

# Exhibit A

LINDA H. LAMONE, \* IN THE  
*Appellant,* \* COURT OF APPEALS  
v. \* OF MARYLAND  
NANCY LEWIN, *et al.,* \* September Term, 2017  
*Appellees.* \* No. 85

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**AFFIDAVIT OF LINDA H. LAMONE**

I, Linda H. Lamone, am over the age of eighteen years of age, am competent to testify, and have personal knowledge of the matters to which I testify below.

1. I am State Administrator of Elections for the State of Maryland, and, in my official capacity, am the Defendant in this action and the Appellant in this appeal.

2. On May 10, 2018, I learned that Kevin Kamenetz—then a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor in the 2018 gubernatorial election—passed away. Mr. Kamenetz’s Lieutenant Governor nominee was Valerie Ervin.

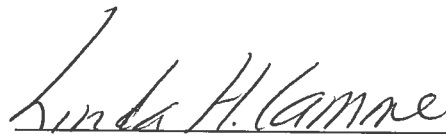
3. On May 17, 2018, Ms. Ervin filed a certificate of candidacy to serve as the successor candidate to Mr. Kamenetz for the Democratic nomination for Governor. Marisol Johnson also filed a certificate of candidacy on that day to serve as the successor candidate for the Democratic nomination for Lieutenant Governor on that ticket.

4. Also on May 17, 2018, after consulting through my staff with the election directors of the local boards of election across the State, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Elec. Law § 5-1204(b), I determined that there was not sufficient time to change the ballots to reflect the successor candidacies of Ms. Ervin and Ms. Johnson for the

Democratic nominations for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, respectively, in advance of the primary election. Accordingly, at my direction, my staff informed the directors of the local boards that we would be working with local boards to develop appropriate alternative measures to notify voters of the change in candidacy, the procedure to be used by the voter to record the voter's vote, and the procedure to be used by the local board to conduct the canvas.

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents of the foregoing paper are true.

May 18, 2018

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda H. Lamone". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Linda H. Lamone