

U.S. Election Assistance Commission

2020 Elections Disability, Accessibility, and Security Forum

Date: February 20, 2020

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: The Westin Georgetown

2350 M St. NW, Washington, DC

Livestream is also available on: www.eac.gov

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| 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. | Doors open and check-in |
| 9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. | <p>Welcoming Remarks</p> <p><i>The Chair of the EAC will set the stage for the forum. Doug Lewis will offer remarks on election administration and the vital need for accessibility. Forum moderator Doug Chapin will announce guidelines and provide discussion perspectives to foster a collaborative discourse amongst participants.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Christy McCormick, EAC Chairwoman• Doug Lewis, former Executive Director, Election Center• Doug Chapin, Moderator, Director of the Certificate in Election Administration program, University of Minnesota's Humphrey School of Public Affairs |
| 9:50 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. | <p>Moderated Discussion I: Emerging Voting Technology for People with Disabilities</p> <p><i>This workshop session will focus on the utilization of new voting technology to empower a private and independent vote across the U.S. The session will also discuss perspectives on new voting technology given growing election security needs.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opened and closed by EAC Commissioner Hicks• Geoff Hale, Director of the Election Security Initiative, Cybersecurity Infrastructure and Security Agency, U.S. Department of Homeland Security• Kelly Buckland, Executive Director, National Council on Independent Living• Diane Golden, Project Director, Illinois Assistive Technology Program, EAC TGDC Member• Alice Miller, Executive Director, District of Columbia Board of Elections |

10:50 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.	Break (coffee available)
11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<p>Moderated Discussion II: Ballot-Marking Devices and Accessibility</p> <p><i>This workshop session will foster discussion amongst election officials, leading advocates for voters with disabilities, and security experts on ballot-marking devices. Given the extensive use of BMDs across the nation, participants will discuss differing perspectives on this equipment and potential areas of agreement.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opened and closed by EAC Commissioner Palmer • Lou Ann Blake, Deputy Executive Director of Blindness Initiatives, National Federation of the Blind • Gema Howell, Computer Scientist, National Institute of Standards and Technology • Anthony Albence, Commissioner of Elections, Delaware • Juan Gilbert, Chair of Computer & Information Science & Engineering Department, University of Florida
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch (on your own)
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<p>Moderated Discussion III: Vote-by-Mail and Electronic Ballot delivery systems.</p> <p><i>This workshop session will focus on accessible vote-by-mail ballots and electronic ballot delivery systems, given the heightened election security environment.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opened and closed by EAC Commissioner McCormick • Amelia Powers Gardner, Clerk/Auditor, Utah County, Utah • Maurice Turner, Deputy Director of the Internet Architecture Project, Center for Democracy & Technology • Clark Rachfal, Director of Advocacy and Governmental Affairs, American Council of the Blind • Caleb Thornton, Legal Policy and Rulemaking Manager, Colorado Secretary of State's Office

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Moderated Discussion IV: Potential Actionable Items for Disability, Accessibility, and Security

This closing workshop session will focus on next steps and potential solutions to assist election officials serving voters with disabilities amidst growing security needs.

- Opened and closed by EAC Vice Chair Hovland
- Doug Lewis, Former Executive Director, Election Center
- Audrey Malagon, Mathematics Advisor, Verified Voting
- Alysoun McLaughlin, Deputy Elections Director, Montgomery County, Maryland
- Michelle Bishop, Voting Rights Specialist, National Disability Rights Network

3:00 p.m.

Closing Remarks