



**Prince George's County  
Voters' Guide  
2022 General Election**

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13601 MISSOURI AVE  
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6120 SARGENT RD  
CHILLUM MD 20782



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

## Governor / Lt. Governor

**DUTIES:** The Governor is the head of the executive branch and appoints the heads of statewide departments and judges in the state courts. The Governor proposes the annual operating and capital budgets to the legislature and may veto legislation passed by the legislature. The Lieutenant Governor assists the Governor and carries out specific duties assigned by the Governor. The Lieutenant Governor fills the office of Governor in case of death, resignation, or disability.

**TERM:** Four years. Limit of two consecutive terms.

**SALARIES:** Governor \$184,000, Lieutenant Governor \$165,000 as of January 23, 2023.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected statewide as a team.

### **WEBSITE:**

[msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/08conoff/html/01govf.html](http://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/08conoff/html/01govf.html)

### **Questions**

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

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** What role should the state play in addressing the needs of economically disadvantaged people in Maryland?

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** What policies do you favor to reduce crime in Maryland while improving police accountability in communities?

**EDUCATION:** What actions will you take to improve education in Maryland, especially given the impact of the COVID pandemic?

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

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** What is your greatest concern regarding Maryland's natural resources/environment and how will you address it?

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** How will you balance infrastructure needs with their environmental impact?

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

### **Candidates**

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### **Dan Cox / Gordana Schifanelli**

Republican Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** State Delegate Dan Cox is a husband, father, Republican conservative candidate for Governor of Maryland and believer in the goodness of God for the people of our great State. He has been a leading force fighting for the lives and livelihoods of all Marylanders. A lifelong Marylander, Dan has served the People of Maryland as a small businessman, 15+ year Constitutional attorney, and Delegate.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** Boost the BOOST education programs for all and allow the money to follow the child under parental direction. Increase opportunity zone loans and grants, with follow-up grants and loans to small business start-ups to ensure stability and strength. Ensure equality for all and access to the market with lower taxes.



**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Ensure immediate ending of the catch and release of illegal foreign nationals into our streets, and double the pay of police officers while providing state of the art world-class training with protection from frivolous lawsuits and public information act requests of private and family information.

**EDUCATION:** Provide tax credits for those forced out of the public classrooms, while providing school choice and additional charter schools. Ensure audits of the spending and reduce administrative waste while increasing pay and training of teachers. End the ghost students and ensure every student has access to tutors as needed to ensure they understand and pass the material in each class.

**HEALTH CARE:** Ensuring our seniors have access to care without discrimination and restoring our health privacy freedoms. Additionally, expanding affordable health care coverage by opening up competition across state lines is necessary to lower premiums.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Ensuring the effluent into the Bay and estuaries from the various city and town sewers, including Baltimore City, are discovered and stopped. Additionally, preserving our farmland and right to farm, while also ensuring our timber forests are healthy, harvesting with conservation, and protecting our state forests and old standing timber.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** By preserving farmland and state forests, we can ensure land and growth areas are open for building to attract business and residents. Maryland has a net-loss of over 250,000 people since 2011. By granting access to our natural resources responsibly, and expanding energy production, we increase opportunity for all while ensuring the conservation and protection of our state lands and waterways.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** I will Restore Freedom to the Free State by ending all mandates on Day One of my administration. Furthermore, ensuring our Seniors have property tax assessment relief and retirement income relief will ensure we keep them here in Maryland.

## **Wes Moore / Aruna Miller**

Democratic Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** State organizations and leaders—including Maryland’s teachers, Speaker of the House Adriene Jones, and Senate President Bill Furguson—not only see us best positioned to win but also see my experience leading in every sector of American society as what is needed to build a stronger, more equitable future for our state. It’s what I’ve dedicated my career to and it’s what I’ll do as governor.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** I will leverage this once-in-a-generation opportunity to build a stronger, more inclusive economy through work, wages, and wealth for every Maryland family. That means creating new pathways to the workforce, accelerating our path to a \$15/hour minimum wage, and breaking down barriers to homeownership. It’s what

I've done my entire career, and it's exactly what I'll do as Maryland's next governor. **PUBLIC SAFETY:** I believe in policing with maximum accountability and appropriate intensity, bringing together federal, state, and local resources to prevent crime while building trust between law enforcement and the communities they serve. As governor, I will invest in proven community-based violence intervention programs, fix the Department of Parole and Probation, and invest in local re-entry programs.

**EDUCATION:** From cradle to career, education is one of the key pillars for Marylanders to access jobs, higher wages, and the opportunity to build wealth to pass on to their children. As governor, I will fix our broken childcare system and make pre-K free for every three and four-year-old in need, support our educators working their hearts out, fully fund the Blueprint, and build strong workforce pipelines.

**HEALTH CARE:** There are still over 257,000 Marylanders who lack health coverage and as governor, I will work to ensure universal access to affordable health coverage. Specifically, we will work to make enrollment and renewal in the Medicaid program easier, provide extra subsidies to make private health care more affordable, and provide affordable coverage options for people not eligible for the exchange.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Climate change is devastating our communities and inaction has cost us \$10 billion in the past decade and put our communities at risk. As governor, I will set aggressive targets to generate 100% clean energy by 2035, achieve net-zero emissions by 2045 and implement solutions to address sea-level rise and extreme heat, prioritizing environmental justice throughout the process.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** As governor, I will ensure that we are building 21st-century

transportation infrastructure that provides equity both in terms of access and its construction, environmental protections, and strong input from the communities. A Moore-Miller administration will ensure every step is taken to fully understand and mitigate the environmental impacts while meeting the transportation needs of Marylanders.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** No matter your start in life, you deserve an equal opportunity to succeed – a job you can raise a family on, a future you can look forward to. My top priority is to create opportunities for people to step into better jobs, earn higher wages, and build wealth they can pass down to their children. In the military we learned a mantra, “leave nobody behind” and that’s exactly what I’ll do as governor.

## **David Lashar / Christiana Logansmith**

Libertarian Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I am an award-winning IT executive who brings success as 1) a policy analyst in Congress, 2) the CIO, COO, & Chief of Staff of Maryland's \$14B Dept. of Health. Out-going Gov. Hogan (R) has said I am the most qualified candidate to succeed him. Jerome Segal (D), a socialist, has said I possess the character we need in our next Governor. So, my competence & character are vouched by MD leaders.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** Especially

for disadvantaged communities, the state should expand opportunity for individuals and small businesses. School choice, affordable housing, and safe streets for individuals and their loved ones, along with transportation assistance. Relief from taxes and regulations for small businesses, including a “concierge” service to help Marylanders obtain the state and local permits they need.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** To reduce crime, we must bring an end to the war on drugs. Just as the end of alcohol prohibition brought an end to the gangster violence of 100 years ago, so too the end of drug prohibition will bring an end to the gangster violence of today. And to be clear: Neither more jail time as per the Republicans nor more gun control as per the Democrats will make any difference.

**EDUCATION:** Education as delivered through public-monopoly schools in league with self-interested teacher unions has become a failure, especially for youths in historically disadvantaged communities. We need to give all students, but especially poor students, the same privilege that rich kids enjoy: Choice as to where to go to school. The money must follow the child. As is already done for college education.

**HEALTH CARE:** Our most publicized and politicized health challenge has of course been COVID, to which elected Rs and Ds alike reacted with excessive contempt for clinical data, civic debate, and personal choice. Against which excesses, we need restraints on executive powers under future health emergencies. We also need action against the surge in opioid overdoses, offering services instead of indifference.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** For the Bay, we must compel PA to meet its targets under the Blueprint for the Bay, so that MD and VA are no longer bearing the costs of

fertilizer runoff from PA farms. For the climate, we must recognize per the UN panel's own science that we DO face a formidable challenge but we do not face an imminent catastrophe. So, we must avoid panic while moving to clean, reliable, affordable energy.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** First, I must implore that we quit exaggerating our needs. The Rs and Ds in DC already have splurged on unnecessary and inflationary spending. Second, I commit to managing that which is coming from DC in a competent manner (unlike the Purple Line) while tending to environmental impact, for example avoiding miles of new concrete; for example promoting innovation for east-west Baltimore transit.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** My priority is to restore civility and hope across Maryland. Which has almost nothing to do with policy positions... but has everything to do with possessing a character and advancing a philosophy devoted to respect for ALL people regardless of race, gender, sexuality, or politics. Which is who I myself am and what libertarianism is, as you can confirm for yourself by following my campaign.

## **Nancy Wallace / Patrick Elder**

Green Party

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[https://www.tiktok.com/@nancy4gov?\\_t=8VFDXb3FLOo&\\_r=1](https://www.tiktok.com/@nancy4gov?_t=8VFDXb3FLOo&_r=1)

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Campaign Website: [wallaceforgovernor.us](http://wallaceforgovernor.us)

**QUALIFICATIONS:** I created and led national environmental strategies at the Sierra Club during 14 years full time legislative campaigns on environment, building coalitions across the political spectrum; studied science, solutions for climate change for 30 years. I'm a certified organizational maturity CMMI appraiser for government and private sector; worked 28 years in executive branch on billion-dollar programs.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** The state government should take the lead in redistributing wealth from the top one percent to those who created it by practical programs increasing home ownership such as all public housing becomes rent to own; free college and forgiveness of all public college student debt; free universal health care including elderly care that Social Security doesn't cover; and green jobs with training for all.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** See 11 point plan, website: Re screening all MD police for psychological tolerance. 50 percent of police live in their work jurisdiction. Mental health officers as priority. Elevate violent offenders to nonviolent paths with proven life mapping program. Raise standard for acceptable force above legal minimum. Full funding for social workers. Local citizen oversight boards with investigative power.

**EDUCATION:** Implement the Kirwan Commission on Education, and transition to Montessori proven technique for higher achievement and emotional healing in early years. Free public college so all students know they have path to good paying jobs. High school academies with apprenticeships for locally needed skills for local community, partnering with unions and local businesses. Air conditioning, heat

guaranteed!

**HEALTH CARE:** Our children's health epidemic of neurological disease of 1 in 8 children, vast racial discrepancies in health care, racialized rates of poverty that are stressors taking years off life expectancy, onslaught of toxic chemicals such as PFAS forever chemicals from firefighting and military facilities, glyphosate from food, mercury from coal plants each need a targeted program for a clean healthy MD.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Climate change needs emergency transformation on scale of WWII economic mobilization. We can reverse climate change with immediate free solar panels from \$2.3 billion Rainy Day fund; super insulation of housing starting with public housing; absorb CO2 with switch to organic farming with full state support, reforestation of all state lands, public education on minimum mowing, and restoring the Bay.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Our 2022 Infrastructure grade of C from American Society of Engineers clearly indicates that maintenance and renovation of our bridges, roads, dams, wastewater and other components will be our focus, not massive growth. Temporary environmental impacts will be offset by the improved engineering design such as fish ladders. Our large reforestation and Chesapeake restoration programs will also help.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Democracy reform with Ranked Choice Voting aka True Majority Voting, citizens right to state wide referendum, remove seniority dominance in state legislature to allow equal powers to all elected representatives, public investment of tax revenues through a state Public Bank like ND, decentralization of power, local economic investment, small business priority. We never take corporate donations.

**David Harding / Cathy White**  
Working Class Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have worked all my adult life, in a variety of different jobs, in the shipyards, steel mills, doing home improvement and now in computer operations for the state of Maryland. I'm familiar with the problems working people face.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** Economically disadvantaged people are the poorer parts of the working class., people who have low-paying or part-time jobs. The bosses have created this situation in their drive for ever more profits. Until all working people organize, whether we are lower paid or higher paid, we will not be able to overcome this exploitation.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Crime is part and parcel of a society in decay. If workers organize and fight to improve our living and working conditions, crime will undoubtedly go down. Many so-called criminals would be glad to work at a decent-paying job.

**EDUCATION:** Maryland public schools need enough well-qualified teachers, resources and books for all children, air conditioning and heating, for a start, and real job training for students who want it. But our taxes are funneled to the wealthy. That won't change without an organized fight by the working class.

**HEALTH CARE:** Everyone needs decent health care, and that was true long before COVID. Not everyone has a health provider, and public health is starved of funds. In Maryland, one of the wealthiest states, our taxes could be used to provide health care, instead of subsidizing developers and corporations.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** If our natural resources were developed for the benefit of the entire population, rather than to boost the

income of developers and agri-business, we would have more green spaces, a better quality of air, water and land and less global warming.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Some of the biggest infrastructure problems in Maryland are water and sewage. Working people would benefit from better roads, bridges, sewers, water and transportation systems, and so would the environment. But again, this requires a fight to redirect the wealth.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** The working class has a potential that many workers don't realize. We do all the work of society, in offices, in manufacturing, in services. We have the potential to make huge changes because society could not run a single day without our work.

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## Comptroller

**DUTIES:** The Comptroller is the financial officer of Maryland. He or she is 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, tobacco, beer, and wine and liquor, as well as estate taxes. The Comptroller serves on the Board of Public Works along with the Governor and the state Treasurer, who is appointed by the General Assembly. The Board of Public Works must approve major contracts for the purchase of goods or service by any department of state government.

**TERM:** Four years. No term limit.

**SALARY:** \$150,000.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected statewide.

**WEBSITE:**

[www.msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/08conoff/html/03compf.html](http://www.msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/08conoff/html/03compf.html)

## Questions

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

**STATE CONTRACTS:** What criteria would you use for evaluating contracts and capital projects that are subject to approval by the Board of Public Works?

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

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

## Candidates

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### Barry Glassman

Republican Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I believe I am uniquely qualified to carry on the tradition of strong independent Maryland Comptrollers. As the leader of one of Maryland's largest counties, my Administration has earned praise for strong fiscal management and innovation with a fully funded pension obligation and 24 AAA bond ratings, a distinction earned by only 2% of counties nationwide. The next comptroller will need to be

**STATE CONTRACTS:** The Comptroller's role on the Board of Public Works is perhaps the most important responsibility of the office. As the taxpayer's representative, the Comptroller should strive to make sure As the only candidate for comptroller who has chaired a similar body, the Harford

County Board of Estimates, I worked with my procurement office to save the taxpayers \$26.4 million over the past seven years

**REVENUE SYSTEM:** Harford County Executive, I have launched over seven digital platforms to improve efficiency, save money and improve customer service. One of my first steps as Comptroller would be a top down evaluation of the Office's digital infrastructure to make sure the State is collecting taxes properly but processing returns and assisting preparers quickly as well.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Currently, the most pressing issue facing Maryland's families is the spiking inflationary pressures of food, services and goods. Energy prices continue to strain the budgets of our working families and small businesses. The cost of housing along with this increased cost of living threatens the next generation of Marylanders to live and raise a family here in our State. I have managed a local

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As a leader on the state's fiscal committees, including chair of the Pensions Committee, I have a track record of getting big things done. I'll be ready on day one to lead the office, advocate for families and small businesses, and modernize the agency to increase

accountability and transparency.

**STATE CONTRACTS:** We must ensure the best value for all taxpayers. That means ensuring state spending grows our economy by keeping dollars local, tackling the wealth divide by investing in minority, women and veteran-owned businesses, and using sustainable practices to prepare for climate change. We must use purchasing power to build generational wealth and build for generations to come.

