

APPENDIX A - Declaration of Intent to Apply for House of Delegates District 5

**Republican Central Committee of Carroll County
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I, Arnold Amass, residing at [REDACTED], Westminster, MD 21157
(Print or type name) (Address, City)

Hereby declare my application for House of Delegates District 5. It is my wish that the Carroll County Republican Central Committee (hereinafter "CCRCC") consider me as a candidate to fill the vacancy.

By signing this declaration, I certify that I meet all the constitutional eligibility requirements to serve as the Delegate for District 5. I acknowledge that the CCRCC will release my name as a declared candidate and my answers to the attached questions.

In addition, I acknowledge the CCRCC, its members, officers, and persons affiliated therewith will not be liable for any other damages incurred by myself or any other party as a result of my application for the House of Delegates District 5 vacancy.

Arnold "Skip" Amass

2/18/2015

Applicant's Signature

Date

APPENDIX B - Applicant Questionnaire for District 5 Delegate Vacancy

PART I: COMMUNITY AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

Please list all community and civic organizations (e.g., community associations, political clubs, religious organizations, etc.) in which you are currently or have been involved during the last five years. List any offices held in such organizations and dates. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

- **Westminster Rotary Club; President 1990**
- **Carroll Hospice Board**
- **Carroll Hospital Health Services Board**
- **American Legion Post 31 Westminster, MD Executive Committee, serving**
- **American Legion Post 31, Westminster, MD; Chaplain, serving**
- **Westminster United Methodist Church, Past Financial Chairman**
- **Carroll Community College Foundation Board, Executive Committee, serving; Past President**
- **See Resume for additional groups**

PART II: PREVIOUS CAMPAIGNS AND PUBLIC OFFICES

Have you ever run for public office or held public office? (For each public office for which you have previously run, please state the office, date of campaign, political party, if any, and outcome of election; attach additional sheets if necessary).

- **Served on Carroll County School Board for 8 ½ years; ran for election unaffiliated, lost in general election; served as a term as President**
- **Ran for Maryland State Senate when District was both Carroll and Frederick Counties; in general election, won Carroll County but lost in Frederick due to Frederick's 2 to 1 voter advantage; Ran as lone Carroll Republican Candidate 1972**

- Have served on 2 governor appointed task force/committees both as a Republican appointed by a Democratic Governor
- See Resume for additional accomplishments and activities

If you have previously run for county and/or state elective office in Maryland, do you currently have a candidate committee and campaign account? (If yes, please state the approximate balance of your campaign account).

I have no candidate committee or campaign accounts

PART III: PROFESSIONAL AND POLITICAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Please state your major professional and or personal accomplishments. Confine your response to 250 words or less.

I have for many years been a medical professional in the field of pharmacy. As such, I have worked in hospitals, retail, and governmental pharmacy entities. In all of these fields, I have achieved the highest level of professional recognition (see resume). I also have extensive involvement in achievements in the areas of volunteerism, for such things as the American Cancer Society, Hospice, Carroll Hospital Center, Rotary Club, Western Maryland College, to name just a few. Please refer to my resume which shows that local, state, and national recognition has been given to me by various organizations.

Please state your major political accomplishments. Confine your response to 250 words or less.

I have for over 40 years been involved with organizations such as the Maryland Pharmacy Association, the American Cancer Society, the Carroll County School Board, the Maryland State Association of School Boards, and others in advocacy efforts on the local, state, and national levels, advocating for such things as: no smoking in schools, restaurants, and other public places, financial support for the schools, hospice and the hospital, various

pharmaceutical issues that benefit the patients, such as pain management, end of life treatment and many more. I have conceived, instituted and promoted and had past in both the Maryland House and Senate a law authorizing the donation of unused drugs for those who needed them and were unable to pay for them (see resume).

PART IV: DISTRICT 5 DELEGATE VACANCY

Please state why you wish to serve as the Maryland House of Delegates for District 5. Confine your response to 500 words or less.

