RECOUNTS

RECOUNT DETERMINED BY MARGIN OF VICTORY

- Recount Only if Difference is No More than 1 Percent

- Recount for Write-In Candidate Only if Difference Not More Than 5 Percent

PETITION FOR A RECOUNT

- A recount cannot be requested until the election is certified. As per §24.2-801

WHERE AND HOW TO FILE

- For non-statewide offices, the petition must be filed in the circuit court of the county or city

- For statewide offices, the petition must be filed in the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond

A RECOUNT COURT

- The Court will consist of three judges:

- the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of where the recount petition was filed and

- two (2) judges appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia.

PRELIMINARY HEARING

- Court Hearing

- full court

HOW ARE BALLOTS COUNTED?

- First, ballots will be scanned by recount officials

  - locality was required to program the voting machines to return or set aside ballots with (1) overvotes, (2) undervotes, or (3) write-ins.

  Second, these returned ballots will be hand counted.

  Third, if the recount team cannot agree,

PARTY REPRESENTATIVES

- choose an equal number of officers of election

- this number "is to be fixed by the court

RECOUNT COORDINATORS

CERTIFYING THE RECOUNT

APPEALING THE RECOUNT

- final and not subject to appeal

COSTS