**REVENUE SYSTEM:** I will introduce new technology to modernize the process of paying taxes and make receiving refunds more efficient. This will ensure that each taxpayer and corporation pays their fair share and also allow every family & small business to know which tax credits they qualify for, such as the Earned Income Tax Credit. I will also create a Taxpayer Advocate Office to assist taxpayers at every step.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Maryland faces many economic challenges but also big opportunities. We must tackle inflation, the racial wealth divide, climate change, and fully fund public education. As Comptroller, I will be a leader who brings people together to find solutions that unlock the potential of our communities and small businesses, increase economic opportunity for all, and build financially-resilient families.

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## Attorney General

**DUTIES:** The Attorney General is the chief legal officer of Maryland, providing legal advice to the Governor, the legislature, all state departments and 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.

**TERM:** Four years. No term limit.

**SALARY:** \$150,000.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected statewide.

**WEBSITE:**

[www.msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/08conoff/attorney/html/06agf.html](http://www.msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/08conoff/attorney/html/06agf.html)

### Questions

**QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of Attorney General?

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

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** What policies do you favor to reduce crime in Maryland while improving police accountability in communities?

**PUBLIC HEALTH:** What actions will you take to address issues such as domestic violence, human trafficking or substance abuse?

**JUVENILE JUSTICE:** What is your philosophy on the issues involved in juvenile justice?

**CONSUMER PROTECTION:** Describe your approach to consumer protection.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

### Candidates

Vote for 1.

#### Michael Anthony Peroutka

Republican Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I am an attorney with more than 30 years of experience in private practice of law in Maryland. I have been a teacher of constitutional history and government for 25 years including the Constitution of Maryland.

**ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE:** As Attorney General I will conduct a review of all facets of administration of the AG office to ensure that constitutionally authorized activities are appropriately prioritized and funded. I will discontinue activities that are outside of the jurisdictional authority of the office pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of Maryland

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Violent crimes must be brought under control. As AG this would be a priority. Criminal or otherwise inappropriate conduct by police will be investigated fairly and transparently. Police have a difficult and dangerous job and as AG I would have open and established lines of communication with both police and community groups.

**PUBLIC HEALTH:** No response.

**JUVENILE JUSTICE:** Efforts must continue to keep youths from entering the penal system. However, violent repeaters will be dealt with appropriately. I would also encourage the discontinuance of unrequested window cleaning of motor vehicles in Baltimore City and elsewhere.

**CONSUMER PROTECTION:** I believe that fraudulent activities should be investigated and prosecuted. However, I believe that it is the first priority of individuals to be careful and scrupulous in their business dealings

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** No governor or any bureaucrat has authority to make law, or declare that any order or edict has the "force of law" Any attempt to enact/enforce anything that violates the divinely given, constitutionally protected rights of people is worse than a nullity. No one, under any circumstance, has the authority to violate the

constitution. There is no exception to this. It's a crime & must be prosecuted

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** With three decades as a lawyer, in federal and state courts, Army JAG officer, and regulatory attorney, representing clients against big tobacco and pro bono clients, and with twenty-two years leading in the legislative and executive branches of government, I bring the breadth of experience needed to lead and manage the Attorney General's Office, the largest public interest law firm in Maryland.

**ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE:** As Attorney General, while I represent state government, I work for the people. They deserve efficiency and fairness of legal processes—criminal, civil and administrative. That begins with employing dedicated professionals who reflect Maryland's diversity and who are committed to equity and justice for all. I'll fight for needed reforms before the General Assembly and not accept the status quo.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** I am an original cosponsor of the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act which seeks to improve police accountability, I supported the First Step Act to reduce recidivism, and I advocated in Annapolis for a ban on "ghost guns." I will seek pattern or practice investigation authority over police misconduct, and I will continue to advocate for stricter gun laws such as universal background checks.

**PUBLIC HEALTH:** These issues require



greater public awareness and education on the risks and signs associated with them. Regarding domestic violence, I led the 2009 effort to authorize judges to order domestic abusers to surrender their firearms, eight months after my cousin was killed by her estranged boyfriend. I'll work, as I have in the past, with advocates to develop best practices to address these issues.

**JUVENILE JUSTICE:** We need to treat children like children and not treat them in a way that turns them into hardened criminals. Juvenile justice should focus on restorative justice, not retribution and punishment. Absent the involvement of a firearm, most misdemeanor offenses committed by juveniles should be resolved through diversionary programs, not incarceration. Mental health and educational services are a must.

**CONSUMER PROTECTION:** The Consumer Protection Division safeguards Marylanders' health, hard-earned dollars, and identity. I'll combat price-gouging at the pumps and in the grocery stores, take action against predatory lenders, protect seniors and vulnerable individuals from fraudulent scams, prosecute businesses engaging in deceptive and unfair trade practices, and prevent anticompetitive pricing by large corporations.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** The Attorney General is engaged in a wide range of issues across the enterprise of state government. Other top priorities for me will be addressing climate change, enforcing environmental standards and environmental justice; protecting workers' rights and enforcing labor standards; protecting civil and voting rights of all Marylanders; and defending against assaults on women's reproductive rights.

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## U.S. Senator

**DUTIES:** U.S. Senators make laws along with the members of the U.S. House of Representatives. They also ratify treaties and conduct investigations on issues of national importance. The Senate confirms presidential appointments, including Supreme Court justices.

**TERM:** Six years. No term limit.

**SALARY:** \$174,000.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected statewide. In 2022, Maryland voters will elect one of our two Senators. About one-third of the 100 members of the Senate are elected every two years.

**WEBSITE:** [www.senate.gov/](http://www.senate.gov/)

### Questions

**QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of United States Senator?

**ELECTIONS:** What should the federal government's role be in the election process?

**COURT SYSTEM:** What measures, if any, would you support to reform the US federal court system?

**HEALTH CARE:** What changes in federal health care policy do you advocate and why?

**IMMIGRATION:** What changes would you propose in immigration policy?

**ENVIRONMENT:** How do you balance environmental concerns with the goal of strengthening our country's infrastructure and economy?

**GUN SAFETY:** Please provide your position on federal gun safety legislation.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

## Candidates

Vote for 1.

### Chris Chaffee

Republican Party

**No response received by deadline.**

### Chris Van Hollen

Democratic Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I'm running for the U.S. Senate to uphold our values of justice, equality, and freedom; to protect our democracy; and to continue to deliver real results for Maryland. I've fought successfully to bring key investments to support our schools and students, modernize our infrastructure, protect the Chesapeake Bay, provide more affordable health care and housing, and help our seniors and veterans.

**ELECTIONS:** Every voice must be heard to achieve the goals of our democracy. I'm an original sponsor of the Freedom to Vote Act and the John Lewis Voting Rights Act to fortify our democracy against the Big Lie, protect the right to vote, and end voter suppression. Both go hand-in-hand with my fight to rid our elections of secret, dark money that puts special interests ahead of the American people.

**COURT SYSTEM:** An independent judiciary made up of diverse voices is a key element of democracy and freedoms. We need to preserve and protect it from those trying to undermine the Constitutional rights it aims to safeguard. I'm working to confirm federal judges with an unwavering commitment to protecting Americans' rights

and freedoms and delivering equal justice under the law.

**HEALTH CARE:** All Americans need affordable health care. I have defended the Affordable Care Act against GOP attacks and worked to increase access to mental health and other services with a goal of universal care. I have championed bills to reduce prescription drug and health care costs including allowing Medicare to negotiate on drug prices, tackle the medical debt crisis, and end health disparities.

**IMMIGRATION:** America is a nation of immigrants, from our founding to today. I believe that enabling immigrants to become a strong and vital part of our country is not only consistent with our values but is a proven path to strengthening our economic future. I support comprehensive immigration reform, which combines a path to citizenship for Dreamers, TPS recipients, and others with effective border security.

**ENVIRONMENT:** We must address the climate crisis. I proposed the Polluters Pay Climate Fund plan to require the worst polluters like Big Oil to help cover climate clean-up costs. We can grow our clean energy economy, prevent more damage, and create good-paying jobs. The new infrastructure law advances that goal with funds for the Bay, climate change, and cleaner options, like transit and electric vehicles.

**GUN SAFETY:** Too many Marylanders face the loss of loved from gun violence. We need common-sense reforms like universal background checks, and reinstating federal bans on high-capacity magazines and semi-automatic assault weapons. We can build on executive actions on limiting ghost guns, expand community violence prevention programs, and pass my legislation for stronger oversight enhancing gun safety.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** We must build a stronger, more inclusive economy with more shared prosperity. We can end tax

giveaways for the super wealthy and increase paychecks for working families while cutting everyday costs on everything from prescription drugs to child care. Also, it's vital that we protect Americans' freedoms and pass the Women's Health Protection Act to codify the legal right to reproductive choice.

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## U. S. Representative in Congress District 4

**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.

**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 2020 Census.

**WEBSITE:** [house.gov](http://house.gov)

### Questions

**QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of a Representative in the United States Congress?

**ELECTIONS:** What should the federal government's role be in the election process?

**COURT SYSTEM:** What measures, if any, would you support to reform the US federal court system?

**HEALTH CARE:** What changes in federal health care policy do you advocate and why?

**IMMIGRATION:** What changes would you propose in immigration policy?

**ENVIRONMENT:** How do you balance environmental concerns with the goal of strengthening our country's infrastructure and economy?

**GUN SAFETY:** Please provide your position on federal gun safety legislation.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

## Candidates

### Vote for 1

#### **Jeff Warner**

Republican Party

No response received by print deadline

#### **Glenn F. Ivey**

Democratic Party

Campaign Website: [www.GlennIvey.com](http://www.GlennIvey.com)

**QUALIFICATIONS:** I will build on my experiences as State's Attorney where I worked in the community innovatively and successfully. I will take such creative thinking to Congress.

As a senior aide in Congress I succeeded in hard-won fights against extremist Republicans. I know the process, and the challenges facing our democracy.

In my career I've stood up for people who've needed a champion, and I've delivered

**ELECTIONS:** The right to vote is the fundamental bedrock of our democracy. I will work for comprehensive voting rights legislation so the federal government can ensure that all Americans can vote without hindrance or limitations. The Freedom to Vote Act and the John Lewis bill should be enacted.

How we finance campaigns needs reforming. Big money can skew elections; public financing would be better.

**COURT SYSTEM:** There are many. Among them: 1) Sentencing guidelines are too draconian for some offenses; many judges agree the guidelines should be revised. 2) Eliminate the "trial penalty." Judges regularly impose longer sentences on defendants who go to trial and are found guilty as compared to those who accept a plea agreement. 3) Broaden criminal

discovery rules so they are more like civil discovery.

**HEALTH CARE:** Health care is a human right, regardless of socio-economic status or where one lives. I support a universal single-payer system equivalent to Medicare-for-All for everyone living in the US. The government should be allowed to negotiate with Big Pharma for lower drug prices; I support the President's efforts to lower the cost of prescriptions. For now, there should be a public option offered.

**IMMIGRATION:** The millions of undocumented people living, working, and participating in our communities should be offered a path to legalization and eventual citizenship. Dreamers too should be able to legalize their status and have a path to citizenship; they are making important contributions to our nation right now. All cheating on visas (such as with H-2A and H-2B) should be stopped.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Climate change is real. Fundamental changes are required, embodied in the Green New Deal which will have wide-ranging economic and societal benefits. Electricity needs to come from renewable and zero-emission sources, buildings need retrofitting for efficiency, new construction needs efficiency mandates; public transportation systems need upgrading, and we need to move to all-electric vehicles.

**GUN SAFETY:** Congress should stand up to the NRA and say "Enough!" The Supreme Court ruled the right to bear arms is not unlimited; guns and gun owners can be regulated. There should be universal background checks, and a ghost gun ban. It shouldn't be easier to get a gun than a driver's license. Gun owners should be required to meet basic safety and training standards. Gun makers should be made legally liable.

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## U. S. Representative in Congress District 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.

**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 2020 Census.

**WEBSITE:** [house.gov](https://house.gov)

### Questions

**QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of a Representative in the United States Congress?

**ELECTIONS:** What should the federal government's role be in the election process?

**COURT SYSTEM:** What measures, if any, would you support to reform the US federal court system?

**HEALTH CARE:** What changes in federal health care policy do you advocate and why?

**IMMIGRATION:** What changes would you propose in immigration policy?

**ENVIRONMENT:** How do you balance environmental concerns with the goal of strengthening our country's infrastructure and economy?

**GUN SAFETY:** Please provide your position on federal gun safety legislation.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

## Candidates

Vote for 1

### **Chris Palombi**

Republican Party

Campaign Website: [www.chrispalombi.com](http://www.chrispalombi.com)

**QUALIFICATIONS:** I am proud to have served as a former U.S. Capitol Police Officer, taken pride in mentoring our youth as a coach and teacher, and led initiatives in building solutions as a self-taught web programmer. Having broad life experiences and first-hand knowledge of various industries is a benefit for anyone holding a position in public office. It would be an honor to serve and represent the constituents.

**ELECTIONS:** Free and fair elections are what make this country great. The federal government's involvement should be neutral and limited with respect to states' rights while maintaining elections are fair and secure, and without foreign interference. I'll propose legislation to require congressional districts to be drawn by non-partisan redistricting committees and support campaign finance reforms.

**COURT SYSTEM:** The US Federal Courts should maintain its impartiality as an independent branch to reassure proper checks and balances of our government. The court should only be there to enforce the legality of laws based on the Constitution, and not create laws.

**HEALTH CARE:** Since the passing of the Affordable Care Act, overregulation has led to skyrocketing costs and a lack of options for health insurance coverage. Consumers should have choices in health insurance. Mandates and impositions in the ACA caused 4.7 million to drop their coverage altogether. Transparency in health care

costs will open a competitive market; increasing quality of care while lowering costs.

**IMMIGRATION:** We live in the greatest nation on Earth. It's no wonder why so many wish to immigrate here seeking the American Dream and a better life. Legal immigration is a huge benefit to our nation. Congress needs to act on improving conditions at our border, to know who is coming in, and to better streamline the process to allow those who wish to enter our nation legally.

**ENVIRONMENT:** The Chesapeake Bay and local waterways are a economic and environmental benefit to our area that we need to ensure are protected. Much of the Bay's pollution comes from surrounding states which needs to be addressed at a federal level. We can reduce a third of all emissions by 2030 by promoting nature-based climate solutions. These easy and popular practices are cost-effective & easily actionable.

**GUN SAFETY:** Every American has the right to protect and defend themselves. Conversations need to be encouraged concerning the correlation between mental health, psychotropic drugs, and violence. With violent crimes rising, we also need to look at the penalties for strong-armed crimes to ensure we reduce recidivism.

### **Steny Hoyer**

Democratic Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** My record is strong – from advancing projects such as the New Consolidated FBI Headquarters, to delivering billions of federal dollars for Maryland to rebound from this pandemic. I've built a career fighting for federal



employees, strengthening education, and providing high-quality and affordable health care. I will work to ensure that our future is not threatened by climate change.

**ELECTIONS:** I've been fighting to set up guardrails that not only keep our democracy safe from corruption but ensure voters are not intimidated or prevented from casting ballots. I've been a champion and voted for legislation like H.R. 1, For the People Act, H.R. 4, the John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act, and the Freedom to Vote Act to ensure that everyone has the right to vote.

**COURT SYSTEM:** The politicization of the courts has led to an ideological Supreme Court., This needs to be stopped. I recently supported bipartisan legislation requiring federal judges to disclose their financial interests in a public database. I also support an ethical code of conduct for the entire judicial branch including Supreme Court Justices.

