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CHAPTER 64

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Candidates for the Democratic National Convention or Republican National**  
3 **Convention - Campaign Finance Entities - Responsibilities**

4 FOR the purpose of authorizing certain candidates to act in certain positions for any  
5 campaign finance entity other than the candidates' own campaign finance  
6 entity; and generally relating to the responsibilities of candidates acting within  
7 campaign finance entities.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
9 Article - Election Law  
10 Section 13-215  
11 Annotated Code of Maryland  
12 (2003 Volume and 2003 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article - Election Law**

16 13-215.

17 (a) Each chairman, treasurer, subtreasurer, and campaign manager shall be a  
18 registered voter of the State.

19 (b) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, a candidate may not act:

20 (i) as the treasurer or subtreasurer of a campaign finance entity of  
21 the candidate; or

1 (ii) with respect to any other campaign finance entity:

2 1. as the campaign manager, treasurer, or subtreasurer; or

3 2. in any other position that exercises general overall  
4 responsibility for the conduct of the entity.

5 (2) (I) An incumbent member of a central committee who is a  
6 candidate for election to party office may act as the treasurer of that central  
7 committee.

8 (II) WITH RESPECT TO ANY CAMPAIGN FINANCE ENTITY OTHER  
9 THAN THE CANDIDATE'S OWN CAMPAIGN FINANCE ENTITY, A CANDIDATE FOR  
10 DELEGATE TO THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION OR A CANDIDATE FOR  
11 DELEGATE TO THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION MAY ACT:

12 1. AS THE CAMPAIGN MANAGER, TREASURER, OR  
13 SUBTREASURER; OR

14 2. IN ANY OTHER POSITION THAT EXERCISES GENERAL  
15 OVERALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ENTITY.

16 (c) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the chairman, treasurer,  
17 subtreasurer, or campaign manager of a campaign finance entity may serve as the  
18 chairman, treasurer, subtreasurer, or campaign manager of another campaign  
19 finance entity.

20 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take  
21 effect July 1, 2004.