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February 23, 2024

The Honorable Senator Pamela Beidle, Chair  
The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair  
Senate Finance Committee  
Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Wing  
11 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

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Kelsey Rollins  
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Sincerely,

Arlene Brown



February 23, 2024

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Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Wing  
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Miranda Elliott  
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Jennifer Friesner, RT(R)(M)  
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Elizabeth Varnedoe  
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Taren Bokman  
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Eliza Mullikin  
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Sharon Curtis  
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MRI Technologist  
Advanced Radiology/Howard County  
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Tracy Boyd  
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Stacy Dittmar RT(R)(M)(MR)

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Denise Jackson  
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Jamilet Amaya Haye  
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Jennifer Jolley  
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Sincerely,

Laura M Randolph RT (R)(M)



February 23, 2024

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The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair  
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11 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

Jacklyn Tomasko  
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Alec Best  
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Columbia, MD 21044

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Brittany Lawson  
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Milinda Valverde  
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Kimberly Loude, RT  
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Kimberly Loudon, RT

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Denise Haller  
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D'Andrega Jernigan  
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Cristina Stoots  
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Chelsea Mehren  
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Chelsea Mehren

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Lorette L. Kenney R.T.(R)  
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Casey Wilson  
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Stephanie A Hoare  
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Deborah A Tucker  
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Sarah Myers  
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Sincerely,

Sarah Myers

February 23, 2024

The Honorable Senator Pamela Beidle, Chair  
The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair  
Senate Finance Committee  
Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Wing  
11 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

Karen Gschwind RTR (CT)  
1906 Hibblings place  
Havre De Grace MD 21078

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11 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

Melinda Wiecech  
1326 Gates Head Drive  
Bel Air, MD 21014

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Sonia R. Wilhelm, RTRM  
611 Tritapoe Dr  
Knoxville, MD 21758

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I have been a Radiologic Technologist (RT) at Radnet Mt Airy for the past 8 months, but have been a Radiologic Technologist for 43 years. To become an RT, I had to successfully complete an 18 to 25-month accredited Radiology program full-time. My educational requirements consisted of 600 to 700 hours of coursework in patient positioning, radiation safety, technology, medical physics, trauma, medical terminology among many other areas. This was followed by approximately 2,000 hours of hands-on clinical training under the direction of an experienced RT who was specially credentialed as an instructor. I then had to pass a rigorous examination administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Then to practice in Maryland, I obtained a license from the Maryland Board of Quality Assurance in Radiology. In order to maintain this license, I must take at least 24 hours of continuing medical education (CME) every 24 months.

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Tehilla Rose, RT (R)(M)  
607 Old Crossing Drive  
Pikesville, MD 21208

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I am the Mammography Imaging Specialist for American Radiology Services and Advanced Radiology. As well, I have worked as a mammographer at prestigious institutions; Johns Hopkins, MCV, Paredes Institute for Women's Imaging. I pride myself not only on my extensive knowledge in my field and contribute the success to my intensive training. To become a RT, completed a rigorous baccalaureate degree at VCU. My educational requirements consisted of well over 700 hours of coursework in patient positioning, radiation safety, technology, medical physics, trauma, medical terminology among many other areas. This was followed by approximately 2,000 hours of hands-on clinical training under the direction of an experienced RT who was specially credentialed as an instructor. I then had to pass a rigorous examination administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Then to practice in Maryland, I obtained a license from the Maryland Board of Quality Assurance in Radiology. In order to maintain this license, I must take at least 24 hours of continuing medical education (CME) every 24 months.

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Mammography Imaging Specialist

American Radiology Services and Advanced Radiology

February 23, 2024

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The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair  
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Martina Tesfayeova R.T.(R) (ARRT)  
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Reisterstown  
Maryland 21136

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Martina Tesfayeova B.S., R.T.(R) (ARRT), CET

February 23, 2024

The Honorable Senator Pamela Beidle, Chair

Rachel Marders

The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair

3806 Hickory Ave

Senate Finance Committee

Apt 301

Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Wing

Baltimore, MD 2121

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Rachel Marders (RT) R



Rachel Marders | RTR | GBMC Imaging Center | Office 443-279-9618 | [rachel.marders@radnet.com](mailto:rachel.marders@radnet.com)

February 23, 2024

The Honorable Senator Pamela Beidle, Chair  
The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair  
Senate Finance Committee  
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Leah Davis  
1521 Sunswept Drive  
Bel Air, Maryland 21015

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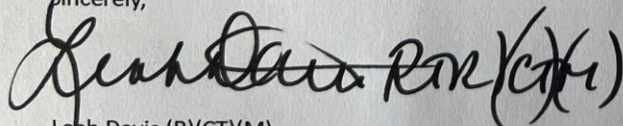
I have been a Radiologic Technologist (RT) at Advanced Radiology Harford Imaging Center for the past 31 years. To become a RT, I had to successfully complete an 18 to 25-month accredited Radiology program full-time. My educational requirements consisted of 600 to 700 hours of coursework in patient positioning, radiation safety, technology, medical physics, trauma, medical terminology among many other areas. This was followed by approximately 2,000 hours of hands-on clinical training under the direction of an experienced RT who was specially credentialed as an instructor. I then had to pass a rigorous examination administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT). Then to practice in Maryland, I obtained a license from the Maryland Board of Quality Assurance in Radiology. In order to maintain this license, I must take at least 24 hours of continuing medical education (CME) every 24 months.