**HEALTH CARE:** I support strengthening and expanding the Affordable Care Act. I will continue to fight for universal coverage for all Americans including a public option in the ACA marketplace, as well as maintaining the enhanced ACA subsidies provided in the American Rescue Plan. I support letting Medicare negotiate prescription drug costs and capping the cost of insulin at \$35.

**IMMIGRATION:** I support comprehensive immigration reform. I was proud to support legislation to provide a solution for individuals in the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), Temporary Protected Status (TPS), and Deferred Enforced Departure (DED). But we must pass comprehensive immigration reform that secures the border and provides a pathway to citizenship.

**ENVIRONMENT:** I was proud to support and bring Bipartisan Infrastructure Legislation to the House Floor this past year.

This legislation will deliver at least \$7.4 billion to Maryland and includes funding for the Chesapeake Bay, Metro, and climate resilience. This legislation will also allow Maryland to build out its electric car charging station infrastructure.

**GUN SAFETY:** After countless tragedies, including shootings at the Navy Yard, Great Mills High School, and the Capital Gazette, I was proud the House took action on commonsense gun safety measures. I brought legislation to the House Floor to pass comprehensive background checks and close loopholes on gun purchases. The Senate should pass and the President should sign this legislation. I support a ban on autom

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## U. S. Representative in Congress District 8

**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.

**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 2020 Census.

**WEBSITE:** [house.gov](https://house.gov)

### Questions

**QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of a Representative in the United States Congress?

**ELECTIONS:** What should the federal government's role be in the election process?

**COURT SYSTEM:** What measures, if any,

would you support to reform the US federal court system?

**HEALTH CARE:** What changes in federal health care policy do you advocate and why?

**IMMIGRATION:** What changes would you propose in immigration policy?

**ENVIRONMENT:** How do you balance environmental concerns with the goal of strengthening our country's infrastructure and economy?

**GUN SAFETY:** Please provide your position on federal gun safety legislation.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

### **Candidates**

Vote for 1

#### **Gregory Thomas Coll**

Republican Party

Campaign Website: [www.gregorycoll.com/](http://www.gregorycoll.com/)

**QUALIFICATIONS:** I, Gregory Coll, am an experienced Republican candidate that won the primary election for Representative in Congress for Maryland's 8th Congressional District in 2020. He has served on the Liquid Propulsion Technical Committee of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics since 2013. He has connections with many members of congress. For more info. go to:

[www.gregorycoll.com](http://www.gregorycoll.com)

**ELECTIONS:** I, Gregory Coll, know that the federal government should make sure that states are conducting the election process fairly. There have been many cases of election process and campaign abuses. This is especially true when members promote themselves from their official offices and encourage their constituents to follow their personal social media pages or campaigns. More info.

[www.gregorycoll.com](http://www.gregorycoll.com)

**COURT SYSTEM:** I, Gregory Coll, do not currently support reform of the US federal court system. For more info. go to:

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**HEALTH CARE:** I, Gregory Coll, believe patients should come first in U.S. healthcare. Healthcare systems run by governments are inefficient, reduce standards of care, and diminish patient and physician relationships. Healthcare based in free market principals, promotes competition, drives down costs and gives the power to patients and physicians. Flexible Spending Accounts unspent money should roll over.

**IMMIGRATION:** I, Gregory Coll, want to promote and welcome legal immigration and put a stop to illegal border crossings.

Passing legislation to up the legal immigration caps, and making it simpler for legal immigration processing is key; especially when the individuals have studied in the U.S. and have employment sponsored support. I, Gregory Coll, want to attract the best people from around the world.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Our environment needs to be conserved and maintained for future generations. I, Gregory Coll want to study and address environmental concerns, stop pollution, and stop over-stressing our natural resources, especially marine resources like fisheries. I, Gregory Coll, believe climate change is real and needs to be addressed rationally and with an associated risk and return posture.

**GUN SAFETY:** I, Gregory Coll, want to support local police stop criminal activity and crack down on illegal possession of fire arms, without sacrificing law abiding citizens' rights to bear arms. For more information please visit

[www.gregorycoll.com](http://www.gregorycoll.com).

#### **Jamie Raskin**

Democratic Party

Campaign Website: [www.JamieRaskin.com](http://www.JamieRaskin.com)

**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have been a strong leader for positive change in our state. As a three-term Congressman, I represent Maryland's 8th District in the House of Representatives where my background as a maverick State Senator and constitutional law professor led to my service on the Judiciary, Rules and Oversight Committees and my appointment as Lead Manager in Trump's second Impeachment trial.

**ELECTIONS:** Free and fair elections are the precondition for democracy, yet millions of Americans are disenfranchised by registration obstacles and voter suppression tactics. I favor a Right-to-Vote amendment to the Constitution and have fought for legislation to expand and secure voting rights, abolish gerrymandering and reform campaign finance laws.

**COURT SYSTEM:** I am fighting for an ethics code for all federal judges, including Supreme Court Justices. I support legislation to overcome the trickery that blocked Merrick Garland's nomination to the Court and bum-rushed Amy Coney Barrett's confirmation. The GOP lost the popular vote in 8 of the last 9 presidential elections but named 6 of the current 9 Justices. What a scandal.

**HEALTH CARE:** I believe health care should be a right of citizenship, which is why I fought for the lifesaving coverage the ACA provides. I strongly favor Medicare-for-All but believe we need to start by lowering the cost of premiums, copays and deductibles and giving Medicare the power to negotiate for lower Rx prices.

**IMMIGRATION:** I have pushed for comprehensive immigration reform, protections for refugees and asylum seekers, and pragmatic and humane policies at the border. I also worked to advance the DREAM and Promise Act, which would provide a pathway to citizenship for

Dreamers and families who have lived here for years due to natural disasters or conflicts in their native countries.

**ENVIRONMENT:** Climate change is the urgent context within which we must make all our policy decisions. We must transition to a thriving green economy and help fossil fuel industry workers retrain for new jobs. Reducing greenhouse gas emissions while also investing in alternative clean energy technologies and implementing market-based approaches will permit us to break our carbon addiction and reduce pollution.

**GUN SAFETY:** Common sense legislation can prevent thousands of violent deaths each year. I support a universal background check; a ban on assault weapons and high-capacity magazines; and barring violent people from purchasing firearms. I voted to pass several bills to close the loopholes and will not rest until we hold the gun industry accountable for its central part in deadly gun violence.

## **Andrés Garcia**

Libertarian Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I haven't made a career in politics like the lifelong bureaucrats that plague Congress. However, as a strict Constitutionalist, I have an unbiased commitment to Individual Liberty for all. I have zero Establishment ties, which is perfect experience to serve The People of my district, instead of those who only care to maintain their own power. Congress needs outsiders that work for real change!

**ELECTIONS:** Their role should be as outlined in the Constitution, and nothing more. The Federal Government should not nationalize elections, as that is an egregious overreach of its Power. Each State should conduct and audit their own elections, and regularly clean their voter rolls.

**COURT SYSTEM:** Federal Courts need to better adhere to the 6th Amendment, particularly the right to a public trial without unnecessary delay. Also, a greater effort should be made to remove partisan bias from court proceedings. There are likely areas in which the legal process can be expedited yet maintained, however I would need more research before offering additional recommendations.

**HEALTH CARE:** I support a significant reduction in Federal health care spending, because addressing health care problems at a national level has proved to be terribly expensive and woefully inefficient. Health care solutions should be left to States and the Free Market to optimize and implement. Federal involvement is cumbersome and far too cookie-cutter for our diverse American population.

**IMMIGRATION:** I support much stronger border control enforcement, as external threats to border security is a National concern and I believe within the scope of the Federal Government to address. I also support the deportation of illegal immigrants, particularly those charged/convicted of other crimes, while streamlining the legal immigration process.

**ENVIRONMENT:** I support drastically reducing Federal involvement in the energy sector. Rather than strong-arm citizens to adopt electric vehicles, the Free Market should be unimpeded to innovate EVs so that consumers naturally choose them over gas vehicles. Also, a far greater emphasis must be placed on nuclear energy, which is both cleaner and more effective than current "Green" solutions.

**GUN SAFETY:** Any and all gun restrictions are unconstitutional. The right of the people to keep and bear Arms shall not be infringed. Criminals, unsurprisingly, do not follow gun laws. What's more, efforts to

separate criminals from guns do not stop crime, as they will simply adopt other weapons . Allow law-abiding citizens to more-easily acquire guns to protect themselves and their families.

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## Maryland State Senate District 21

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**TERM:** Four years. No term limit.

**SALARY:** \$50,328.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected districtwide. The state is divided into 47 legislative districts. Each district is represented by one State Senator.

**WEBSITE:**

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### Questions

**QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of State Senator?

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** What role should the state play in addressing the needs of economically disadvantaged people in Maryland?

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** What policies do you favor to reduce crime in Maryland while improving police accountability in communities?

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to improve education in Maryland, especially given the impact of the COVID pandemic?

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**LOCAL PROJECTS:** What issues or projects are your priority for your own district?

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

## Candidates

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** A life-long resident of Legislative District 21, I have been active in the civic affairs of Maryland for many years through public interest groups I established, such as Citizens for a Better Prince George's County, and as 2018 Republican candidate for State Senate in LD21 in 2018. In my professional life, I have been an innovative leader in this field of scientific education.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** The state can best address the needs of the economically disadvantaged by support for job growth and opportunities for employment in the free market economy. In this purpose, reducing taxes and lifting government restrictions on entry-level employment is important to enable progress towards eventual self-sustaining gainful employment instead of perpetual government dependency.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** The state can best reduce crime by a policy of strict law

enforcement and police presence, especially in high-crime areas. Local police and law enforcement authorities must work closely with the local communities involved, as well as with federal law enforcement agencies, such as those responsible for enforcement of immigration laws relative to illegal aliens.

**EDUCATION:** Improving quality and value in education comes through greater free market competition and choice in the field, rather than centralized control through censorship and monopoly. So, greater direct parent choice and accountability is needed in public education such as through wider access to innovative charter schools and a full range of non-government alternatives.

**HEALTH:** The most significant health challenges in Maryland relate to growing mental illness and excessive use of drugs, both legal and illegal. To address these issues, citizens must have freedom to choose their own personal medical care, rather than be subjected to government mandates, based on dubious scientific data, which disturb and debilitate normal functioning and well-being in a free society.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** In Maryland, the greatest concern for natural resources is care and well-being of the Chesapeake Bay and its many tributaries that feed into it. We must especially work with neighboring jurisdictions, such as Pennsylvania, to maintain the Bay clean and free from pollution due to excessive and harmful economic activity.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** In northern Prince George's County, the "purple line" will have a significant impact. Costs and interference with local communities is a major concern. In College Park at the University of Maryland, and elsewhere in the district, large-scale development is placing a burden on traffic and quality of life, which requires close attention to assure the well-being of all.



**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Election Integrity: Fair and honest elections must be assured to eradicate all potential for voter fraud. For this, there must be no outside private funding and an end to unsupervised drop boxes and mail-in ballots. In addition, voter rolls must be fully and regularly purged of inactive and illegal voters. Also, voter ID required and paper ballot counting, rather than machines.

### **Jim Rosapepe**

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No response received by deadline.

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## **State Senator District 22**

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**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

### **Candidates**

Vote for 1

### **Paul G. Pinsky**

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## **State Senator District 23**

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**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

### Candidates

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As a United States veteran, I understand what it means to serve. As a father, grandfather, and small business owner, I know the impact of the laws passed by the legislature. Having served on the Central Committee for the last eight years, I have been active in the community and understand the issues that are important to the citizens.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** Lower taxes, less regulation and a government that helps its citizens succeed will promote growth in our state. Apprenticeships for college credit, on the job training, and other courses that promote citizens to become independent.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Equal accountability and protection under the law.

**EDUCATION:** I would encourage transparency in our curriculum and school choice.

**HEALTH:** The citizens of Maryland face many health issues. Insurance coverage is a big issue in Maryland. I would like to see health insurance coverage follow the individual.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** My greatest concern is the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. The Conowingo Dam needs special attention.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** Infrastructure, roads, and bridges.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:**

Civil liberties.

**Ron Watson**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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## State Senator District 24

**DUTIES:** State Senators 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.

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**LOCAL PROJECTS:** What issues or projects are your priority for your own district?

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### Candidates

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** For the past 28 years, I have served on Health & Government Operations, Constitution and Administrative Law, Education, Health & Environmental Affairs, and Finance Committees. Deputy Majority Leader, Senate Chair, Member of Women's Caucus, Maryland Legislative Black Caucus, Children, Youth & Families, Spending Affordability, and Ending Homelessness.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** It is absolutely critical that more money and resources are made available for our children and families. We should adopt legislation suggested by Ending Homelessness Committee as well as Children, Youth & Families Committee.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** I am a strong supporter of Community Police Concept. We need to do a better job when it comes to merging a partnership with the community, schools, and our police.

**EDUCATION:** We need to educate our community regarding the importance of

education. Place more focus on educating our child from birth to five years of age. Assess the math and reading of each child, plan a program to meet the child's need. More parent involvement is key.

**HEALTH:** Mental Health and the use of drugs are very prevalent in our communities. Trained personnel are critical in solving these problems in our school and community.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Climate change is real. We must provide options to reduce pollution and anything which endangers our Chesapeake Bay and water ways.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** We are getting ready for a Turkey Drive, Food and Coat Distribution for our children and families. We are working in 4 of our schools to assist with help and hope.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** In the 24th Legislative District, we have zip code 20743 with a population of over 44 thousand people. There is no grocery store or doctor's office. This will be one of our top priorities this year.

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## State Senator District 25

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**WEBSITE:**

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**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

### Candidates

Vote for 1

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# State Senator District 26

**DUTIES:** State Senators 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.

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**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

## Candidates

Vote for 1

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have a lifetime of experience in leadership and legislation: 29 year Navy Veteran, Commanding Officer of several units and a major Naval Air Station, Chief of Staff for Ambassadors, Chief of Staff for several major governmental positions. Senior Military Assistant to US Senator, and Military legislative Assistant to US Senator. As a civilian I have lobbied the US Congress, and lobbied the MD

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** The state has a major role of addressing the needs of economically disadvantaged individuals through several processes in the MD General Assembly: addressing the disabled (which I have a lot of experience in), by address teh per hour wage (which I have experience in), and addressing the state health care issues (which I have experience in).

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** I favor INCREASING law and police funding (not decreasing). I favor increasing training of police and law enforcement and also increasing the training of citizens of the police roles through



mentoring, and outreach. We can improve accountability of police through one on one community involvement of police through HOAs, Community Centers, and Community groups. Interaction between police and the

**EDUCATION:** No more LOCKDOWNS, that has hurt our children, parents, and educators. NO FORCED vaccinations, that has caused hardships on all through and more health issues. We can improve education through this means: smaller class rooms, NOT TEACHING TO A TEST, support to the teachers, not to bureaucracy, trust to our teachers. We must allow parents rights to understand and know what the curriculum is and s

**HEALTH:** Several Health challenges: access to urgent care facilities, funding process to hospitals, NO MORE MANDATORY experimental vaccinations, it is proven that masks do not work, hospital funding is out of whack - change it. Work on the frivolous health lawsuits, to assist the Doctors, nurses to provide the care. Provide a way for nurses to get the education they need and those that want to be a nurse

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** There are several: we need less concrete and asphalt and controlled building and development. We need our forest and our trees. Our fisherman and farmers are squeezed out of business, this must stop. :Legislation can assist, through tighter controls on building and development (instead of clearing and building - tear down old existing structures that are abandoned, and refresh those areas.) For

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** Schools and school boards: we are still at risk and our schools are still ranked at the bottom for the state! This is unacceptable, as I stated, money is not the issue. We spend over 2.3Billion now and our schools are not improving. We must restructure and shrink the bureaucracy, to allow the actual classroom to improve.

