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VOTERS' GUIDE

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Gubernatorial Election

Tuesday, November 6, 2018
Polls open at 7AM and close at 8PM

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The League thanks all candidates who submitted answers to our questionnaires.

In partisan races, these abbreviations are used.

REP = Republican Party
DEM = Democratic Party
LBT = Libertarian Party
GRN = Green Party
CON = Constitution Party
UNA = Unaffiliated Candidate

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The League of Women Voters offers this free Voters' Guide to assist citizens in their decision-making process as they prepare for the 2018 gubernatorial election. The League is a nonpartisan organization that does not support or oppose any political party or candidate. The League works to promote political responsibility through informed and active participation in public policy debate and governmental decision-making.

The League has a long tradition of publishing verbatim responses of candidates to questions important to voters. All answers appear exactly as submitted; no corrections or editing has been done. If a candidate exceeded the length limit for their response, their answers were truncated. If a candidate failed to reply to our request to participate by the deadline, their name is listed with the statement "No response received by deadline."

This Voters' Guide contains responses only from candidates whose races will be on the Gubernatorial General Election Ballot. Some candidates may have withdrawn since the material was compiled and others may have been added. The answers to ALL the questions may be found at the online interactive version of the Voters' Guide at www.vote411.org.

Voting Information

Gubernatorial Election Early Voting

Thursday, October 25, 2018 to Thursday, November 1, 2018 Hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

- A voter can go to their assigned polling location and cast their ballot on Election Day or
- A voter can request an absentee ballot sent to them by mail or
- A voter can vote at an Early Voting location and cast their ballot October 25th through November 1st.



Early Voting Locations:

- Accokeek VFD Training & Activity Center 16111 Livingston Road Accokeek, MD 20607
- Baden Community Center 13601 Baden-Westwood Road Brandywine, MD 20613
- Bowie Gymnasium 4100 Northview Drive Bowie, MD 20716
- College Park Community Center 5051 Pierce Avenue College Park, MD 20740
- Kentland Community Center 2413 Pinebrook Avenue Landover, MD 20785
- Laurel-Beltsville Senior Activity Center 7120 Contee Road Laurel, MD 20707
- Southern Regional Technology and Recreation Complex 7007 Bock Road Fort Washington, MD 20744
- Suitland Community Park School Center 5600 Regency Lane Forestville, MD 20747
- Upper Marlboro Community Center 5400 Marlboro Race Track Road Upper Marlboro, MD 20772
- VFW Post 8950 Hansen Hall 9800 Good Luck Road Lanham, MD 20706
- Wayne K. Curry Sports & Learning Center 8001 Sheriff Road Landover, MD 20785

If you vote by Early Voting, you cannot vote by absentee ballot or on Election Day.

Maryland State Board of Elections Visit: http://www.elections.state.md.us

- See the status of your absentee or provisional ballot.
- View your sample ballot.
- Review your voter registration record.
- Request a duplicate voter registration card.
- · Find out where to vote.
- Find out your voting districts.

https://voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch

Prince George's County Board of Elections 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A Largo MD 20774

(301) 341-7300, Fax No.: (301) 341-7391 Website: http://elections.mypgc.us

Elections Administrator: Alisha L. Alexander Email Address: election@co.pg.md.us Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M



ELECTION CALENDAR

Tuesday, October 16, 2018: Deadline to register to

Thursday, October 25, 2018 to Thursday, November 1, 2018: Early Voting, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Tuesday, October 30, 2018: Deadline to Request Absentee Ballot by mail: (8 pm, 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A, Largo MD 20776) or fax/email (11:59 pm, 301-341-7399;/ boeabsenteevoting@co.pg.md.us)

Friday, November 2, 2018: Deadline to request an electronic absentee ballot to be delivered via Internet: 5 pm (mail request, 1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 115A, Largo MD 20776) or 11:59 pm (email/fax request, 301 341-7399/ boeabsenteevoting@co.pg.md.us).

Tuesday, November 6, 2018: General Election. Polls open 7 a.m. and close 8 p.m.

Identification in Maryland: *Not required* except under some circumstances. For example, if the voter has registered by mail and has failed to include identification as requested for mail-in registration.

Felon voting in Maryland: Those convicted of felonies are welcome to vote in Maryland after they have been released from incarceration.

Age to register in Maryland: 16

Age to vote: 18 on or before General Election Day,

November 6, 2018

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Any registered voter may vote by absentee ballot.

HOW TO GET AN ABSENTEE BALLOT

There are three ways you can request an absentee ballot.

From the Maryland State Board of Elections web-site http://www.elections.state.md.us/voting/absentee.html, you may request an absentee ballot online if you have a Maryland's driver's license or MVA-issued ID card. Or from the same link you may download a form, read the instructions, enter the required information, print the form, sign it, and return it to your local board of elections. You can return it by mail, fax, or email (scanned as an attachment).

Or you may go to your local board of elections and fill out and turn in the form.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS

If returned **in person**, the County Elections Board must receive an absentee ballot no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day. Absentee ballots must be returned **by mail or in person** directly to the Board of Elections; they cannot be accepted at the polls on Election Day or returned on-line.

If you **mail your ballot**, it must be <u>postmarked on or before Election Day</u> **and** it must be <u>received by your local</u> board of elections by 10 a.m. on November 16, 2018 for

the general election. Voters are cautioned that if an absentee ballot has been issued to them, they will not be permitted to cast their vote at their polls on Election Day.

PROVISIONAL BALLOTS ARE REAL BALLOTS.

You may be asked to vote by provisional ballot rather than on the voting machine if:

Your name does not appear on the E-Poll Books when you check in;

You live at a different address than is shown on the E-Poll Books when you check in;

You had been assigned to vote at a different polling place; or

You have been asked to show identification but are unable to do so.

Provisional ballots are checked after the election and, if everything is in order, the votes are cast.

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Be a part of making our communities FAIR, VIBRANT, and STRONG! Join the League and be directly involved in shaping the important issues in our state. Membership in the League is open to men and women of all ages. With more than 90 years of experience 850 local and state affiliates in all 50 states, the League is one of America's most trusted grassroots organizations.

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The League of Women Voters works to keep government power in the hands of the people by helping residents to become educated, active, and engaged in public policy. If you believe that this is important and want us to continue to provide forums and debates, Voters' Guides like this one, and other publications, please make a tax-deductible contribution to the League of Women Voters of Prince George's County Education Fund.

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STATEWIDE OFFICES

Governor / Lt Governor

Vote for no more than 1.

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 https://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/08co noff/html/01govf.html

Questions

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?

Larry Hogan / Boyd K. Rutherford (REP)

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No response received by deadline. .

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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.

Shawn Quinn / Christina Smith (LBT)

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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 (GRN)

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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 reprioritizing 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 put Marylanders to work building the infrastructure we need to get the job done. **DISCRIMINATION:** Our priorities of creating a universal, singlepayer 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

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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

https://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/08conoff/html/03compf.

Questions

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

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.

Anjali Reed Phukan (REP)

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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 (DEM)

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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

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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

https://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/08conoff/attorney/htm l/06aqf.html

Questions

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?

Craig Wolf (REP)

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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 (DEM)

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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

Vote for no more than 1.

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

Questions

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?

Tony Campbell (REP)

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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 undocumented 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.

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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.

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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.

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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 coopted 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.

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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

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employment/business/activities;

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;

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. Televise candidate debate; maintain/disseminate accurate meaningful records, proceeding

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

U.S. Representative Districts 4 & 5

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

Questions

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?

immigration policy?

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

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 4 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

George McDermott (REP)



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QUALIFICATIONS: I come from proud a family that has been involved with public service for as long as I can remember. I want to work for you. We need to create more living wage jobs, improve our schools, and make public safety - especially getting guns off the streets, a top priority. With nearly a decade of government experience, I know what it takes to find solutions, navigate the complicated governmental

HEALTH CARE: Obama care was a disaster from the beginning ill-conceived ill investigated and deceptive than its nature with the cover story of trying to help of small fraction of uninsured parties this debacle has ruined far more families in America that it will ever while making the corporate healthcare industry and drug industries wealthy. unfortunately recent changes have only made matters much worse

DISCRIMINATION: we have seen great changes in the last decade in the government's policies towards discrimination including race-based, gender, and ethnic based discrimination you still have a long way to go our system set up where those with wealth, power and authority still flagrantly disregard and disrespect the principles of our found fathers the old boys network still discriminates indiscriminately.

ECONOMIC POLICY: it appears our current leadership has sent a message to the world by restructuring the tax laws to benefit only the wealthy, engaging in a war against labor and labor unions, engaging recklessly in trade wars which I fear will have a devastating effect on our economy. In the administration is more concerned about a \$50,000,000,000 wall and infrastructure our states and nation which is not wise.

IMMIGRATION: My past record has always been proper immigration policies build a strong nation. However in the past corporate America has used immigration policies to benefit the bottom line while discriminating harshly against those they import for cheap labor even during this election cycle the current administration only wishes to fulfill campaign promises while turning the nation into a isolationist state

ENVIRONMENT: Environmental policies can only be addressed when the United States works with other nations around the globe to reduce toxics admissions work to clean up our respective nations water supplies and through long-term planning by responsible environmentalists and legislators. Our current administration does not want to work towards any of these goals separating us from the rest of the world.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Our legal system is a shambles it's cloaked in secrecy laws have been changed without without the consent of the people turning all law in this nation over to international jurisdiction and our legislators and judges are now operating fictitiously under PRIVATE MERCANTILE CORPORATE COURTS outlined under Title 8, 22 & 28 USC which in December 26th 1933 49 Statute 3097 Treaty Series 881 (Convention

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QUALIFICATIONS: My primary experience is in small business management. Working with smaller groups to coordinate efforts in order to accomplish a large goal is part of making any business successful. My education, however, is focused in government and non-profit management as well as social sciences. I have spent may years studying how people interact with their government's and how we have evolved culturally. **HEALTH CARE:** Health Care is not a one size fits all issue and, specifically not an enumerated power of the federal government. But it is a necessity today. States that wish to have healthcare programs, such as Maryland, have the responsibility to create programs that work specifically for the residents of our state. Maryland should coordinate such efforts with other states to force pharma to become non-profit. **DISCRIMINATION:** It is the responsibility of the Federal

Government to ensure people's natural rights are not violated by government or other individuals. This is particularly the case when it comes to ALL state and local government actions, and government employment. In the few cases that become federal jurisdiction, the federal government should always caution on the side of freedom from oppression or harm.

ECONOMIC POLICY: I support as much free trade with our allies as is financially responsible. I believe we have the resources to be self supporting and still create very profitable trade agreements. However, I am not completely opposed to tariffs IF they help eliminate personal income taxes on middle income earners. Individuals should not be paying federal income taxes. You deserve the fruits of your labor.

IMMIGRATION: We need to worry about the people who are already here first. Whether here legally or illegally, we need a working solution that provides for allowing people to stay, or send them home to coming back the right way. A wall, will not help with this, and will be a waste of money. But increased overall border security is very important. There are great compromises to be made to improve immigration.

ENVIRONMENT: We have been entrusted by God to care for this planet. While environmental issues were not considered in the original Constitution, there is no doubt this is a new global, national and regional issue that must be addressed. I believe the fed. government should have an amendment that permits SOME environmental programs, but it should balance stewardship against fiscal responsibility and liberty.

OTHER PRIORITIES: I believe we need some basic reform in federal government. 1. Term limits for congress, 2. Reform the electoral college to remove the winner take all scam. 3. Increase non-partisan voter education. 4. Constitutional gun laws that protect the 2nd amendment and keep us safe. 5. Define corporate entities as artificial: They don't get a vote, they shouldn't be paying for campaigns and policy agendas.

U.S. Representative District 5 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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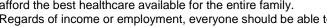
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QUALIFICATIONS: Even though I am basically a political outsider seeking office, I have served as an elected official as a Councilman with the Town of Capitol Heights. I also campaigned for a seat on the Prince Georges County Council. Unlike many other candidates seeking office, I have lived my entire life in the great State of Maryland. Growing up in the Town of Capitol Heights was a great experience for me. **HEALTH CARE:** I believe that all Americans should be able to

afford the best healthcare available for the entire family. Regards of income or employment, everyone should be able to





have the same healthcare as provided to the U.S. Congress. **DISCRIMINATION:** I support a policy of absolutely NO Discrimination, especially in the workforce period.

ECONOMIC POLICY: It's basic Economics 101, Lower Taxes and Higher Employment. Better paying full time jobs is very important to the United States economy. The taxes paid will help with fixing our infrastructure with building state-of-the-art public transportation as well as lowering healthcare costs.

IMMIGRATION: I believe we have in place right now a very strong immigration policy that is now being implemented. The National Guard is now being employed to protect our borders. We can not allow so many immigrants, especially illegal immigrants to enter the United States. Our Country's infrastructure, healthcare and economy can not support the millions of people that want to live here.

ENVIRONMENT: We need to restrict the products that we import from other countries that don't have any environmental regulations in place as with China. We are definitely moving in the right direct here with alternative sources of energy with solar and wind power. Fossile fuels we use today is not unlimited amount. It's projected that we will have used all the oil and gas in the world around the year 2068.

OTHER PRIORITIES: My Top priority is the War on Drugs. We are now in a drug epidemic with the abuse pf opioids abuse in this Country that is effecting almost every family in every State. From the poor to the rich, many have fallen. 116 people. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, that's how many people died, per day, from opioid-related overdoses in 2016. That is unacceptable.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Throughout my tenure in Congress, I have been an effective and bipartisan leader who works to deliver results for my constituents. Economic development continues to be one of my top priorities and I am proud to have helped create and save 23,000 jobs. I remain dedicated to ensuring all Marylanders have access to middle class opportunities.

HEALTH CARE: The Affordable Care Act has provided thousands of families in Maryland with quality, affordable health care. Rather than undermining the law, Republicans in Congress and President Trump should work with Democrats to improve the law, and ensure the affordability of insurance and access to quality care.

DISCRIMINATION: Throughout my career in Congress and the Maryland Senate, I have taken a leading role in supporting legislation that ends discrimination. I was the primary House sponsor of the Americans with Disability Act, was instrumental as Majority Leader in repeal of Don't Ask, Don't Tell and passage of the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, support legislation for equal pay and fought for voting rights.

ECONOMIC POLICY: I launched the Make It In America plan, to focus on boosting a declining American manufacturing sector. Since then, 19 bills have been signed into law, including legislation to cut taxes and provide loans for small businesses, speed up the patent process, train skilled workers, and end tax loopholes that encourage companies to ship jobs overseas. I began a listening tour to update the agenda.

IMMIGRATION: When President Trump ended the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program in September 2017, he left hundreds of thousands of hardworking young people twisting in the wind. DREAMers know no other country than America, and it reprehensible that Congress has not come to a consensus on reinstating the DACA program. It's past time

for Congress to pass comprehensive immigration reform. **ENVIRONMENT:** The most pressing challenge is the Trump Administration's actions to eliminate and undermine environmental protection and its denial of climate change. I have been a strong supporter of protecting our water, air and land.

OTHER PRIORITIES: I will continue to protect our military installations like Pax River, Indian Head and Webster Field, and federal facilities as well as continue to advocate to bring the new, consolidated FBI Headquarters to Prince George's County. I will also remain an advocate for our nation's federal employees who keep our food safe, keep planes in the air, and protect our country and serve our people.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am no different or more qualified than any hard working tax paying American. I believe my experience qualifies me far more than any career politician who has no real understanding of what life is like for the middle class.

HEALTH CARE: I believe in a welll regulated free market system. The government should never have stuck its greedy pig snout in this industry. I can agree it was not perfect before but the quality of this product has decline considerably while the cost has skyrocketed.

DISCRIMINATION: As a libertarian I believe all people are Created equally. It is no business of the government what your race or sex or religious beliefs. No one should be treated different or payed less regardless.

ECONOMIC POLICY: We need to focus more on our crumbling infrastructure. I support the unions and believe the people should have the choice to join them. Government interference should be minimal in foreign trade.

IMMIGRATION: I support a simpler method to citizenship. While I do not support tax funded programs to support non citizens I believe that every human should have an opportunity to become an American.

ENVIRONMENT: I believe environmental issues should be handled on the state level. The federal government involvement in state land should be minimal.

OTHER PRIORITIES: The drug war has failed us on every level. People should not be incarcerated for buying drugs that should not be illegal. These people have a disease, they are our friends and family. I want to decriminalize all illegal drugs and create a path to have all drugs sold legally in well regulated dispensaries. These dispensaries should be managed on the state level and owned locally.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I hold an MA in Gov't from the Univ. of MD. I've been a business owner, teacher, and political activist for forty years. I know what it's like to meet the payroll of a dozen employees. I've also worked on issues relating to homelessness, children, militarism, and the environment. I embrace the role of government in regulation and taxation, with services on a par with our European counterparts.

HEALTH CARE: We must enact a publicly funded health care system. People are suffering needlessly. I support HR 676. This bill provides everyone with free health care that includes all medically necessary care, such as primary care and prevention, dietary and nutritional therapies, prescription drugs, emergency



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care, long-term care, mental health services, dental services, and vision care

DISCRIMINATION: We must counter the mass incarceration of African Americans for nonviolent drug offenses. Many are caught in an atrocious revolving door of arrest, incarceration, release, and re-arrest. Many are sick, in desperate need of intensive drug therapy and job training. I support policies to increase investment in marginalized communities, affordable housing, education, job training, and health care.

ECONOMIC POLICY: I support the policies advocated by the Democratic Progressive Caucus. The wealthiest must be taxed, as they are in Europe, to radically change American society and create high-paying jobs. I'd invest \$2 trillion over 10 years to rebuild transportation, water, energy, and information systems, while overhauling unsafe and inefficient schools, homes, and public buildings.

IMMIGRATION: Undocumented immigrants and their families should be granted a legal status which includes the chance to become U.S. citizens. Persons should be excluded from this process only if they present a danger to other members of our society. All persons fleeing political, racial, religious, or other types of persecution must be welcomed and given permanent resident status.

ENVIRONMENT: The 5th is home to Morgantown and Chalk Point, two of MD's nine coal-fired plants. They're poisoning us, and they should be shut down and replaced with renewable energy sources. The Naval Surface Warfare Center and Pax River have polluted the air, groundwater, surface water, and the soil. We must subject the irresponsible actions of the military to state oversight.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Calvert's school budget is \$115 Million, about the cost of one F-35. The F-35 is the most expensive DOD program ever, with a total lifetime price tag of \$1.5 trillion. That's 13,000 times what Calvert spends on its schools. Modernizing nuclear weapons will cost \$1 trillion over the next ten years. We must cut defense spending and work out our problems overseas nonviolently and multilaterally.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have 25 years of Christian Volunteer Ministry work in W.Africa for 2 years as a Bible teacher in Ghana at a UN Refugee Camp; Liberia, Nigeria, India & Churches/Ministries, 2 Christian TV stations, TBN, and TheCrossTV. My Mission is on Capitol Hill to lift up Jesus & Prayer in America and expose the Atheistic/ Anti-Biblical Agenda of the Democrat Leaders / Democrat Party.

HEALTH CARE: Want to work with Dana Rohrabacher and Corey Booker to legalize Cannabis/Marijuana to be legalized Federally as a Homeopathic Medicine & for Responsible 21yr old Adult usage, which studies have shown is a much safer alternative medicine. Websites advocating & educating are: https://www.mpp.org/issues/medical-marijuana/;

http://www.marylandcannabispolicy.org/;

http://www.marylandnorml.org.

