**RHONDA PINDELL CHARLES, Esq.**

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**CAREER (16 full-time and part-time positions)**

* December 2, 2013-present; **AND** December 4, 2017-present

*Annapolis City Councilwoman/Alderwoman, Ward 3;* ***AND*** *Chair, City Council’s Public Safety Standing Committee—Police; Fire (including paramedics/EMS); and the Office of Emergency Management;* ***AND***

*City Council rep., County’s Gun Violence Prevention Task Force, Youth-Schools Subcommittee, May 2019-present*

**December 2, 2013-present: *Acting Mayor: Serve periodically; AND January 28-February 13, 2020 (17 days)***

* January 18, 2006-present, full-time

\*January 2006-June 2012; **and** \*June 2012-December 2019; **and** \*December 2019-present

*Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS), School-Community Liaison Specialist:*

*\*Central Office (including, but not limited to, having served as Producer for 2 AACPS-TV programs; naming the “Parent Link” (newsletter) and “tag”; and naming the “tag” for the “Parent Connection” TV program);* ***and***

*\*Frank Hebron-Harman Elementary School, 800 students, 90 staff (and housed and assisted in the “Learning Lab”);* ***and*** *\*Central Office (Office of Equity and Accelerated Student Achievement)*

* October 2004-October 2005

*Anne Arundel County Department of Health (DOH), Program Manager, Office of Minority Health (supervised a very diverse staff of 5—Latino, Asian, and African-American— responsible for disseminating health information to communities; reviewed grant applications, and awarded and monitored grants; while overseeing a small budget)*

* December 1983-August 2004 (retired)

*Assistant State’s Attorney, Baltimore City (SAO) (including supervising attorneys and support staff for 18 ½ of these 20 ½ years; prosecuted juvenile courts cases, and physical child abuse and companion domestic violence cases; Speech Writer for the State’s Attorney; and regularly trained police officers at the Police Academy)*

* 1983 (part-time)

*City of Baltimore, Hearing Officer: Vehicle impoundments; and Water and Sewer charges*

* August 1979-December 1983

*Attorney General’s Office, Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Attorney (assigned to the Forest and Park Services Administration—traveling throughout the State—from far western Garrett County (and West Virginia), to Cecil County, to the Upper and Lower Eastern Shore (Ocean City), to Southern MD, and our metropolitan areas*

* Fall 1978 and Spring 1979

*Fall 1978: State of Maryland, Office of the Public Defender, Anne Arundel County, Annapolis Office—*

*Asper Fellow (unpaid/volunteer); and Spring 1979: Legal Intern (paid/compensated)*

* Summers 1978, 1977, 1976, 1975

*Maryland National Bank (now Bank of America), Church Circle, Annapolis, Teller*

* School year, 1974-1975

*Morgan State University (MSU), School of Business, College Teaching Assistant, worked directly for Professor Frank Turner (a long-time Maryland State Legislator representing Howard County, recently retired)*

* Summer 1974

*Sears, Parole Plaza (now site of the Parole Towne Centre), Annapolis, Price Changer and Accounting Clerk*

* Summer 1973

*United Blastcleaning Company, Inc. (maritime industry), Lee Street, Annapolis (out of business), Secretary/Receptionist*

* November 1972-February 1973

*Montgomery Ward (out of business), “Buffeteria” (Buffet Cafeteria), Annapolis Mall, Busboy/Dishwasher*

* 1970-1990

*Mount Olive A.M.E. Church, Annapolis, Church Bulletin Clerk, and Events Marketing Materials Preparer*

* Junior High School and Senior High School (June 1966-August 1972)

*~Pindell and Pindell Contractors, Secretary/Receptionist/Payroll Clerk (Father, Uncle, and Cousin)*

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*~Gwendolyn Queen Pindell, At-Home Teacher Assistant, AACPS High School Algebra Teacher (Mother)*

*~Anne Arundel General Hospital (now Anne Arundel Medical Center), Candy-striper, Children’s Unit (Volunteer)*