Taxes - Seniors and Veterans are leaving our area and state at an alarming

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Support the local associations and community centers and organizations through grants that make sense. Provide citizens with common sense government, and provide the citizens accountability & transparency. It is clear that lifetime politicians are only transparent during elections, and only feel accountable during the election cycle. I will provide constant (not emailing, or calling but in

**Anthony Muse**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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## State Senator District 27

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## **Candidates**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have leadership experience at work and as a board member of several clubs and organizations. As an Aerospace Systems Engineer, I have experience evaluating risks, assessing costs versus benefits, and analyzing how various technical parameters affect an overall system. Bills have often been passed by the General Assembly without enough thought for unintended consequences.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** People find themselves in economically disadvantaged situations for a variety of reasons. The State should expand training programs to teach new job and life skills that would allow them to overcome whatever events put them at a disadvantage. We also need to focus more attention on reading, writing, and math in our schools so that kids are ready for the workforce when they graduate.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Police and community relations are strained, and it will take time and a concerted effort to restore trust. We need to increase the number of officers, ensure they are well trained, and ensure the police accountability boards are fair for all parties involved.

**EDUCATION:** I will push for a return to the original core curriculum of reading, writing, math, sciences, history, and civics. I will oppose teaching CRT and similar content that have no basis in fact. I support parental rights and will push for full disclosure of all content being taught, and all assessments and surveys conducted by the school. I will push for parental consent for all health issues.

**HEALTH:** We have a growing drug problem and need to address it on multiple fronts. First, track down the dealers and close the pipelines that are bringing in drugs. Second, replace programs that enable drug abuse (clean needles) with programs that help people get off drugs and stay clean. Third, adopt proven and effective drug awareness programs in our schools.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** My greatest concern is ensuring a remedy for one problem does not create other unexpected problems. We must ensure all environmental policies and programs are thoroughly researched to avoid unintended consequences.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** Ensuring agriculture

and aquaculture remain a competitive and prosperous industry.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** I support a limit of two consecutive terms for our state legislators.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I've spent the entirety of my professional career in public service and I've served as a member of the General Assembly since 2015. My prior service as both a Marine and in the field of public safety has uniquely prepared me to bring a needed and valuable perspective to elected office.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** The role of the state is to provide a level playing field for all residents. Opportunities and state services shouldn't be determined by zip code but be consistently and equitably distributed across the board.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Because of my professional background, I'm a strong proponent of community policing. It's critical to have officers be a part of their communities and to ensure mutual trust between officers and residents. It's the only way to ensure results.

**EDUCATION:** Our most-pressing new issue is closing the learning gap caused by the lack of in-classroom instruction due to the pandemic. The legislature must work to ensure that students and teachers have the resources necessary to make up for lost time.

**HEALTH:** For the past 2+ years, our greatest public health challenges have revolved around the COVID pandemic. We must learn to adjust to this new normal and, at the same time, remedy pre-existing cost of care and healthcare access issues.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Representing a district directly bordering the Chesapeake Bay, my most pressing environmental concerns revolve around its health. As a state, we must do everything within our power to reduce bay pollution and combat climate change.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** My greatest priorities revolve around improving the quality of life and providing needed state resources in my community. Representing three different counties, the need for improved state infrastructure and public safety transcend jurisdictional lines.

#### **OTHER PRIORITIES:**

As a member of the Senate Budget and Taxation Committee, I'm committed to finding ways to lower tax liabilities for Maryland seniors, veterans, and young families to lessen the cost of living and improve the quality of life statewide.

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## **State Senator District 47**

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**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

**Candidates**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** Marketing Executive with 29 years of Experience with a Bachelor of Arts from Harvard. Serve on Senate Finance and concentrate on Behavioral Health. Chair the MGA Joint Committee on the Management of Public Funds. Serve on the Boards of Progressive Cheverly, Maryland Patient Safety Center & Alzheimer's Council. Serve as usher at St. Ambrose Church. Prior Board member at WMATA and Cable Commission.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** The role of the state is essential to addressing the economic inequality within our state. We passed a \$15 minimum wage to address this, but what we really need is a living wage that can support a family. We must look for policies that support our economically disadvantaged including affordable housing and family sustaining employment.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** I am proud of our work in the Maryland General Assembly to ban ghost guns and have strict gun control law. I also was proud to support police reform that seeks to create accountability and instill greater trust between law enforcement and the community. My legislative work within behavioral health is rooted in addressing and breaking the intergenerational cycles of violence in our community.

**EDUCATION:** I am proud of our work with the Blueprint For Maryland Future that will equitably invest billions into the whole education of our children to include wrap around services for families. Learning loss continues to be a problem associated with the pandemic that we must continue to

address.

**HEALTH:** Maryland has world class health facilities, but overall our health outcomes versus best in class are not good.

Legislatively, I will continue to work on access to care and policies that help mitigate systemic barriers to better health outcomes within our state.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Climate change is an existential threat. I was proud to co-sponsor the Climate Solutions Now legislation that seeks to address the threat by pushing Maryland towards carbon neutrality. Significant work remains on moving Maryland away from fossil fuels and into a cleaner and safer future.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** We must invest in our schools. I am proud that we have built a new elementary school and broken ground on a new middle school in District 47 during this term, but we still need to do more to address the overcrowded old schools. We are in final design of a new athletic facility for Bladensburg HS that is long overdue.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** We passed legislation that provides a state tax break to our Seniors, but much more must be done to allow them to age in place. I will continue to work on policy that encourages commercial investment in our community so that we can reduce our local tax burden away from real estate taxes. Legislatively, there remains a lot of work to do for better behavioral health outcomes that I will work on.

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## Maryland House of Delegates District 21

**DUTIES:** Members of the House of 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.

**TERM:** Four years. No term limit.

**SALARY:** \$52,343 as of January 11, 2023.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected districtwide.

The state is divided into 47 legislative districts. Each district is represented by three Delegates, for a total of 141 Delegates statewide.

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## Candidates

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### **Ben Barnes** Democratic Party

**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have served for 16 years in the House in a myriad of positions including as a member of the Judiciary and Economic Matters Committee, more recently as Chair of the Pensions, Education and Capital Budget Subcommittee. I am currently serving as Chair of the Appropriations Committee. So I have been doing the job and would say have as much or more experience as any other candidates in the state.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** We should play an extremely active role. We do so by increasing temporary cash assistance and rental assistance programs, by supporting programs that address food insecurity and in setting not just a minimum wage but a minimum living wage. We must also continue to keep the cost of college low and support a robust system of trade schools, apprenticeships and other alternatives to

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Please see my record on these matters.

**EDUCATION:** We need to see through the full implementation of the Blueprint for Excellence in Education. This once in a generation opportunity not only will provide historic funding, but it does so with real substantive accountability measures which ensures the money drills down straight into the classroom where it is needed.

**HEALTH:** We need to make prescriptions more affordable, increase health care access across the spectrum and continue upon the work we started this year to make dental converge more accessible to working families.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** If we are being

specific to Maryland (of course climate change is a global threat and our most pressing environmental issue) than we have to ensure we continue to address run off into the Bay and continue upon the progress of the last 20 years to cleanup our Bay.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** We need to expand Marc service, complete the purple line project while also expanding and upgrading Rte 1.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** We need to fund and fully implement paid family leave this term.

### **Mary A. Lehman** Democratic Party

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## **Maryland House of Delegates District 22**

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### Candidates

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** My 8 terms and multiple leadership positions, including my current role as Chair of the House Rules Committee provide excellent background for another term.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** Adequate funding of education and social programs will make a good start. Add a family supporting minimum wage and health care for all and we are well on the way to addressing these problems.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Better training for police, mental health support for all concerned in the system, alternatives to incarceration for nonviolent crimes, among other policies.

**EDUCATION:** Make sure the Blueprint for education reform is fully funded and the standards are fully supported.

**HEALTH:** Mental illness and maternal and infant healthcare are the most urgent needs. We need urgent, high powered systemic changes and I will support them.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Greatest concern is climate change and how to address it in ways that take environmental justice seriously.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** Finish the Purple Line and support redevelopment along the alignment to benefit the residents. Oppose MAGLEV and the dangers it poses to the communities in our area.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** No response

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have served in the House of Delegates for nearly a decade, and have been a leader on education reform and racial equity. I have worked hard to provide better schools, durable and efficient public transportation, and significant financial relief to residents in need. I look forward to building on my accomplishments through another term.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** We need to do more to address the housing crisis by providing resources to renters and homeowners in the State. We also need to provide more economic investment opportunities for Black and Brown residents, eliminate food deserts that persist throughout the State, and reduce longstanding inequities in insurance rates.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** I was the Co-Chair of the Prince George's County Police Reform Work Group, where I led the creation of comprehensive recommendations to address all aspects of public safety in our county. We specifically focused on creating more community-based policing, more equitable recruitment and retention practices, reducing the number of unnecessary traffic stops, and establishing a use of force statute.

**EDUCATION:** As a leader on the passage of the Blueprint for Maryland's Future, equity in education has always been a top

priority of mine. I will continue to advocate for additional funds and wraparound resources to schools with high poverty levels. I also sponsored legislation this year to create universal standards to address virtual education and learning loss from COVID-19 in the State of Maryland.

**HEALTH:** COVID-19 still remains a very real issue in our community. I strongly advocated for additional testing and vaccines for Prince George's County, which has been hit hardest by the pandemic. I also sponsored legislation this year to provide tax relief to those living with diabetes and other life-threatening health conditions.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Climate change is a real threat in Maryland. We have already seen historic flooding, reductions in coastlines, and stronger, more dangerous storms. I have supported State efforts to reduce our carbon footprint, replenish our forests, and create new renewable energy standards.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** Creation of more affordable housing is a huge issue in our District. I sponsored the National Capital Strategic Development (NED) program, which will provide \$12 million this year to fund affordable housing and sustainable development inside the Beltway in Prince George's County. Additional issues include stopping the MAGLEV train, completing the Purple Line, and bringing the FBI HQ to the County.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Over the course of the pandemic, I heard from many constituents who were in need of financial relief. As Vice Chair of the Ways and Means Committee, I helped push forward significant tax relief for seniors and working families in our District.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** Having served in the House of Delegates for the past 3 sessions I believe I have a good understanding of how things work in Annapolis and a sense of what it takes in order to get bills passed. I was able to get legislation passed my first session in Annapolis.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** I think the state should do what it can in order to help those who are economically disadvantaged here in Maryland. As one of the richest states in the US, we should use the resources that we have to help those who need it.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** I am in favor of moving forward with implementing the police review boards as envisioned in the police reform legislation that we passed in 2021 to increase accountability. I think we also need to do more to provide police with the resources to engage in true community policing to help reduce crime and incentives to help departments with recruitment of new officers.

**EDUCATION:** I will continue to support legislation that will provide more resources to our schools, especially nurses, counselors, and mental health support for our students. I think we need to acknowledge that the past two years have been dramatic for our students and disrupted not only their scholastic education but also their ability to

interact socially with others

**HEALTH:** COVID highlighted the health inequities that we suspected existed but did not address. For years we have underfunded public health here in the State. We need to make the investments that we should have done for years in addressing the health care disparities that we see in communities of color.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** One of my greatest concerns is the number of greenhouse emissions that we are releasing into the environment and the pollution that we release into our waterways. We have taken some steps toward reducing our greenhouse emissions here in Maryland by passing the Climate Solutions Now Act bill this 2022 session. However, we need to do more

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** The MAGLEV project is a local proposal that is of great concern to many of the residents within my district. Addressing this project is a priority for my district.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** I think that addressing the issue of reproductive justice is extremely important right now. For the first time in a long time, we are seeing a reversal of precedent regarding abortion care in the country. This is a very important issue for me and the residents within in my District.

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### Candidates

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** Voted one of Maryland's Top 100 Women by The Daily Record, I am equal part business owner, politically engaged activist, wife, mother and community leader. Caring for Maryland's veterans, seniors and disabled for 25-years, I am a long-term care industry advocate and former Legislative Aid for State Senator Paul Pinsky and am more than qualified to take on the duties of State

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Delegate on day one

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** As a founder of Fair and Unbiased Appraisal Advocates, I worked with legislators to create HB1097 (Task Force on Property Appraisal and Valuation Equity). As a Delegate, I intend to ensure laser focus on the bias in real estate appraisals, which has resulted in billions of lost wealth in the black community-funds that may have been used for business collateral, college tuition, and long term care  
**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Creating an Executive level Office of Re-Entering Citizens Affairs to oversee county one-stops that will provide work readiness, technology and life skills training for returning citizens prior to and after release. As a mother of black boys – now young adults, I am a proponent of Community Oriented Policing and the need for mental health and cultural sensitivity training

**EDUCATION:** Support full funding for school facilities and technological capabilities. The pandemic revealed a need to shift to and from virtual learning with minimal disruption to classroom curriculum, testing and outside classroom activities. I serve on two PGCPs Career and Technical Education Advisory Boards. Teachers have to be equipped to manage these unavoidable disruptions with as much ease as possible

**HEALTH:** Long-term care for our aging population forces attention to the need for affordable senior housing, age-in-place resources, and early care-giver education to prepare for financial and other social and mental shifts in the family unit. This is my business for over 25 years, as we have taken care of hundreds of Maryland’s seniors and veterans. I am prepared to tackle challenges facing caregivers

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** My environmental goals include supporting proposals that add protections for Maryland’s Parks, Waterways & Open Spaces, examining and strengthening as

needed current climate policy (Climate Solutions Now Act), and educating members and the public about Feedback Loops and inevitable Tipping Points

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** Need for Increase in PGCPs Teachers’ and Support Workers’ Pay and attention to waning pensions; Lack of “High End” Retail and Restaurants; Seniors’ concern about Thriving in Place with Dignity

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Changing the narrative of Prince George’s County Public Schools and Providing steadfast support for the Prince George’s County Black Business Community

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### Candidates

Vote for up to 3

**Tiffany T. Alston**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

**Andrea Fletcher Harrison**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

**Jazz M. Lewis**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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## Maryland House of Delegates District 25

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### Candidates

Vote for up to 3

#### **Darryl Barnes**

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No response received by deadline

#### **Nick Charles**

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No response received by deadline

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have been serving in the MDGA since January. I am on the Judiciary Committee and have been involved with important legislation like cannibals reform and juvenile justice issues. Prior to being in the MDGA I served on the Prince George's County Council.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** Maryland needs to ensure that the middle class is supported. We have seen biases in education, healthcare, minority business, housing, and criminal justice as it relates to Black people in Maryland. We can improve the outcomes of black people by sponsoring legislation and funding initiatives supporting black people to ensure economic advantages can happen instead.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** I support policies that work with our juveniles to ensure they steer away from a life of crime. I also support ensuring that our police NOT be the first individuals to respond to a mental health crisis. Covid, has caused a significant increase in domestic-family violence and we

need polices to deal with the main issue of mental health. Police should be free to solely protect communities from crime

**EDUCATION:** Families, especially lower class families have truly been impacted by covid due to loss of jobs, and more violence in their communities. Fully funding new teachers and specialist, like counselors and nurses in our schools is what needs to happen. When kids come to school with trauma or without meals, it is hard for them to focus and learn. Teachers should also receive pay increases.