DISCRIMINATION: Will promote Jesus's teachings of Loving our neighbor as ourself & forgiving our enemies, those who have offended. Matthew 5 And support current Anti-Discrimination laws on the books, which great American leaders pushed for, such as Pres. Lincoln; Dr Frederick Douglass, my biggest hero; & Dr. Martin Luther King. Promote Biblical Truth that Everyone is Equal as God has ordained Galatians 3:28

ECONOMIC POLICY: Support Pres Trump's Economic; Trade; Taxes; policies. Support putting Tariffs equal, Fair Trade, as Peter Navarro, Trump's Trade Policy Advisor, to resurrect Industries, destroyed by Bad Trade deals of Clinton, Bush

Sr&Jr, Obama, NAFTA, China, Mexico, 800 Billion trade deficit Ross Perot warned millions of jobs lost. Support No Tax increases Pledge led by Grover Norquist group/book.

IMMIGRATION: My solution to DACA/DREAMERS NO AMNESTY CITIZENSHIP! NO WELFARE! CANNOT STEAL ELECTIONS for DEMOCRATS! LIFETIME GREEN CARD which gives RESIDENCY /WORK PERMIT . NO FAMILY CHAIN MIGRATION. Only for Illegals physically here. STOP LEGAL IMMIGRATION until 2020!!! NO more ILLEGALS /GREEN CARD HOLDERS on WELFARE (75% currently). Must make Welfare illegal. E-VERIFY required for ALL EMPLOYMENT .

ENVIRONMENT: Promote Hydro Electric power as The Safest, Cleanest Energy source, should build more Hydro Electric Dams with the goal to replace all other Unclean Energy sources, especially Nuclear Power Plants, which all should be shut down ASAP, as 80% are leaking contaminating Water supplies. Also replace Coal. Goal to have 100% Hydro Power, as Norway has 98%. Clean up Chesapeake Bay with Oyster project.

OTHER PRIORITIES: Disagree w/Pres Trump on the Military budget. Would push to decrease the Military budget by 25% +(not Military service pay), rather the Billions wasted on Neverending spending on Weapons; Nuclear; etc. Cutting the Military Budget, provide Fed Funding \$1 Trillion Infrastructure, keep SocialServices STRONG. Stop Military invasions, for Defense. Cut NASA/CIA/NSA/FOREIGN AID/UN, except Israel.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State Senators

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 Questions

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 21 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Lee Havis (REP)

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QUALIFICATIONS: As a private educator and civic and political activist for most of my adult life, I am well acquainted with the problems of government in Maryland, especially in the important field of education. This experience has allowed me to study solutions that will correct problems and improve government to make it more accountable to citizens, especially in such critical areas as public education.

REDISTRICTING: I favor a non-partisan commission with mandate to draw district lines that are concise and contiguous to communities and population centers that are bound together by such criteria as jurisdictional boundaries such as towns, cities, and counties and economic centers of activity.

ENVIRONMENT: The major physical environment concern and challenge in Maryland is care for the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries - to main a clean quality of water that eliminates pollution from wastewater drainage due to excessive, uncontrolled human activity. The main challenge is at the Conowingo Dam, to clean up the sledge backup that overflows into the headwaters of the Bay.

DISCRIMINATION: Cause of all forms of discrimination comes from low-quality, defective education of youth. Improving public education is therefore the main focus of attention to assure correction - to assure equal opportunity for all by de-centralizing the excessive top-down administrative control to create more direct citizen accountability for quality and value at the grassroots level.

EDUCATION: I favor a policy of greater grassroots, citizen accountability for education, such as de-centralizing its top-down control, to allow more direct control from parents and local school districts. More funding is not needed, but a more uniform, objective per-pupil state-wide funding formula to reduce spending based on special political considerations. **HEALTH CARE:** The main challenge in healthcare is to bring

HEALTH CARE: The main challenge in healthcare is to bring higher quality and more affordable services. Needed is ready access to a free-market, competitive system of health insurance, that supports individual choice of doctor, health plan and services. Other reforms are needed as well, such as limit on claims for "pain and suffering" to reduce the cost of insurance required for medical practice.

TRANSPORTATION: Transportation priority is to reduce traffic congestion and improve the network of roads and highways. Funding should be through a dedicated tax on gasoline, whose revenue is not used for other purposes. Maintaining an efficient, affordable public bus system should be included as a high priority as well; along with reducing traffic congestion by limiting intensity of development.

Jim Rosapepe (DEM)

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REDISTRICTING: National or regional agreement of nonpartisan districting.

ENVIRONMENT: - Climate change: switch to renewables - Clean up Chesapeake Bay: restoration of pollution runoff and protection of sea life - Overdevelopment of open space: protect open space from development and support smart growth

DISCRIMINATION: - Increasing minimum wage - Protect the Affordable Care Act - Support the Maryland Attorney General going to court to protect Marylanders' rights

EDUCATION: - Increased State school aid - Progressive tax policies - Reducing school overcrowding with more modern construction methods - Expand career and technical education **HEALTH CARE:** - Trump Administration attacks on health

insurance - Pass laws protecting health insurance in Maryland **TRANSPORTATION:** - More transit, particularly MARC, Metro, and Purple Line - Combination of gasoline, corporate, and other taxes

Senator District 22 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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Senator District 23 Candidates

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am a father, a grandfather, a husband; a small business owner and a decorated military veteran. I served on the Bowie City Council and the Prince George's County Council. I have had the great honor of now serving as State Senator for three terms, and have served as Democratic Senate Majority Leader since 2016. I bring all these perspectives to my work in Annapolis.

REDISTRICTING: I believe that redistricting, to be effective, must be done at a federal level. I believe a nonpartisan federal commission should examine and consider what would be the fairest redrawing of Congressional and Legislative districts to ensure a voice for all citizens.

ENVIRONMENT: I am opposed to the environmentally destructive SC-Maglev train and will fight any state funding for the project. I am grateful to be endorsed again by the Maryland League of Conservation Voters and will continue to assist in moving their agenda forward. Clean-up of the Chesapeake Bay and moving towards more renewable energy are also top

DISCRIMINATION: I believe that one of the greatest responsibilities of elected office is working towards a just society and protecting the most vulnerable among us. While it is important that we address discrimination on every level and provide legal remedies and protections, it is also my belief that access to educational opportunities and full employment is how we allow equal access to all our citizens.

EDUCATION: My priorities include full funding of Pre-K and free and reduced breakfast and lunch in our public schools. Over the last three years I have secured over \$3 billion for our public schools and will work to ensure that Prince George's County continues to get its fair share of education funding. Additionally, I will advocate for casino dollars being restricted to the education budget.

HEALTH CARE: To guarantee access to quality affordable health care, I was proud to work as Democratic Senate Majority Leader to pass legislation designed to help stabilize the



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Affordable Care Act in Maryland, despite federal actions. Additionally, providing funds, including \$100 million over the next ten years to the UM Capital Regional Health Facilities in Bowie, Laurel and Largo is critical.

TRANSPORTATION: I was proud to support the Maryland Metro/Transit Funding Act of 2018, providing \$167 million of annual dedicated funding to the Washington Metro system. Additionally, I worked to restore the badly needed highway user revenues to all the municipalities in the state, allowing them to maintain and repair aging roads.

Senator District 24 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

<u>Joanne C. Benson</u> (DEM) No response received by deadline.

Senator District 25 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I bring 16 years of legislative policy experience and 13 years of budget leadership to the Maryland Senate. As a 4-year chairman of the Prince George's House Delegation, and 8 years as chair of Joint Committee on Pensions, I have learned to build consensus among leaders across jurisdictions, parties, and demographics.

REDISTRICTING: I favor redistricting by an impartial independent commission as long as this process is adopted by all 50 states so that no party is given an undue advantage. **ENVIRONMENT:** Climate change is one of the most significant environmental challenges facing Maryland. We will need to remain vigilant in reducing greenhouse gas and working to reduce our carbon foot print. We should also work to improve the health of the Bay and protect Open Space.

DISCRIMINATION: Maryland should continue to be a leader in adopting policies to address discrimination on any basis. No state funds should be used to support any entity that discriminates against individuals or groups for any reason.

EDUCATION: Providing adequate operating and capital education funding remains a high priority in Maryland. We must ensure equitable distribution of resources with accountability for measurable outcomes. Critical to our success is the continue and increased support of community colleges and universities and opportunities for career and technical training.

HEALTH CARE: Increasing access to high quality healthcare regardless of ability to pay and insuring funding for disease prevention, behavioral health and substance abuse treatment are among my highest priorities. I will support legislation aimed at reducing the cost of prescription drugs so seniors don't have to choose between food and medicine.

TRANSPORTATION: Maryland needs to provide consistent funding for a balanced transportation plan that includes funding for mass transit, highways, and bridges. We should build on recent gains achieved by dedicating funding and building consensus with regional colleagues. We must continue to engage stakehold

Senator District 26 Candidates

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QUALIFICATIONS: I was a Legislative Assistant to a US Senator. My business is lobbying/advocacy for non-profits at the Federal level and state level. I know legislation. I am a retired Naval Officer - 29 years. I served at the highest levels of US Government and for the last 3 years have worked closely with the Maryland General Assembly.

REDISTRICTING: I support review and redistricting based on common sense and legal population numbers that reflect people, the voters, and where they live. I believe we have a problem in Maryland based on the facts that lines have been drawn that make no common sense. We need to have these looked and reviewed closely to reflect better the people and voters - not politics.

ENVIRONMENT: First, the trash on our streets, then, the illegal trash dumping in our county and state. After we clean up our own streets, I believe we must address carbon omissions and what that is actually doing to our environment - not just for the sake of environment companies. We all have to come together on this to make a difference in our environment, however, by the looks of our streets no one cares.

DISCRIMINATION: We have come a long way. We have a long way to go. discrimination in any form - is not acceptable. WE have laws on the books that address these issues and we need to enforce those laws. The rule of law must prevail in all cases. I support full inclusion of all individuals from every angle of life. **EDUCATION:** In our county - we must have an elected Board of Education. The current system of education has failed on all levels for our children and for our families. Kids are being pushed through the system and not taught. We have to change the common core - it is not working in PG County. Kids are graduating without the skills they need to compete. I believe we are loosing teachers that we need.

HEALTH CARE: Mental Heath we have the means to change how we address mental health -- does affect our overall health. We have many examples of health issues - and mental health issues: domestic violence, opioid crisis, and many geriatric health issues are a part of our mental health. We can restructure and redo our mental health delivery - it has to be changed. I am a member of a Hospital Board of Director TRANSPORTATION: Build and Finish the Purple Lineupgrade MD 210 - FINISH it, and stop making just cosmetic changes. PG county traffic is a mess and has been ignored by Council and MGA -- we have to change it. It can be done through: upgraded fast lanes, upgraded bus transportation, build the purple line, extend the Green, Blue, and Orange lines. Make the resources available through current revenue.

Obie Patterson (DEM)

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QUALIFICATIONS: Currently a member of the Prince George's County Council - District 8 and previous twelve years of service as a State Delegate denote my experience of General Assembly operations and effective constituent representation. Parole Commissioner and Federal executive service contribute to my ability to work with business & community groups to enact significant legislation and funding, from day one. REDISTRICTING: I would support an independent bipartisan

REDISTRICTING: I would support an independent bipartisan commission for drawing the congressional and legislative district lines in Maryland.

ENVIRONMENT: Significant environmental challenges include, air quality and carbon dioxide emissions, fracking, natural gas



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drilling, clean water, Chesapeake Bay restoration, and environmentally responsible development. I would support legislation, policies and regulations designed to achieve safe and environmentally friendly practices in each of these areas. **DISCRIMINATION:** I will support laws and policies that prohibit discrimination based on race, gender, religion and disability, and their impact on poverty. I will work to improve the quality of life for all residents, especially the poor and disadvantaged. **EDUCATION:** I support equal educational opportunity to all Maryland students, taking into account each student's individual educational and support service needs, as well as providing for vocational and technical career training. This would be done through maximizing the use of existing funds, providing funding from the gaming industry, and public-private partnerships.

HEALTH CARE: Significant health challenges include providing accessible, quality health care at a reasonable cost. I support establishing more comprehensive, integrative preventative community health centers that treat both the insured and uninsured.

TRANSPORTATION: I would encourage the Federal and State governments to allocate funds for an extended regional rapid rail transit system connecting Charles County, Prince George's County, Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia. In addition I would support a rail line connecting Clinton, Waldorf and possibly Andrews Air Force Base to the Branch Avenue METRO Station.

Senator District 27 Candidates

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QUALIFICATIONS: I was born in Maryland, and have lived here most of my life. I raised my family here. My experiences in the military and as a small business owner, have provided an exceptional perspective on the government, the overreaching regulations in place, and the effect they have on the day-to-day lives of Maryland citizens.

REDISTRICTING: I would support a fair and unbiased way for drawing congressional and legislative district lines. The districts should best serve the needs of the constituents, not the politicians. Lines should be drawn in a geographical manner, not political.

ENVIRONMENT: A partnership between private citizens, businesses, and a transparent board of trustees should be established to oversee the Save the Bay Trust Fund, and to create a better Maryland for our future generations.

DISCRIMINATION: All people should be treated equally under the law.

EDUCATION: I would like to see accountability and transparency in our schools. I believe that our children are better served by their communities and their local boards of education. The government should distance itself from intrusive policies, such as the common core standard. I would also support school choice. An audit of our school systems would show where funds should be spent.

HEALTH CARE: I think the health care markets should go back to the free market system. Insurance should be sold across state lines to create more competition. Policies should be portable so the purchaser can take their policy with them if they change their address or employment. The consumer should have many options made available when purchasing policies. **TRANSPORTATION:** Our infrastructure should be should be

brought back up to standards that are safe for the citizens. The funding should come from existing taxes and the trust fund that has already been established. The transportation needs of the future should be addressed by common sense means with funding that does not bankrupt our state. Transportation is a proven investment that pays dividends for all.

Thomas V. Mike Miller Jr. (DEM)

Campaign Website: http://www.senatormikemiller.com Campaign Facebook: http://facebook.com/senatormikemiller Campaign Email: SenatorMiller@SenatorMikeMiller.com QUALIFICATIONS: As President of the Maryland Senate, I am in a unique position to shape statewide policy while working to make sure Southern Maryland continues to be a great place to live, work and raise a family.

REDISTRICTING: I voted to create a regional independent congressional redistricting compact. Under SB 1023 of 2017, Maryland would have adopted an independent and nonpartisan process in collaboration with New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia and North Carolina. This sort of collaboration can help states act regionally while Congress refuses to act nationally.

ENVIRONMENT: This year, I voted to require Maryland to join the U.S. Climate Alliance and to prevent Maryland from withdrawing from the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative. Last year, I fought for increasing Maryland's use of renewable energy. I will continue to champion legislation to protect clean water and air.

DISCRIMINATION: Maryland has strong anti-discrimination laws, and I have consistently voted to strengthen those laws. This year, I cosponsored legislation to prohibit state officials from unlawfully harassing or discriminating in the workplace and to require independent investigations of claims of harassment or discrimination against elected officials. **EDUCATION:** Maryland will spend \$6 billion on public schools

in FY2019 – a record investment. We are using the Kirwan Commission to shape the future of education, and I voted to create a lock box on casino revenue, which will provide an additional \$500 million for education when fully phased in. **HEALTH CARE:** Republicans in Washington, D.C., jeopardized our health care system by gutting the Affordable Care Act. Their actions would have caused a 50% rate hike in Maryland – which would have caused a death spiral in our health insurance market. This year, I worked across party lines to stabilize our

TRANSPORTATION: This year, I supported two significant changes to Maryland's transportation system. I voted to dedicate a portion of our Transportation Trust Fund to WMATA, which will help stabilize and improve the Metro. I also voted to restore funding for local road maintenance projects.

Senator District 47 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Fred Price Jr. (REP)

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QUALIFICATIONS: I've been a resident of Prince George's County for over 40 years and have been active in both the political arena and as a community activist. I've worked in Annapolis as a Legislative Aide, been Legislative Chair Bowie State Alumni Assn., worked with County, State, and Regional Chapters NAACP, Councilperson-Town of Cheverly, been active in school PTAs, and County & State planning sessions. REDISTRICTING: I would support bipartisan plan, compact districts, and citizens' committee charged with drawing u plan. ENVIRONMENT: Storm water management, rain gardens, the use of sustainable materials and techniques that allow storm waters to move through surface of pavements and reduce and



filter pollution and sediment streetscape with tree cover **DISCRIMINATION:** Support for returning citizerns and their families. Build a coalition to end deep poverty in Maryland.

EDUCATION: Support legislation to return to the all-elected school board. Encourage County and school board to trust the citizens and utilize TRIM for improvements in our education system, Develop legislation to encourage parental involvement..

HEALTH CARE: Develop a health and wellness coalition of nonprofits. Use new technologies to educate the public about healthy living opportunities. Use County parks and recreation facilities as health and wellness centers.

TRANSPORTATION: Provide workforce housing at transit centers. Improve bus service, Transit oriented mixed-use communities near Metro station entrances.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Over 25 years of executive level Sales &

Marketing experience and service on the WMATA

Board(Finance, Capital & Strategic Planning), PGC Democratic Central Committee representing D-47(Ways and Means, Labor Relations, and Multicultural Outreach), Kentland-Palmer Park TNI, and PGC Cable Commission provides a solid framework of qualifications for the position of State Senator.

REDISTRICTING: I support a national approach to redistricting that doesn't unduly enfranchise or disenfranchise.

ENVIRONMENT: Environmental Justice, the location of environmentally hazardous activities near the disenfranchised is a significant challenge. As an example, I will support legislation that takes into account the cumulative impact of environmental conditions on a community versus each individual activity in the permitting process.

DISCRIMINATION: I support progressive policies that address discrimination. Policies that strengthen existing protections should regularly be reviewed and updated.

EDUCATION: Studies show that educating young children, Pre-K, provides for greater long term academic success and we should invest in this particularly for low income residents to break the cycle of poverty.

HEALTH CARE: Behavioral health is a significant health challenge that must be addressed. We must remove the stigma associated with Behavioral Health matters and extend funding to provide additional services. The return on investment in reduced incarceration and long term social service needs will fund the measures.

TRANSPORTATION: Increased mobility is best achieved through further investment in Mass Transportation that should be funded through taxation on fossil fuel consumption.

House of Delegates

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

SALARY: \$50,330 annual base. **TERM:** Four years, no term limit.

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

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

Questions

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?

House of Delegates 21 Candidates

Vote for no more than 3.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I served as a Community Representative for where I worked with the constituents in the minority neighborhoods to understand the community needs. This helped to craft bills in the House of Delegates to the needs of the communities. I also served as the Deputy Campaign Manager for Charles Lollar as a Candidate for the Federal House of Representatives, District 3.

REDISTRICTING: The people of Maryland deserve the benefits of redistricting reforms. I therefore, fully support the Governor Hogan's proposed legislation to create a non-partisan redistricting commission to draw a congressional and legislative boundaries.

ENVIRONMENT: The most significant environmental challenges are pollution, We never want to be like China or other growing countries. We need to improve our transit systems and rural buses so that many people can enjoy riding transit than driving their cars. We also need to teach about environment to our children and clean our rivers and the Bay. **DISCRIMINATION:** In this day and age, we ought to be ashamed that we are still talking about discrimination. I will pursue every means necessary that nobody is discriminated against base on race, sexual orientation, gender, religion, disability, or poverty.

