

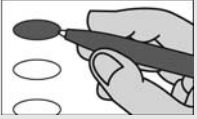
# Official Ballot

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## Maryland Association of Election Officials May 23, 2019 Ocean City, MD

### Instructions

#### Making Selections



Fill in the oval to the left of the name of your choice. You must blacken the oval completely, and do not make any marks outside of the oval. You do not have to vote in every race.



Do not cross out or erase, or your vote may not count. If you make a mistake or a stray mark, ask for a new ballot from the poll workers.

#### Amendment #1

Amend Article III - MEMBERSHIP of the Bylaws of the Maryland Association of Election Officials 2016 as follows:

Delete the language indicated in ~~striketrough~~, and insert the language indicated in **BOLD**, keeping that language which is in black plain text:

#### ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

4. Each active member shall have one vote. However, upon request by a member from each of three separate jurisdictions, voting on any question(s) **that is (are) not intended to amend the Constitution and Bylaws**, ~~put before the membership~~ will be limited to one vote from each jurisdiction.

For

Against

#### Amendment #2

Amend Article V - MEETINGS of the Bylaws of the Maryland Association of Election Officials 2016 as follows:

Delete the language indicated in ~~striketrough~~, and insert the language indicated in **BOLD**, keeping that language which is in black plain text:

#### ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

1. The annual meeting shall be held at a time and place designated by the Officers and Directors.

Meetings of the Officers and Directors may be called at any time by the President to be conducted in person or by teleconference. A quorum must be present ~~in person~~ for a teleconference meeting to be conducted. Additionally, meetings conducted by teleconference shall be held in accordance with Paragraph 3 of this Article as it pertains to the Maryland Open Meetings Act. This requirement shall not pertain to the annual conference.

For

Against

#### Amendment #3

Amend Article VII - OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS of the Bylaws of the Maryland Association of Election Officials 2016 as follows:

Delete the language indicated in ~~striketrough~~, and insert the language indicated in **BOLD**, keeping that language which is in black plain text:

#### ARTICLE VII – OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

1. The Officers and Directors of this Association shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and five Directors, four to be elected, the fifth to be the immediate past President, unless such person is no longer an active member or in the case that the current President is elected to a ~~second~~ **consecutive** term, in which event all five shall be elected.

In the event the current President is elected to a ~~second~~ **consecutive** term rather than filling the position of Director on the Board, the candidate for Director receiving the next highest vote shall fill the office of Director.

In the event that a position for Director is vacant, or that there had been no candidates for the vacant Director position, then the President, with the approval of the Board, shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy for the term of the office.

2. All Officers and Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting and shall serve for a period of two years ~~beginning with the Association's regularly scheduled election of 2004~~. Any Officer or Director may serve until his/her successor is elected or appointed even though he/she may cease to be qualified under Article III, Section (3). In the election of the Officers and Directors, each member shall be entitled to one vote.

3. Term Limits for Officers and Directors – Officers and Directors shall not serve more than four consecutive terms in any one office. ~~beginning with the 2010 term for Officers and the 2010 term for Directors~~.

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Against

Vote All Sides



#### Amendment #4

Amend Article XIII - ELECTIONS of the Bylaws of the Maryland Association of Election Officials 2016 as follows:

Delete the language indicated in ~~strike through~~, and insert the language indicated in **BOLD**, keeping that language which is in black plain text:

#### ARTICLE XIII- ELECTIONS

1. The Election Committee shall be appointed by the President at the first quarterly meeting after the annual meeting. The Election Committee shall distribute filing forms to encourage members to run for offices prior to the election. The forms shall include a filing deadline of 30 days prior to the annual meeting as well as a withdrawal deadline of 30 days prior to the annual meeting. Eligible members may file for candidacy with the Election Committee any time up to and including close of business of the aforesaid deadline **as determined by the committee chairperson.**  
**Election committee members must resign from the committee if they wish to run for office.**
2. The Election Committee's responsibilities shall include the following with exceptions according to Section 5 of this Article:
  - (a) Preparation of a specimen ballot listing candidate information.
  - (b) Distribution of the specimen ballot to the Membership not later than 3 weeks prior to the annual meeting.
  - (c) Preparation of ballots, including absentee ballots. Ballots shall include the name of the office, the number of candidates to be voted for, the name(s) of the candidate(s) for that office, appropriate space(s) for write-in candidates, and questions being put before the Membership.
  - (d) Method and time of voting.
  - (e) **Supply and test all voting equipment to be used in the election**
  - (f) Qualifications for voting.
3. An application for an absentee ballot must be received by the Election Committee **seven days prior to the election held at** ~~by the second Friday preceding the annual meeting.~~ An absentee ballot shall be deemed timely received if it is received by the Election Committee not later than ~~4:00 pm on the Friday preceding the annual meeting~~ **the close of the election.** No absentee ballots shall be considered received timely at any time after this deadline.
4. If a member is eligible and the member's name does not appear in the membership register, the member may cast a provisional ballot if the member declares in a written affirmation, submitted with the provisional ballot, that the member is a MAEO member and is eligible to vote in that election. When voted, a provisional ballot shall be enclosed in an envelope designated "Provisional Ballot/Return Envelope" and submitted to the Election Committee. The Board shall provide a current and accurate printed membership register to the Election Committee which shall be used for membership verification purposes
5. Nominations shall not be accepted from the floor. Write-in candidates shall not be construed as nominations from the floor for the purpose of voting an official ballot
6. Write-in candidates will be allowed on the ballot consistent with federal, state and local election laws.
  - (a) There shall be a write-in for each position on the ballot for the number of Candidates eligible (i.e., vote for one - one write-in; vote for no more than three - three write-ins, etc.)
  - (b) The write-in must be an active member in good standing in order to be counted. ~~The write-in may also be a member who has "petitioned" or "filed" as a write-in candidate. The certificate of candidacy for the election of a write-in candidate shall be filed by (EL 5-303 (c)) 5:00 pm on the Monday preceding the day of the election for which the certificate is filed.~~
7. The Election Committee shall function as the Board of Canvassers for all elections conducted for the Association, for the purpose of canvassing. Canvassing includes the entire process of vote tallying, vote tabulation, and certification of the official election results. The Board of Canvassers shall report vote totals for each candidate and questions ~~to the President~~ **by posting the unofficial results outside the polling room.**
8. The President shall announce the **official** results of the election to the members **before the adjournment of the annual conference.**
9. In the event that all races are uncontested by the filing deadline and no amendments present, at the pleasure of the body, the Parliamentarian may cast the deciding ballot at the annual meeting, thereby declaring all candidates be elected.
10. In the event of a tie vote, whether it is for an office, board member position, or amendment change or addition, the Election Committee shall create and distribute a paper ballot to the entire membership no later than 10 days after the conference. A letter shall be included with the ballot explaining why another ballot has been created after the conference and instructing the member when the ballot must be returned to the Election Committee. The ballot must be received by the Election Committee by 4 PM the ~~3rd~~ **third** Friday after the conference has been concluded. Once ballots have been counted the results of the runoff election will be posted to the MAEO website.
11. In the result of a tie for an office, the presiding officer shall remain in office until the results of the runoff election have been announced. For a Board member position, the member with the lowest number of votes shall at least temporarily vacate the position until the results of the runoff vote have been announced, at which time the winner will take office or board. position until the next election.
12. Those persons elected shall take office immediately after the close of the annual meeting.

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End of Ballot