**HEALTH:** You will see a theme here, mental health leads to so many other issues. Not taking care of one's health due to stress can lead to many other health issues.

Behavioral health on all levels should be covered and we need more providers.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** We need more environmental injustice polices.

Environmental polices are important to black communities as well. We need equity when it comes to these polices.

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** I would like to create more specialized districts in Prince George's County, for example a designed arts district could be very beneficial in spurring economic development in communities that need them the most.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** - no response –

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### Candidates

Vote for up to 3

#### **JoAnn Fisher**

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No response received by deadline

#### **Veronica Turner**

Democratic Party  
No response received by deadline

#### **Kriselda Valderrama**

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No response received by deadline

#### **Jamila J. Woods**

No response received by deadline

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## **Maryland House of Delegates District 27A**

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### Candidates

Vote for 1

**Kevin M. Harris**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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## Maryland House of Delegates District 27B

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### Candidates

Vote for 1

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** By working in the General Assembly as a Legislative &



Constituent Services Director for the late Senator Mike Miller, Senator Joanne Benson, & Senator Michael Jackson, I have extensive experience in the realm implementing policies that will ultimately improve the quality of life for all Marylanders. I also serve as a local Pastor which allows me to be continuously be involved within the community.

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** Since the pandemic it has become even harder to afford to work, live, play, & retire comfortably in Maryland. I will fight to increase the minimum wage due to the economic strain of inflation. As the candidate with the most union endorsements, I will continue to support our Labor Unions that will provide high wage jobs in our community. Finally, we need to ease the burden of taxes on our retirees!

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** I am in favor of policies and funding that increase community policing programs, create violence interrupter initiatives, and policies that protect people from gun violence & reduce gun deaths. I support ensuring transparency and accountability in cases where police officers abuse their authority and harm those they are sworn to protect.

**EDUCATION:** I am in favor of continuing to ensure that The Blueprint for Maryland's Future is funded, our teachers receive higher salaries, each school is supplied with an adequate teaching and administrative staff, our classroom sizes are smaller, and that every aging school is rebuilt. I believe that we must also invest into mental health services to help our students recover from post pandemic challenges.

**HEALTH:** Heart disease, stroke, diabetes and cancer are among the leading causes of death in Maryland. As State Delegate, I would focus on expanding access to care, prevention, detection and treatment, closing

Medicaid & Medicare coverage gaps, adequately funding our state and local health departments, and advancing healthy eating and active living policies.

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** Climate change is my greatest concern. As a Delegate, I would focus on the implementation of the Climate Solutions Now Act of 2022 and funding the recommendations from the various Commissions involved with developing solutions to solve the Climate crisis to meet state goals. I would also be a fierce champion for tax credits and establish free State programs to help Marylanders electrify

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** I am a proponent of having the Light Rail (LRT) extend service to Southern Maryland. This will allow an easier commute for those that work in DC & will also help reduce our carbon footprint. I will work to ensure that every state road is paved & maintained & that the appropriate traffic lights are installed (especially on 210) in Prince George's County. Supporting our farmers is also my priority!

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** The welfare of our Seniors are of grave importance to me. As a primary caretaker for my elderly grandparents, I am committed to making it easier for our Seniors to have access to the wrap around services needed. Additionally, I look forward to fighting to make Maryland a more business friendly state through providing grants for startups & MBE's. I will also fight for WOMEN'S RIGHTS!

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## Maryland House of Delegates District 47A

**DUTIES:** Members of the House of 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.

**TERM:** Four years. No term limit.

**SALARY:** \$52,343 as of January 11, 2023.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected districtwide.

The state is divided into 47 legislative districts. Each district is represented by three Delegates, for a total of 141 Delegates statewide.

**WEBSITE:**

[www.msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/071eg/html/gaf.html](http://www.msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/071eg/html/gaf.html)

### Questions

**QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of the House of Delegates?

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** What role should the state play in addressing the needs of economically disadvantaged people in Maryland?

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** What policies do you favor to reduce crime in Maryland while improving police accountability in communities?

**EDUCATION:** What actions will you take to improve education in Maryland, especially given the impact of the COVID pandemic?

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

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** What is your greatest concern regarding Maryland's natural resources/environment, and how will you address it?

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** What issues or projects are your priority for your own district?

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

### Candidates

Vote for up to 2

**Diana M. Fennell**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

**Robert Julian Ivey**

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No response received by deadline

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## Maryland House of Delegates District 47B

**DUTIES:** Members of the House of 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.

**TERM:** Four years. No term limit.

**SALARY:** \$52,343 as of January 11, 2023.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected districtwide.

The state is divided into 47 legislative districts. Each district is represented by three Delegates, for a total of 141 Delegates statewide.

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### Questions

**QUALIFICATIONS:** How does your experience prepare you for the duties of the House of Delegates?

**ECONOMIC INEQUITIES:** What role should the state play in addressing the needs of economically disadvantaged people in Maryland?

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** What policies do you favor to reduce crime in Maryland while improving police accountability in

communities?

**EDUCATION:** What actions will you take to improve education in Maryland, especially given the impact of the COVID pandemic?

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

**NATURAL RESOURCES:** What is your greatest concern regarding Maryland's natural resources/environment, and how will you address it?

**LOCAL PROJECTS:** What issues or projects are your priority for your own district?

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

### Candidates

Vote for 1

**Deni Taveras**

Democratic Party

No response by deadline

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## Prince George's County Executive

**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

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

**BUDGET:** What are your priorities for the

county's budget?

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:**

What are your priorities for land use, climate change and environmental justice in our county?

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

**PUBLIC HEALTH:** How can we safeguard the county's health against future epidemics? What are your public health priorities ?

**EMPLOYMENT:** How can the county government encourage economic development and job growth?

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What are your top three (3) issues and priorities?

### Candidates

Vote for 1

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As County Executive, I led this County through one of the most difficult periods of our lifetimes. During the pandemic, we not only worked to keep Prince Georgians safe and provide

access to testing and vaccinations, but we also continued to deliver on the promises I made in areas such as investing in education, increasing access to healthcare, and expanding and preserving affordable housing.

**BUDGET:** The FY 2023 budget I submitted to the Council was designed to capture this time of rising opportunity in the County for all Prince Georgians. We invested the most ever in our school system, we increased investments in public safety to fight violent crime, we made historic investments in stormwater management to help mitigate flooding, and we continued our investments in affordable housing.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** In 2021, I introduced an economic development platform that focuses on transit-oriented development and building more walkable, amenity-rich neighborhoods across the County. Under my leadership, we have also worked to increase access to transit, while moving forward on our plans to fully convert the County Government's vehicle and bus fleet to all electric vehicles.

**EDUCATION:** The County Executive's primary role in the school system is to provide funding so that every child can receive a quality education. In this most recent budget cycle, I invested \$2.63 billion in our school system, the most ever in our County's history and about 63% of our total budget. We have also continued to invest in school construction after breaking ground on 9 new schools last year alone.

**PUBLIC HEALTH:** Public health infrastructure has been underfunded for far too long, and I have worked to change that as County Executive. In the FY 2022 budget, we invested in 10 new positions in the Health Department. In the FY 2023 budget, we invested in a program to help provide insurance for 50,000 uninsured residents. Finally, we allocated 20 million for a behavioral health facility that opens in

June 2022.

**EMPLOYMENT:** Under my Administration, we opened a new American Job Center at National Harbor, which helps provide job opportunities and workforce development to 10,000 residents each year. We also need to continue our focus on growing the commercial tax base through smart-growth strategies, which creates jobs for residents and allows us to transition away from balancing our budget on the backs of homeowners.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** Last year, I invested \$20 million in two affordable housing programs, the first time these programs have ever been funded in County history. During the 2022 legislative session, I also helped bring home \$20 million from the State to support these two programs. For the FY 2023 budget, we invested \$16 million in affordable housing and also invested money for three homeless facilities.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** I'm asking Prince Georgians to re-elect me as County Executive so we can continue going further together. I will continue to make historic investments in education, including in school construction. I will continue investing in public safety and crime prevention to reduce violent crime. And I will continue to ensure we grow and develop in a smart way, with more investments in affordable housing.

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## Prince George's County Council At Large

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

### 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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

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

**OTHER -** How will you demonstrate your commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?

### Candidates

Vote for up to 2

**Mel Franklin**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

**Calvin S. Hawkins, Jr.**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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## Prince George's County Council District 1

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

### 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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?



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

**OTHER** - How will you demonstrate your commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?

### Candidates

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** Attorney with 3+ terms on the Council, life-long resident of Maryland (over 40 years in District 1).

**BUDGET:** Social services and transit should be increased.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** The County must get serious about Smart Growth policies and eliminate costly sprawl.

**EDUCATION:** We need to expand focus on Career and Technology training.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** The County should support local minority businesses. Small businesses generate a lot of jobs, and local businesses need help competing with larger companies from outside the County.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** The affordable housing issue is a regional problem, and we must emphasize that Prince George's County has the largest share of affordable housing already, and the most affordable housing for people at the low end of the economic spectrum. While we continue to provide more affordable housing, we need to demand that other

jurisdictions step up.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** See above. We need to stop expensive, congestion causing sprawl, and focus on Smart Growth around Metro and MARC stations.

**OTHER:** I will promote greater public participation in decision making and provide more transparency.

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## **Prince George's County Council District 2**

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

### 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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

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

**OTHER -** How will you demonstrate your commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?

## Candidates

Vote for 1

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As the current State Delegate for District 47B and the Assistant majority leader (representing 49 out of the 99 freshman democrats to the leadership team), I know how work with colleagues and craft legislation to help all Marylanders.

As a lawyer and community advocate I know the issues facing my residents and how to get people involved in the process.

**BUDGET:** I would like to an increase to rental assistance and emergency assistance funds. I think many County programs are needed but I would like our police department to develop a mental health response unit.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** I

think a greater emphasis on the environmental impact would be beneficial. In my district I would ensure areas that are zoned as single families zones stay as such.

**EDUCATION:** I would ensure the money brought home from the State is being used to improve our schools inside and out. I would also want to see the renovation of older facilities in my district.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** The county should continue to advocate for State aid in the areas needed for development. In addition the county should work on streamlining the permit process and make it easier for businesses that come into the county and hire county residents.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** I would encourage the county to continue to use its right to refusal when properties are being purchased to then have the ability to negotiate affordable units in development. I also think the county should work on affordable housing requirements around metros and transit. In addressing homelessness, I would like to continue the county's current efforts but also work on more wrap around services.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** I would work with DPWT to improve the needs in congested areas and work on the relationship with the State Highway Administration for road improvements. It is important for the County to identify high priority areas and create a strategic plan on what roads will need to be addressed and by how much. Improvements to public facilities is also a big priority but a plan will be needed.

**OTHER -** I will demonstrate my commitment to my residents by being in regular contact with resident through hosting monthly meetings and community events. I also will be looking at what the major priorities of my district and taking those into any vote.

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# Prince George's County Council District 3

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

## 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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

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

**OTHER -** How will you demonstrate your

commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?

## Candidates

Vote for 1

### **Eric C. Olson**

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Eric has done the job well previously, serving District 3 on the County Council for 8 years. He has a strong record getting things done for our neighborhoods. His efforts resulted in \$500 million of smart growth redevelopment, trails, transit, recreation, schools, and homeownership. He's responsive, a champion of neighborhood quality of life and safety, and a leader for our environment.

**BUDGET:** Eric seeks to increase the budget for mental health, social services, and schools. He led the effort on the council previously to focus resources on wraparound services where they are most needed. Eric will put greater funding into infrastructure - including streets and sidewalks, as well as flood prevention. Our county's permitting and inspections also needs greater attention and funding.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** Eric has always been a champion of sensible, transit-oriented development and for protecting our natural environment. We need to develop in the right places - near transit, and redevelop existing commercial areas while preventing sprawl. Eric has done this work well during his prior council terms.

**EDUCATION:** Eric focused on transit-oriented development during his council terms to increase the tax base and create a more sustainable funding source for schools. He did so successfully. Neighboring Montgomery County can put hundreds of millions more into schools with a larger tax base. Eric led the way on transit-oriented development. Eric will work to ensure we get our fair share from the state.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** We must focus on

our Metro stations and transit. Redevelopment is more difficult than "green field" development, and the county can help incentivize smart, transit-oriented development through quicker permitting, potential incentives, and by putting county owned land into deals near transit when appropriate. We need to aggressively court businesses and support business being incubated at UMD.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** We need to work closely with affordable housing developers, especially adjacent to transit, and should include county land where appropriate. We should explore the creation of a housing trust and increase funding for housing for people in need. We should pass measures like inclusionary zoning so that when new development is built with public subsidies, a percentage of units will be affordable.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Land use is critical. We must create more walkable, bikeable communities, locate jobs and housing close to each other and stop sprawl development. Investing in transit, bike paths and sidewalks is key to our future. New development must make improvements for walking and biking. In District 3, I will make it easy to get to the Purple Line (and other destinations) by bike and on foot.

**OTHER** - My record is one of integrity. I involve communities in decisions, and I have always been accessible and in the community. I have always held a hard line against corruption and insist that developers must work with communities or they will not have my support. When a former colleague was arrested, I was the first to call on them to resign, and led the effort to strip them of council privileges.

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## Prince George's County Council District 4

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

### 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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

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

**OTHER** - How will you demonstrate your

commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?

## Candidates

Vote for 1

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** Resident of District 4 for over 27 years with demonstrated experience in an elected capacity currently as an At-Large Councilmember for the City of Bowie; Prince George's County Democratic Central Committee. Professional capacity as Government Affairs Manager for Children's National Hospital, a Workforce Development professional and 10 years in Community Outreach in the District 4 office as staff.

**BUDGET:** •Increase funding around incentive programs for affordable/workforce housing options, for seniors and veterans using County Housing Trust Fund, Federal HOME funds, & Right of First Refusal law.  
•Increase incentives for walkable communities. Support a pay-as-you go financing option to pay for vehicle replacement, capital improvements and infrastructure.

•Support and fund apprenticeship programs.

#### **DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:**

•Expand commercial tax base and be less dependent on residential property taxes.

•Incorporate climate risk response into all development projects.

•Strengthen infrastructure prior to approving new development projects.

•Implement County's new 21st Century Zoning Ordinance with additional public input, reduce need for site specific legislative amendments.

•Address barriers with permitting process.

**EDUCATION:** •Advocate at the state level to ensure PGCPs are fully funded under Maryland Blueprint.

•Build schools based on needs of staff, students, parents and community using traditional and P3 construction opportunities.

•Focus on safety, teacher salaries and benefits, improvement to school structure, mental health resources, and curriculum.

•Expand STEM, the Arts and career path education.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** •Increase our commercial tax base by offering incentive, including the County Economic Development Incentive Funds (EDIF), to bring in more employment and business, and work with those businesses to hire Prince George's County residents.

•Support apprenticeship programs, specifically Union supported programs.

•Support upskilling and reskilling programs within businesses to empower the workforce.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** •Commit to the goals of the Housing Opportunities for All Workgroup (HOFA) as established in CR-16-2019.

•Utilize/maximize Federal, State & County resources to increase funds to existing down payment, rental/mortgage programs.