EDUCATION: The standard advice usually given to high school graduates is this: go to college. That's not a bad choice, but it's also not the only choice. Vocational schools offer students the opportunity to learn in an incredibly career-focused environment with hands-on learning, industry professionals teaching courses, and sometimes built-in internships or co-ops. A typical undergraduate education is almost

HEALTH CARE: I believe that the most significant challenge to healthcare is how to maintain value-based as opposed to volume-based healthcare. I believe that quality always counts. However, as we move toward value-based healthcare, quality care becomes more important than ever because now it affects revenues.

TRANSPORTATION: As a former employee of WMATA and also a current employee of MTA, I have biased love for the transit systems. I believe that if we are able to convince the populace to keep their cars at home and ride the buses and trains, we have several benefits - we reduce pollution and we keep our cost of driving cars low. We must have a dedicated



funding for better funding mechanism

Richard Douglas (REP)

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QUALIFICATIONS: After 36 years here and two Senate bids, I understand Maryland from end to end. Having been a Senate lawyer, I understand the danger of an unresponsive, apathetic legislature. As a veteran of Iraq and submarines, I value teamwork and a sense of duty. As a small businessman, I have confronted numerous Maryland barriers to individual economic security. I want to remove them.

REDISTRICTING: Maryland's bizarre legislative map is often used by career politicians to excuse incompetence, indifference, and failure. But that map, however bizarre, is no obstacle to motivated legislators willing to unite around solutions to the most important problem facing thousands of Marylanders: fundamental economic insecurity. Solving that problem depends on political will, not a legislative map. **ENVIRONMENT:** A key challenge is the apathy of elected

officials over the human cost of remediation. Baltimore's storm water consent decree, for example, is a massive unfunded federal mandate. Paid for by high water bills and the rain tax, it forces the elderly and poor into tax sale. Baltimore is a slow-motion Flint, but Maryland's General Assembly and U.S. congressional delegation don't seem to notice.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination is a consequence of economic insecurity. The key to ending discrimination is to eliminate economic insecurity by unleashing Maryland's latent economic potential. Maryland has the human capital and favorable geographic position required to compete with or overtake any state in the nation economically. It only lacks the will.

EDUCATION: Abraham Lincoln learned to read and write without a computer or a classroom. Today, basic requirements for learning, whether in public or private schools, are the same: motivation, parental involvement, trained and well-paid teachers, and a secure learning environment. I will use my voice and General Assembly vote to support these fundamentals.

HEALTH CARE: The most significant health challenge facing Maryland is a General Assembly which has lost its bearings on controlled dangerous substances like marijuana. The downstream effects of a General Assembly on the wrong side of this issue will be catastrophic for sectors of Maryland society least able to defend themselves. The General Assembly must firmly combat drug use, not enable it.

TRANSPORTATION: To move PEOPLE, I would support all feasible mass transit options, road, rail, and metro. To move CARGO, Maryland must seriously explore approaches like short sea shipping. I would also like to know more about CSX's justification for withdrawing support for enlargement of the Howard Street tunnel, as the project promised increases in cargo flow (and new jobs) from the Port of Baltimore.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Most relevantly, my 12 years of experience as a Delegate with a proven track record of progressive accomplishment. However, my life experiences as the son of a single mother in a working class family, and now a father concerned for the future of his own two children, have driven me to advocate for progressive causes such as paid sick leave and environmental protection.

REDISTRICTING: I support redistricting overseen by an impartial, non-partisan committee.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change is the greatest challenge facing not only our state, but the entire country. I was proud to

be the original primary sponsor of the Clean Energy Jobs bill, which increased Maryland's renewable portfolio standards, and to sign on to legislation this session that would've mandated a 100% renewable energy standard. I also believe we need to enhance and update our Forest Conservation Act

DISCRIMINATION: My record speaks for itself on this issue. I was an original sponsor of marriage equality in Maryland, I have supported affordable housing mandates, including properties around the Purple Line, and I have been a consistent advocate for women and minority business enterprise.

EDUCATION: I will use my leadership position as the Vice Chair of the Education Subcommittee to fully implement the recommendations of the Kirwin Commission and fix the funding adequacy gap for poor students across the state of Maryland. **HEALTH CARE:** Disproportionate power vested in private insurance companies and unaffordable health care plans caused by federal instability are the greatest threats to Maryland health care. We need to continue doing everything we can to shore up the Affordable Care Act at the state level.

TRANSPORTATION: We should prioritize our limited transportation funds and invest in existing mass transit resources. In fact, I was proud to co-sponsor dedicated funding for WMATA this past session. Additionally, we need to invest in and expand Rt. 175 in Anne Arundel County.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have had two careers, both of which have prepared me to be an effective delegate. I was a journalist for 15 years (1987-2002), including three on Capitol Hill, then worked as a legislative aide including three years in Annapolis (2003-2010) before being elected to the Prince George's County Council. I am in my second term and currently chair the Health, Education & Human Services Committee.

REDISTRICTING: Legislative redistricting based on the 10-year Census should be a non-partisan process. I support creation of a redistricting commission every 10 years by the Governor, through executive order, so membership is balanced and it must adhere to the state's Open Meetings Act. That requires advertising meetings, posting agendas and minutes, and being as transparent as possible to maximize public trust.

ENVIRONMENT: The most significant environmental challenge we face is climate change. My environmental record on the Council earned me an endorsement by the Sierra Club. As a delegate, I will push the state to divest its holdings in fossil fuels – including its pension funds -- and I will work to enact legislation adopting a 100% clean energy standard (wind, solar and ocean tidal) by 2035

DISCRIMINATION: Maryland has strong anti-discrimination laws in employment, housing, and public accommodations. However, I believe the state should consider expanding the definition of public accommodations to include schools since that is where transgender students are the most vulnerable to harassment. Legal Aid organizations need more funding to provide low income people with the representation they need. **EDUCATION:** Maryland has the highest median household income in the country and could afford to dedicate more to K-12 education. Maryland should spend more money per pupil, hire more classroom teachers and add more paraprofessional support staff, media specialists and school counselors. I support treating the Education Trust Fund as a lockbox and dedicating casino revenue on top of the baseline school budget.

HEALTH CARE: The most significant health challenges Marylanders face are obesity, caused in part by the lack of access to fresh foods, and a severe shortage of mental health



providers. We must improve nutritional quality of school meals and improve access to Farmer's Markets. I will sponsor legislation providing loan forgiveness to MD medical students who choose psychiatry and stay in the state to practice.

TRANSPORTATION: My single transportation priority would be to expand funding for bus service. Bus service is the most affordable mode of public transportation, but the lack of connectivity both within and between jurisdictions, and the unreliable and limited service on nights and weekends makes it inefficient. The state needs to better balance its transportation spending between highways and transit.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am experienced and effective. I was the first in my family to go to college and I grew up with my mother who worked in a factory and as a hotel maid. Earlier in my career, I worked as a prosecutor, a defense attorney, and as an advocate for abused and neglected children. I understand the struggles of ordinary people and I am committed to public service.

REDISTRICTING: I have co-sponsored various bills to eliminate gerrymandering, most recently HB 1022. That bill would have limited gerrymandering congressional districts by requiring each district to consist of adjoining territory that is compact in form, and of substantially equal population. It also requires that due regard should be given to natural boundaries and the boundaries of political subdivisions.

ENVIRONMENT: Sustainable growth is our most significant challenge. Meeting the needs of our citizens and the global community while protecting the earth and its species for future generations is the challenge of our generation. We can act locally by controlling greenhouse gas emissions, smarter transportation and land use planning, and by taking the needed steps to protect the Chesapeake Bay from pollution.

DISCRIMINATION: I co-sponsored and voted for same-sex marriage legislation, fought to protect transgender people when they are looking for housing, employment and applying for credit, and co-sponsored Maryland's Lily Ledbetter Fair Pay Act. This session I co-sponsored and voted to ban conversion therapy. I also worked to oppose bail provisions that unduly burden the poor who often cannot afford bail.

EDUCATION: We should continue to implement the Kirwan Commission recommendations, including improving teacher recruitment, getting more resources to students in low-income schools, and expanding career and technical education programs. We need to allocate enough funding from the general budget, and allocate all the state's casino proceeds to education (the Lockbox referendum).

HEALTH CARE: Maryland families are being hit hard by rising health insurance costs. I co-chaired the ACA Workgroup that developed legislation to prevent further excessive premium increases. We passed a bill that would create a reinsurance program that will allow insurance companies to curb premium increases and stabilize the individual insurance market. A fee on the insurance companies pays for the program.

TRANSPORTATION: Maintaining Metro's aging infrastructure requires more money, but the transit agency is the only major subway system without dedicated funding. The General Assembly passed legislation to provide additional funding of \$167 million a year on condition that Virginia and the District contribute the same or more. Highway maintenance is important too and we need to fully fund the highway user fund.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Losing my father at age 11 and being raised by a single mother, living and serving internationally for years, and serving as a pastor who cares for and walks with people throughout their lives, especially in the difficult times, have strengthened my commitment to public service. I have worked with at risk children in Prince George's beginning in 2001, and am not afraid to stand up to big money.

REDISTRICTING: Extreme partisan gerrymandering is wrong, no matter which party it benefits. Along with our broken campaign finance system, partisan gerrymandering undermines public trust in our government. Regardless of what other states do, we need to do the right thing. I support the appointment of an independent, non-partisan commission to draw federal and state congressional districts in Maryland.

ENVIRONMENT: We need to increase our use of renewable energy and continue to clean up the Bay and its tributaries. MD law requires 25% of our energy usage coming from renewable energy sources by 2020. But trash incinerators count as a renewable energy source thanks to large campaign contributions. We need to stop subsidizing big polluters and instead invest in mass transit systems to help get cars off the road

DISCRIMINATION: I support anti-sexual harassment legislation recently passed by the General Assembly. We need a culture change in Annapolis and our communities. We also need to continuously address our history of systemic racism that has led to inequalities that continue to be lived out today, implement paid maternity leave, and ensure that all Marylander's can work with local police without fear of deportation.

EDUCATION: Many school buildings in our district are crumbling and need repair. I support universal pre-k and free summer educational programs, to ensure that children from low-income familes don't fall behind. I support the Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education and find it imperative that casino money, as was originally sold to the public, finally be added to the state's educational budget.

HEALTH CARE: While I applaud propping up our state's health insurance marketplace, we still have hundreds of thousands of Marylander's without insurance. Premiums continue to rise and medical debt continues to be the number one cause of bankruptcy. I pledge to work with stakeholders to devise and implement a plan in the single payer mold, to ensure all Marylander's get the quality health care they deserve.

TRANSPORTATION: New investment in metro and the coming purple line are a good start, but we need to improve existing services, including MARC and busing services. Walk-able and bike-able communities are part of the solution, but the current MAGLEV proposal is not (I oppose it). We can re-prioritize current transportation funds and should continue to solicit Federal funds to help meet our transportation goals.

House of Delegates 22 Candidates

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Ray Ranker (UNA)



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for the Federal House of Representatives, District 3. **REDISTRICTING:** The people of Maryland deserve the benefits of redistricting reforms. I therefore, fully support the Governor Hogan's proposed legislation to create a non-partisan redistricting commission to draw a congressional and legislative

ENVIRONMENT: It should be concerning to everyone about the amount of pollution we consume. I support the use of more transit systems than more cars on the road avoiding more gas. The health of our rivers and the Chesapeake Bay should also be a concern. Less plastic waste in the environment is needed and a more government- educational goals and concerted volunteering effort to clean our rivers and the Bay. **DISCRIMINATION:** Discrimination in this day and age should have no place in our lives. Everyone should be allowed to

have no place in our lives. Everyone should be allowed to pursue and live their God-given lives. Most employers are well aware that they must and should prevent discrimination in the workplace. Indeed, failing to curb discrimination can be costly and result in increased employee turnover and absenteeism, lower employee morale and productivity.

EDUCATION: I continue to support the old standard advice usually given to high school graduates - go to college. It is a good choice, however it's also not the only choice. Vocational schools offer students the opportunity to learn in an incredibly career-focused environment with hands-on learning, industry professionals teaching courses, and sometimes built-in internships or co-ops.

HEALTH CARE: The cost of the health care has become outrageous. I like the Governor Hogans' approach that we allow people to shop for insurance across other states because that will help reduce cost.

TRANSPORTATION: As a former of employee of WMATA as well as a current employee of Maryland Transit Authority,I biasedly support the transit systems. There has to be a permanent funding source for the transportation systems. I don't believe that senior citizens should ride several buses to get to their shopping places. Or, single parents to ride several buses to get to work.

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REDISTRICTING: There needs to be a commission that work on ways to draw congressional and legislative district lines that work on an annual bases. This would give the the subject information they need to understand the common intrest so that lines can be drawn.

ENVIRONMENT: The need for clean energy is the most significant environmental challenge. I would expand funding to home oweres to help then afford the replacement of their current heating and air condition systems.

DISCRIMINATION: There needs to be a better way to include people in activities so that they can understand the differences. **EDUCATION:** School should be started at the age of four. This sould be phased in over several years.

HEALTH CARE: There is a great need for more primary care providers. The state should provide a primary care provider progeam where they help to fund the education of anyone willing to come to the state of Maryland and provide care.

TRANSPORTATION: Getting people to work and school is an important priority to local counties. I would expand transit/van service center around work centers. These center could be funded through the local taxes that the business are currently

paying with the employee paying a small fee.

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REDISTRICTING: I support an inclusive, transparent redistricting process that includes public participation. I also support the concept of an interstate compact that would assure that Maryland's reforms would not happen in isolation, but rather become a catalyst for nationwide reforms.

ENVIRONMENT: The most significant immediate environmental challenges facing Maryland have to do with water and air pollution and their effects on the Chesapeake Bay. Long-term, the most serious issue is climate change, which could be devastating to Maryland. I support and have sponsored legislation to address both immediate and long-term challenges. I am a leader in environmental legislation.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination is always and everywhere wrong and I have been a longtime champion of progressive, non-discrimination laws and policies in our state.

EDUCATION: I support the full funding of our public education system, from pre-K through higher education. This is my top priority. I have already voted, many times, to assure this full funding. Most recently we voted to put the state proceeds from casino gambling into a "lock box" that would be added to existing funding. I will continue to be a champion for our schools.

HEALTH CARE: Radical changes by the Federal government have jeopardized healthcare for hundreds of thousands of Marylanders who benefit from the Affordable Care Act. We passed legislation to address this extremely dangerous situation for the people of Maryland. I voted for this new legislation which will help by creating a re-insurance programs. TRANSPORTATION: We had great success this term on several important transportation priorities which I support, including dedicated funding for WMATA and encouragement of Smart Growth principles. We also were successful in restoring Highway User Revenue support from the State to our local governments. Safety needs to be prioritized as we repair older bridges and other infrastructure.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Since my appointment to the House of Delegates in 2012, I have authored and passed over 30 pieces of legislation, been appointed to numerous leadership positions, and hosted over 35 innovative community events in my District. These experiences have allowed me to become an effective progressive leader with the ability to create new opportunities for all residents across Maryland.

REDISTRICTING: I support a nonpartisan solution for the process of drawing congressional and legislative district lines that would allow an independent commission to redraw districts



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if other neighboring states also agreed to such a practice. This process would ensure that Maryland is not acting unilaterally on redistricting, particularly as we await the Supreme Court ruling on the Maryland redistricting case.

ENVIRONMENT: The largest threat to our environment is climate change. To mitigate the effects of climate change in our State, I will continue to support legislation to increase our Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard to 100% by 2035. I will also continue to support Maryland's offshore wind energy program and incentives for community solar and clean energy programs around the State.

DISCRIMINATION: I have been proud to vote to support a series of initiatives to reduce all forms of discrimination in our State. I will continue to advocate for equal pay for equal work, raising the minimum wage to \$15 per hour, improving Maryland's IEP process, and various criminal justice reforms, including measures to reduce mass incarceration and end mandatory minimum sentences.

EDUCATION: As a member of the Kirwan Commission, I support universal Pre-K, raising teacher salaries, improving college & career pathways, and ensuring resource equity for atrisk students. I also support reforms to the school construction process as recommended by the Knott Commission. These initiatives will require us to revise our funding formulas to ensure equity in education funding around the State.

HEALTH CARE: I support universal health care for all Marylanders. Following the 2017 federal tax overhaul, the Affordable Care Act has come under siege. I will oppose any efforts to weaken the ACA in Maryland and continue to support initiatives to stabilize the State's individual health insurance market and keep healthcare costs low for low-income families.

TRANSPORTATION: I support sustainable mass transit options that contribute to smart growth, such as the Metro System, the Baltimore Red Line, and the Purple Line. These project will greatly improve the economic vitality of our region, which is why I supported the establishment of dedicated funding to Metro this year and continue to support public-private partnerships to fund projects like the Purple Line.

House of Delegates 23A Candidates

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REDISTRICTING: I support requirements for congressional and state legislative districts to consist of adjoining territory, be compact in form and be substantially equal in population with due regard for natural boundaries and the boundaries of political subdivisions. Regard must also be given to ensure that minority communities have fair opportunity for meaningful and adequate representation.

ENVIRONMENT: I voted in support of clean energy jobs, wind and solar efforts, to ban fracking, and stronger conservation

efforts to fight air and water pollution. I support Maryland remaining in the U.S. Climate Alliance and RGGI, strict liability for offshore drilling oil/gas spills and Maryland's offshore wind projects. I oppose federal budget proposals that reduce funding for the Chesapeake Bay program.

DISCRIMINATION: I support Disparate Minority Impact Statements, policies for justice reinvestment, reducing mandatory sentences, expungement laws, resources for release and re-entry programs for non-violent offenders, community policing and youth engagement, and impartial policing. I support efforts to ensure the "Dreamers" have fair access to financial aid and college and equal pay for equal work for all.

EDUCATION: I supported the ballot question to create a "lockbox" for gaming revenues for education and a budget initiative to "rope off" \$200M in unspent revenues from FY19 for education initiatives in FY20. I support the work of the Kirwan Commission and voted for school safety grants for threat reporting training, school resource officer training and services for those exhibiting concerning behavior.

HEALTH CARE: I serve on the ACA Workgroup to address federal changes to health care and will work to secure options for access to affordable, quality, health care coverage that is critical for all Marylanders. I co-sponsored Maryland's application for a 1332 waiver to institute a reinsurance program to help insurers cover high risk patients and keep the cost of the individual market from severe escalation.

TRANSPORTATION: I supported the WMATA dedicated funding because Transit Oriented Development is a key to Maryland's future economy and improving environment. I support the restoration of Highway User Revenues to localities to ensure that local infrastructure is maintained. I will continue to advocate for economic and environmental community protections when private companies pursue projects such as the SCMAGLEV.

House of Delegates 23B Candidates

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REDISTRICTING: I would support a non-partisan group to redraw district boundaries with NO knowledge of the political affiliation, race or income of the citizens. This, in my opinion, would go a long way to minimize the gerrymandering that currently exists in our state.

ENVIRONMENT: Protecting clean air and clean water, conserving our natural habitats, and preserving our natural reserves. I will seek meaningful legislation to address these challenges while seeking to minimize the burden on tax payers.



