day of March in each year in which national conventions for the nomination of President and Vice-President are held.] The selection of delegates TO THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION shall be as follows:

- (1) Election of District Delegates. The Democratic State central committee shall certify to the State Administrative Board of Election Laws the number of delegates to be elected in a primary election to the national convention from each congressional district. Not later than [ninety (90)] 90 days prior to the primary election, the certification shall be made in accordance with the rules of the national and State Democratic parties. THERE SHALL BE ELECTED AT THE PRIMARY ELECTION THE NUMBER OF DELEGATES FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT AS CERTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS PARAGRAPH. With the written permission of a presidential candidate filed with the State Administrative Board of Election Laws at least [fifty-three (53)] 53 days prior to the primary election, a candidate may have placed adjacent to his name on the ballot the name of a presidential candidate. ANY OTHER CANDIDATE FOR DELEGATE SHALL HAVE PLACED ADJACENT TO HIS NAME ON THE BALLOT THE WORD "UNCOMMITTED".
- (2) Election—of—At-Large SELECTION OF OTHER Delegates. After the election of the district delegates in accordance with § 12-1(a)(1), [those elected district delegates from any national political party shall meet in convention not more than 21 days after that election at a time and place to be designated by the State party chairman who shall act as chairman of the convention. The elected district delegates shall elect, as "At-Large Delegates," the remainder of delegates allotted to Maryland by the respective national party committee and not elected under § 12-1(a)(2). Notwithstanding the aforegoing provisions of this subsection, the Democratic State central committee shall meet in convention not more than twenty-one (21) days after the primary election and shall elect delegates—at—large to the national convention in accordance with party rules.] THE AT-LARGE, PARTY, ELECTED OFFICIAL, AND ALTERNATE DELEGATES SHALL BE CHOSEN ACCORDING TO NATIONAL PARTY RULES.
- [(3) Ex Officio Delegates. The State central committee shall designate ex officio delegates, if any, in accordance with the rules of the national convention.]
- [(4) Selection of Alternates for Elected Delegates. The elected delegation to the national party convention shall elect the alternate delegates to the convention.]
- [(5)] (3) Filling of Vacancies. The-entire-delegation to-a-national-party-convention-shall--fill--vacancies <u>VACANCIES</u> occurring in the office of delegate or alternate delegate <u>SHALL</u> BE FILLED ACCORDING TO NATIONAL PARTY RULES.
 - [(6) Post-Presidential

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