•Support reduction or waiver of impact fees for affordable housing development.

•Support homeless programs: temporary-to-permanent housing/job training/education/childcare.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** •Support rapid transit programs-Southern Maryland Rapid Transit Project, Purple and Blue Lines.

•Support creation of TOD's where people can live and work in the same area.

•Assess existing infrastructure to ascertain how it will withstand current and future climate challenges.

•Implement strategies and programs for



green buildings and energy efficiency.  
**OTHER** - I have and will continue to demonstrate my commitment through honest, sincere and integral actions and listen and be responsive to my constituents. With the breadth of my experience, I will be a leader at the table where the will of the people is the top consideration when decisions are made.

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## Prince George's County Council District 5

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

### 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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

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

**OTHER** - How will you demonstrate your commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?

### Candidates

Vote for 1

#### **Jolene Ivey**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** It has been my honor to serve as a member of the County Council representing District 5 for the past four years. My proven leadership is the result of my previous experiences in business, activism, journalism, and the General Assembly in Annapolis. I have demonstrated the knowledge and temperament that have resulted in being a progressive voice on the Council, which I hope to continue.

**BUDGET:** There is never enough money in the budget to do all the things that residents want or need to have done. Budget decisions are not just about accounting; they are an expression of our community's values. We should increase spending at the Dept. of Social Services because of the importance of

what they do, the number who need help, and the long-term impact on people's lives; they need more funds.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** The Council worked for years to create and implement a new zoning ordinance for the County. Many changes and improvements were needed, and it passed last year and took effect in April. This will better facilitate putting in place the aspirational goals of the County's Plan 2035, which would see more Transit Oriented Development and less piecemeal sprawl. It is now time to evaluate the results.

**EDUCATION:** Half of the County's budget goes to the Board of Education to pay for our public schools, which is over \$2.3 billion. The Board of Education, which has had difficulties, makes the decisions how to spend the money; it is time to have a fully elected Board, where the Board selects its Chair. Also, families should have the support they need; struggling families can lead to struggling students.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** Transit Orient Development is one proven way to boost economic development and job growth. The Blue Line Corridor is an example of wise development leading to not only job growth, but walkable, enticing communities that will attract even more upscale development. The upcoming redevelopment of the old Hospital site in Cheverly is another example of such successful place making.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** It is important that we work regionally to address housing; other jurisdictions don't contribute as much affording housing as our County does already. We need to revisit our zoning limitation on density; rethink zoning for new detached single-family houses; adhere to the plans to focus on Transit Oriented Development; and allow accessory dwelling unit (ADUs). We need to require more studio apts.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Traffic congestion

and transportation needs can be addressed by wise development decisions and zoning. Future development should be concentrated near transit; if sprawl is limited people will live and work in walkable communities with easy access to transportation, resulting in fewer cars on the road. I am optimistic the new Council will understand this and work collaboratively toward this goal.

**OTHER:** My career and voting record in both the General Assembly in Annapolis and on the County Council have demonstrated that I am a progressive voice who has worked tirelessly and successfully to support families, children, and workers. It has been a priority for me to see that residents receive the prompt and courteous public services that they deserve.

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## Prince George's County Council District 6

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

### 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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

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

**OTHER -** How will you demonstrate your commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?

**Candidates**

Vote for 1

**Wala Blegay**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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# Prince George’s County Council District 7

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide

vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

**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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

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

**OTHER -** How will you demonstrate your commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?

**Candidates**

Vote for 1

**Gary Falls**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have spent years advocating for policies and legislation that support and protect all the residents within Prince George's County. I co-founded the grassroots organization PG ChangeMakers, which works to address community issues around housing, food insecurity, health care, police reform, and education. I have also worked for Federal & Local Government agencies and Fortune 500 Companies.

**BUDGET:** Programs focusing on supporting our small and minority owned businesses, senior quality of life programs, grants, and initiatives as well as youth-centered activities, Mental health supports for our residents, and supports for our returning citizens should all be programs that should have increased funding within the County's budget.

**DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE:** Development and land use policies should center around Community based development and focus on the needs and desires of our community in a manner that is economically focused on the community as well as environmentally conscious.

**EDUCATION:** I have been a longtime advocate of the school system and I will continue that focus by ensuring our schools have the right amount of resources and funding to support our students. I will also focus on ensuring equity within the programs our schools' systems offers and support increasing public funding to help our public schools.

**EMPLOYMENT/JOBS:** Our County should focus on supporting our local and minority owned small businesses to increase development and job growth. When we

prioritize our own local economy, we are not so reliant on larger outside corporations to the point that if they leave, we suffer economic hardship.

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING:** I would increase direct funding for services for the unhoused population within Prince George's county including supporting the construction of an additional facility and repairs to current ones. I would also work on policies that would provide assistance to Homeowners and renters as well as policies that would directly support affordable housing programs.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Improvements to the public facilities throughout the county would be one of my primary focuses as well as creating a sustainable plan for increasing the public transit system throughout Prince George's County. Our residents should be able to have reliable public transportation in a manner that is safe, efficient, and fast.

**OTHER -** I will continue to hold public forums and listening sessions to hear directly from my community as well as ensure that the community voice is heard on all levels of government.

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## Prince George's County Council District 8

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9)

County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

### 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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

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

**OTHER -** How will you demonstrate your commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?

### Candidates

Vote for 1

**Edward Burroughs, III**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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## Prince George's County Council District 9

**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:** For County Council At-Large candidates, the top two countywide vote getters will be elected. For the nine (9) County Council District candidates, a candidate wins by popular vote within the councilmanic district.

### 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:** How would you increase the availability of affordable housing and address homelessness?

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

**OTHER -** How will you demonstrate your commitment to serve the community in the best interests of its citizens?



## Candidates

Vote for 1

### **Sydney Harrison**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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## **Prince George's County Judge of the Circuit Court - Circuit 7**

**DUTIES:** Judges preside over trials in the Circuit Court, which is a court that hears major civil cases and serious criminal cases, such as those requiring a jury trial. Circuit Courts may decide appeals from the District Court and certain administrative agencies. **TERM:** Fifteen years, no term limit. Mandatory retirement age of 70 years. **SALARY:** \$184,433 as of July 1, 2022.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected countywide. The state is divided into 8 Judicial Circuits. When there is a vacancy, the Governor appoints a person to fill the office from a list recommended by a judicial nominating commission. The nominating commission reviews each applicant's experience as an attorney before making recommendations to the Governor. Each newly appointed judge must stand for election at the first election that occurs at least one year after the vacancy happened. Sitting judges must also run for re-election after serving for 15 years. Attorneys who are members of the Maryland Bar may also run to challenge a newly appointed or sitting judge. All candidates run on both the Democratic and Republican primary ballots.

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## Questions

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

**PRIORITIES:** What are your priorities for this office?

**COURT SYSTEM:** What are the greatest challenges facing Maryland's court system and how should these be addressed?

**MOTIVATION:** What inspires you to serve in this judgeship?

**JUDICIAL PHILOSOPHY:** What is your judicial philosophy?

## Candidates

Vote for 1

### **Carol Ann Coderre**

Judicial

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I spent 23 years in the courtroom representing Prince George's County, handling more than 600 complex and high profile criminal and civil cases as an attorney. Serving as a judge, I have successfully completed intensive judicial training and have been certified by the Court to preside over complex criminal and civil matters as well as family law matters effectively, efficiently and ethically.

**PRIORITIES:** My main priority is to use my vast litigation experience and knowledge of the law to continue to serve Prince George's County on the bench. In doing so, I play an important role in the administration of justice in a fair, efficient and unbiased way. It is imperative to me that we have experienced judges who know the law and have a track record of strong legal experience to preside over trials.

**COURT SYSTEM:** Foremost is the backlog of cases caused by pandemic-related court closures. We cannot address issues of equal application of justice, violations of rights, misconduct of officials or resolution of civil disputes without the ability to get cases into the courtrooms. It is imperative to have experienced judges on the bench to get our court cases moving forward once again.

**MOTIVATION:** Service is one of my main inspirations. I have always been in public service and it is important to me to continue to help citizens of Prince George's County. I use the skill, judgment and courtroom demeanor I developed as a litigator to serve the County in a new and essential way. Helping litigants and jurors navigate the justice system is important to me and inspires me to continue my work.

**JUDICIAL PHILOSOPHY:** It is important to me as a judge to remember the humanity of all involved in the judicial system. Litigants, witnesses, jurors and lawyers all deserve dignity. Irrespective of the outcome of a case, all involved should leave feeling heard and respected. I have put this belief into action as a judge and continue to be dedicated to respectful, unbiased, fair and accurate application of law.

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## Judge, Court of Special Appeals At Large

### VOTE YES OR NO FOR CONTINUANCE IN OFFICE

**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:** \$183,633

**TERM:** Ten years, no term limit.

Mandatory retirement age of 70 years.

**HOW ELECTED:** When there is a vacancy on the Court of Special Appeals, the governor appoints a qualified person to fill the office, with the consent of the State Senate. Once appointed, the appellate judge holds the office until the first election that occurs at least one year after the vacancy happened. At that time, the judge runs for 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 judgeship?

**PRIORITIES:** What are your priorities for this office?

**COURT SYSTEM:** What are the greatest challenges facing Maryland's court system and how should these be addressed?

**MOTIVATION:** What inspires you to serve in this judgeship?

**JUDICIAL PHILOSOPHY:** What is your judicial philosophy?

### Candidates

Vote Yes or No for continuance in office

**Stuart R. Berger**

Judicial

No response received by deadline.

**Terrence M. R. Zic**

Judicial

No response received by deadline.

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**Prince George’s  
County State’s  
Attorney**

**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**

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

**DISCRIMINATION:** How will you ensure that everyone is treated fairly in criminal proceedings?

**SENTENCING:** What are your views on alternatives to prison?

**DRUG USE:** How will you address the problem of drug use?

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:** How will you address the problems of domestic violence?

**JUVENILE JUSTICE:** What are the greatest needs of our juvenile justice system?

**GUN VIOLENCE:** How would you address the current level of gun violence within the County?

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What other issues are priorities for you?

**Candidates**

Vote for 1

**Aisha Braveboy**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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**Prince George’s  
County Clerk of the  
Circuit Court**

**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

**Questions**

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

**PRIORITIES:** What are your top three (3) issues and priorities?

**CUSTOMER SERVICE:** How will you maintain and improve service for the public?

**Candidates**

Vote for 1

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## Prince George's County Register of Wills

**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

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

**PRIORITIES:** What are your top three (3) issues and priorities?

**CUSTOMER SERVICE:** How will you maintain and improve service for the public?

### Candidates

Vote for 1

**Cereta A. Lee**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline

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## Prince George's County Judge of the Orphans' Court

**DUTIES:** Judges of the Orphans' Court supervise the administration of estates. The Orphan's Court shares jurisdiction with the Circuit Court over guardianships of minors. Orphan's Court Judges conduct hearings that involve probate and guardianship disputes, review and act upon administration accounts, and request payments from estates or guardianships.

**SALARY:** \$50,000. **TERM:** Four years with no term limits.

**HOW ELECTED:** Elected countywide.

### Questions

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

**PRIORITIES:** What are your priorities for this office?

**COURT SYSTEM:** What are the greatest challenges facing Maryland's court system and how should these be addressed?

**MOTIVATION:** What inspires you to serve in this judgeship?

**JUDICIAL PHILOSOPHY:** What is your judicial philosophy?

### Candidates

Vote for up to 3

**Wendy Alise Cartwright**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have been a sitting Judge of the Orphans' Court (the Court) since 2001; Chief Judge since 2003. I am the educational liaison to the judicial college subcommittee and assist in choosing annual classes for continuing education. I am also a member of the Conference of Orphans' Court Judges that addresses concerns of the court. Since 1990 I have been a trial attorney in private practice.

**PRIORITIES:** To ensure uniformity of judicial decisions and create a fair forum for our citizens. Updating technology and

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preparing the Court for the electronic filing process to improve administrative efficiency of the daily functions of the Court. Accessibility of the Court to citizens engaged in probate and offering alternative dispute resolution programs such as mediation.

**COURT SYSTEM:** Informing the public and governmental entities about the functions of the Orphans' Court. Continued exposure of the Orphans' Court to the community will address this issue. Managing the increasing caseload of the Court is being addressed by the implementation of the ADR/mediation program.

**MOTIVATION:** My inspiration in serving as an Orphans' Court Judge comes from witnessing the need to serve families that are grieving from the loss of a family member or loved one while being thrust into the probate process. Our community needs Judges that have the expertise to adjudicate disputes while acknowledging the needs of these families to have access to the judicial system.

**JUDICIAL PHILOSOPHY:** My judicial philosophy is that the facts of the case are important, legal rules should be used as instruments of justice and alternative judicial courses of action must be considered to determine what works and what is useful. In the end, common sense should prevail to reach judicial decisions that are fair, impartial, equitable and provide the best possible outcome for the parties.

## **Jason A. DeLoach**

Democratic Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have been practicing law for 24 years here in Prince George's County. My few months on the bench while challenging, confirms my courtroom experience prepared me for this

position.

**PRIORITIES:** To be fair and prompt. I want our court to move efficiently, while balancing the need for residents to have their cases decided properly. I want all to feel they had a fair day in court. Our court does a tremendous job in this area, and I hope to help it continue. I also want to help in making our court run as efficiently as possible so cases can be addressed as soon as possible.

**COURT SYSTEM:** The pandemic set our courts behind tremendously. We need to find a way to address cases that were postponed, while addressing new cases promptly. We also need to make sure the system is fair for all litigants. Justice is blind, and as a person and lawyer I have always operated this way. As a judge, this belief means even more. So we need to make sure all have equal access to the courts.

**MOTIVATION:** Being a judge is a great way to give back to the community. After growing up in Prince George's County and attending public schools here, I feel a certain responsibility to give back. Working locally at my firm, Alexander & Cleaver, gives me a tremendous feeling of giving back, but being a judge permits me to touch and impact a broader group in a positive way. Our residents deserve commitment.

**JUDICIAL PHILOSOPHY:** To apply the law fairly and without partiality. There is nothing worse than someone feeling a judge has not provided them fair treatment. I am committed to doing my job correctly, while making sure the parties have a fair proceeding. The cases my court hears are complex and very emotional. People are dealing with the death of a loved one. As a judge, I will never become desensitized.

## **Athena Malloy Groves**

Democratic Party

No response received by deadline



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## Prince George's County Sheriff

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

**SALARY:** \$169,433

**TERM:** 4 years; no term limits

**HOW ELECTED:** countywide

### Questions

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

**PRIORITIES:** What are your priorities for this office?

**OUTREACH TO COMMUNITY:** How would you involve residents in improving public safety?

**DISCRIMINATION:** How will you ensure that officers treat everyone fairly?

**DRUG USE:** How will you address the problem of drug use?

### Candidates

Vote for 1

#### **John D.B. Carr**

Democratic Party

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** Over 20-year career in LE, having worked in, supervised, commanded, every division within the Office. I am currently an Assistant Sheriff, commanding the Bureau of Field Operations as a Lt. Col. I am currently an instructor for IACP teaching leadership principles and hold memberships in NOBLE, NAACP, & NTOA.

**PRIORITIES:** Working to expand domestic violence services available throughout the county. Actively pursuing all warrants, special focus on gun crimes and violent offenders. Establish programs to engage at risk youth and protect vulnerable adults. Create a new partnership between agencies to help and better serve citizens with mental health issues.