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Leah Davis (R)(CT)(M)

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Rachel Velasco RTRM  
489 Eleanor Lane  
Arnold, MD 21012

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Sincerely,

Rachel Velasco



February 23, 2024

The Honorable Senator Pamela Beidle, Chair  
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Ms. Cheryl Logue  
(RT)(R)(CV) (CT)(M)(MRI)  
1030 Spa Rd, Apt B  
Annapolis, MD 21403

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Cheryl Logue RT (R) (CV) (CT) (M) (MR)

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Alicia Philipp  
10241 Red Lion Tavern Court  
Ellicott City, MD 21042

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Alicia Philipp

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Bonnie Eisel  
914 S. Wieker Rd  
Severn, MD 21144

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Bonnie Eisel

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Mary Abercrombie  
116 Albany Av East  
Walkersville, MD

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Sincerely,

Mary Abercrombie

February 23, 2024

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Chris Tolliver  
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Kristen Temple  
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Sincerely,

Kristen Temple

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Senate Finance Committee  
Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Wing  
11 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

Sandy Ehudin  
81 Chase mill circle  
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Stacey Fannon  
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Stacey Fannon R.T.(R)(M)

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Alexandra Bednarik  
29746 Traceys Way Easton,  
MD 21601

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Marli Lockitsky  
5964 Leben Dr.  
Frederick, MD 21703

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Marli Lockitsky RT ( R)(M)(CT)

February 23, 2024

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Your Name Donna Truiett  
Your Address 907 N. Payson St.  
Baltimore MD 21217

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Sincerely,

Your Name

Donna Truiett

I practice at Advanced Radiology

I have been a Radiologic technologist for 34 years

February 23, 2024

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The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair  
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Kristi Stephenson  
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Olivia Lea-Wilson  
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Wendy Sheffer  
45 Woodland Drive  
Jacobus, PA 17407

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Wendy Sheffer

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Kimberly Bateman  
8455 Wedding Dr  
Welcome, MD 20693

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Kimberly Bateman  
RT (R)(M)



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Kimberly Hupfeld-  
Underwood  
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NANCY A. SCIPIONI  
904 YVETTE DRIVE  
FOREST HILL, MD 21050

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Gina Riefner  
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Gina Riefner RTM

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Philip Flaker  
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Philip Falker

February 23, 2024

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Sincerely,

Joan M Freitag

February 23, 2024

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Angela Piccolomini,  
RT(R)(MR)  
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Stephanie Evans RT. (R)



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Sabrina

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The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair  
Senate Finance Committee  
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Your Name Kamar Jordan  
Your Address  
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Donna Wright  
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Ashley Hailey  
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5722 CARRINGTON DRIVE  
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Carmela Schindel  
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Tatyana Skorupska  
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Catherine Cornish  
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Catherine D. Cornish, MS, BSRS, AAS, RT ( R ) ( M )

February 21, 2024

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Renee Marcellino  
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February 23, 2024

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Tanya Carmen  
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Sincerely,

Bonnie Heaton R.T. (R)(M)(MR)

February 23, 2024

The Honorable Senator Pamela Beidle, Chair  
The Honorable Katherine Klausmeier, Vice Chair  
Senate Finance Committee  
Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Wing  
11 Bladen St., Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

Margaret E Jordan  
604 Twin Brook lane  
Joppa, Maryland 21085

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Bryan Newman  
8203 pleasant Valley Road  
Stewartstown, Pa 17363

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Senate Finance Committee  
Miller Senate Office Building, 3 East Wing  
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Jordan Sloan  
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MD 21619

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Sandra Webb  
6340 Kyle Drive  
Sykesville, Md. 21784

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Amanda Brandl  
2134 Kyle Green Road  
Abingdon, MD 21009

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Mary Johnson  
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Andrew Hieronymus  
3072 Moon CT unit B  
Ft. Meade, MD 20755

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Barry Luersen  
3715 Sprigg Street North  
Frederick, MD 21704

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MD 21032

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Michelle White  
10 14 Westward Drive Mount  
Airy, MD 21771

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Michelle White

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Kira Markus  
1327A Donald Avenue  
Severn, MD 21144

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Kira Markus

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Shannon Henderson  
3 Softwinds CT  
Owings Mills, MD 21117

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Shannon Henderson



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Debbie Moss  
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Park, MD 21225

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