

**OFFICIAL BALLOT  
PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION  
NOVEMBER 6, 2012**

**STATE OF MARYLAND, HARFORD COUNTY**

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**PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT  
OF THE UNITED STATES  
Vote for One**

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**Write-in**

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Vote for One**

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**REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1  
Vote for One**

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| <input type="radio"/> <b>Wendy Rosen</b>     | Democratic  |
| <input type="radio"/> <b>Andy Harris</b>     | Republican  |
| <input type="radio"/> <b>Muir Wayne Boda</b> | Libertarian |
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**JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT 3  
Vote for One**

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| <input type="radio"/> <b>M. Elizabeth Bowen</b> |
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**JUDGE, COURT OF APPEALS  
APPELLATE CIRCUIT 2  
Robert N. McDonald  
Vote Yes or No  
For Continuance in Office**

- YES  
 NO

**JUDGE, COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS  
AT LARGE  
Stuart R. Berger  
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- YES  
 NO

**QUESTION 1**

**Constitutional Amendment  
(Ch. 394 of the 2011 Legislative Session)  
Qualifications for Prince George's County  
Orphans' Court Judges**

(Amending Article IV, Section 40 of the Maryland Constitution)

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- For the Constitutional Amendment**  
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**TURN BALLOT OVER**

**BE SURE THAT YOU HAVE COMPLETED BOTH SIDES OF THIS BALLOT**

**QUESTION 4**  
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**(Ch. 191 of the 2011 Legislative Session)**  
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**QUESTION 7**  
**Gaming Expansion Referendum**  
**(Ch. 1 of the Second 2012 Special Session)**  
**Gaming Expansion**

Do you favor the expansion of commercial gaming in the State of Maryland for the primary purpose of raising revenue for education to authorize video lottery operation licensees to operate "table games" as defined by law; to increase from 15,000 to 16,500 the maximum number of video lottery terminals that may be operated in the State; and to increase from 5 to 6 the maximum number of video lottery operation licenses that may be awarded in the State and allow a video lottery facility to operate in Prince George's County?

- For the Additional Forms and Expansion of Commercial Gaming  
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