#### **OUTREACH TO COMMUNITY:**

Actively engaging our citizens to provide resources available to them to help end domestic violence and other violent crime. Establish programs to engage at-risk youth and protect vulnerable adults living in our communities. Offer higher levels of transparency through citizen review boards attached or assigned to the agency.

**DISCRIMINATION:** he most important thing law enforcement can do when building police-community relations is to create your mission with those you serve having 100% transparency. Review boards should include members from the community. We will openly share our policies and procedures. Maintain accurate records in a internal affairs case management system.

**DRUG USE:** Actively target and serve all drug related warrants. We will also lobby to remove barriers to treatment, Work to reduce harm and save lives through county drug abuse programs and advocate for better treatment and recovery services.

Collaboratively work with state and federal

agencies to secure funding to address these issues.

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## 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.

### Questions

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

#### **CAREER AND TECHNICAL**

**EDUCATION (CTE):** How can the schools better prepare students for employment?

**SCHOOL SAFETY:** How will you address school safety issues?

**PARTNERSHIPS:** How can the schools

partner with businesses and community organizations?

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** How will you involve the community in supporting education?

#### **BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S**

**FUTURE:** How will you support the implementation of the Blueprint for Maryland's Future in contributing to student achievement and excellence?

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** What are your top three (3) issues and priorities?

## Board of Education District 2

### Candidates

Vote for 1

#### **Jonathan Briggs**

Nonpartisan

No response received by deadline

#### **Jenni Pompi**

Nonpartisan

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As a mom to two Prince George's County Public Schools students, I'm acutely aware of the issues facing our teachers and schools, because as both a parent and a former PTA president, I've lived through them, and I'm ready to fight for changes at the policy level.

#### **CAREER AND TECHNICAL**

**EDUCATION (CTE):** PGCPS already has some great CTE offerings at a limited number of schools, and I'd like to see those programs expanded. In addition, school/community partnerships to help students make connections and work

internships with local businesses and entrepreneurs would be of added value. **SCHOOL SAFETY:** To address school safety, I'd like to see the implementation of more mental health counselors to help students facing myriad challenges outside of school that impact their behaviors when in school. I also advocate hiring professionals trained in conflict resolution to deal with fights and other physical conflicts at schools.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** I would love to see schools partnering with businesses and community organizations to offer job training and internship opportunities to students, as well as service-learning hours, or by sponsoring teacher appreciation activities.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** Communities and community members can support our schools by offering services such as tutoring, by sponsoring after-school activities and club sports, and as daily volunteers either supporting teachers in classrooms or in an administrative capacity.

**BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S FUTURE:** I support fully funding and implementing the Blueprint so our teachers receive top pay and benefits, our students have access to the best instructional materials and are college and career ready, and our schools are state of the art.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:**

1. Transparent communication with all stakeholders and community engagement.
2. Building 21st-century schools to support college- and career-ready students.
3. Supporting our educators post pandemic and in the future.

## Board of Education District 3

### Candidates

Vote for 1

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** I have served for the past four years and I am now running for re-election for the PGCPs Board of Education District 3 seat. As a PGCPs parent of the past seven years, I have been a parent leader at every level of the school system. I am a strong financial manager of the \$1.6 Billion budget with an MBA from American University.

#### **CAREER AND TECHNICAL**

**EDUCATION (CTE):** PGCPs investment in the CTE curriculum has expanded during my service on the Board. The programs empower students to confidently and successfully transition into college and career opportunities to become contributing members of their community and global workforce. With the completion of the Climate Change Action Plan that I chaired, new offerings will focus on green economy jobs of the future.

**SCHOOL SAFETY:** In 2021, the Board of Education adopted the Prince George's County Police Reform Task Force recommendations. We now define Optimal School Safety in PGCPs as physical

environments where students, staff and visitors feel safe and secure from fear and intimidation. It also includes educational environments that ensure climates are safe, caring and inclusive for learning and teaching.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** PGCPS focuses on strategic partners with a specific area of support for students and schools including, but not limited to mentoring, tutoring, internships, and financial and in-kind donations. Our goal is to ensure all schools have at least one partner through the Adopt-A-School program. The Community Schools grants from the Blueprint for Maryland's Future fund after school enrichment programs.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** As the District 3 Board of Education Member, I am deeply involved in the broader community commitment to PGCPS. I work closely with seven municipal Mayors and Councilmembers, the County Councilmember and multiple civic associations representing neighborhoods with PGCPS walkable schools. We engage together in support of school families through the pandemic, clean-up days and Career Days.

**BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S FUTURE:** When I ran for the Board in 2018, I was also a Strong Schools Maryland Team Leader, focused on educating the community about the Kirwan Commission and future benefits to PGCPS. I have been an enthusiastic supporter ever since, serving on the PGCPS Community Schools Steering Comm. as well as engagement in implementation oversight through service on the Policy & Governance Comm. of the Board.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** 1) School construction program, expanding on the 6 new schools under construction and planning in District 3.

2) Parent Engagement through strong

parent-teacher organizations, hybrid access, and the Community Schools shared leadership model.

3) Implementation of the Climate Change Action Plan that came out of the Work Group that I co-chaired from 2021-2022.

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# **Board of Education District 6**

## **Candidates**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As a professional, I have worked in various industries ranging from the public to the private sector; through those experiences, I've learned how to identify problems, find solutions, build teams and develop social capital. I believe these tools are essential to being a successful board member.

## **CAREER AND TECHNICAL**

**EDUCATION (CTE):** I believe schools should find more opportunities to collaborate with local unions, businesses, and government entities to create experiential learning opportunities for our students. I also believe that our school system must do a better job developing our

students holistically. The demands of the world extend far beyond the confines of textbooks and tests. We must equip students with life skills

**SCHOOL SAFETY:** The recent uptick in violence has elevated concerns about safety. The first thing we need to do is form a task force to better understand the problem. The task force should be comprised of community leaders, mental health professionals, teachers, parents, and administrators. Violence is a symptom of an even bigger problem. We must organize and strategize with the right people at the table.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** I think there are many ways the business community and organizations can play a role in supporting schools. The business community can create more experiential opportunities for our students. We can work together to create more sustainable programs with metrics that can indicate the efficiency and how well the programs are performing with respect to our overall objective.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** I am a huge supporter of community schools. I think executing the six pillars of the community school model will create the social dynamic we desire between the school system and the community.

**BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S FUTURE:** At the heart of the Blueprint is the desire to prioritize equity. As we develop new programs and innovative approaches to tackle challenges, we must work with legislators and influencers to implement auditing functions and have quality control mechanisms. We must make sure we optimize the use of every single dollar.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** 1. Supporting our teachers with more resources and better pay. 2. Education equity 3. Appealing to the larger community in a “village-style approach” to elevating our school system.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As an award-winning and board trained educator with policy experience transforming vision into reality at the local and federal level, I have a decade of documented successes demonstrating my servant leadership and consistent commitment to fighting for the improvement of school systems for all students—especially the most vulnerable. My preparation comes from lived and professional experience.

### **CAREER AND TECHNICAL**

**EDUCATION (CTE):** Education must prepare all students for sustainable and livable wage employment. Though CTE is an effective workforce development strategy for a skilled workforce, it is a stopgap to the current needs of students and our competitive global economy. Integrating classroom instruction and embedding apprenticeship provides agency, develops competencies, and improves CTE programming for all students.

**SCHOOL SAFETY:** Positive school climate directly impacts academic performance and, consequently, the budget through enrollment. Ensuring a daily safe and joyful reopening requires co-creation and implementation of inclusive, anti-racist, and comprehensive safety plans that include



digital citizenship, mental health supports, and restorative practices. Integrate and prioritize the issue across all BOE committees.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** Schools are the backbone of our economy. The school system can partner with businesses and community organizations in local consortiums aimed at providing ecosystems of support to strengthen communities through multi-generational approaches. As a first generation college student, Head Start Alum, and beneficiary of such supports, I believe community hubs are essential to whole family success.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** As an organizer who has served on several advisory committees, participated in working groups and chaired education-related boards, I believe in meaningful community involvement leading to positive change. I have been an untapped resident for 10 years, but took initiative. I'll seek out & develop local talent, and partner with existing groups to create collaborative and solutions-oriented spaces.

**BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S FUTURE:** The Blueprint provides historic investment levels in education that must deliver on promises made to students and educators. Seeking ongoing practitioner and stakeholder feedback through an equity lens, I will make informed and fiscally responsible decisions that help us further contextually define and appropriately monitor progress and pivots towards meeting AIB's implementation plan standards.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** Students and educators deserve safe and joyful 21st Century-ready environments, surrounded by qualified and well-trained instructional & non-instructional staff, that are connected to the community. School Infrastructure (inclusive of high-speed broadband), Community Schools, and Educator

Effectiveness are three of my five non-negotiables. Visit [ashleykearneyforschooboard.com](http://ashleykearneyforschooboard.com) to learn more.

## Board of Education District 9

### Candidates

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** As the current chair for the Prince George's County Democratic Central Committee I've been blessed with the opportunity to serve those in the community by sharing pertinent voter information. I've also had the opportunity to work with other elected officials at all levels of the government to build consensus. I believe this is an important quality for serving on the School Board.

#### **CAREER AND TECHNICAL**

**EDUCATION (CTE):** I believe real world experiences beyond the classroom are key for students to understand how their education relates to their future career paths. This can include field trips, speaking seminars, and partnerships with local businesses and organizations.

**SCHOOL SAFETY:** I believe working with our students, parents, educators, community stakeholders, law enforcement, and elected officials will help address school safety. This includes conversations with students so they feel safe in reporting safety

problems. It also includes working with other adults to find sensible ways to ensure safe learning environments.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** Schools can assess what needs they have and determine what local businesses and community organizations within a 5-mile radius can address those needs. Working with these organizations will provide exposure for students and community connection to the local school.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:** I will involve the community in supporting education by providing opportunities for school and business collaboration.

**BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND'S FUTURE:** I will support Maryland's Blueprint for Education by working with the school's CEO and educators to ensure dedicated funding is directed towards the needs of our students. This includes supporting wraparound services for our students to ensure every family receives the educational support they need or desire.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** My top three priorities are support for our scholars, educators, and administrative staff. Secondly, providing good governance on the Board of Education. Lastly, ensuring our parents are proud of Prince George's Public Schools.

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** My education, work, home & life experiences enable me to bring a multitude of skills to the role. I am a mother, graduate of PGCPD - D9, engineer, community leader, PTSA officer, business owner, speaker, certified coach, 2x author & your candidate. I am made for the duties of this office. I bring a newness that offers a differing perspective, unleashing a creative & solutions-focused mindset.

**CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE):** Increased partnerships with our communities will drive practical strategies & life insights, challenging mindsets with new ideas. Discovering local experts who span varied careers will expose scholars to diversity, financial literacy, entrepreneurship, STEM, arts & more. Complementing curriculum with community will prepare scholars for employment in their field of choice through early exploration.

**SCHOOL SAFETY:** Partnering with police, cell providers, community centers, therapists, & art institutions offer cross-functional & generational approaches to vandalism, physical, mental & cyber bullying, shootings, and drugs, to name a few. Coupled with the community & policy that govern our schools, we have an opportunity for accountability, as we connect, build & thrive together.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** Outreach programs, Internship Intensives, & Adopt-A-Grade Programs are 3 considerations. As a former corporate leader turned business owner & a multi-community leader, I understand first-hand how and why partnerships within our schools are of utmost importance. Where we are underserved, empowering and

incentivizing will offer equal access & resourcing so that our collective community thrives.

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:**

Community involvement entails immersing oneself into the community and understanding the issues and the wins that exist – being present for community events, hosting monthly community forums, engaging in issues, and brainstorming with communities for creative solutions, where everyone has the opportunity to give input. We, then, may create a system that increases accountability, action & results.

**BLUEPRINT FOR MARYLAND’S**

**FUTURE:** Working with the board, schools & community, I will support investments benefiting scholars. To listen intently, review funding, & know impact for District 9 will ensure a fidelity of funding, with the educator’s voice & that of the parents and community. Achievement & excellence will manifest through expansion of programs and resourcing for students, with an intensity in community involvement.

**OTHER PRIORITIES:** To connect across, build up, and thrive together are my top 3 priorities to address the myriad of unmet needs and issues facing our schools in District 9. My goal is to help provide a strengthened and renewed focus on the linkage between parents, teachers/staff, students, administration, and community through collaboration, accountability, resourcing, & bridging the gaps, to name a few.

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## Maryland Question 1

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (Ch 82 of the 2021 Legislative Session)

### Court of Appeals and Special Appeals -- Renaming

Changes the names of Maryland’s appellate courts from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court of Maryland and from the

Court of Special Appeals to the Appellate Court of Maryland. Under the new law, judges serving on the Court of Appeals will be justices of the Supreme Court of Maryland and the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals will be the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maryland.

(Amending Article II, Section 6, Article III, Sections 5, 30, and 52, Article IV, Sections 1, 3, 3A, 4B, 5A, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 22 and 44E, Article V, Section 6, and Article XVII, Section 3 to the Maryland Constitution.)

**Current Law:** Under the Maryland Constitution, the highest court in Maryland is called the Court of Appeals, unlike many other states and the federal constitution, which refer to their highest court as the Supreme Court. Judges on the Court of Appeals are referred to as judges rather than justices, which is the title in states that call their highest court the Supreme Court. The Maryland Constitution also provides for a Court of Special Appeals, which hears most initial appeals from trial courts and whose decisions can be reviewed by the Court of Appeals if one of the parties appeals their decision.

**Proposed Change:** The name of the highest court in Maryland would be changed from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court of Maryland and the judges on that court would be referred to as justices. The current name of the Court of Special Appeals would be changed to the Appellate Court of Maryland.

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** This amendment was proposed in a bill passed by the Maryland General Assembly (Senate Bill 666) in the 2021 session. The judges of the Court of Appeals proposed changing the name of their court to avoid confusion when their decisions are cited in arguments in lawsuits in other states. In most other states, a “court of appeals” is a mid-level appellate court rather than the highest court. Bills to

make this change were considered in 2019 and 2020 before finally passing in 2021.

**Arguments FOR the amendment:**

- Decisions by a state’s highest court are treated as more persuasive in arguments and a reference to the Supreme Court of Maryland would be readily understood as the final decision regarding Maryland law.
- Decisions by the “Court of Appeals,” the current name of the highest court in Maryland, might be misunderstood as referring to a decision of a mid-level appellate court, instead of the highest court.

**Arguments AGAINST the amendment:**

- Legal research is a highly specialized field and lawyers reviewing decisions of courts in other states are presumed to understand which court is the highest court.
- There would be administrative costs associated with changing the name of both courts, e.g., revising office letterhead, directory listings, etc.

A **vote FOR Question 1** means the Maryland Constitution will be amended to change the name of the highest court from the Court of Appeals to the Supreme Court of Maryland and its judges will be called justices. The name of the Court of Special Appeals, the mid-level appellate court, will be changed to the Appellate Court of Maryland.

A **vote AGAINST Question 1** means that the Constitution will not be amended and the names of the courts will continue to be the Court of Appeals and Court of Special Appeals.

## Maryland Question 2

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (Ch. 808 of 2021 Legislative Session)

**Legislative Department — Eligibility to Serve as Senators and Delegates — Place of Abode**

Adds to the eligibility requirements to serve as a senator or a delegate to the Maryland General Assembly by requiring a person to have maintained a primary place of abode in the district that the person has been chosen to represent.