I am proud to be endorsed by the Sierra Club and will fight to ensure our children can inherit a clean and healthy environment.

DISCRIMINATION: With respect to pay disparities among men and women, I would restrict prospective employers from inquiries regarding a potential employees prior salary or salary history. Employment compensation should be paid based on the duties to be performed and the skill set of the candidate, not prior payment history. This small change would help close pay disparities between men and women.

EDUCATION: In Prince George's County, I will first restore us back to a %100 elected School Board with the CEO answering to the Board. Next, I would seek to give the School Board taxing authority and let them tell the community what is needed to fully fund our schools and put this to a vote of the citizens. Finally, ensure MGM funding dedicated to education, ONLY goes to education.

HEALTH CARE: Ensuring the new Prince George's Hospital in Largo successfully integrates Laurel, Cheverly, Bowie Health Center and Baltimore City in the University of Maryland System to become the World Class System needed in our area, AND serves as the one-stop-shop for Marylanders.

TRANSPORTATION: Ensuring WMATA is fully funded by all 3 jurisdictions to address safety and performance shortfalls. And NOT starting a multi-state SCMAGLEAV effort until ALL impacted jurisdictions/states have committed to the program from DC to NY.

House of Delegates 24 Candidates

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REDISTRICTING: I support the establishment of an independent body to make redistricting decisions. **ENVIRONMENT:** The most significant environmental challenges we face are ensuring that we have standards for corporations and governments to meet so that we have clean air and clean water.

DISCRIMINATION: I support a systemic analysis for each executive policy or legislative measure to ensure there is no discriminatory impact. The "Ten Essential Questions" developed by the Associated Black Charities is an important step in this direction.

EDUCATION: I support increased funding for universal pre-k education and for school construction. We're heading in the right direction with recommendations by the Kirwin Commission and the Knott Commission I've supported. Universal pre-k funding can be assisted tremendously by the education lockbox I co-sponsored and supported, which madates gaming funds for education and will be a ballot question in Nov.

HEALTH CARE: The Affordable Care Act is under attack from the federal government and our healthcare insurance system is in danger of collapse. I sponsored and will continue the fight for a single-payer system which would ensure quality healthcare for everyone and which will actually be more cost-effective than what we have.

TRANSPORTATION: I have led on funding and reform of the DC Metro, which we were successful in funding from the Transportation Trust Fund. The Metro is vital to working families and the business community and will be an important driver of economic development in Prince George's County.

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EDUCATION: I support raising and obtaining a fair share of additional revenues to benefit public education at all levels; resources to provide every student with an opportunity to learn in a safe and non-disruptive environment; revenue source of stable funding; community schools as a hub in disadvantaged communities; changing the funding formula to use the national model of Low/Moderate Income levels.

colleagues to put forth legislation that will prosecute those who

do not uphold our laws and protect those who do.

HEALTH CARE: There are several healthcare challenges I believe are affecting Marylanders: Insurance coverage, Prescription affordability and now the Opioid "crisis". We must attempt to make more money available to individuals needing assistance. The larger issue is that we must work with our Congressional delegation to combat the imbalances created by the insurance and pharmaceutical industries.

TRANSPORTATION: My two transportation priorities are roadway infrastructure and public transportation. We must restore HUR funds and the TT funds to optimal levels so our roads are safe and not safety hazards to pedestrians and motorists. In addition we must ensure a partnership between the State and the County so no one entity would be solely responsible for all the transportation needs.

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help women owned firms get a fair chance at competing for public contracts. I have a bachelors degree in Government and a Master of Public Policy from the University of Maryland.

REDISTRICTING: I believe we should establish a national non-partisan agency to draw congressional district lines. After that is done, I would be supportive of similar efforts for Maryland's legislative districts.

ENVIRONMENT: Climate change is very important. Every year we are losing more of our coastal communities and our normal weather is becoming irratic. I believe that we must invest in 100% clean energy as soon as possible and work to get our carbon producing vehicles and plants to zero emissions through establishing tax incentives and disincentives to move industry along.

DISCRIMINATION: I have sponsored legislation that would put a equity officer in each Maryland department who would review all of the new rules, regulations and guidelines for any disparate impact on minorities or other underrepresented groups and work to mitigate those disparate impacts as much as possible.

EDUCATION: I am fully supportive of the kirwin commision and finding ways to make sure our students are career or college ready. This can be achieved through increased funding in our classrooms, making our students more competiive globally through curriculum changes, and through establishing inspector generals in each of the school systems who have the authority to see fraud and abuse and correct it.

HEALTH CARE: The most significant health challenge facing Maryland is how unstable our individual health care coverage market is. I have supported legislation to help stabilize the market, thereby helping to keep premiums down for everyone. We need the federal government to come together in a bipartisan manner to make necessary fixes to the Affordable Care Act without scrapping what is working very well.

TRANSPORTATION: I have supported legislation to increase funding to WMATA and increase oversight of its board. I also have supported the purple line which I believe will be a boom to Prince George's County's economy and the region at large.

House of Delegates 25 Candidates

Vote for no more than 3.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I currently serve as a delegate and am seeking reelection. I have spent years working throughout Prince George's County assisting our residents before I became a delegate, which has helped me to shaped my legislative agenda.

REDISTRICTING: This topic was not addressed during the past legislative session. I will certainly watch during the next session to any legislation that will make or suggest changes that impact redistricting.

ENVIRONMENT: No response received by deadline. **DISCRIMINATION:** No response received by deadline. **EDUCATION:** No response received by deadline.

HEALTH CARE: Short term insurance plans are not subject to ACA regulations. These plans'premiums are cheaper, making them more attractive to healthy consumers. These plans offer substandard coverage, our residents are at risk of medical bankruptcy, and these plans encourage healthy residents to exit the individual insurance market. States must prohibit the sale of substandard, non-ACA compliant plans.

TRANSPORTATION: No response received by deadline.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have close to 20 years of budget, policy, and program management experience, 10 years of community leadership, and over 5 years of legislative experience.

REDISTRICTING: I believe we need to focus on not breaking our districts down any further. As I knock on doors and meet our neighbors, more and more people are confused as to where their district's are now. The changes should be minimal to not impact the people.

ENVIRONMENT: I will focus on litter. When I look at the state highways in my district, I notice a stark difference from our roads and of those in other county's. I will work with the State Highway Administration to make sure our community get's its fair share of road cleaning.

DISCRIMINATION: I will support procurement reform to give all of our local and small businesses better access contract opportunities, and follow the federal government initiatives for set-asides to help groups that have been discriminated on in the past.

EDUCATION: That fighting chance starts with taking care of the schools systems most prized assets; its teachers. In order to maximize our teacher recruiting efforts and retain the great teachers we already have in our county we have to show or current and future teachers the light through and at the end of the tunnel, which is raising salaries and protecting retirement benefits.

HEALTH CARE: I will focus on Medicaid reform and continue to support the Affordable Care Act.

TRANSPORTATION: I pledge to work with other state and local officials to ensure Prince George's County receives its fair share of any STATE funding from Municipal Highway User Revenues Reinstatement and Protection from Future Diversions.

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No response received by deadline.

House of Delegates 26 Candidates

Vote for no more than 3.

Veronica Turner (DEM)

No response received by deadline.

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QUALIFICATIONS: As an incumbent candidate I feel I bring the legislative expertise needed for this position. My experience as a mother, daughter, respiratory therapist and union staffer have all informed my work as a legislator for the past 12 years. Often, during deliberations, I think of my daughters and wonder how a particular bill may impact their lives and those of their generation.

REDISTRICTING: I believe that redistricting must be solved on the federal level and not by individual states. At this writing, the U.S. Supreme Court is currently addressing the gerrymandering issue, and will likely provide more guidance into permissible actions by the state. The Court will also likely take up new cases in the coming term. Until they speak, it is premature for



the State of Maryland to act

ENVIRONMENT: I believe that the universal environmental problem is climate change and how we preserve our economic security while protecting the air, water, and land that we depend upon. Environmentally friendly jobs will be essential. In my own District, I am very concerned with a proposed compressor that Dominion Power wants to erect on 53 acres of pristine land next to the Alison Ferguson Foundation's farm

DISCRIMINATION: I have always support sound legislation that prevents all forms of discrimination. I was the primary sponsor of the Equal Pay for Equal Work Act and the Disclosing Sexual Harassment in the Work Place Act. I believe the legislator must address healthcare for all, criminal justice reform and tax reform to address the economic disparity in our state.

EDUCATION: I support many of the Kerwin Commission recommendations such as early childhood education, improved teacher recruitment and salaries, improved college and career readiness, and equity for at risk students. We must also dedicate casino funds to improve school structures and curriculum

HEALTH CARE: I support universal healthcare for all Marylanders as a matter of human and civil rights. I believe we must continue to stabilize our healthcare market and to repair damage done to the Affordable Care Act on the federal level. We must also be vigilant of any erosion to a woman's healthcare issues.

TRANSPORTATION: As a Delegate from the Washington Metropolitan area my number one priority is full funding for the necessary repairs and operation for the DC Metro. I believe we must address Metro governance issues and provide more transparency so that all stakeholders have the information they need to make informed decisions about the safety of this essential transportation system.

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QUALIFICATIONS: The job of state delegate is crafting legislation based on policy developed with the engagement of one's constituency. As a staff member of the U.S. Senate Finance Committee and as the CEO of a nationally recognized and respected non-profit (www.thedaltondaleygroup.org), I have demonstrated my ability to get things done, i.e., HealthCare Reform, MIECHV Reauthorization, PREP, and more.

REDISTRICTING: Any process for drawing congressional and legislative district lines must be safeguarded against gerrymandering. I believe that it is critical for an independent commission composed of bipartisan group of citizens and a bipartisan group of legislators to properly draw or re-draw any lines.

ENVIRONMENT: To consistently and effectively address pollution, it is urgent that a comprehensive plan be developed by the legislature. Such a plan must, at a minimum, include air quality, solid waste reduction, deforestation, and clean energy. **DISCRIMINATION:** Discrimination of any kind is perhaps the most insidious enemy to democracy and the well-being of our communities. I would work to develop policies that first address the systemic disparities that exist based on the various classes outlined in Title VII. As well, I would seek to develop policies that truly alleviates, examines, and remedies the effects of poverty.

EDUCATION: Fully elected school boards, increased teacher pay and increased vocational education would be the policy priorities to address our education crisis. We would fund this by utilizing the gaming revenue and redressing the tax distribution formulas currently utilized.

HEALTH CARE: Maternal and Infant Health and Mental Health are the most significant challenges facing Maryland. I would continue to bolster home visiting programs that are MIECHV approved. As well, I would encourage a legislatively backed campaign to address mental health concerns for all age groups, especially our seniors and veterans whose mental health challenges leave them particularly vulnerable..

TRANSPORTATION: It is essential that the transportation infrastructure be developed to ensure that workers can access their employment and still be able to live sensibly. As well, it is critical, that the jobs associated with building and maintaining of the said infrastructure be prioritized for members of the affected communities where this development is most needed. Expanding the WMATA footprint is a start.

House of Delegates 27A Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Community service has always been a central part of my life. As a retired educator, with fifteen years as Court Liaison, I learned to be a skilled listener with knowledge of many available resources. Serving as Trustee for Prince George's Community College and Chair for the Prince George's Taxation and Assessment Board offered a comprehensive understanding of the complexity of government.

REDISTRICTING: Redistricting is an immediate concern as the Supreme Court currently reviews the challenges to Maryland's Congressional Districts. All citizens must be fairly represented. I support changes that ensure fair representation for every citizen. The Maryland Redistricting and Reform Commission will present recommendations to address this issue.

ENVIRONMENT: A big challenge is convincing our populous that we have environmental issues and the immediate need to address them. Providing and protecting water, air, land, and etc. is a responsibility and a duty to future generations. This is an issue that I support wholeheartedly.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination is a universal issue, that many of us experience daily. There are continuous efforts to legislate and regulate respect for everyone. Passing laws that ban all forms of discrimination is essential. Establishing youth programs that encourage interaction and promotes understanding is a basic goal.

EDUCATION: Supporting the recommendations of the Kirwan Commission is my primary objective. Educators deserve increase pay, better benefits, and teaching environments that are comfortable, safe, and adequately equipped. Securing casino profits is one step towards providing the necessary funding for education.

HEALTH CARE: Providing adequate health care for all residents of Maryland is crucial. The legislature passed laws this session to address many of the gaps in coverage, but securing adequate funding is an constant challenge. Establishing behavioral health programs with millions in additional dollars is an attempt to combat the opioid epidemic. Supporting health care funding is an constant on my agenda. TRANSPORTATION: Traffic congestion, lack of public



transportation, and maintenance concerns are evident in all jurisdictions. I would support all efforts to provide funds for immediate completion of transportation projects. Identified transportation projects must be funded now.

House of Delegates 27B Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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Campaign Email: michaelathomasfordelegate@gamil.com QUALIFICATIONS: I have been in business for 30 years & have met with thousands of Prince Georges and Calvert residents who seek relief from high taxes, excessive spending & government corruption. My involvement in community, church, volunteer and professional fields led me to seek this office. I work well with people and hope to bring experience & level-headed perspective to Annapolis for District 27-B.

REDISTRICTING: Maryland has the WORST gerry-mandered districts in the country. They are a national embarrassment. Power brokers in Annapolis literally connive to pick their voters turning democracy on its head. Disgraceful! At a minimum, I would support the appointment of an independent, non-partisan commission to redraw our state and federal district lines to ensure that citizen voter rights are respected.

ENVIRONMENT: We are all called to be faithful stewards of God's good, green Earth. Our resources must be used prudently to provide for the needs of all people. Flagrant, persistent polluters must be prosecuted. As we go forward with alternative energy sources, great care must be taken to ensure that no person is economically hurt by changing technologies. I believe a proper balance to this end is attainable.

DISCRIMINATION: There is no place for any discrimination in our society. Where it may occur, existing law needs to be enforced. And where it may occur in a new form, new laws need to be developed. We are a Nation of free people, that is our greatest legacy. Opportunity, merit and accomplishment . . . these are the hallmarks of a vibrant society.

EDUCATION: Education is a national cornerstone. Adequate funding is needed for all levels. In particular, we should invest more in professional trades which currently have many high-paying jobs unfilled. Parents should also have wide latitude to pick the educational option best suited to their children.

HEALTH CARE: The "one-size-fits-all" plan currently in effect is not working. Premiums are rising, deductibles are astronomic & service providers are leaving the market. We need to allow open, inter-state competition, promote "wellness" programs & provide for those who are truly in need, but cannot afford coverage. I support a total reassessment of the current system to make health care affordable & effective.

TRANSPORTATION: For too long, the transportation needs of the suburbs have been neglected. As Delegate, I will fight for a fair share of roadway and infra-structure funds to relieve traffic congestion. We need to restore balance between the funding for urban mass transit and suburban transportation projects.

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QUALIFICATIONS: *I have four years experience as the Delegate for District 27B. I have be very successful passing legislation during my first term. I also have been engaged in the Maryland legislative process since 1996, leading the legislative efforts as both the Fraternal Order of Police (Sheriffs)

President, and the Sheriff of Prince George's County. **REDISTRICTING:** *I represent portions of two counties so I understand and agree with the desire to represent and be represented where you reside. I am in favor of redistricting as the population dictates.

ENVIRONMENT: *The Chesapeake Bay Restoration project is most important. The success of this is vital for all Marylanders. I am also focused on the placement of multiple power plants in rural and minority communities and the long-term health, and economic impacts to those communities.

DISCRIMINATION: *I am the sponsor, co-sponsor, and supporter of numerous laws over the last four years that address these concerns; including, Equal Pay For Equal Work; Parental Leave, Historically Black Colleges-Universities (HBCU)-ROTC Scholarship & Cyber Security Curriculum Funding-establishment; to move to free community college tuition; ADA legislation enhancements; & the study of infant mortality rates.

EDUCATION: *This year the General Assembly and the Governor provided a record amount to fund our schools. This Session we received the report from the Kirwan & Knott Commissions which are our next school & construction funding models. Our modern funding challenges has begun to be addressed via legislation.

HEALTH CARE: *Maryland has two major challenges regarding healthcare; its affordability and the stifling substance abuse issue. We passed legislation that ensures that all Marylanders will continue to receive healthcare over the next year. We passed vital bi-partisan substance abuse and addiction funding/resource legislation over the last four years. TRANSPORTATION: *My transportation priorities are in both Calvert and Prince George's Counties on Maryland Rt 301, Rt. 5, Rt. 4, Rt. 228, Rt. 381, Rt. 382. These roads are well overdue for repair, project completion, project initiation. The Transportation Trust Fund has ample funding.

House of Delegates 47A Candidates

Vote for no more than 2.

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REDISTRICTING: We are in a compact with 5 other states. If they do redistricting, we would do redistricting.

ENVIRONMENT: A statewide ban on styrofoam.

DISCRIMINATION: I will continue to support for equality for all regardless of race, gender, religion,m disability or poverty. **EDUCATION:** Pre-K funding. Funding in accordance to the Thornton Commission.

HEALTH CARE: I support affordable health care for all. I will continue to fight for goood legislation and good policies that supports affordable healthcare.

TRANSPORTATION: WMATA is a priority. That funding is made available especially for the Purple Line.

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QUALIFICATIONS: As an municipal official, I have led on many issues, including economic development in under-



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resourced communities and improving my town's police department's policies on diversity, inclusion, and immigrants. I have hosted public forums for important but tough dialogues on race and policing. I am focused on inclusion, diversity, and protecting marginalized groups, like women and people of color

REDISTRICTING: I oppose gerrymandering. Gerrymandering is unfair, and it should be a bipartisan issue: Democrats and Republicans should unite to end gerrymandering. It undermines free speech and dilutes Americans' voting power through inequality. Ending gerrymandering is a matter of strengthening our nation's democracy.

ENVIRONMENT: I opposed the concrete batching plant proposal in Bladensburg, and I think the state needs to do more to promote tree planting, forest protection, and renewable energy. I will end subsidies for trash incineration. I will protect the Chesapeake Bay. I will fight climate change. And I will promote more public awareness of polystyrene foam and harmful pesticides like chlorpyrifos.

DISCRIMINATION: I will support inclusion for minority-owned businesses and legislation to expand anti-racial profiling and anti-harassment policies. I support stronger equal pay protections for women. I stand firm against Islamophobia and anti-Semitism. I will support funding for a county-based independent living center for residents with disabilities. And I will enact a true living wage for all Maryland workers.

EDUCATION: I support expanding pre-k to 3-year olds and free public college tuition for qualifying families. I will hold the county school system accountable for its problems with child physical and sexual safety, grading, graduation rates, and excessive administrative pay raises, and I will support higher teacher salaries. To fund this, I support increased taxes on families making more than \$300,000.

HEALTH CARE: I support a single-payer health care system in Maryland in which the government would pay for residents' medical care and get rid of residents' out-of-pocket expenses. I will work tirelessly with my colleagues to get it done, because we cannot afford to wait. More importantly, after the legislation is passed, I will hold the executive branch for an effective rollout and implementation. That is key

TRANSPORTATION: I will invest in the state's long-neglected transportation priorities, including Metro funding, highway user revenue, and basic but ever important issues like pothole fixing. And I will oppose the governor's costly, wrongheaded environmentally unfriendly transportation boundoggles.

