



## Findings Related to Election Judges in Baltimore City – Primary 2016

NOTED VIOLATION	A FEW EXAMPLES	MARYLAND LAW	
35 Republicans were assigned to the Baltimore City Elections Office, not to a polling place. Since there were not enough Rs to work all the polls these Rs should have been assigned to work the polls and not sit in the main office.	Precinct 26001-over 270* voters Precinct 25013-over 600* voters Precinct 26014-over 600* voters	Election Law Article §10–201 (a) (1) (i) and (ii)	(a) (1) (i) Except as provided in subparagraph (ii) of this paragraph, each local board shall provide <u>at least four election judges</u> to be the staff for each polling place. *(ii) In a precinct with fewer than 200 registered voters, the local board may provide two election judges for that precinct’s polling place.
Polling places are required to have an equal number of election judges from the majority and principal minority parties but M20-20W found this didn’t happen	Only 3 Precincts comply out of the total number of precincts  In compliance: 24003 25015 26006	Election Law Article §10–201 (b) (1) (i) and (ii)	(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2)* of this subsection, each polling place <u>shall have an equal number of election judges from:</u> (i) <u>the majority party; and</u> (ii) <u>the principal minority party.</u> *(2) (i) If the total number of election judges for a precinct is six or more: 1. a local board may provide one or more election judges who are not registered with either the majority party or principal minority political party; and 2. a local board may provide one or more election judges who are minors.
All MD voters are registered as Democrat, Republican, Unaffiliated, or Other. The “None” (Column K) from their Election Judges document indicate either they are unregistered Judges or Judges who didn’t show up to work. <b>MSBoE needs to explain why some Judges have no party affiliation noted.</b>	Precinct 26001 Precinct 12001 Precinct 19001/16012	Election Law Article §10–202. (a) (1)	(a) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2)* of this subsection, <u>an election judge shall be a registered voter</u> who resides in the county for which the election judge is appointed. *(2) (i) If a qualified individual residing in the county cannot be found with reasonable effort, the local board may appoint a registered voter residing in any part of the State
Baltimore City Board of Elections Director Armistead Jones did not make a reasonable effort to find qualified individuals in the City to work the polls, neglecting his due diligence. <b>M20-20W asks for an explanation of the 141 Judges jobs assigned to the Elections HQ. Were they assigned to a poll or sent home and when?</b>	<i>Baltimore City Election Judge Party Affiliation -- 2016 Primary, Pgs 3-4</i> Tammy Benjamin – Larry Wilson And 1 <sup>st</sup> person accounts	Election Law Article §10–202. (2) (i)	(2) (i) If a qualified individual residing in the county cannot be found with <u>reasonable effort</u> , the local board may appoint a registered voter residing in any part of the State
Election Judges other than Majority and Minority Party are allowed only in restricted instances	Precinct 25006 Precinct 28008/15009 Precinct 15004/15005 Precinct 12009	Election Law Article §10–201 (2) (i) 1.	(2) (i) If the total number of election judges for a precinct is six or more: 1. a local board may provide one or more election judges who are not registered with either the majority party or principal minority political party;
<b>M20-20W asks how many of the judges are only 17 years old, not yet able to vote, but in significant control of the election process? This information should be readily available without need for a PIA.</b>		Election Law Article §10–201 (2) (ii)	2. a local board may provide one or more election judges who are minors. (ii)... a minor who is at least 17 years old and who is too young to be a registered voter may be appointed and serve as an election judge if the minor demonstrates, to the satisfaction of the local board, that the minor meets all of the other qualifications for registration in the county.
If there are more than 6 Judges in a Precinct then there should be no more U or O registered Judges than there are R Judges.	Precinct 15012/15013 Precinct 07002/07003	Election Law Article §10–201 (b)(2) (ii)1. and 2.	(2) (i) If the total number of election judges for a precinct is six or more: 1. a local board may provide one or more election judges who are not registered with either the majority party or principal minority political party; and 2. a local board may provide one or more election judges who are minors. (ii) The number of election judges provided under this paragraph <u>may not exceed the lesser of:</u> 1. the number of election judges who belong to the majority party; or 2. the <u>number of election judges who belong to the principal minority party.</u>