and provide for oversight, governance, and administration of the Fair Election Fund by ordinance. The law would also establish a Fair Election Fund Commission to administer the Fund.

For the Charter Amendment Against the Charter Amendment

LWV Write-up

This charter amendment establishes the Fair Elections Fund to be used for public financing for political campaigns for Baltimore City elected offices and an 11-member independent Fair Election Fund Commission to identify sources of revenue for the fund and to administer the Fund.

Arguments for: Supporters argue that public financing will change how candidates run their campaigns, allowing more time for community interaction and less effort for fundraising. Making public money available to candidates would diminish the power of rich donors, interest groups and labor unions. They propose that only candidates who agree to accept only individual donations of less than \$150 would be eligible for matching funds from the city. Now individuals can contribute up to \$6,000 to a local campaign. The proposal would offer qualifying candidates some multiple of an individual's donation. The idea is to reduce the power of large donors and make giving and participating in elections more appealing to lower-income residents. Money for the fund could come from an annual budgeted allocation, dedicating certain fines, fees and surcharges, and grants or donations. Detailed requirements and oversight of the election fund would be overseen by the commission and city ordinance. The system could be in effect for the 2024 elections.

Arguments against: Opponents argue that scarce city funds should not be used for candidates for public office. It might be easier for an incumbent with a large following to obtain the necessary number of small contributions. Others might argue that allowing rich donors and interest groups to make large contributions is a form of free speech.

A vote **FOR** Question H would establish the Fair Elections Fund and an 11-member commission to administer the fund. It would authorize the Mayor and City Council to dedicate revenue to the fund and pass ordinances to provide oversight, governance and administration of the fund.

A vote **AGAINST** Question H would prevent the establishment of the Fair Elections Fund and Commission to administer public financing for Baltimore City elections. Candidates without access to large donors or personal wealth would be less able to compete.

Baltimore City Question I

Charter Amendment Equity Assistance Fund

Resolution No. 18-14 is for the purpose of authorizing the establishment of a continuing, nonlapsing Equity Assistance Fund, to be used exclusively to assist efforts that reduce inequity based on race, gender, or economic status in Baltimore. The law would authorize the Mayor and City Council to appropriate money in the annual Ordinance of Estimates to the Equity Assistance Fund and authorize the Mayor and City Council to dedicate revenue to the Equity Assistance Fund by ordinance.

For the Charter Amendment Against the Charter Amendment

LWV Write-up

This charter amendment authorizes the establishment of an Equity Assistance Fund to be used to assist efforts that reduce inequity based on race, gender or economic status. The fund is to be used for programs and activities designed to provide equity in housing, provide equitable access to education, assist in efforts to redress past inequities in capital budget spending, and eliminate structural and institutional racism. A similar fund in Seattle, Washington provided grants to a group working to address disproportionate academic achievement and discipline rates in public schools, a summer camp for Native American youth and a coalition that works with undocumented immigrant children.

To illustrate the need for the charter amendment, proponents point to the Baltimore planning department's analysis of \$670 million of budgeted capital projects which found that predominantly white neighborhoods were slated for almost twice as much capital spending over the past five years as mostly black parts of the city. Another reason is Baltimore's history of racist zoning laws and restrictive housing covenants.

Opponents object to creating a special fund that could limit spending on other city priorities.

A vote **FOR** Question I would authorize the establishment of a continuing, nonlapsing Equity Assistance Fund, authorize the Mayor and City Council to appropriate money to the fund and authorize them to dedicate revenue to the fund by ordinance. Grants could be awarded for projects to reduce inequities.

A vote **AGAINST** Question I would mean that there would be no authority to establish and devote revenue to an Equity Assistance Fund for grants to reduce inequity.

PROVISIONAL BALLOTS

A provisional ballot allows someone who thinks he or she is an eligible voter to vote but who is not in the electronic poll book.

Examples include voters who moved and did not update their address, records showing that an absentee ballot was already voted, or primary voters claiming a different party affiliation than what is shown in the electronic poll book, among other reasons.

A provisional ballot will "count" if the Board of Elections determines that the voter is registered and eligible.

No voter will be denied the opportunity to vote.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS:

Request a paper form at the
Baltimore City Board of Elections by
November 1 online:

www.elections.state.md.us/voting/absentee.html

Baltimore City Board of Elections

Charles L. Benton Building

417 E. Fayette Street, Room 129

Baltimore MD 21202-3432

410-396-5550

Fax for Absentee Ballots Only:

410-727-1775 or 410-783-7394

<http://boe.baltimorecity.gov>

EMAIL ADDRESS: election.judge@baltimorecity.gov

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It's about money - how your taxes are spent.

It's about education – how to strengthen the quality and performance of the schools.

It's about mobility – how to balance the needs of drivers, transit riders, bikers and walkers.

It's about the environment - how to protect natural resources and ecosystems.

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November 6th!*



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3500 W. Northern Parkway
(Enter on Manhattan Ave)
Baltimore, MD 21215

Southeast Anchor Library
3601 Eastern Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21224

Mount Pleasant Church & Ministries
6000 Radecke Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21206

The League for People with Disabilities
1111 E. Coldspring Lane
Baltimore, MD 21239

Westside Skill Center
4501 Edmondson Avenue
(Enter on Athol Ave)
Baltimore, MD 21229

University of Maryland at Baltimore
Community Engagement Center
1 North Poppleton Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Dr. Carter G. Woodson
Modular Building School #160
2501 Seabury Road
Baltimore, MD 21225

Important Election Dates

Voter Registration Deadline
Tuesday, October 16, 2018

General Election
Tuesday, November 6, 2018
7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

Early Voting
Thursday, October 25, 2018
to
Thursday, November 1, 2018



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General Election Ballot

You may check the candidates of your choice and take this voters' guide into the voting booth.