House of Delegates 47B Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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QUALIFICATIONS: The diversity of my experience has prepared me for office. My time working at the Prince George's county council I saw the differences between State and County government and where they can intersect to improve the community. I have experience drafting, organizing and advocating for legislation from start to finish. As a prosecutor and now defense attorney I have a great understanding of the law.

REDISTRICTING: Gerrymandering is a problem throughout the nation and here in Maryland as well. I believe that the people should choose their representation not the other way around. **ENVIRONMENT:** I would support strengthening the Clean Energy Jobs Act to reach a high percentage of renewable energy. I would also like the strength the Forest Conversation

Act to make sure the trend of tree loss is addressed. On the County Council I worked on the ban on Styrofoam and coal-tar. I would like to bring that work to the State level.

DISCRIMINATION: Discrimination based on race, gender, religion, disability, or poverty comes in many forms and various policies are needed to address them. Healthcare, equal pay, access to resources and other issues need to be combated. In addition, fair and diverse representation is needed in our state government to represent the interests of groups that are discriminated against.

EDUCATION: There have been many issues surrounding our education system. I would support an all-elected school board in Prince George's county. I believe in public dollars to public schools. I also support increasing funding to our public schools and increasing school construction dollars. I believe can fund this by securing the Gaming revenue for education purpose only, increasing corporate tax and a possib

HEALTH CARE: Since President Trump took office our health care market has been extremely volatile. The General Assembly took a step in the right direction to stabilize the insurance market in Maryland but more action will likely need to be taken. By establishing a single payer system Maryland could completely stabilize the market while ensuring every Marylander has access to quality affordable healthcare.

TRANSPORTATION: My district has two metro stop locations I support securing the funding of our Metro by an annual dedicated funding. This is important so that WMATA has a full and secure budget to plan Metro. I also believe in walk-ability in our communities. I look forward to working with the State Highway Administration on how to make state roads in my district pedestrian friendly.

LOCAL LEADERS

Prince George's County Executive

Vote for no more than 1.

DUTIES: Include enforcing the laws of Prince George's County; proposing the annual operating budget for the county; and overseeing more than 30 branches of county government.

SALARY: \$206,998 base

TERM: 4 years; limited to two terms **HOW ELECTED:** countywide

Questions

- **1. QUALIFICATIONS:** What are your qualifications and how does your background prepare you for this office?
- **2. PRIORITIES:** What are your priorities and how do you plan to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?
- **3. REVENUE:** How would you measure or evaluate the adequacy of revenue and appropriateness of revenue sources to meet the current and projected needs of Prince George's County?
- **4. EDUCATION:** How will you convey to citizens the progress of the county public schools (PGCPS) under the new structure and governance?
- **5. LAND USE:** How will you provide for citizens' input and redress in land use matters into and throughout the development stage?
- **6. CASINO REVENUE:** What will you do to ensure that casino revenue coming to Prince George's County is spent in a transparent way with an opportunity for input from citizens?
- **7. COUNTY AGENCY ETHICS:** What criteria would you use to determine if the newly created Office of Ethics and Accountability is functioning effectively?

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I have served 7 years as the State's Attorney and 3 years before that running the Revenue Authority. We have reduced violent crime by 50% while starting numerous initiatives such as those that redirect non-violent drug offenders into job training programs.

- 2. PRIORITIES: Education, public safety, economic development & delivering a government that provides the level of services that our tax payers deserve & expect. I will prioritize our teachers & work to challenge the culture surrounding our school system that tolerates lack of success, ensure we have 2,000 sworn officers, focus on creating jobs & bringing neighborhood development to address community needs.
- **3. REVENUE:** The County is far too reliant on residential property while suffering from a smaller commercial tax base than many of our regional peers. We need to grow our commercial tax base to fund needed government programs, create jobs for our residents and provide amenities our residents are currently without.
- **4. EDUCATION:** The greatest barometer on whether our school system is succeeding is whether it becomes a calling card for the county. We must challenge everyone to do more for our children. We must invest in our classrooms and not a top-heavy bureaucracy, bring innovation to how we build and maintain our facilities, teach character education and increase our focus on Career and Technical Education.
- **5. LAND USE:** I will ensure that whatever zoning law is in place has ample opportunity for resident participation at the front end of the process. In addition, we must have hearings and information sessions in the communities that are directly impacted by proposed projects.
- **6. CASINO REVENUE:** Revenue generated from gaming, as well as the associated spending, will be presented online to insure there is visibility in how it is being spent. There is a current process that involves community representatives who provide input into the process of budgeting these funds and I will ensure that this process is more transparent.
- 7. COUNTY AGENCY ETHICS: I would want to determine if our employees feel as though we have established a culture of ethics, if those who operate with the government feel the same and most importantly that the citizens know that there government is being led ethically and in a manner of accountability. Much work has been done, but we cannot rest on those laurels, there is more work to do in this area.

Prince George's County Council

DUTIES: All legislative powers. The County Council also sits as the District Council which decides all zoning and land use matters. The County Council also sits as the Board of Health which decides health policy matters.

SALARY: \$114,347 base

TERM: 4 years; limited to two terms

HOW ELECTED: top two countywide vote getters for at-large races; by popular vote within councilmanic district for district races

Questions

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

BUDGET: What programs within the county's budget should be increased or decreased?

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

EDUCATION: What steps will you take to improve support for the public schools?

EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: What steps should the county government take to encourage economic development and job growth?

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: What steps would you take to increase the availability of affordable housing for county residents?

INFRASTRUCTURE: How would you address issues such as traffic congestion, transportation needs, and improvements to public facilities in the county?

<u>Prince George's County Council At Large</u> Candidates

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QUALIFICATIONS: •The residents of Prince George's County need leadership over traditional politics, and with nearly 20 years of experience representing the community as a successful business woman and as secretary of the Board of Trustees for my church, while serving as a local advocate through leadership roles, the people of Prince George's County can count on me to stand with them as a fellow community member.

BUDGET: •With Prince George's County being one of the the largest counties in Maryland, serving over 900,000 residents, there are many issues impacting our community; however, education is the cornerstone of my campaign because I believe that higher levels of education means less crime, higher income levels, and a healthier, safer and more productive community. I will advocate for more education funding.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: •I believe that a sensible land use and proper infrastructure development is how we continue to evolve as a civilized nation capable of providing global support, while creating local jobs and revenue, I plan to support effective state and federal government land use initiatives that provides the biggest positive impact on our communities.

EDUCATION: •Taking steps to improve education has a farreaching impact on community, well beyond high school graduation rates and test scores, which is why the burden of educating the community must be carried by all. I plan to Improve our public education system by cutting wasteful spending on bureaucrats, increase spending on teacher salaries, and put parents back in control of their child's education

EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: •As a small business owner with nearly 20 years serving the residents of Prince George's County, I understand the financial challenges that local businesses face, which is why I will ensure that the middle class families keep more money in their pockets by lowering taxes and increasing economic opportunities for ALL county residents!

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: .I am an advocate of the housing assistance and revitalization programs included as part of the "Opportunity Zone" program, which impacts most areas in Prince George's County.I will also push hard for investment in low cost rental homes.

INFRASTRUCTURE: I will support transit oriented developments and adequate investment in county buses to alleviate the challenges of transportation.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am the best positioned person to represent the County at-large on the Council because I served countywide as Council Chair for two years and have established a record as a prolific and creative legislator during my two-terms as a Council Member. I also believe I have the best ideas, informed by that experience, for our County's future through my Jobs First Plan for Prince George's County.

BUDGET: We should increase investment in early childhood education, teacher development and salaries, public safety staffing and resources, human services grants, public transit, and highway maintenance. The County should use public-private partnerships to significantly increase the new and renovated schools we build while dramatically reducing the costs of each project.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: We should finish adopting the new zoning rewrite so that we bring our development laws into the 21st century economy. Our land use and development policies should (i) be more citizen-friendly and transparent, (ii) be streamlined and consistent to improve job creation, (iii) encourage transit-oriented development, and (iii) strike the right balance between strong standards and flexibility.

EDUCATION: Use public-private partnerships to build schools at half/third of today's costs; Increase teacher salaries to above the regional average; Use community schools engagement model to improve student learning & healthier communities; Expand TAG & signature programs to reverse middle class flight; Establish universal pre-K; & Strengthen the skilled trades w/ new career pathways w/ PGCC & private sector

EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: (i) Cultivate signature industries, like health care, IT, the federal sector, business services & tourism/hospitality, (ii) Keep our public dollars local to grow small, minority, and women-owned businesses, (iii) invest in workforce development & career pathways for 21st century careers, and (iv) modernize our land use laws to encourage higher quality, smarter development w/ better retail.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: Establish a Comprehensive Housing Strategy to provide great lifestyles for residents of various of walks of life, esp. near our 15 transit stations; Establish inclusionary zoning policies that establish incentives for workforce housing; Use the Housing Trust program to assist first time home buyers; and Use federal/state housing funds to encourage redevelopment in established communities.

INFRASTRUCTURE: We need a transit revolution in our County. The Purple Line is a great start, but we need to push the State to approve Light Rail to Southern MD to reduce traffic in the southern half of the county. We also need to (i) expand our investment in The Bus to increase routes & reduce wait times, (ii) add dedicated bus lanes on wide county roads & (iii) add more ped./bike lanes & facilities countywide.

Calvin Hawkins (DEM)

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No response received by deadline.

Prince George's County Council District 1 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I am an attorney with a background representing civic and environmental groups, putting community interests ahead of special interests. I currently work for Brian Frosh, the Attorney General of Maryland. I served as Council District 1 member for nine years, twice as Chair. I have 30 years experience in County affairs and understand how to get the County working better for residents.

BUDGET: I would strategically increase education spending, redirecting bureaucracy spending to classrooms, and fund career and technology schools. The library system needs additional funding to expand hours, resources and staffing. Social services remain underfunded as many residents are experiencing fiscal and social crises. The budgets of the County Executive and Council can be reduced.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: The Council routinely ignores Master Plans adopted with community support by granting special approvals for developers. These approvals often occur as site-specific amendments to the zoning ordinance text, with no public awareness or input. I believe in transparency and public engagement. I will seek to create a process that targets building permits to Smart Growth locations to prevent more sprawl

EDUCATION: We need to implement the Kirwan Commission findings and provide more resources. Bureaucracy expenses should be reduced, and additional resources should flow to classrooms, increased pre-K enrollment, after-school programs, and creation of career and technology programs. We should create Community Schools to provide disadvantaged students essential services. I will promote more parental involvement EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: The County Council needs to stop allowing sprawl development of strip retail centers and dense residential development. Strategically located properties should be preserved for tech-oriented employment development. The County should provide more small business incubator opportunities.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: The County should incentivize multi-family housing near transit, particularly smaller affordable units. The Council must limit suburban sprawl development because it undermines values of existing homes, many of which are still underwater; and it should create an eviction and foreclosure mediation program.

INFRASTRUCTURE: Our goal should be to focus on transitoriented development, including affordable housing in close proximity to transit. Sprawl development must be limited by allocating building permits to targeted areas. I am proposing an analysis of all aging County infrastructure so we can develop a fiscally responsible long-term renovation plan.

<u>Prince George's County Council District 2</u> Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Deni Taveras (DEM)

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QUALIFICATIONS: Both my education and professional experience has prepared me for the role of County Council Member. I possess a BA and a MS in Chemistry, as well as a MPA-URP from Princeton University. I have worked at the U.S. EPA, at the World Bank and at FEMA, helping communities reinvent themselves after distaster or other unfortunate events. Most recently, I was chief of staff for Senator Victor Ramirez. BUDGET: Given the results of the Blue Ribbon Commission, I would say that the bulk of the funding should be put to

maintaining our public schools. We need to invest in infrastructure like our roadways and sidewalks to make this a



more walkable community. Lastly, we should control the amount of money spent on overtime for public safety. **DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** The county is currently

undergoing a zoning rewrite. It will be key in revamping and streamlining the decision making process. We need to be able to protect the rural tier, open spaces and focus development around our metro and purple line stops.

EDUCATION: I will be highly supportive of the changes being made through the Kirwan commission. However, we still need innovative legislation in Annapolis to bring in new, more cost-effective urban school construction.

EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: We need to continue to increase the commercial tax base by attracting more businesses to the county. We can do this through the development of the 15 transit stations we have as well as along the purple line stops. Additionally, we will be establishig a regional medical center and other federal agencies throughout the county.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: The county is undergoing a Comprehensive Housing Strategy. I want to ensure that there is an affordable housing and rent stabilization strategy included in the so-called comprehensive housing plan. It is critical that we include either some type of inclusionary zoning option or an incentive plan for affordable housing units within the Transit Centers per Plan 2035.

INFRASTRUCTURE: As part of the zoning rewrite, we should be requiring a transit demand study for every new development to see how it will impact traffic congestion and other public facilities

<u>Prince George's County Council District 3</u> Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Dannielle Glaros (DEM)

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QUALIFICATIONS: For over 20 years, I have worked on policy initiatives in the public and nonprofit sector to support communities and working families. I am the current council member and Chair of the Council. I am a founding member of the Food Equity Council, worked for groups dedicated to sustainable and smart growth communities, and have been recognized for my innovative collaborative nonprofit work.

BUDGET: The County budget needs to continue to prioritize 1) education funding, 2) public safety and 3) funding for neighborhood revitalization and local job growth. More funding is needed in critical core services to ensure safe, clean, and vibrant neighborhoods, strong code enforcement, and address litter in our communities. Funding investment is also needed in housing, health, and human services.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: Implementation of the Prince George's General Plan, which guides growth to metro stations and inside the beltway and preserves the rural areas, is critical. One of the best ways to do this is to deliver redevelopment—residential as well as office and retail—at the County's Metro stations. Land use policy and incentives should prioritize this. Updating the county's land use code can assist as well

EDUCATION: Support for education needs to include financial dollars as well as greater community, nonprofit, and business involvement. Too few of our kids start kindergarten ready-to-learn and greater counseling services are needed. Additional funding is desperately needed to invest in school infrastructure both with maintenance but significant overcrowding. I will

continue to prioritize these items.

EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: The county needs to continue to--use EDI fund to provide funds to support job growth; direct gov't procurement to support local businesses; and require projects with county support to meet local hiring/business goals. These efforts have helped to create local jobs. More support for entrepreneurs; local businesses; and connecting our residents to training and workforce in neighborhoods is needed.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: The County's Comprehensive Housing Strategy is being completed. I support increased funding in the Affordable Housing Trust and use of financial tools such as PILOTs to help support affordable housing production as well as maintain existing affordable housing. Ensuring that there are a mix of incomes in transit-oriented areas is critical especially as projects such as Purple Line move forward

INFRASTRUCTURE: A focus needs to be placed on increasing funding for sidewalk and local road improvements and investing in our local bus system. Too many residents cannot safely walk in their community to school, work, or amenities. The Transit Vision Study being completed must be funded to improve local bus service and enhance the The Call-A-Bus system to provide service to seniors and those with disabilities.

<u>Prince George's County Council District 4</u> Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Todd M. Turner (DEM)

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QUALIFICATIONS: Since 2015 I have served as the County Council Member and currently serve a Vice-Chair for 2018. Previously I served nine years as a member of the Bowie City Council and as a twelve year staff person at the County Council, which included working with a former Council District 4 representative, I have a unique experience and knowledge to continue to move both the District and County forward.

BUDGET: The County Council's annual budget review process is the appropriate place to measure revenue and expenses as part of the determination of the County's budget priorities. As a County Council Member I will have approved four budgets and when I sought to add new spending or programs, I would always identify corresponding reductions, delays and/or elimination of other spending or programs.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: As a County Council Member I have attempted to balance the rights and responsibilities of the citizens and the developers in the development review process, including modifying projects based on community feedback. The County Council, working with the Planning Commission, has undertaken a comprehensive review and updating the County Zoning Ordinance (Zoning Rewrite) over the past four years. **EDUCATION:** As a parent of two County Public School students and a product of the public school system in New York, I support efforts to improve our education system. The County Council has two primary roles with the Board of Education and public education generally - (1) providing review and approval of the proposed annual budget and (2) having an oversight function of how these public dollars are spent. EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: I support the County's policy to encourage economic development and job creation by utilizing targeted financial incentives, expedited permitting review & zoning approvals, while working with our private, State and Federal partners to encourage growth, particularly Transit

Oriented Development (TOD) around our 15 Metro stations,



resulting in MGM, Kaiser Permanente and the new Regional Hospital.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: The County Council in 2017 initiated the first Comprehensive Housing Strategy study, including creating the Ad-Hoc Comprehensive Housing Subcommittee, which I Co-Chair, to provide critical feedback and oversight to ensure that the study provides a variety of quality and diverse housing choices to meet existing and future needs of a diverse population and demographic for the County's residents.

INFRASTRUCTURE: As Chair and member of the Council's Transportation Committee for the past four year, I have support additional transportation improvements & transit service extension throughout the County, including funding for the Purple Line, support for additional State funding for Metro and road improvements and an additional \$30 million in County funding for transportation improvements.

Prince George's County Council District 5 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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QUALIFICATIONS: With proven leadership as Chair of the County Delegation in the Maryland House, I learned to forge consensus, gain support, and pass legislation to benefit our county. The county budget of over \$4 billion is a serious responsibility. With what I've learned in my business, legislative, and volunteer careers, I have the experience, knowledge, and temperament to be a progressive force on the Council.

BUDGET: Constant reassessment and adjustment of programs is necessary as circumstances and conditions change. Some programs should be reexamined and eliminated; other programs expanded and funding increased. Needs, circumstances, and challenges constantly evolve and we need to be flexible and adaptive. What once made sense and was equitable may no longer be so, but I do not support raising property taxes.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: I strongly support the concept of smart growth, to create green, sustainable walkable communities of mixed use and job creation. Growth is inevitable, needed, and desirable. But it should limit sprawl, be transit oriented, and preserve green spaces. Smart growth is wise growth, and environmental justice should be a key component of decisions around development and land use.. EDUCATION: Our public schools need increased revenue to raise teacher and principal salaries, and volunteers to be a home visiting corps for struggling parents. Helping parents learn how to talk to, read to and properly discipline their children leads to students being ready to learn. Well-paid teachers/principals combined with prepared students will lead to a strong school system and community.

EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: An indispensable requirement for long-term prosperity is a strong and respected school system. Strong schools create a virtuous cycle: good schools attract and nurture qualified people, and the presence of qualified people attracts jobs and businesses. Also, prudent use of incentives and subsidies can attract businesses, jobs, and economic growth, as will streamlined permitting and wise zoning.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: We must include all income levels for housing as we revitalize older, inside-the-beltway

communities, concentrating development and housing around Metro and Marc trains, and efficient bus routes,. Using zoning, permitting decisions, and prudent and transparent incentives and subsidies, walkable communities emerge, with jobs and amenities for all of our residents.

INFRASTRUCTURE: We should spend our finite resources expanding public transit in all its forms. Expanding public transit and our bike trails will help relieve traffic congestion. Building roads without addressing, expanding, and improving alternative transit options will not solve the problem that building more roads hopes to solve. This affects not just us; I support interjurisdictional cooperation.

