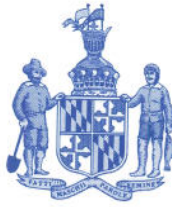


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DARRELL MILLER CONVICTED OF MISUSE OF CAMPAIGN FUNDS

State Prosecutor Emmet C. Davitt announced that Darrell Miller, age 47, entered pleas of guilty today in Anne Arundel County Circuit Court to two election law charges in a five-count indictment charging him with misuse of campaign funds in connection with his unsuccessful run for county council in Prince George's County. In connection with his pleas of guilty to counts three and five of the indictment, Miller admitted that between July 1, 2010 and November 15, 2010, in his capacity as Chairman of his election committee and as the candidate supported by that committee, he made improper disbursements from the account of Friends of Darrell A. Miller campaign and that more than \$1,000.00 of those disbursements were made to pay for personal expenses of Darrell A. Miller rather than for campaign purposes.

In accordance with a plea agreement accepted by the Court, the Honorable William C. Mulford, II sentenced Mr. Miller to a suspended jail term of one year on each count, 2 years of supervised probation, fines totaling \$2,000.00, and 300 hours of community service. The third election law violation and charges of theft and misappropriation by a fiduciary were dismissed in accordance with the plea agreement.

Mr. Davitt commented, "By now every candidate, treasurer, chairperson and contributor should recognize that the election laws of this State cannot be ignored with impunity. We will continue to vigorously investigate and prosecute violations Maryland campaign finance laws."