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Cheryl Landis, First Vice Chair
Nora Carmichael, Secretary
Alonzo Washington, Assistant Secretary
Prince George's County Democratic Central Committee
4725 Silver Hill Road
Suitland, Maryland 20746

Dear Ms. Landis, Ms. Carmichael and Mr. Washington:

Counsel to the General Assembly recently provided advice that Tiffany Alston no longer held her District 24 House of Delegates seat by operation of law upon conviction for misconduct in office. On November 7, 2012, I received your letter submitting the name of Gregory Hall to fill that vacancy.

Ms. Alston has requested that I request a formal opinion of the Office of the Attorney General to review the issues addressed by Counsel to the General Assembly in his prior advice letter. Although most advice provided by the Attorney General's office is not reflected in formal opinions, and I have confidence in the advice provided, I have agreed to request a formal opinion because of the importance of the issue and the likelihood of litigation in this matter. I have requested that opinion today and I have asked that the opinion be expedited.

I respectfully request that the Central Committee withdraw Mr. Hall's name and take no further action until I receive that formal opinion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Martin O'Malley".

Governor