**EDUCATION**

* University of Maryland School of Law (UM), J.D., 1976-1979
* Morgan State University, B.S., 1972-1976, Major: Business Administration, General (minor-Economics)
* Annapolis High School, 1969-1972, Academic curriculum (and member of the Basketball and Softball Teams, “pre-Title 9”)
* Annapolis Junior High School, 1966-1969 (1965-1969, member of the AJHS Orchestra, viola)
* Parole Elementary School (now the Walter S. Mills-Parole Elementary School), 1960-1966, “Valedictorian”

**EDUCATIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS** (partial listing)

* 1980 – Member, Maryland Bar
* 1983 – Admitted to the U.S. District Court and the U.S. Supreme Court
* 1979 – Sole Student Member, Faculty Appointments Committee, UM School of Law
* 1976 – Sole recipient of the “1976 Outstanding Achievement in Business Administration Award”, MSU

**PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS** (partial listing)

* Received Maryland State Department of Education recognition and award for an award-winning and innovative parent involvement program, *“FamilyHood Scores!”*, AACPS, 2006-2007 (along with the able assistance of the newly created Community Ambassadors staff based at Annapolis High School, 2006-2007)
* Lead Office and lauded for the “sold-out” highly touted Immigration Forum, Anne Arundel County DOH, 2005
* Trained and Supervised new Prosecutors in the SAO—12 of whom have since been elevated to judgeships at every level of the Maryland State judiciary—from the District Court to the Circuit Court to the Maryland Court of Special Appeals to the Maryland Court of Appeals; as well as 2 who were elected as County State’s Attorneys in Maryland:
* The Honorable: Shirley M. Watts, Court of Appeals; Michael Reed, Court of Special Appeals; Emanuel Brown, Videtta Brown, Althea Handy, Jeanne Hong, Cynthia Jones, Lynn Stewart-Mays, and Rodney Warren, Circuit Court; and Robert Cooper, James H. Green, and Melvin Jews, District Court; and State’s Attorneys Anne Colt Leitess (Anne Arundel County) and J. Charles Smith (Frederick County)
* On two separate occasions, was selected by the State’s Attorney to host and to present to a legal delegation from China and to a legal delegation from Russia
* For example, as the Deputy Division Chief for the Juvenile Courts Division, was directly responsible for reviewing applications, interviewing, hiring, training, and supervising 20 attorneys, 15 support staff (over time, hundreds of staff)—this Division handling over 30,000 hearings per year, i.e., served as the day-to-day “Operations Manager”

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT** (partial listing)

* Appointed by the Governor to serve on the Judicial Appointments Commission for Anne Arundel County, 2008-2013 (resigned due to my election to the City Council)
* Served on the City of Annapolis Board of Appeals, 1988-1991
* Served on several City of Annapolis bipartisan mayoral (Democratic and Republican Mayors) transition teams, 1980’s, 1990’s, 2000’s
* Served on the State Highway Contract Task Force for the Aris T. Allen Boulevard, Annapolis, 1980’s/1990’s
* Member, Community Health Center at Parole, Inc., Annapolis (former Officer, resigned as an Officer due to my election to the City Council), over 35 years
* Member, Greater Parole Community Association, Inc. (formerly, Community Association of Parole, and formerly, Parole Improvement Association, since 1951) (former Officer, resigned as an Officer due to my election to the City Council), over 20 years
* Founder, Parole Elementary School Alumni and Friends Association, 1983 (the only such organization that exists)
* Member, Mount Olive A.M.E. Church, Annapolis (former Church School Teacher and Treasurer; Teams’ Score- keeper/Statistician, Men’s Club’s Youth Athletics Program; among many other positions held), Life-long member
* Friend, St. Philip’s Episcopal Church, Ad Hoc Consultant to the Finance Committee, Advisor to the Rector, and Advisor to various organizations/members, 2007-present
* Strategic Event Planner/Coordinator, Speaker, Moderator, Facilitator, Panelist, for various events/organizations

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