Prince George's County Council District 6 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Derrick Leon Davis (DEM)

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QUALIFICATIONS: I've proudly represented the people of District 6 since November 2011. Prior to my election, I worked as an Administrator for the Prince George's County Public Schools in the Head Start Program, the Title 1 Program, and as a Facilitator for the Comer School Development program. These experiences and my early work in Constituent and Social Services have served to round my approach to serving D-6. BUDGET: Often hailed as the most affluent majority minority jurisdiction in the world misses the reality of the Washington Metropolitan region. Our median HH income is 11th in Maryland and 17th in the region when you include Washington, DC. We are uniquely large, urban, suburban and rural. While we invest all we have in our Education system, we are far from keeping pace with expectations and outcomes.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: We are in the process of rewriting the entire County Zoning Ordinance. This undertaking is critical to ensuring the process of growth and development is predictable, measured, respectful of the nature of our geography and produces positive economic and ecological outcomes. Along with the development of a Comprehensive Housing Strategy we better layout the where, when, and how of smart growth.

EDUCATION: The Council has implemented a performance audit strategy to ensure, as the fiduciary agent for the County, we are consistently monitoring resource with the Board and School Administration from the perspective of what are we getting for the dollars we spend. The Council IS NOT directly responsible for child outcomes or managing teachers, the Board is. We must remain focused on macro fiscal impact. EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: The Economic Development strategic plan and our focus on Transit Oriented Development has paid huge dividends since my election in 2011. From MGM at National Harbor to the new Regional Medical at Largo Town Center spurring the re-development of Downtown Largo, this Council has been a strident partner in job creation and boosting the commercial tax base! Our TOD focus to Econ. DVL. MUST continue!

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: We established an AdHoc Committee to study a comprehensive approach to our housing strategy. We look forward to the report to come and how it will impact our sector and sub-region planning into the future. INFRASTRUCTURE: Three words: Transit Oriented Development (TOD). With TOD as a focus, a modern Zoning Ordinance, a Comprehensive Housing Strategy, an Economic Development Strategic Plan ALL dovetailed with Plan 2035... I like our chances to grow into the Economic Power of the State and Region. We have the greatest resources, people and



opportunties from Branch Ave to New Carrollton; Addison Road to Accokeek.

<u>Prince George's County Council District 7</u> <u>Candidates</u>

Vote for no more than 1.

Rodney Colvin Streeter (DEM)

No response received by deadline.

<u>Prince George's County Council District 8</u> Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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Prince George's County Council District 9 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

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QUALIFICATIONS: Being a life-long resident of Prince George's, educated in the public-school system, raised a son (as a single-parent), owned a small business, and elected Clerk of the Circuit Court has well prepared me and helped make me aware of the unique needs of our community. As the Clerk of the Court, I oversee the collection of \$58, 000,000 in annual revenue and manage 208 caring, committed employees.

BUDGET: After closely reviewing the County's needs and identifying new funding sources, I will look to increase the budget for public schools, public safety, domestic violence shelters and prevention, anti-bullying programs, and small business expansion. I will look to decrease the budget of programs or initiatives which is not performing well or is not using their funding to help move the county forward.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: I will promote supportive legislation and lobby for additional smart growth initiatives. By focusing growth around our transportation hubs (Metro stations), the County will in-turn experience sharp decreases in fuel consumption, greenhouse gases, and traffic congestion. Our smart growth will include residential, commercial, and business mix-use projects, which will promote better, smarter land use

EDUCATION: I will work to ensure the "Lock-Box" for education funding, which is currently being considered by the State's General Assembly, be enacted to mandate tax revenue generated from the casinos will be exclusively earmarked for local school funding. Work with the School Board to identify additional funding sources through school-business partnerships and streamline spending initiatives to reduce waste

EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: By recruiting and encouraging business, and Federal government growth, the County will experience job and career opportunity expansion, as well as economic growth. We must also expand our vocational training, at the high school level, in order to increase our career-ready workforce, which will encourage companies to locate in the

County. We must also fund tuition-free community college. AFFORDABLE HOUSING: I will work to increase affordable housing by ensuring protection of fair and lending housing practices, provide tax credit breaks for police, fire, and teachers to live in the County, reduce property tax burden, establish minimum affordable housing in new construction projects, portion of rent apply to purchase program, commit underused land for affordable housing, & first-time buyer incentives. INFRASTRUCTURE: I will support legislation and lobby for additional smart growth initiatives. By focusing growth around our transportation hubs (Metro stations), the County will in-turn experience sharp decreases in fuel consumption, greenhouse gases, and traffic congestion. I will also support the light rail project, carpooling incentives, and additional state funding for road expansion and improvements.

Tamara Davis Brown (Write-in)

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have worked tirelessly for and with the community on a number of issues affecting residents of District 9, but most notably zoning matters. I am a member of the Zoning Rewrite Task Force and helped to write the Subregion 5 Master Plan. I am the only candidate versed in zoning and planning matters that has delivered proven results for better planning and improved infrastructure.

BUDGET: I will examine the budget closely for areas that need adjustments. What concerns me the most is the amount of funds toward education. I would like to do a line item audit of the education budget to eliminate waste, no-bid contracts and the like. I would like to increase funding for affordable housing to stabilize our housing market, and for our local and small businesses and non-profits.

DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE: We need to adhere to and enforce our current and future land use policies, and stop giving developers waivers from improving our infrastructure before building new developments. We must also eliminate grandfathering provisions that allow developers to receive zoning approval but choose to wait years before construction. They must reapply and update the Adequate Public Facilities standards.

EDUCATION: I would like to see a return to an Elected Board of Education. I would like to give principals and teachers greater autonomy in developing curriculum based on needs of the students, not what a test will cover. Finally, I want to ensure that signature programs are at each neighborhood schools, not a selected few. This will attract more parents to re-enroll their students in PGCPS.

EMPLOYMENT/ JOBS: I would like to improve grant opportunities for our small and local businesses to invest here and do business here. I will continue to incentivize County contractors that hire locally.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: As I mentioned above, I would like to increase the budget for affordable housing. I also want to use the settlement funds from the lawsuit against big banks and mortgage lenders used as a grant program to provide housing for our homeless, veterans, public employees populations. INFRASTRUCTURE: I would expand routes for The Bus system in District 9, and work with SHA & MTA to expand commuter bus line along Route 5 with stops at Brandywine Crossing, Medstar Southern MD Hospital and Branch Avenue Metro station. As a long-term solution, I would work to bring light rail along Route 5 to the Branch Ave Metro, and impose a moratorium on new housing developments until impact fees are paid.



JUDICIAL OFFICES

Prince George's Circuit Court Judge, Circuit 7

Vote for no more than 6.

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.

Questions

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?

Tiffany H. Anderson

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Qualifications: As a circuit judge for over 16 years, I have presided over thousands of cases of all types—civil, criminal and family. I teach at the New Trial Judges Orientation and am on the faculty of the Maryland Judicial College. I chair the state's Business and Technology Courts workgroup. In 2008 I was elected as president of the Maryland Circuit Judges Association. I was County Attorney from 1999-2002.

Discrimination: Courts must provide a fair forum to pursue discrimination claims and, when the claims are proven, should award appropriate compensation and injunctive relief. Courts also must treat all parties with dignity and respect. I strive to do so as a judge, and the Women's Bar Association of Maryland recently recognized my "commitment to diversity and to the

advancement of women and minorities."

Court Needs: Courts need to focus on our core mission protecting rights and resolving disputes. Increasingly people come to court (often without lawyers) expecting judges to solve all of their problems. While we want to help people, courts must refrain from wading into areas in which we have no expertise or authority.

Judy Lynn Woodall

No response received by deadline.

Judge in Court of Special Appeals (At-Large)

Vote to confirm or not to confirm each candidate.

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

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.

Questions

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?

Donald E. Beachley

No response received by deadline.

Matthew J. Fader

No response received by deadline.

Judge in Court of Special Appeals (C4: Prince George's)

Vote to confirm or not to confirm each candidate.

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.

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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?

Melanie M. Shaw Geter

No response received by deadline.

COUNTY OFFICES

Prince George's County State's Attorney

Vote for no more than 1.

DUTIES: Serves as chief prosecutor of anyone charged with committing a crime in Prince George's County; the State's Attorney office also investigates charges of police and public official misconduct and misuse of funds.

SALARY: \$199,000

TERM: 4 years; no term limits **HOW ELECTED:** countywide

Questions

1. QUALIFICATIONS: What are your qualifications and how

does your background prepare you for this office?

2. PRIORITIES: What are your priorities and how do you plan

to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?

3. PROSECUTORIAL DISCRETION: What can the State's Attorney do to ensure fair implementation of prosecutorial discretion that is not race, economic, or gender based?

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Prince George's County Clerk of the Circuit Court

Vote for no more than 1.

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

SALARY: \$114,500

TERM: 4 years; no term limits **HOW ELECTED**: county wide

Questions

1. QUALIFICATIONS: What are your qualifications and how

does your background prepare you for this office?

2. PRIORITIES: What are your priorities and how do you plan

to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I understand and appreciate the importance of the Clerk's Office because of my work history working in the Court. I've been practicing law in Prince George's County since 2010; I worked in the courthouse as law clerk to Honorable Beverly J. Woodard, Associate Judge for Prince George's County, prior to becoming a lawyer; and I clerked for the Office of the Public Defender while in law school.

2. PRIORITIES: I'll promote confidence in the Clerk's Office by ensuring the public can rely on the Clerk to timely process and maintain accurate records. The Office will be more efficient

ensuring the public can rely on the Clerk to timely process and maintain accurate records. The Office will be more efficient because I will properly transition the Office to Maryland's electronic filing and case management system. I'll assure the Clerk's Office will offer topnotch customer service to every person that interactions with the Office.

Prince George's County Register of Wills

Vote for no more than 1.

DUTIES: Assists and advises the general public with administrative processes and the preparation of forms concerning estates of deceased persons. The Register collects Maryland inheritance tax on estates and probate fees; maintains all records of wills and estates of deceased persons; acts as clerk to the Orphans Court; and safeguards wills of living persons, and guards property of minors.

SALARY: \$114,500

TERM: 4 years; no term limits **HOW ELECTED:** countywide

Questions

1. QUALIFICATIONS: What are your qualifications and how does your background prepare you for this office?

2. PRIORITIES: What are your priorities and how do you plan to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?

Cereta A. Lee (DEM)

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: As the current Register of Wills I have the experience and knowledge of laws governing estates of deceased persons and guardianship of minors. I am knowledgeable of inheritance tax laws, court decisions and opinions of the Attorney General. Previously I was the Executive Assistant to Sheriff Michael A. Jackson and prior to that I retired as a Senior Verizon Manager.

2. PRIORITIES: I will continue to be proactive in the community by doing presentations on the importance of having a will and the services my office provides; to provide exceptional customer service by meeting with families one on one and addressing their individual needs. I will create audit procedures to be transparent for the citizens of Prince George's County and throughout the State of Maryland.

Prince George's County Judge of the Orphans' Court

Vote for no more than 3.

DUTIES: Established by the Constitution of the State of Maryland, hears all matters involving contested estates, and supervises all judicially probated estates. Has concurrent jurisdiction with Circuit Court in guardianship of minors and their property. Resolves matters of validity of wills and transfer of property.

TERM: 4 years



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HOW ELECTED: countywide

Questions

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?

Wendy Alise Cartwright (DEM)

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have had the honor and privilege of serving as a Judge of the Orphans' Court for Prince George's County since 2001; and Chief Judge of the Orphans' Court since 2003. My experience on the bench during this time and my years of experience as a trial attorney since 1990 have prepared me for the duties of this office.

DISCRIMINATION: Continuing education for Judges is the best way to address these issues Judges encounter every day. Judges need to remain vigilant in their courts to prevent interested parties, family members, the bar, courthouse personnel, staff, and the general public from encountering discrimination in any form.

COURT NEEDS: Resources to achieve uniformity in every county in the state is the greatest need of the Judges of the Orphans' Court. Each jurisdiction should allocate more financial and personnel resources to the Judges of the Orphans' Court in every county in order to achieve this goal.

Athena Malloy Groves (DEM)

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have been an Orphans' Court Judge for the past 12 years. As an attorney I practiced in the area of probate law prior to my election on the bench in 2006, and appeared before the Orphans' Court for Prince George's County numerous times over the years. Currently I am President of the Maryland Association of the Judges of the Orphans' Courts and Chair of the Conference of Orphans' Court Judges.

DISCRIMINATION: The Orphans' Court, which oversees the administration of decedents' estates, does not discriminate based on any factor.

COURT NEEDS: The Orphans' Court for Prince George's County functions very well with seasoned judges and excellent staff. I cannot say that there is any specific need that requires attention at this time.

Vicky L. Ivory-Orem (DEM)

economic, or disability status.

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QUALIFICATIONS: I have had the privilege of serving as an Orphans' Court Judge since 2006. I received my Juris Doctorate degree in 1995 from the University of Baltimore, and have over 23 years of progressive legal experience with a concentration in estate administration and real estate law. **DISCRIMINATION:** Discrimination of any kind has no place in a system created to enforce laws fairly. An unbiased court is critical to protecting individual rights under the law. Accessibility to the courts is vital to protect rights. Courts have a duty to ensure access to justice by reasonably accommodating special needs regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation,

COURT NEEDS: Funding is needed to assist the court with the appointment of attorneys to act as guardian ad litem and investigators in guardianship of the minor cases. The independent evaluation by these professionals can assist the court with determining the appropriateness of the proposed guardians. Funding is also needed to assist families who chose to mediate through mediation services provided by the Court.

Prince George's County Sheriff

Vote for no more than 1.

DUTIES: The sheriff carries out court orders, delivers summonses, deals with protective orders and other injunctions, and executes bench warrants.

SALARY: \$154,333

TERM: 4 years; no term limits **HOW ELECTED:** countywide

Questions

1. QUALIFICATIONS: What are your qualifications and how does your background prepare you for this office?

2. PRIORITIES: What are your priorities and how do you plan to accomplish them if you are elected to this office?

3. NEGATIVE IMAGE: How will you address the long-standing negative image of the law enforcement community in Prince George's County regarding race relations?

4. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: What are the roles and responsibilities of the Sheriff's office?

SERVICE TO CITIZENS: What actions can you take in the Sheriff's office to maximize service to citizens?

Melvin C. High (DEM)

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right people with the best judgement.

- 1. QUALIFICATIONS: Of all the candidates, I'm the only one that has served as CEO of a major law enforcement agency. developing strategic direction for the agency, negotiating & managing a multi-million dollar budget, maintaining mutually beneficial relations with federal, state and local law enforcement, and establishing best-practice policies that demonstrate transparency & accountability in serving citizens 2. PRIORITIES: As the law enforcement arm of the courts, courthouse facility security is the essential top priority for the safety of all who enter. Our service of warrants and all courtissued documents, is central to assuring that the court's instructions are carried out. Strengthening resources against domestic violence, investing in young people and hiring the
- 3. NEGATIVE IMAGE: Our commitment to inclusivity, equity and fairness is visible within the agency's demographics and in assignments. The trust we are given is with the expectation that we will serve equitably and constitutionally. Our training reflects best practice policies so that our members instinctively demonstrate a commitment to equity and fairness.
- 4. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: The Sheriff is a constitutional officer responsible for court security, transportation of detainees for court proceedings, the service of all manner of court issued documents, including arrest warrants and peace and protective orders. The Sheriff is the first responder for domestic violence 911 calls in police district III. We mentor young people in county middle schools.
- 5. SERVICE TO CITIZENS: Our communications are robust, designed to work with and keep citizens informed and engaged about personal & community safety, our work, people, and activities in county communities. We launched a countywide domestic violence awareness campaign to show it as a community concern. We are actively engaged with seniors about safety and with young people about safety, healthy choices, & their futures.



NONPARTISAN OFFICES

Prince George's County Board of Education

DUTIES: The BOE shares its responsibilities with the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to establish and oversee educational policies; to make decisions on educational, facility, and financial matters; and to appraise the educational and administrative management of the public school system. The CEO implements public school policies and programs. The BOE may not contradict management and oversight of fiscal affairs except by a 2/3 vote of the BOE. The purpose of the Board is two-fold: to raise the academic achievement of students and the level of engagement of parents, students, and community. The BOE consists of 9 elected members, 3 members appointed by the County Executive, 1 member by the County Council, and 1 student member.

SALARY:\$18,000 + \$7,000 reimbursement

TERM: 4 years; no term limits

HOW ELECTED: By popular vote within one of nine districts. Districts 1, 4, 5, 7, and 8 are elected during Presidential elections; Districts 2, 3, 6, and 9, during Gubernatorial elections. BOE races are non-partisan and all registered voters may vote in both Primary and General elections. The top two vote getters in each race advance to the General election; uncontested races (only one or two candidates) do not appear on the primary election ballot. Questions

- 1. QUALIFICATIONS: What makes you qualified (in education, community involvement, budget matters, etc.) to serve on the Board of Education?
- 2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: PGCPS high school students were asked for suggestions for the questions for the School Board candidates. Their responses (based on their experiences) indicated a concern for a number of perceived disparities in the delivery of services, programs, use of ineffective teachers, and adequate facilities within the system. How would you address these disparities so that students and parents do not feel they are receiving an unequal education?
- **3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:** Given that the stated purpose of the Board of Education is to raise the academic achievement of students, where would you begin in your efforts to improve the academic performance in all PGC schools, in order to reduce the drop out rate, and raise PGCPS from near the bottom of all public schools in Maryland?
- 4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: How can the Board of Education foster better collaboration among parents, school staff and the community?
 5. BUDGET FACTORS: Prioritize the factors you will weigh when making budget decisions.
- **6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP:** Which programs that PGC schools put in place have addressed the achievement gap of our minority students? Have they have been effective? Why or why not?
- 7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: What successful practices in other Maryland school systems and/or in other states should be put in place PGC Schools?

<u>Prince George's County Board of Education</u> **District 2 Candidates**

Vote for no more than 1.

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- 1. QUALIFICATIONS: I am the President & CEO of the Latin American Youth Center (LAYC), a non-profit organization with a 16 million budget, 200 staff that serves 4,000 low income Latino & African-American youth in Washington D.C and Maryland with programs in education, employment and social services. I am a parent of two children attending Prince George's County Public Schools. I have a Masters in Curriculum Instruction and Bilingual & Special Education. I taught for one year at the Next Step Charter School in D.C
- 2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: I participated on an equity task-force force that was tasked to make recommendations to the administration for the development of Board policy and Administrative procedures. The taskforce discussed funding of our schools, staff, and programs through an educational equity lens. The recommendations to mention a few included the review of a diverse staff recruitment, teacher compensation, weighted funding for specified student groups, community schools and Career & Technical Education.
- 3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: I supported a Community Schools policy thru Policy committee that was adopted by the Board of Education for this upcoming school year 2018-2019. The board policy provides a road map for the implementation of a systemic implementation of Community Schools, an evidence based approach that supports the whole child and engages key stakeholders to work in partnership with the schools to address academic and social needs of the students. Community Schools were included in our current school budget.
- 4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: I will continue to build on partnerships that support our students, parents and staff. I have connected resources to schools that provide food, clothing, academic and summer programming to our students and families. I have joined morning coffees and PTA/O meetings to answer questions from parents and to learn about their concerns. There is a need to improve communication so that parents/community can better be informed. Sign up for PGCPS Newsletter: https://www.pgcps.org/newsroom-newsletters/
- **5. BUDGET FACTORS:** Teacher compensation is a priority for the board. It is important to retain and attract new talent. Currently, the board is discussing staffing for Special Education and this is another area that we need to ensure has proper resources and allocations. I continue to focus on transportation for our students to ensure we have proper coverage and that students can get to school on time.
- **6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP:** The board invested in literacy and math coaches in order to provide instructional supports to our teachers. The board has requested data to determine its effectiveness. Many schools have opted to implement arts integration as part of their curriculum and this has been effective. Our language programs have been successful and parents want consideration of a strategic expansion that provides feeder schools from Middle to High School. There is much work to do to close achievement gap.
- **7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES:** No response received by deadline.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I am qualified to serve on the Board of Education because I am the only candidate in my race with actual classroom teaching experience. As a middle school science teacher, I experienced the challenges of teaching in an underfunded school system in which I had no way of



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expressing my concerns to those who were elected to represent me. I want to amplify the voices of teachers, families, and students because I understand their struggles in education from firsthand experience.

