

Those voters who reside in subdistricts elect either one or two delegates, depending upon how the subdistricting was done. In districts that contain more than two counties or parts of more than two counties and where the delegates are elected at large by the voters of the entire district, no county or part of a county is allowed to have more than one resident delegate.

Pursuant to Article III, section 5, of the Constitution, the Governor presented the Legislative Reapportionment Plan of 1982 to the General Assembly on January 13, 1982, and it became law on February 26, 1982 (Joint Resolution no. 1, Acts of 1982). This second statewide apportionment retained 47 legislative districts but redefined their boundaries. The third statewide apportionment of 1992 also retained 47 legislative districts and redefined their boundaries.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTING PLAN OF 1992

The Legislative Districting Plan of 1992 was presented by the Governor to the General Assembly on January 8, 1992, and became law on February 21, 1992 (Joint Resolutions 9 and 10, Acts of 1992; Code State Government Article, secs. 2-201 through 2-205).

In the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland, the Legislative Districting Plan of 1992 was challenged on grounds that it violated the standards of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965. On January 14, 1994, the State of Maryland was ordered to submit a plan for a new African-American majority district on the lower Eastern Shore by February 28, 1994 (*Marylanders for Fair Representation, Inc. v. Schaefer*). Approved by the U.S. District Court on April 5, 1994, the plan altered the boundaries of former Legislative Districts 36, 37, and 38, beginning with the 1994 general election.

The following descriptions of boundaries for legislative election districts refer to election districts, wards, and precincts by geographical boundaries as they existed in 1992 but also include boundaries approved April 5, 1994, for Legislative Districts 36, 37, and 38. Precinct boundaries are dynamic. Changes occur to reflect population shifts and to ensure convenient polling places for all voters. Local boards of election supervisors can provide current information on precincts encompassed within each district.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 1

(Garrett County & part of Allegany County)

Delegate District 1A: Garrett County.
Allegany County—Election Districts 9, 10, 18, 19.

Delegate District 1B: Allegany County—Election Districts 5, precincts 1, 6; Election District 7, precincts 1 (part), 2; Election Districts 8, 11-13, 17, 20, 23, 24, 26, 28; Election District 29, precincts 1, 2; Election Districts 30, 31, 34.

Delegate District 1C: Allegany County—Election Districts 1-4; Election District 5, precincts 2, 4; Election District 6; Election District 7, precinct 1 (part); Election Districts 14, 16, 21, 22; Election District 29, precinct 3; Election District 35.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 2

(Part of Washington County)

Delegate District 2A: Washington County—Election Districts 2, 4, 5; Election District 10, precincts 1 (part), 2; Election Districts 15, 23, 24, 26.

Delegate District 2B: Washington County—Election Districts 1, 6, 8; Election District 10, precinct 1 (part); Election Districts 11, 12, 16, 18, 19, 20.

Delegate District 2C: Washington County—Election Districts 3, 17, 21, 22, 25.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 3

(Parts of Washington & Frederick Counties)

Washington County—Election Districts 7, 9, 13, 14, 27.

Frederick County—Election Districts 2, 3, 6, 10; Election District 13 (part); Election Districts 16, 21-24.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 4

(Parts of Frederick & Carroll Counties)

Delegate District 4A: Frederick County—Election Districts 1, 4, 7-9, 11, 12; Election District 13 (part); Election Districts 14, 15, 18, 20, 25, 26.

Delegate District 4B: Carroll County—Election Districts 1, 9-13. Frederick County—Election Districts 5, 17, 19.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 5

(Part of Carroll County)

Carroll County—Election Districts 2-8, 14.

LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 6

(Parts of Baltimore County & Harford County)

Baltimore County—Election District 10, precinct 2 (part); Election District 11, precincts 1 (part), 2-5; Election District 15, precincts 3 (part), 4-18.