(Amending Article III, Section 9 to the Maryland Constitution)

**Current Law:** Under current law, to be eligible to serve as a state senator or delegate, a person must have a residence in the district that person represents for at least six months immediately preceding the date of the person's election. However, if the district has been established for less than six months prior to the date of election, they must have resided there as long as the district has been established. Residency can be established by maintaining a residence and staying there at least occasionally.

**Proposed Change:** The new law requires, beginning January 1, 2024, a state senator or delegate would be required to have both resided in and maintained a primary place of abode in the district for the same time periods as under current law. Primary abode means that they stay there the majority of the time.

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** The proposed change is a response to a decision by the Maryland Court of Appeals that a state senator had not abandoned his residence in a district because he had established a residence in another district where he often resided. Adding “primary place of abode” would prevent a legislator from claiming residence in a district based on merely owning or renting a place where they sometimes stayed.

**Arguments FOR the amendment:** To understand the needs of the people in a district, a legislator should live the majority

of the time within the district. Merely owning a residence that they occasionally use should not qualify as living within the district.

**Arguments AGAINST the amendment:**

The proposed change could lead to lawsuits over how frequently a person is actually living in a particular residence.

**A vote FOR Question 2** means members of the Maryland House of Delegates and Senate will be required to maintain and live the majority of the time in a primary residence within the districts they are representing.

**A vote AGAINST Question 2** means that the law will remain unchanged and a Delegate or Senator will be treated as residing within the district they represent so long as they own or rent a residence there and stay there at least occasionally.

## Maryland Question 3

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (Ch. 809 of the 2021 Legislative Session)

### Civil Jury Trials

Authorizing the General Assembly to enact legislation that limits the right to a jury trial in a civil proceeding to those proceedings in which the amount in controversy exceeds \$25,000, excluding attorney's fees if attorney's fees are recoverable in the proceeding.

(Amending Maryland Declaration of Rights - Articles 5(a) and 23)

**Current Law:** Currently, either party to a civil lawsuit can ask for a jury trial if more than \$15,000 in damages is being sought. Civil cases in which less than \$30,000 is being sought are filed in District Court and are usually decided by a District Court judge. If more than \$15,000 is being sought and one side requests a jury trial, the case is moved to the Circuit Court, where all jury trials take place. Which Court hears the case affects discovery – the right to require the other side to present evidence before the trial to assist in preparing arguments.

District Courts allow less discovery than Circuit Courts.

**Proposed Change:** In a civil case, the parties would have a right to a jury trial in Circuit Court only if the amount being sought was more than \$25,000 (raised from \$15,000). Any cases involving smaller amounts (less than \$25,000) would be decided by a District Court judge without a jury.

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Legislation to increase the amount required for a right to a jury trial was proposed in 2015, 2019, and 2020 but was not successful until the 2021 session of the General Assembly. The threshold was last increased in 2010, when it was raised to \$15,000.

**Arguments FOR the amendment:**

- Raising the dollar threshold for requesting a jury trial is necessary from time to time to keep up with rising costs.
- Preparing a case for decision by a District Court judge is less expensive for plaintiffs (the party initiating the lawsuit) and defendants.
- Jury trials take more time and require more court resources than non-jury trials, therefore, increasing the threshold for jury trials would save taxpayers money because there would be fewer jury trials.
- More cases could be resolved quickly because a decision by a judge is less time consuming than a jury trial.

**Arguments AGAINST the amendment:**

- Limiting the right to a jury trial by raising the threshold to \$25,000 will be a disadvantage to defendants because more cases will be tried in the District Court, which has limited rights to discover evidence before trial.
- The right to a jury trial is an important right that should not be limited more than necessary.
- Concerns about the costs of discovery would be better addressed by reforming



discovery rules rather than limiting the right to a jury trial.

**A vote FOR Question 3 means** the right to a jury trial in civil cases will be limited to those cases where more than \$25,000 is being sought.

**A vote AGAINST Question 3 means** that a plaintiff or defendant could demand a jury trial if more than \$15,000 is being sought.

## Maryland Question 4

Maryland Constitutional Amendment (Ch. 45 of the 2022 Legislative Session)

### Cannabis – Legalization of Adult Use and Possession

(Adding Article XX, Section 1 to the Maryland Constitution)

**Do you favor the legalization of the use of cannabis by an individual who is at least 21 years of age on or after July 1, 2023, in the State of Maryland?**

**Current Law:** Under current State law, possession of 10 grams (0.35 ounces) or more of marijuana is a misdemeanor, punishable by imprisonment for up to six months, a fine of up to \$1,000, or both. Possession of less than 10 grams of marijuana is a civil offense, punishable by a fine of up to \$100 for a first offense, \$250 for a second offense, and \$500 for a third or subsequent offense. Marijuana is listed on Schedule I under the federal Controlled Substances Act.

**Proposed Change:** This constitutional amendment adds new Article XX “Cannabis” to the Maryland Constitution to provide that on or after July 1, 2023, an individual in the State who is at least 21 years old may legally use and possess cannabis (otherwise known as marijuana).

This authorization also requires the General Assembly to pass legislation providing for the use, distribution, possession, regulation, and taxation of cannabis within Maryland.

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** The Legislature passed cannabis reform legislation (House Bill 837) in the 2022 legislative session. A few of the provisions related to studies, data collection, reports, and income tax subtraction modification have been enacted. Implementation of the more substantive provisions was left up to the voters to decide by this ballot question. If Question 4 is approved, this cannabis reform legislation will take effect.

### Arguments FOR the amendment:

- Eighteen other jurisdictions, including Virginia and the District of Columbia, have legalized recreational cannabis use by adults.
- Maryland has had a medical cannabis program since 2014.
- About half of Maryland residents over the age of 18 admit to using marijuana at some point in their lives.
- Black Marylanders are more than twice as likely to be arrested for cannabis possession than white Marylanders despite similar usage rates.
- Cannabis possession accounted for 57% of drug related arrests in Maryland in 2020 creating a burden for law enforcement, the courts, and the correctional system.
- Prior offenders will be able to clear their records of cannabis convictions, improving their access to jobs, education, and housing.

### Arguments AGAINST the amendment:

- The amounts authorized in this legislation are significantly lower than the amounts found in the Maryland medical marijuana law, potentially creating confusion for the public.

- The law does not eliminate the illegal buying and selling of cannabis products.
- It does not regulate the safety of cannabis products in the market.
- Use of high-potency concentrates of THC, the main active ingredient of cannabis, especially by those under the age of 21, has been linked to addiction, psychiatric disorders, and hospitalization .

**A Vote FOR Question 4** means beginning July 1, 2023, possession of up to 1.5 ounces (42.52 grams) and use of cannabis by adults over the age of 21 will be legal in Maryland.

**A Vote AGAINST Question 4** means possession of 10 grams (0.35 ounces) or more of cannabis will continue to be a misdemeanor crime punishable by up to six months in jail.

## Maryland Question 5

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (Ch 539 of the 2022 Legislative Session - House Bill 868)

### **Circuit Court for Howard County – Judges Sitting as Orphans’ Court**

Repeals county elections of Howard County orphans' court judges and requires the Howard County Circuit Court judges to sit as the orphans' court for Howard County. The current law provides for the voters of Howard County to elect three orphans' court judges. Under the amended law, a party could no longer appeal a final judgment of the Howard County Orphans Court to the Howard County Circuit Court and would instead take an appeal directly to the Court of Special Appeals.

(Amending Article IV, Sections 20 and 40 to the Maryland Constitution)

**Department of Legislative Services Non-Technical Summary:** Constitutional Amendment [Summaries](#)

**Current Law:** The Orphans’ Court (similar to probate court in other states) supervises the property and finances of deceased residents. This includes the payment of

debts, the distribution or transfer of property, and the guardianship of minor children and their property. It resolves disagreements and contested questions about an estate and also approves the payment of fees.

Currently, the Maryland Constitution establishes an elected Orphans’ Court of three judges in all counties, except in Harford and Montgomery counties, which chose to abolish their Orphans' Courts and have those cases heard in Circuit Court. Any citizen over the age of 18 who has lived in Howard County for at least one year may be elected a judge of the orphans’ court. A dissatisfied party may appeal a decision of the orphans’ court to the Circuit Court for Howard County.

**Proposed Change:** This amendment would eliminate the election of orphans’ court judges in Howard County and would instead require the Circuit Court judges to also serve as the Orphans’ Court. If this amendment passes, a dissatisfied party wishing to appeal an Orphans’ Court decision in Howard County would take the appeal directly to the Court of Special Appeals. This amendment must be approved by BOTH a majority of statewide voters and a majority of the voters in Howard County before it can take effect.

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** The Howard County Delegation requested the Amendment, which was then approved by the Maryland General Assembly as House Bill 868.

### **Arguments FOR the amendment:**

- Moving the orphan’s court function to the Circuit Court will result in the cases being heard by judges with a professional legal background and more closely align with the practice in most other jurisdictions. Only Maryland and Alabama currently allow non-lawyers to serve as elected judges in non-routine or contested probate matters. All other states require such judges to be lawyers admitted to the bar, as do Baltimore

City, Baltimore County and Prince Georges' County.

- The Circuit Court, sitting as an orphans' court, will be able to easily integrate the workload into its schedule and resolve the issues more efficiently. The Orphans' Court currently operates on a part-time basis, one day per week. The Circuit Court operates full-time, 5 days per week.
- The Maryland State Bar Association and most of the judicial reform commissions that have considered the matter have recommended the abolition of the Orphans' Courts.

#### **Arguments AGAINST the amendment:**

- Much of the work of the Orphans' Courts consists of approving a variety of orders dealing with the administration of estates that may not require the expertise of an attorney.
- More sweeping changes may make this amendment unnecessary. A 2021 Task Force to Study the Maryland Orphans Courts made recommendations that are currently awaiting action by the Maryland General Assembly, and which would also require an amendment to the Maryland Constitution.

**A vote FOR Question 5** means Circuit Court Judges will serve as the Orphans' Court in Howard County.

**A vote AGAINST Question 5** means the Howard County Orphans' Court will continue to operate as it has in the past, with elected lay judges serving on a part-time basis.

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## **Prince George's County Question A**

### **Bond Issue -- Community College Facilities Bonds**

AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not

exceeding \$64,611,000 to finance the design, 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, as defined therein.

**For the Referred Law**

**Against the Referred Law**

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by the County Council in [CB-41-2022](#).

**A vote FOR Question A** means the County will be authorized to issue bonds to borrow funds for the projects described.

**A vote AGAINST Question A** means the County will not be authorized to issue the proposed bonds.

## **Prince George's County Question B**

### **Bond Issue -- County Buildings Bonds**

AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$51,939,000 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, as defined therein.

**For the Referred Law**

**Against the Referred Law**

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by the County Council in [Council Bill 42-2022](#).

A vote **FOR** Question B means the County will be authorized to issue bonds to borrow funds for the projects described.

A vote **AGAINST** Question B means the County will not be authorized to issue the proposed bonds.

## Prince George's County Question C

### Bond Issue -- Library Facilities Bonds

AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$9,258,000 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, as defined therein.

**For the Referred Law**

**Against the Referred Law**

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by the County Council in [Council Bill 43-2022](#).

A vote **FOR** Question C means the County will be authorized to issue bonds to borrow funds for the projects described.

A vote **AGAINST** Question C means the County will not be authorized to issue the proposed bonds.

## Prince George's County Question D

### Bond Issue -- Public Works and Transportation Facilities Bonds

AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$208,686,000 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, as defined therein.

**For the Referred Law**

**Against the Referred Law**

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by County Council in [Council Bill 44-2022](#).

A vote **FOR** Question D means the County will be authorized to issue bonds to borrow funds for the projects described.

A vote **AGAINST** Question D means the County will not be authorized to issue the proposed bonds.

## Prince George's County Question E

### Bond Issue -- Public Safety Facilities Bonds

AN ACT enabling the County to borrow money and issue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$45,925,000 to finance the design, construction, reconstruction, extension, acquisition, improvement, enlargement, alteration, renovation,

relocation, rehabilitation or repair of Public Safety Facilities (including Fire Department Facilities), 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, as defined therein.

**For the Referred Law  
Against the Referred Law**

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by the County Council in [Council Bill 45-2022](#).

A vote **FOR** Question E means the County will be authorized to issue bonds to borrow funds for the projects described.

A vote **AGAINST** Question E means the County will not be authorized to issue the proposed bonds.

## Prince George's County Question F

**Charter Amendment -- Compensation of County Executive and County Council Member**

To have the compensation of the County Council members and the County Executive comply with State law.

**For the Charter Amendment  
Against the Charter Amendment**

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by the County Council in [Council Bill 37-2022](#).

A vote **FOR** Question F means the County charter will be amended as described.

A vote **AGAINST** Question F means the provisions of the County charter regarding compensation of the County Executive and Council members will not be amended.

## Prince George's County Ballot Question G

**Charter Amendment -- Gender Neutral Language In Charter**

To provide for gender neutral language in several sections throughout the Charter.

**For the Charter Amendment  
Against the Charter Amendment**

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by the County Council in [Council Bill 38-2022](#).

A vote **FOR** Question G means the County charter will be amended to substitute gender neutral language (for example, "chair") wherever the current language is gender-specific (for example, "chairman").

A vote **AGAINST** Question G means the charter will not be amended as proposed.

## Prince George's County Question H

**Charter Amendment -- Support Local And Minority Businesses**

To include County law for the encouragement and support of local and minority businesses consistent with requirements of Federal, State, and County law.

**For the Charter Amendment  
Against the Charter Amendment**

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by County Council in [Council Bill 39-2022](#).

A vote **FOR** Question H means the County charter will be amended to include a



statement that the County is committed to the encouragement and support of local and minority businesses consistent with requirements of Federal, state, and county law.

A vote **AGAINST** Question H means the charter would not be amended as proposed.

## Prince George's County Question I

### Charter Amendment -- County Competitive Bidding

To provide that public notice for bids or proposals shall be advertised on a publicly available website designated by the County Purchasing Agent, and in any other manner determined by the County Code. Such purchases and contracts shall be made from or awarded to the responsive and responsible bid that is most favorable to the County with respect to "best value", including technical requirements, diversity of suppliers, and costs, as defined in the Code; to provide for bonding and generally regarding competitive bidding.

#### For the Charter Amendment Against the Charter Amendment

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by County Council in [County Bill 46-2022](#).

A vote **FOR** Question I means the County charter will be amended as proposed.

A vote **AGAINST** Question I means the County charter will not be amended as proposed.

## Prince George's County Ballot Question J

### Charter Amendment -- County Council Member Residency Requirement

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 their general 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 their general election. In an election year immediately following an approved decennial redistricting plan changing the boundaries of any Council district, the one-year residency requirement immediately preceding the general election shall not apply if a person is deemed a qualified voter but no longer resides in their former Council district because of a boundary change in the approved decennial redistricting plan. Such person shall have resided in their former Council district for at least one-year immediately preceding their general election and shall reside in the same Council district as changed in the approved decennial redistricting plan by the deadline for filing a certificate of candidacy.

#### For the Charter Amendment Against the Charter Amendment

**Origin of the Ballot Question:** Proposed by County Council in [Council Bill 48-2022](#).

A vote **FOR** Question J means the County charter will be amended as proposed.

A vote **AGAINST** Question J means the County charter will not be amended as proposed.



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