- 2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: The schools in our district are overcrowded which is not allowing us to maximize the potential of our students. It's not that faculty members at our schools don't care to help out their students; it's that they are overworked with having too many students to focus on all at once. I plan to decrease student-faculty ratios to an appropriate quantity and ensure school facilities are sizeable enough to manage the students within their walls. We must reduce overcrowding and balance school enrollment.
- 3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: I think it's important that school board members not only lead by their own knowledge and insight but also take the time to really understand the concerns of their constituents so they know what to advocate for and prioritize. While I am focused on improving the academic performance in all PGC schools, I would be elected by voters to represent District 2, so I would prioritize the issues most pertinent to schools in District 2 by working directly with constituents to advocate for their needs.
- 4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: We must create a direct line of communication to increase awareness and accessibility. I always ask teachers, parents and students, "Do you know who your school board member is?" The answer is almost always no. I think this lack of engagement is rooted in three major factors: awareness, accessibility, and incentivization. I will ensure my community knows that I am their school board member and has an effective and reliable way of reaching out to me and getting a response.
- 5. BUDGET FACTORS: 1) Reduce overcrowding and balance school enrollment 2) Prioritize teacher recruitment, training, and retention 3) Prioritize school construction and renovation and increase maintenance budget 4) Increase Advanced Placement, Language Immersion, Vocational and Specialty Programs
- ACHIEVEMENT GAP: No response received by deadline.
 OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: No response received by deadline.

<u>Prince George's County Board of Education</u> <u>District 3 Candidates</u>

Vote for no more than 1.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I have dedicated my skills in nonprofit management and fundraising to PGCPS and economic development in Prince George's County as as a parent and volunteer leader. I am a Past-President of the Gateway CDC Board of Directors where I collaborated with County and State elected officials. I served as Treasurer of the Mount Rainier Elementary Parent-Teacher Organization for the past 3 years and have analyzed and responded to the PGCPS budget for

- many years. I earned my MBA at American University

 2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: District 3 is feeling the strain of overcrowded and old buildings, many built in the 1950s. These schools do not provide the healthy and safe environment students and teachers deserve. Funding teacher professional development and fair pay is critical to raising the bar for teacher quality in PGCPS. As a parent with a student currently in PGCPS, I know what students and parents are experiencing. I will organize school families to advocate for 21st Century Schools and teacher resources.
- 3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: I will focus attention on elementary schools and will demand that our youngest learners are on grade level before they advance. This must be coupled with expanded Pre-K, after-school enrichment programs and the resources to help students with special needs. This will put students on a path for success in Middle and High School where we should continue to expand academic and social services support. The new Community Schools Policy will bring essential resources to reduce drop-out rates.
- 4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: We need to define the mission and culture of our community schools and return to an elected representative school board that the CEO reports to. Principals no longer ultimately report to the school families and broader community and this has created a significant shift in the collaboration between parents, teachers and Principals. Principals need more autonomy to respond to their school needs. I advocate for and will help build strong Parent-Teacher Organizations (PTO/PTA) at all schools.
- **5. BUDGET FACTORS:** As a representative of the school families and voters in District 3, I will routinely engage the community in providing input into budget priorities. Top budget issues that have already emerged are funds for school construction, teacher pay and classroom supplies, and High School options such as career and technical programs. I will continue my advocacy for arts and language program funding.
- **6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP:** PGCPS is a leader in English Language Teaching setting our immigrant students up for success in their classrooms. TNI@Schools, International Schools and the Saturday School at High Point are programs that work. The Community Schools Policy will bring more services to our schools to build upon these successful programs. Increased teacher accountability with assessments, though well intentioned, have negatively impacted minority students by allocating too much time and resources on testing.
- 7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: PGCPS is now implementing the new Community Schools Policy that provides high-quality learning, integrated social supports, and family/community engagement in order to improve educational outcomes and the well-being of PGCPS students. This model is utilized in many school districts throughout the country with great success. Community Schools create positive conditions for learning in partnership with families, government, businesses, as well as nonprofit and faith-based organizations

Prince George's County Board of Education <u>District 6 Candidates</u>

Vote for no more than 1.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: My experience as councilmember in my community, equipped me the knowledge/experience dealing with budgets. Years of PTA development/training provided me advocacy and leadership skills. As a Parent Liaison for PGCPS,



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prepared me to assist parents and community on navigating our system. Board professional training/workforce development has been an asset on this board. My employment with one of the largest labor union, equipped me with understanding of negotiations/collective bargaining.

- 2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: Increase enrollment in our Career and Technical Education programs that equip students with certifications and/or skills to use after graduation. Continue providing community workshops and encourage key partnerships. Continue work with the College and Career Readiness Summit, where we bring colleges, universities, careers, and agencies to provide resources for families. Encourage apprenticeship opportunities for students. Advocate for funding to renovate schools. Expand professional development
- **3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT:** I would continue to advocate for Community Schools to advance student achievement and provide wrap around services, after school providers, restorative practices, health and dental services, and parental supports. It is incumbent on the school system to help fill the gaps of our students so that are students have a fair shot at achieving.
- 4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: Bring awareness of great staff, programs, and successes of students. Coordinated for the board, a College and Career Readiness Summit, we offer middle and high school students and families resources to assist with decision-making around college and career opportunities. Seek businesses, parent organizations, and community to provide parent workshops. Support funding for Family and Community Engagement office, Family Institute, Ombudsmen Office, and PEAs to support families and community.
- **5. BUDGET FACTORS:** Continue to show significant investments in Prince George's County Public Schools are of utmost importance. Our positive fund balance shows the advances being made by the school system. The FY19 budget proposed is \$2.106 billion. Worked with my colleagues to create a strategic plan that shows where we will invest resources to support our students, teacher recruitment, facilities, and academics.
- **6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP:** The following programs have been very effective: Academy of Health Sciences and Teacher's Academy at PGCC where our students graduate with a High School Diploma and an Associates Degree. Dual Enrollment classes with our partnering colleges and universities. Career and Technical Education programs, like our IT programs, Fire and EMS Cadet Programs, Nursing Assistant training, and numerous other educational programs that will equip our students to be college and career ready after graduation.
- 7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: I would like to see a full function CTE school, that would be dedicated to technical career opportunities for students who would like to learn skills that they could use after graduation. Also, I like a new funding source similar to that used in other counties that would lower cost for building new schools in our system. Our system has an ageing infrastructure and the cost to replace or renovate our facilities is extremely very costly.

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: I am a Graduate, mother of 11 Graduates,3 still attending and 11 grandchildren all of PGCPS. I have served on various Schools PTA, PTSA and PTO positions for over 30 years even as a past officer of the PGC Council of PTA's. My work experience has been in communication and my Degree in Accounting. I've volunteer,

been elected and appointed to serve on many community boards. I have substitute as a teacher and am a retired union steward. My passion is for the Growth of our Children.

- 2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: I find this to be an major concern and issue for many including me. We have to Advocate, Educate and do more Research on Education disparities. The research can help address the overlapping, bias treatment and different responses. Educating the public and policymakers on the consequences of having increased ethnic and racial segregation to the educational experiences of ethnic and racial minority children can bring about alight and Advocacy can promote access to high-quality education to all 3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Let the Teachers Teach! To many required testing and not enough innovated strategies and technology available for them to have room to be creativity and have fun. This has been taken out of teaching and learning for
- 4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: Having Community Schools with Community, Corporations and Local Business Partnership of Engagement. This will foster better collaboration and accountability. Parents need to feel welcome and heavily encouraged to be involved. We must make it easier for parents to spend time at the child's school, and handle their family and personal needs. Communication must be equally easy for the parent, student and teacher.
- **5. BUDGET FACTORS:** Putting the Students First by meeting local in classroom needs. To make sure our teachers are fairly compensated and addressing Line by line, the budget needs to be analyzed to see where waste can be cut.
- **6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP:** Having Career Academy and Charter Schools for students has been very effective and has addressed the achievement gap for many minority students. One of the reason it has been effective is the curriculum is for comprehensive and specialty programs. These programs are mostly career oriented and of great interest to most of the students attending.
- 7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: Being Future-Focus Schools that shares an interest in what is best for the Student can be an successful practice. Having an Environment of Strong School connections can also create Effective Schools and help increase academics, social and most importantly emotional success.

<u>Prince George's County Board of Education</u> <u>District 9 Candidates</u>

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1. QUALIFICATIONS: As the current member of the board of education representing the Prince Georges County school District 9, I have had 4 years of experience leading school system to make dramatic changes to policy and procedures to begin improving the outcomes in student success, increased parent engagement and improvement to the culture of PGCPS. Outside of the work I done on the Board, I possess over 26



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years of leadership experience with large budgets, leading teams and reaching the expected results.

- 2. DISPARITIES IN DELIVERY OF SERVICES: PGCPS is a school system comprised of nearly 132,000 students & graduates over 7,000 students annually. During my tenure, we have increased the number of special programs and career technical programs offered to students. We have provided more supports for educators to obtain needed training & support in the classroom. As a result, high school seniors have increased the attainment of scholarship dollars & national certifications, leaving PGCPS better prepared for college &/or career.
- 3. ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT: Improvements to the academic success for PGCPS students is a continuous and consistent effort. This effort has been outline under our strategic plan. This strategic plan has five focus areas to achieve three goals and with a priority on literacy and numeracy. Since implementing the strategic plan in our 2016 Fiscal Year, we have begun to move the needle on academic success for students in every level of education; elementary, middle school as well as high school.
- 4. ENGAGEMENT OF PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND COMMUNITY: As a former PTSA president, I am fully aware of the importance of having engaged parents, students & community. Even more important is to have stakeholders that are also informed. To support this effort, I have hosted coffee events every month open to the public, where I share information with the community about current & future board work, and receive & undertake matters from the community. In my tenure, we have created a Community Engagement dept, an Ombudsman's office & board committee.
- 5. BUDGET FACTORS: 1. Academic Excellence (direct classroom funding) 2. High Performing Workforce (funding for recruitment & retention) 3. Safe & Supportive Environment (school buildings & security development funding) 4. Family & Community Engagement 5. Organizational Effectiveness (program funding for improving communication, customer service & accountability)
- **6. ACHIEVEMENT GAP:** PGCPS is comprised of 90% African American & Latino/Hispanic students. Rigorous programs such as language immersion, TAG, STEM, dual enrollment and international baccalaureate (IB), as well as support programs like literacy and math coaches, AVID, and early childhood education programs, increasing the opportunities for PGCPS students to participate in these programs, reduces the achievement gap for minority students.
- 7. OTHER SUCCESSFUL PRACTICES: Alternative funding methods for new school construction should be incorporated in PGCPS schools to quicken the development process that will allow more new schools to be built and open. With the most schools built over 50 years ago, aging schools is a big challenge for PGCPS in terms of infrastructure and overcrowding. Improving this process will help us create better physical environments for students to learn, teachers to work, and for community use.

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.]

Prince George's County Question A

Question A Charter Referendum (CB-30-2018)

Public Works and Transportation Facilities Bonds AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$148,287,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation or repair of Public Works and Transportation Facilities (including roads and bridges, parking lots, and maintenance facilities), as defined therein.

- O For the Charter Referendum
- O Against the Charter Referendum

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated from the County Executive as part of five bond-enabling bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Questions A through E, the County will be allowed to borrow money and issue future bond sales for capital projects referenced in the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program. Information on the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program ("CIP") Budget and other past CIP budgets, can be found at: https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/589/CIP-Budgets.

County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at:

https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-30-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that Prince George's County, Maryland (the "County"), is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 323 of the Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland (the "Charter"), to borrow money and incur indebtedness upon its full faith and credit, at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$148,287,000 to finance the design,

construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of, Public Works and Transportation Facilities (including roads and bridges, parking lots and maintenance facilities), including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, all such capital projects hereby being found to be (and also being in fact) of the same generic class and being described in the capital program of the County for the fiscal years 2019-2024, under the following headings, which descriptions are incorporated by reference as if set forth herein:

CIP-ID Project Name

664241 ADA RIGHT OF WAY MODIFICATIONS 668052 BRIDGE REHABILITATION FEDERAL AID 668182 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – CHESTNUT AVE 661142 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – GOVERNOR BRIDGE ROAD

668152 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – SUNNYSIDE AVE 661132 BRIDGE REPLACEMENT – TEMPLE HILL ROAD 661011 BRIDGE REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT 2 661061 TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENTS 2 660007 SOUTHERN MARYLAND RAPID TRANSIT



661071 BUS MASS TRANSIT/RAIL 2

661021 CURB AND ROAD REHABILITATION 2

668645 DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTION PROJECTS

660123 EMERGENCY REPAIRS - ROADWAYS & BRIDGES

661211 FORESTVILLE ROAD/RENA ROAD

IMPROVEMENTS

661091 GREEN STREET IMPROVEMENTS

661004 MARYLAND PURPLE LINE

661221 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

661003 PLANNING & SITE ACQUISITION 2

661041 STREET LIGHTS AND TRAFFIC SIGNALS 2

664271 STREET TREE REMOVAL & REPLACE

661051 TRAFFIC CONGESTION IMPROVEMENTS 2

Reference to the County's capital program for the fiscal years 2019-2024 is made for purposes of description only and such reference shall include the same capital projects in any amended or subsequent capital program.

Prince George's County Question B

Question B

Charter Referendum

(CB-31-2018)

Library Facilities Bonds

AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$16,796,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation or repair of Library Facilities, as defined therein.

- For the Charter Referendum
- Against the Charter Referendum

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated from the County Executive as part of five bond-enabling bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Questions A through E, the County will be allowed to borrow money and issue future bond sales for capital projects referenced in the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program. Information on the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program ("CIP") Budget and other past CIP budgets, can be found at: https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/589/CIP-Budgets.

County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at:

https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-31-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that Prince George's County, Maryland (the "County"), is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 323 of the Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland (the "Charter"), to borrow money and incur indebtedness upon its full faith and credit, at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$16,796,000 to finance the design.

construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of, Library Facilities, including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment

therefor, all such capital projects hereby being found to be (and also being in fact) of the same generic class and being described in the capital program of the County for the fiscal years 2019-2024, under the following headings, which descriptions are incorporated by reference as if set forth herein: CIP-ID Project Name

719513 SURRATTS-CLINTON BRANCH LIBRARY 718813 HYATTSVILLE BRANCH RENOVATIONS

719613 LANGLEY PARK BRANCH

719163 LIBRARY BRANCH RENOVATION 2 719213 NEW CARROLLTON BRANCH RENOVATION

Reference to the County's capital program for the fiscal years 2019-2024 is made for purposes of description only and such reference shall include the same capital projects in any amended or subsequent capital program.

Prince George's County Question C

Question C

Charter Referendum

(CB-32-2018)

Public Safety Facilities Bonds

AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$56,053,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation or repair of Public Safety Facilities (including Fire Department Facilities), as defined therein.

- O For the Charter Referendum
- O Against the Charter Referendum

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated from the County Executive as part of five bond-enabling bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Questions A through E, the County will be allowed to borrow money and issue future bond sales for capital projects referenced in the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program. Information on the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program ("CIP") Budget and other past CIP budgets, can be found at: https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/589/CIP-Budgets.

County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at:

https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (R eference CB-32-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

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class and being described in the capital program of the County for the fiscal years 2019-2024, under the following headings, which descriptions are incorporated by reference as if set forth

CIP-ID Project Name

562273 CENTRAL CONTROL/ADMINISTRATIVE WING **EXPANSION**

561573 DETENTION CENTER HOUSING RENOVATIONS

562173 MEDICAL UNIT RENOVATIONS

510423 BEECHTREE FIRE/EMS STATION

551113 BERWYN HEIGHTS FIRE/EMS #814

510651 FIRE STATION RENOVATIONS

510648 FIRE STATION ROOF RENOVATIONS

510230 FORESTVILLE FIRE EMS

510010 HYATTSVILLE FIRE/EMS #801

510493 LAUREL FIRE/EMS STATION #849

510510 PISCATAWAY FIRE/EMS STATION

510325 OXON HILL FIRE/EMS STATION

511123 RIVERDALE #807 #813 FIRE/EMS

510083 SHADY GLEN FIRE/EMS STATION

510833 ST. BARNABAS FIRE/EMS STATION

510601 TRAINING AND LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

500223 BARLOWE ROAD RENOVATIONS

500423 DISTRICT V POLICE STATION

500413 DISTRICT VI POLICE STATION

500123 TRAINING/ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS Reference to the County's capital program for the fiscal years 2019-2024 is made for purposes of description only and such reference shall include the same capital projects in any amended or subsequent capital program.

Prince George's County Question D

Question D Charter Referendum (CB-33-2018)

County Buildings Bond

AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$97,564,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation or repair of County Buildings, as defined therein.

- For the Charter Referendum
- Against the Charter Referendum

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated from the County Executive as part of five bond-enabling bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Questions A through E, the County will be allowed to borrow money and issue future bond sales for capital projects referenced in the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program. Information on the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program ("CIP') Budget and other past CIP budgets, can be found at: https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/589/CIP-Budgets.

County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at: https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-33-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

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Maryland (the "County"), is hereby authorized, pursuant to Section 323 of the Charter of Prince George's County. Maryland (the "Charter"), to borrow money and incur indebtedness upon its full faith and credit, at any time and from time to time, in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$97,564,000 to finance the design,

construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of, County Buildings, including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, all such capital projects hereby being found to be (and also being in fact) of the same generic class and being described in the capital program of the County for the fiscal years 2019-2024, under the following headings, which descriptions are incorporated by reference as if set forth

CIP-ID Project Name

300123 COUNTY BUILDING RENOVATIONS II 300293 PRINCE GEORGE'S HOMELESS SHELTER 300712 DRIVER TRAINING FACILITY AND GUN RANGE 301004 COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING REFRESH 300313 REGIONAL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING 301003 SHEPARD'S COVE WOMENS SHELTER 700123 HEALTH FACILITIES RENOVATIONS 700034 REGIONAL HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES CENTER 230123 ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING 050002 COURTHOUSE REOVATION & SECURITY **UPGRADES**

260101 COUNTY FOOD DISTRIBUTION AND PROCESSING **CENTER**

Reference to the County's capital program for the years 2019-2024 is made for purposes of description only and such reference shall include the same capital projects in any amended or subsequent capital program.

Prince George's County Question E

Question E

Charter Referendum (CB-34-2018)

Community College Facilities Bonds

AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$81,187,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation or repair of Community College Facilities, as defined therein.

- For the Charter Referendum
- Against the Charter Referendum

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated from the County Executive as part of five bond-enabling bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Questions A through E, the County will be allowed to borrow money and issue future bond sales for capital projects referenced in the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program. Information on the FY 2019-2024 Capital Improvement Program ("CIP") Budget and other past CIP budgets, can be found at: https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/589/CIP-Budgets.

