

August 5, 2013

Board of Supervisors of Elections
City of Annapolis, Maryland
186 Duke of Gloucester Street
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Members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections:

We write to you today as citizens and registered voters of the City of Annapolis, Maryland. It has come to our attention via the City website¹ that Kenneth Kirby has officially filed a Certificate of Candidacy for the Office of Alderman representing Ward Six. On the Certificate of Candidacy, Mr. Kirby states his address as "1236 Crows Nest Court", and while this address may match his voter registration, we have reason to believe that he does not currently reside there. We are writing to officially express our concerns regarding Mr. Kirby's stated residency within the boundaries of Ward Six, and his ability to be certified as a Candidate for Alderman from said Ward, City of Annapolis, Maryland.

According to Title 2, Sec. 3(c) of the Charter and Code of the City of Annapolis, "Aldermen, except those first elected from areas annexed to the city, shall be registered voters in the city for at least one (1) year immediately preceding their election and a registered voter in the ward from which they are elected for at least six (6) months and must have resided in that ward for at least six (6) months immediately preceding the date of the general election."

Mr. Kirby's residency challenges have been widely reported by *The Capital* and *Baltimore Sun* newspapers and acknowledged by the Alderman himself. According to Court records, as recently as March 30, 2013, Mr. Kirby was the subject of an eviction proceeding from his apartment on Bricin Street in the Forest Hills Apartment Complex. Further heightening our concerns are statements by Mr. Kirby such as my residence "is where I lay my head", or that he didn't see anything wrong with his prior housing situation - where he stayed with family and friends downtown, in Eastport, and Parole. Neither his prior actions nor his statements are in conformance with the intent of the code, nor the stated meaning of the above referenced code. To us, this seems wrong and deprives the people of Ward 6 of a free and fair election with candidates that actually meet the stated qualifications and residency requirements.

This is not personal, political, or a statement about Mr. Kirby's job performance as Alderman, rather, a means to ensure the integrity of our system and the upcoming City election.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ <http://www.annapolis.gov/government/city-departments/office-of-the-city-clerk/elections-2013/candidates-info> - Official list of Candidates for November 2013 Election for Annapolis Mayor, Alderman, and City Democratic and Republican Central Committee's.

Letter to Board of Supervisors of Elections

Re: Alderman Kenneth Kirby Residency

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