Abbreviations: **Rep** = Republican Party • **Dem** = Democratic Party
• **Lib** = Libertarian Party • **Grn** = Green Party • **Con** = Constitution Party
• **Una** = Unaffiliated Candidate • **WRI** = Write-In

Maryland Statewide Offices

Governor / Lt. Gov

Vote for no more than 1.

_Larry Hogan and Boyd Rutherford (Rep)
_Ben Jealous and Susan Turnbull (Dem)
_Shawn Quinn and Christina Smith (Lib)
_Ian Schlakman and Annie Chambers (Grn)

Comptroller

Vote for no more than 1.

_Anjali Reed Phukan (Rep)
_Peter Franchot (Dem)

Attorney General

Vote for no more than 1.

_Craig Wolf (Rep)
_Brian E. Frosh (Dem)

US Senator

Vote for no more than 1.

_Tony Campbell (Rep)
_Ben Cardin (Dem)
_Arvin Vohra (Lib)
_Neal Simon (Una)
_Michael B. Puskar (Wri)
_Lih Young (Wri)

US Congressional Offices US Representative District 2

Vote for no more than 1

_Liz Matory (Rep)
_C. A. Dutch Ruppersberger (Dem)
_Michael Carney (Lib)
_Guy Mimoun (Grn)

US Representative District 3

Vote for no more than 1.

_Charles Anthony (Rep)
_John Sarbanes (Dem)
_David Lasher (Lib)

US Representative District 7

Vote for no more than 1.

_Richmond Davis (Rep)
_Elijah Cummings (Dem)
_David R. Griggs (Lib)

General Assembly

Maryland Senate

Maryland Senate District 40

Vote for no more than 1.

_Antonio Hayes (Dem)

Maryland Senate District 41

Vote for no more than 1.

_Jill P. Carter (Dem)

Maryland Senate District 43

Vote for no more than 1.

_Mary Washington (Dem)

Maryland Senate District 44

Vote for no more than 1.

_Victor Clark, Jr. (Rep)
_Shirley Nathan-Pulliam (Dem)

Maryland Senate District 45

Vote for no more than 1.

_Cory V. McCray (Dem)

Maryland Senate District 46

Vote for no more than 1.

_Christine Digman (Rep)
_Bill Ferguson (Dem)

Maryland House of Delegates

Maryland House District 40

Vote for no more than 3.

_Frank M. Conaway Jr. (Dem)
_Nick Mosby (Dem)
_Melissa Wells (Dem)
_Joshua Harris (Grn)
_Will Hanna (Wri)

Maryland House District 41

Vote for no more than 3.

_Dalya Attar (Dem)
_Tony Bridges (Dem)
_Samuel I. "Sandy" Rosenberg (Dem)
_Drew A. Pate (Grn)

Maryland House District 43

Vote for no more than 3.

_Curt Anderson (Dem)
_Regina T. Boyce
_Maggie McIntosh (Dem)
_Bonnie "Raven" Lane (Grn)

Maryland House District 44A

Vote for no more than 1.

_Keith E. Haynes (Dem)

Maryland House District 45

Vote for no more than 3.

_Ronald M. Owens-Bey (Rep)
_Jewel Rucker (Rep)
_Andy Zipay (Rep)
_Talmadge Branch (Dem)
_Cheryl D. Glenn (Dem)
_Stephanie Smith (Dem)
_Steven "Andy" Ellis (Grn)
_Glenn L. Ross (Grn)

Maryland House District 46

Vote for no more than 3.

_Jeremy Barron (Rep)
_Nicholas Wentworth (Rep)
_Luke Clippinger (Dem)
_Robbyn Lewis (Dem)
_Brooke Elizabeth Lierman (Dem)

Judicial Offices

Judicial Circuit 8

Vote for no more than 5.

_Charles H. Dorsey
_Lynn Stewart Mays
_Dana Michele Middleton
_John Nugent
_Jennifer Bridget Schiffer

Judge, Court of Special Appeals At-Large

Vote Yes or No for continuance in office

_Donald E. Beachley
_Matthew J. Fader

Baltimore City Offices State's Attorney

Vote for no more than 1.

_Marilyn J. Mosby (Dem)

Clerk of the Circuit Court

Vote for no more than 1.

_Marilyn Bentley (Dem)

Register of Wills

Vote for no more than 1.

_Belinda K. Conaway (Dem)

Judge of the Orphans' Court

Vote for no more than 3.

_Charles "Chuck" Bernstein (Dem)
_Lewyn Scott Garrett (Dem)
_Michele E. Loewenthal (Dem)

Baltimore City Sheriff

Vote for no more than 1.

_David Anthony Wiggins (Rep)
_John W. Anderson (Dem)
_Stanley Brandford (Wri)

Ballot Questions

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_Against the Constitutional Amendment

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_For _Against

Baltimore City Question C

_For _Against

Baltimore City Question D

_For _Against

Baltimore City Question E

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Baltimore City Question F

_For the Charter Amendment
_Against the Charter Amendment

Baltimore City Question G

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_Against the Charter Amendment

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