

**Witness:** Jean Miceli Benhoff  
**Jurisdiction:** Baltimore County  
**Bill:** HJ 0004  
**Position:** Support

For the purpose of keeping DEI in Maryland .

I strongly oppose this bill as it discriminates against the most qualified. For example, airplanes are falling out of the sky, etc. Further , the air traffic controllers who were most qualified were not hired.

Beyond that, those who are most qualified should be hired.

Those who are not yet qualified should get educated, study and then they will be hired on their own merits, not their skin color.

As Senator Tim Scott has stated: "We all bleed red".

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Benhoff

I vote!