All of my adult life has been spent in the promotion of causes and efforts to benefit the public, making the educational system better, the health care system function better, and obtaining funds to support projects and efforts to make life better and easier. I have worked with the political system over these years and I know how it works. I can work in it to get things done. I would like to be part of the political system to see it served the citizens of Carroll County in a manner that is honest and true to the principle that government serves all of the people and not just the privileged few. With my background and experience, I am sure I can serve the people in a manner that benefits the most with an effort that reflects only honor and dignity on the citizens of Carroll County, a county I truly love.

If appointed as the Maryland Delegate for District 5, do you intend to run for election to the office of Maryland House of Delegates for District 5 in 2018? God willing

PART V: PARTY AFFILIATION

Have you ever held a different party affiliation (e.g., if you were previously a Democrat or Independent, but are now a Republican, please state as such and provide details about when you changed your party affiliation)? no

PART VI: BACKGROUND QUESTIONS

Please answer "yes" or "no" to each of the questions below. For any questions to which your answer is "yes", please provide details on a separate sheet.

1. Have you ever been charged with, arrested for, or convicted of any criminal offense excluding minor traffic violations? NO
2. Have you ever had a professional or business license suspended or revoked? NO
3. Have you ever been a defendant to a civil or administrative proceeding? NO
1. Have you ever filed a petition for personal bankruptcy under Chapters 7, 11 or 13 of the United States Bankruptcy Code? NO
2. Do you have any outstanding judgments against you? NO

PART VII: STANCE ON ISSUES

1. Please describe what you believe is the role of government

The least government is the best government, government should serve the public, it is not the Public Government. The least government is the best government and should meet only the basic needs such as public safety, education, defense, etc.

2. Please explain your economic views and major economic influences

I totally support the free enterprise system and capitalism. As a business person, I know how hard it is to succeed, the last thing you need is government interference.

3. What is your position on gun control and the Second Amendment

I totally support the 2nd amendment rights of the citizens to arm themselves. I believe that gun control is not the answer to stopping crime.

4. What is your position on abortion and euthanasia

I believe in free choice for women, do not believe abortion should be governmentally funded except in the cases of incest/rape. Euthanasia should be allowed only after a competent medical team determines that end of life is imminent. The improvement of the system of pain management and hospice services would go a long way in the need for euthanasia.

5. What is your position on taxes

Taxes should be as low as possible and only enough to maintain the basic system of government.

6. What is your position on common core

The local school board system was developed by our founders since they believed education was best served on a local level. This I support.

7. How would you work to create jobs

The best way to create jobs is to have a business friendly atmosphere. I would work to make Maryland a recognized business friendly state, by reducing regulations, reducing regulatory groups, lowering taxes and fees on businesses and professionals. I would try to create industrial zones and a fast start up process that allows businesses to begin with the least amount of governmental interference. The creation of government jobs force an additional burden on the tax payer increasing salaries, benefits and retirement funds that have to be supported and paid for and never go away.

8. Please explain your position on Obamacare and healthcare in general

I was lobbying against Mrs. Clinton's healthcare programs years ago, and obamacare from its inception. As a medical professional, I could see the enormous rules, regulations, and cost that these programs were going to impose on the system. It was also going to destroy one of the best healthcare systems in the world. Our system needs to better take care of the needy and those that cannot help themselves but not with governmental control. The cost imposed on the system by the creation of new bureaucratic agencies and additional regulatory regulations are tremendous and will only get greater. The takeover of 1/6 of the economy by the United States Government is a big step towards socialism.

9. What is your stance on converting from a commissioner form of government to a county executive form of government

The advantage of an executive form of government is that Carroll County can then pass its own local legislation and not have to run to Annapolis for this to happen. The Commissioners and the Executives would be controlled by the county voters as a whole and the voters could then support or remove them while holding them responsible for their actions. Not allowing them to lay the blame off on others.