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AUDITOR GENERAL VIRTUAL CANDIDATES FORUM PRESENTED BY NAACP PENNSYLVANIA STATE CONFERENCE

With the upcoming primary election on June 2, 2020, emphasis must continue to be placed on the importance of voting. There are both local and state positions in which candidates are promoting their campaigns. One of those races on the state level that does not often get discussed is the position of Auditor General. This virtual Candidates Forum sponsored by the NAACP Pennsylvania State Conference and to be moderated by President Kenneth L. Huston, will convene on **Thursday, May 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.** Register at <https://bit.ly/2XaizFb>.

The candidates invited to participate are Nina Ahmad, Tracie Fountain, Christina M. Hartman, H. Scott Conklin, Michael Lamb, and Rose Marie Davis. It is important for constituents to understand the significance of this position which impacts all Pennsylvanians. The position of Auditor General is described as the “chief fiscal watchdog of the Commonwealth which is responsible for using audits to ensure that all state money is spent legally and properly.” With the potential of serving a maximum of two four-year terms, the “mission of the Department of the Auditor General is to serve the people of Pennsylvania by improving government accountability, transparency, and the effective use of taxpayer dollars.”

During this unprecedented time of experiencing the devastating influence of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the uncertainty of any future outbreaks, it is critical to understand how candidates propose to effectively fulfill the responsibility of Auditor General.

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Founded in 1909, the NAACP is the nation’s oldest and largest nonpartisan civil rights organization with a mission to secure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights in order to eliminate race-based discrimination and ensure the health and well-being of all persons. Its members throughout the United States and the world are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities. The Pennsylvania State Conference was established in 1934 and pursues the same mission throughout the Commonwealth.