Official Democratic Sample Ballot for State & Local Elections
General Election — November 3, 2026

Mail-in ballots must be postmarked or placed in a designated ballot drop box by 8:00 pm on November 3, 2026. Early Voting Oct. 22—29.

If You Have Any Questions, Call 301-946-1000

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Wes Moore
Governor
Gobernador



Wes Moore is the 63rd Governor of Maryland, the state's first Black governor and only the third African American elected governor in U.S. history. A Johns Hopkins graduate and Rhodes Scholar, Moore served with the 82nd Airborne Division in Afghanistan and later as a White House Fellow. He is the bestselling author of *The Other Wes Moore* and *Five Days* and previously served as CEO of the Robin Hood Foundation. Moore and his wife, First Lady Dawn Moore, have two children. Learn more at **www.wesmoore.com**

Aruna Miller
Lt. Governor
Vicegobernador



Aruna K. Miller is Maryland's 10th Lieutenant Governor, the second woman to hold the office and the first woman of color and immigrant elected statewide. Born in India, Miller immigrated to the United States at age seven and earned a degree in civil engineering. She spent 25 years as a transportation engineer before serving two terms in the Maryland House of Delegates. As Lieutenant Governor, she focuses on transportation, mental health, STEM equity, work-zone safety, and interfaith outreach. Learn more at **www.arunamiller.com**

Brooke E. Lierman
Comptroller
Contralor



A former civil rights attorney and State Delegate who grew up in Montgomery County, Brooke is Maryland's first female Comptroller. She is transforming the Office of the Comptroller by focusing on saving Marylanders money and making things easier for families and small businesses: modernizing technology, expanding community and business outreach, and increasing transparency and evidence-backed policymaking by publishing essential economic reports. Under her leadership, the agency is working to build a more resilient, more equitable and more prosperous Maryland. Learn more at **www.brookelierman.com**

Will Jawando
County Executive
Ejecutivo del Condado



Will "Yemi" Jawando was born in Montgomery County, MD, to Olayinka Jawando, a Nigerian immigrant, and Kathy Jacob, a proud Kansan. He served in the Obama White House before being elected in 2018 as an At-Large Montgomery County Councilmember. He represents over 1.1 million Marylanders, one-third of whom come from immigrant families like his own. Will has fought to keep rents down, build more affordable housing, and create the County's first youth-employment program. In 2024, he was chosen by his peers to serve as Vice President of the Montgomery County Council. As County Executive, he will fight back against the Trump Administration and work to lower housing costs. Learn more at **www.willjawando.com**

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Governor / Lt. Governor
Gobernador / Vicegobernador

- ● **Wes Moore** and **Aruna Miller** Democratic
  www.wesmoore.com

Comptroller
Contralor

- ● **Brooke E. Lierman** Democratic
  www.brookelierman.com

State Senator
District 9
Senador Estatal
Distrito 9

- ● **Katie Fry Hester** Democratic
  www.katiefryhester.com

House of Delegates
District 9A
Cámara de Delegados
Distrito 9A

- ● **Chao Wu** Democratic
  www.chaowu.org
- ● **Natalie Ziegler** Democratic
  www.natalieforddelegate.com

County Executive
Ejecutivo del Condado

- ● **Will Jawando** Democratic
  www.willjawando.com

County Council At Large
Miembro del Concejo
Representando el Condado

- ● **Marc Elrich** Democratic
  www.marcelrich.org
- ● **Scott Evan Goldberg** Democratic
  www.votescott.org
- ● **Laurie-Anne Sayles** Democratic
  www.sayles4moco.com
- ● **Karla Silvestre** Democratic
  www.karlasilvestre.com

Vote for the candidate that appears on your ballot for County Council

County Council
District 2
Concejo del Condado
Distrito 2

- ● **Marilyn Balcombe** Democratic
  www.marilynbalcombe.com

County Council
District 7
Concejo del Condado
Distrito 7

- ● **Dawn Luedtke** Democratic
  www.dawnluedtke.com

State's Attorney
Fiscal del Estado

- ● **John McCarthy** Democratic

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Secretario de la Corte del Circuito

- ● **Karen Bushell** Democratic
  www.votekarenbushell.com

Register of Wills
Registrador Testamentario

- ● **Barbara Ebel** Democratic
  www.barbaraebel.com

Sheriff
Alguacil

- ● **Will Milam** Democratic
  www.willmilam.com

Non-Partisan Contest
Candidates in this contest may or may not be affiliated with any political party
Contienda no partidista
Los candidatos en esta contienda pueden estar o no estar afiliados a ningún partido político

Board of Education At Large
Vote for 1
Junta de Educación Representando el Condado Vote por Uno

- ● **Omar Lazo**
  www.omarlazo4boe.com

BALLOT QUESTIONS

You may review the ballot questions at https://elections.maryland.gov/elections/2026/ballot_questions.html

STATE CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

Question 1:
Arbitration Reform for State Employees Act of 2026

- ● **For/A favor**
- ○ **Against/En contra**

Will give most State employees the right to request binding arbitration with a neutral decider when there is an impasse in collective bargaining negotiations. Requires the Governor to include funding in the annual budget bill to cover the pay and benefits established in the collective bargaining process.

Question 2:
Temporary Appointments on the Commission on Judicial Disabilities

- ● **For/A favor**
- ○ **Against/En contra**

Provides for appointment of temporary substitute members of the Commission on Judicial Disabilities. Allows vacancies to be filled to ensure the Commission has the quorum of members needed to handle its caseload pending the appointment and confirmation of permanent members.

Question 3:
Electoral Districts - General Assembly and Representatives in Congress

- ● **For/A favor**
- ○ **Against/En contra**

Would clarify the legal standard for any future Congressional redistricting so that Maryland will be on equal footing with other states and subject to the same federal law standards. The proposed amendment does not create a new district map and does not direct that any redistricting occur.