

MICHAEL L. HOWELL, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

**MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF
ELECTIONS, et al.,**

Defendants.

IN THE

CIRCUIT COURT

FOR

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

CASE NO: C-02-CV-26-001986

ORDER

For the reasons set forth in the accompanying MEMORANDUM OPINION,
it is this 26th of August 2026 by the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel
County, hereby:

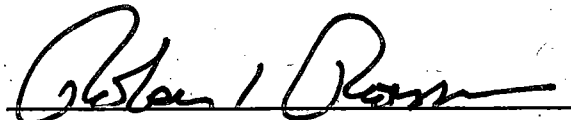
ORDERED, that the Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment is
GRANTED; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment is
DENIED; and it is further

ORDERED, that the State Board of Elections is **ENJOINED** from including
statewide ballot Question 3 on the November 3, 2026, ballot; and it is further

ORDERED, that the execution of this injunction is **STAYED** pending an
appeal of this ruling to the Supreme Court of Maryland.

SO ORDERED.



Robert J. Thompson, Judge
Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County