

**STATE OF MARYLAND
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**



To: County Central Committees

From: Tisha Edwards, Secretary of Appointments

Date: January 20, 2023

Subject: County Election Boards – Request for Nominations - **DEADLINE JANUARY 27, 2023**

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County election boards throughout the State are due for appointment to a new 4-year term beginning in June 2023. These appointments can be brought before the Senate for confirmation action during the 2023 legislative session.

Each local board is comprised of three Regular Members from the majority party and two Regular Members from the minority party. Attached are the election law provisions pertaining to appointment eligibility and process. **We hereby request your submission of nominations for election board appointment by January 27, 2023.** Please be guided by the following in preparing your submission:

1. For the new term commencing in June 2023, county election boards will be comprised of:
 - 3 Regular Members representing the Democratic party; and
 - 2 Regular Members representing the Republican party.

The membership distribution reflects the change this year in majority party representation.

1. At least 4 eligible candidates must be nominated for the position. Forms are attached for your Committee to use in listing the names for each position, and to transmit biographical information for each candidate. Please ensure that all nominees complete the online application at www.govappointments.maryland.gov. **The deadline for applying is January 31, 2023.**

2. *To be eligible for consideration, an individual must be a registered county voter for 5 years preceding appointment.* In addition, an individual may not hold, or be a candidate for public or political party office. Election board members are also prohibited from taking an active part in political activity.

3. The nomination forms should be submitted by email to gov.appointments@maryland.gov.

Please let us know immediately if your Committee anticipates any difficulty in meeting this request. Thank you for your assistance in responding to this request. Should you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Barker at jennifer.barker@maryland.gov.

Attachments