County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found



https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-34-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

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construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation, relocation, rehabilitation, or repair of, Community College Facilities, including the acquisition and development of sites therefor, the architectural and engineering services incident thereto, and the acquisition and installation of necessary fixed permanent equipment therefor, all such capital projects hereby being found to be (and also being in fact) of the same generic class and being described in the capital program of the County for the fiscal years 2019-2024, under the following headings, which descriptions are incorporated by reference as if set forth herein:

CIP-ID Project Name
852213 COLLEGE IMPROVEMENTS
852950 BLADEN HALL RENOVATION
852313 HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER
852333 NORTH PARKING GARAGE
852303 CULINARY ARTS CENTER
852323 LARGO STUDENT CENTER RENOVATION
851103 KENT HALL RENOVATION AND ADDITION
Reference to the County's capital program for the fiscal years
2019-2024 is made for purposes of description only and such reference shall include the same capital projects in any amended or subsequent capital program.

Prince George's County Question F

Question F

Charter Amendment (CB-35-2018) (DR-2)

Council Member Residency Requirement

To provide a one-year residency requirement for Council Members and at-large Council Members, to provide that an at-large Council Member shall have been a qualified voter of Prince George's County for at least one year immediately preceding his or her primary election, and to provide that Council Members representing one of the nine Council districts shall have been a qualified voter of their respective Council district for at least one year immediately preceding his or her primary election.

- O For the Charter Amendment
- Against the Charter Amendment

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

The ballot question originates from legislation proposed and presented by County Council Member Glaros. Currently, Section 307 of the Charter provides that a Council Member shall be a qualified voter of Prince George's County at the time of his election. The proposed Charter Amendment seeks a one-year residency requirement within the district the Council Member is to represent or within the County if the Council Member is to represent at-large.

County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at: https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-35-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the following amendment to Section 307, Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland, is hereby proposed:

Section 307. Qualifications and Restrictions. [A Council member shall be a qualified voter of Prince George's County at the time of his election.] An at-large Council Member shall have been a qualified voter of Prince George's County for at least one year immediately preceding his or her primary election.

Council Members representing one of the nine Council districts shall have been a qualified voter of their respective Council district for at least one year immediately preceding his or her primary election. During his term of office, he shall not hold any other office of profit in state, county, or municipal government. A Council member shall not, during the whole term for which he was elected, be eligible for appointment to any County office or position carrying compensation which has been created during his term of office.

KEY:

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Prince George's County Question G

Question G

Charter Amendment

(CB-36-2018)

Nondiscrimination - County Personnel and Contracting To provide an individual right to nondiscrimination, to provide for nondiscrimination in employment of a contractor doing business with the County, and to provide for nondiscrimination in the County personnel system all based on marital status, familial status, disability, age and sexual orientation.

- O For the Charter Amendment
- O Against the Charter Amendment

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated under proposals from the 2017-2018 Charter Review Commission as part of five charter amendment bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Ballot Questions G through K, the County Charter will be changed or amended as proposed.

Since 2005 and per County Charter, a Charter Review Commission is appointed and convened every four years. The purpose of the Charter Review Commission is to undertake a comprehensive study of the Charter and to recommend appropriate changes. The Commission's report and recommendations can be found

at: https://pgccouncil.us/581/Charter-Review-Commission.

County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at: https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-36-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.



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INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the following amendment to Sections 201, 604, and 901, Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland, is hereby proposed:

Section 201. Equal Protection and Nondiscrimination. No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, nor be denied the equal protection of the laws. No person shall be denied the enjoyment of his civil or political rights or be discriminated against in the exercise thereof because of religion, race, color, national origin, sex, age [(except as required by State or federal law)], sexual orientation, marital status, familial status, or [physical or mental handicap,] disability in such a way that such person is adversely affected in the areas of housing and residential real estate, employment, law enforcement, education, financial lending, public accommodations, or commercial real estate. Section 604. Nondiscrimination in Employment. No contractor who is the recipient of County funds shall discriminate in employment because of religion, race, color, sex, [or] national origin, age, sexual orientation, marital status, familial status or disability. The Council shall enact furthering legislation to implement the provisions of this section.

Section 901. The Personnel System. Except for those in exempt positions, the Council shall provide by law for a personnel system governing the appointment and removal of employees, and other personnel procedures for employees in the County government. The personnel system shall insure that personnel actions are based upon merit and fitness, and that no employee or applicant for employment shall be discriminated against in any personnel action by reason of race, color, religion, age, disability, creed, sex, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation, political affiliation, or country of national origin.

KEY:

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Prince George's County Question H

Question H Charter Amendment (CB-38-2018)

County Council Member Full-Time Position To provide that membership on the Council shall be considered a full-time position for the purpose of determining compensation.

- O For the Charter Amendment
- Against the Charter Amendment

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated under proposals from the 2017-2018 Charter Review Commission as part of five charter amendment bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Ballot Questions G through K, the County Charter will be changed or amended as proposed.

Since 2005 and per County Charter, a Charter Review Commission is appointed and convened every four years. The purpose of the Charter Review Commission is to undertake a comprehensive study of the Charter and to recommend appropriate changes. The Commission's report and

recommendations can be found

at: https://pgccouncil.us/581/Charter-Review-Commission.

County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at: https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-38-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the following amendment to Section 308, Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland, is hereby proposed:

Section 308. Compensation. The compensation of Council members may be changed by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Council. Not later than December of the last year of each term, a compensation review board shall be appointed by the Council and the County Executive to study the rate of current compensation for Council members and the County Executive and make a recommendation regarding the amount of compensation. Membership on the Council shall be considered a full-time position for the purpose of determining compensation. The board shall issue its recommendation not later than the following February 15. The Council may, within ninety days of the receipt of the compensation review board's recommendation, amend the recommendation by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the full Council, otherwise the recommendation shall stand approved. Any increase or decrease in compensation which becomes law during one term of office shall not become effective before the next term. KEY:

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Prince George's County Question I

Question I

Charter Amendment

(CB-39-2018)

County Auditor - Appointment, Responsibilities and Authority

To provide that the County Auditor be appointed and serve a five-year term, which may be renewed for additional five-year terms, subject to removal for cause, to remain until a successor is appointed and qualifies, to provide that selected agencies that receive or disburse County funds will receive a complete financial audit for the preceding fiscal year; and to provide that the County Auditor be empowered to conduct investigations related to fraud, waste and abuse by the County Executive, Council Members or other County officials and employees.

- For the Charter Amendment
- O Against the Charter Amendment

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated under proposals from the 2017-2018 Charter Review Commission as part of five charter amendment bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Ballot Questions G through K, the County Charter will be changed or amended as proposed.

Since 2005 and per County Charter, a Charter Review Commission is appointed and convened every four years. The



purpose of the Charter Review Commission is to undertake a comprehensive study of the Charter and to recommend appropriate changes. The Commission's report and recommendations can be found

at: https://pgccouncil.us/581/Charter-Review-Commission. County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at: https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-39-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the following amendment to Section 313, Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland, is

Section 313. Office of Audits and Investigations. There shall be an Office of Audits and Investigations, under the supervision and direction of a County Auditor who shall be appointed by the Council. The County Auditor shall [serve at the pleasure of the Council and shall] receive such compensation as the Council may determine. The County Auditor shall serve a term of five years commencing on January 1, 2019, and each fifth year thereafter. The County Auditor appointment may be renewed for additional five-year terms. The Auditor shall remain until a successor is appointed and qualifies. The County Auditor may be removed for cause. The Auditor shall [, not later than six months after the close of each fiscal year,] prepare and submit to the Council and to the County Executive a complete financial audit for the preceding fiscal year of selected [all] agencies that receive or disburse County funds. Upon recommendation by the Auditor that a State audit in a given year is adequate, the Council may, by resolution, exempt from County audit an agency whose entire records, accounts, and affairs are completely audited each year by or with the approval of the State of Maryland or an independent audit by a qualified independent certified public accountant. Any such resolution of exemption from audit shall be limited to a period of not more than one year. In addition to the annual audit, either the Council or the County Executive may at any time order a special audit of the accounts of any agency receiving or disbursing County funds, and upon the death, resignation, removal or expiration of the term of any County administrative officer, the Auditor shall cause a special audit to be made of the accounts maintained by the officer, and by his agency. If, as a result of any audit, an officer shall be found to be indebted to the County, the County Executive shall proceed forthwith to collect the indebtedness. In the event that the County Executive shall be found to be indebted to the County, the Council shall proceed forthwith to collect the indebtedness. The County Auditor is empowered to conduct investigations related to fraud, waste and abuse by the County Executive, Council Members or other County officials and employees. The Auditor is also empowered to conduct necessary audits of any agency which is the recipient of funds appropriated or approved by the Council whenever he deems it appropriate. No employee or official of the County shall interfere with, threaten with disciplinary action, or otherwise attempt to restrain an employee of the County from providing information to the County Auditor, nor shall any adverse action be taken against such employee. Any adverse action taken within twelve (12) months after the employee has provided information to the County Auditor shall be presumed to be retaliatory, which presumption may be rebutted only by clear and convincing evidence to the contrary. Any audit, including performance audits, special audits, and State audits which form the basis for an exemption by the Council from a County audit, shall be published in suitable form and made available to the public at reasonable hours at the Office of Audits and Investigations. All records and files pertaining to the receipt and expenditure of County funds by all officers, agents, and

employees of the County and all agencies thereof, shall at all times be open to the inspection of the County Auditor. The Auditor shall promptly call to the attention of the Council and the County Executive any irregularity or improper procedure which he may discover. The County Auditor shall have the power to administer oaths, to compel the attendance of witnesses, and to require the production of records and other materials in connection with any audit, investigation, inquiry, or hearing authorized by law or by this Charter. The Council shall have the power to implement the provisions of this section and to assign additional functions, duties, and personnel to the County Auditor.

KEY:

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Prince George's County Question J

Question J **Charter Amendment** (CB-40-2018)

County Personnel - Temporary Appointment To provide that an individual may be temporarily appointed to fill a vacancy, no more than one year, without an intervening permanent appointment.

- For the Charter Amendment
- Against the Charter Amendment

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated under proposals from the 2017-2018 Charter Review Commission as part of five charter amendment bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Ballot Questions G through K, the County Charter will be changed or amended as

Since 2005 and per County Charter, a Charter Review Commission is appointed and convened every four years. The purpose of the Charter Review Commission is to undertake a comprehensive study of the Charter and to recommend appropriate changes. The Commission's report and recommendations can be found

at: https://pgccouncil.us/581/Charter-Review-Commission. County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at: https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-40-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the following amendment to Section 505, Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland, is hereby proposed:

Section 505. Temporary Administrative Appointments. During the temporary absence of the Chief Administrative Officer or the head of an agency of the executive branch, or if such position shall become vacant, the County Executive shall make a temporary appointment to fill such position. No person shall serve as Acting Chief Administrative Officer or acting head of any agency for a period longer than sixty calendar days. Such limit may be extended an additional four calendar months by resolution of the Council. An individual may be temporarily appointed to fill a vacancy, no more than one year, without an intervening permanent appointment.



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Prince George's County Question K

Question K Charter Amendment (CB-41-2018)

Charter Review Commission - Length of Term
To provide for the establishment of a Charter Review
Commission, not later than one year prior to the beginning
of each fourth year of a term, for the purpose of
undertaking a comprehensive study of the Charter and to
provide that the Charter Review Commission shall
commence its work at the discretion of the Chair of the
Commission.

- O For the Charter Amendment
- O Against the Charter Amendment

ORIGIN & REFERENCE:

Legislation for the ballot question originated under proposals from the 2017-2018 Charter Review Commission as part of five charter amendment bills which were adopted by County Council for Prince George's County voters to consider in the November 6, 2018 Election. If voters approve Ballot Questions G through K, the County Charter will be changed or amended as proposed.

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at: https://pgccouncil.us/581/Charter-Review-Commission.

The proposed Charter Amendment seeks for the establishment of a Charter Review Commission, not later than one year prior to the beginning of each fourth year of a term, for the purpose of undertaking a comprehensive study of the Charter and to provide that the Charter Review Commission shall commence its work at the discretion of the Chair of the Commission. Currently, the Charter provides that the Charter Review Commission convene at the beginning of each fourth year of a term. The Charter Amendment would add at least a year to their deliberations. For the next Charter Review Commission that is expected to have a four year term of 2019 through 2022, the Commission will be allowed to convene no later than 2021 instead of 2022.

County Council legislation on the ballot question can be found at: https://princegeorgescountymd.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx (Reference CB-41-2018).

No speakers spoke about the legislation at the July 24th, 2018 public hearing before the County Council.

INFORMATION FROM COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATION:

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED by the County Council of Prince George's County, Maryland, that the following amendment to Section 1106, Charter of Prince George's County, Maryland, is hereby proposed:

Section 1106. Charter Review. [On or before July 1, 2005, and] Establishing not later than one year prior to the beginning of each fourth year of a term[thereafter], the County Council and the County Executive shall appoint, by resolution, a Charter Review Commission for the purpose of undertaking a comprehensive study of the Charter and recommending changes, where appropriate. The Charter Review Commission shall commence its work at the discretion of the Chair of the Commission.

KEY:

<u>Underscoring</u> indicates language added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate language deleted from existing law.

Asterisks *** indicate intervening existing Code provisions that remain unchanged.



LISTING OF CANDIDATES for November 6, 2018 GUBERNATORIAL GENERAL ELECTION

This check list, prepared for you by the League of Women Voters, may be marked with your choices and taken with you conveniently into the voting booth. Please check with the State Board of Elections for the candidates applicable to your precinct. http://www.elections.state.md.us

STATEWIDE OFFICES Governor / Lt Governor Vote for no more than 1.

Larry Hogan / Boyd K. Rutherford

Ben Jealous / Susan Turnbull (DEM) Shawn Quinn / Christina Smith (LBT) Ian Schlakman / 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)

U.S. Senator Vote for no more than 1.

Tony Campbell (REP) Ben Cardin (DEM) Arvin Vohra (LBT) Neal Simon (UNA) Michael B. Puskar (Write-in) Lih Young (Write-in)

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

U.S. Representative District 4 Vote for no more than 1.

George McDermott (REP) Anthony G. Brown (DEM) Dave Bishop (LBT)

U.S. Representative District 5 Vote for no more than 1.

William A. Devine III (REP) Steny H. Hoyer (DEM) Jacob Pulcher (LBT) Patrick J. Elder (GRN) Johnny Rice (Write-in)

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Senator District 21 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Lee Havis (REP) Jim Rosapepe (DEM)

Senator District 22 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Paul G. Pinsky (DEM) Lauren K. Drew (LBT)

Senator District 23 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Douglas J.J. Peters (DEM)

Senator District 24 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Joanne C. Benson (DEM)

Senator District 25 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Melony Griffith (DEM)

Senator District 26 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Ike Puzon (REP) Obie Patterson (DEM)

Senator District 27 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Jesse Allen Peed (REP) Thomas V. Mike Miller Jr. (DEM)

Senator District 47 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Fred Price Jr. (REP) Malcolm Augustine (DEM)

House of Delegates 21 Candidates Vote for no more than 3.

Chike Anyanwu (REP) Richard Douglas (REP) Ben Barnes (DEM) Mary A. Lehman (DEM) Joseline Pena-Melnyk (DEM) Ray Ranker (UNA)

House of Delegates 22 Candidates Vote for no more than 3.

Winnie Obike (REP) Tawanna P. Gaines (DEM) Anne Healey (DEM) Alonzo T. Washington (DEM)

House of Delegates 23A Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Kathleen Kositzky Crank (REP) Geraldine Valentino-Smith (DEM)

House of Delegates 23B Candidates Vote for no more than 2.

Marvin E. Holmes Jr. (DEM) Ron Watson (DEM)

House of Delegates 24 Candidates Vote for no more than 3.

Erek L. Barron (DEM) Andrea Fletcher Harrison (DEM) Jazz Lewis (DEM)

House of Delegates 25 Candidates Vote for no more than 3.

Darryl Barnes (DEM) Nick Charles (DEM) Dereck E. Davis (DEM)

House of Delegates 26 Candidates Vote for no more than 3.

Veronica Turner (DEM) Kris Valderrama (DEM) Jay Walker (DEM) Diedra Henry-Spires (Write-in)

House of Delegates 27A Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Susie Proctor (DEM)

House of Delegates 27B Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Michael A. Thomas (REP) Michael A. Jackson (DEM)

House of Delegates 47A Candidates Vote for no more than 2.

Diana M. Fennell (DEM) Julian Ivey (DEM)

House of Delegates 47B Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Wanika Fisher (DEM)

LOCAL LEADERS

Prince George's County Executive Vote for no more than 1. Angela Alsobrooks (DEM)

Prince George's County Council At Large Candidates

Vote for no more than 2. Felicia Folarin (REP) Mel Franklin (DEM) Calvin Hawkins (DEM)

Prince George's County Council District 1 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Tom Dernoga (DEM)

Prince George's County Council District 2 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1.

Deni Taveras (DEM)

Prince George's County Council District 3 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1. Dannielle Glaros (DEM)

Prince George's County Council District 4 Candidates

Vote for no more than 1. Todd M. Turner (DEM)

Prince George's County Council District 5 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.

Jolene Ivey (DEM)



Prince George's County Council District 6 Candidates Vote for no more than 1. Derrick Leon Davis (DEM)

Prince George's County Council District 7 Candidates Vote for no more than 1. Rodney Colvin Streeter (DEM)

Prince George's County Council District 8 Candidates Vote for no more than 1. Monique Anderson-Walker (DEM)

Prince George's County Council District 9 Candidates Vote for no more than 1. Sydney Harrison (DEM) Tamara Davis Brown (Write-in)

JUDICIAL OFFICES
Prince George's Circuit Court
Judge, Circuit 7
Vote for no more than 6.
Tiffany H. Anderson
Robin Bright
Peter Killough
William Snoddy
Sean D. Wallace
Judy Lynn Woodall

Judge in Court of Special Appeals (At-Large)
Vote to confirm or not to confirm each candidate.
Donald E. Beachley
Matthew J. Fader

Judge in Court of Special Appeals (C4: Prince George's)
Vote to confirm or not to confirm each candidate.
Melanie M. Shaw Geter

COUNTY OFFICES
Prince George's County State's
Attorney
Vote for no more than 1.
Aisha Braveboy (DEM)

Prince George's County Clerk of the Circuit Court Vote for no more than 1. Mahasin El Amin (DEM)

Prince George's County Register of Wills Vote for no more than 1. Cereta A. Lee (DEM)

Prince George's County Judge of the Orphans' Court Vote for no more than 3. Wendy Alise Cartwright (DEM) Athena Malloy Groves (DEM) Vicky L. Ivory-Orem (DEM) Prince George's County Sheriff Vote for no more than 1. Melvin C. High (DEM)

NONPARTISAN OFFICES

Prince George's County Board of Education District 2 Candidates Vote for no more than 1.
Lupi Grady
Joshua M. Thomas

Prince George's County Board of Education District 3 Candidates Vote for no more than 1. Juwan Blocker Pamela Boozer-Strother

Prince George's County Board of Education District 6 Candidates Vote for no more than 1. Carolyn Maria Boston Belinda Queen

Prince George's County Board of Education District 9 Candidates Vote for no more than 1. Arun Puracken Sonya Williams

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