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### **Maryland Legal Aid Partners with MVLS, BGE and Exelon Corporation to Host Free Expungement Clinic**

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, (November 4, 2022) – Maryland Legal Aid (MLA) is partnering with Maryland Volunteer Lawyer Service (MVLS), Baltimore Gas & Electric (BGE) and Exelon Corporation to host the Empower West Baltimore Expungement Clinic on Thursday, November 10, 2022. Individuals with a criminal history will have an opportunity to be advised by legal professionals and have petitions prepared on site. MLA can help individuals expunge their records to overcome barriers to securing affordable housing, custody of their children, a driver's license, and employment. This one-on-one FREE legal assistance can be life-changing for the vast number of people who qualify!

What: Empower West Baltimore Expungement Clinic  
When: Thursday, November 10, 2022 | 10:00AM – 2:00PM  
Where: Shake & Bake Family Fun Center  
1601 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21217

For more information, visit [www.mdlab.org/2022-bge-clinic/](http://www.mdlab.org/2022-bge-clinic/) or contact Acting Director for Pro Bono, Angus Derbyshire, at [aderbyshire@mdlab.org](mailto:aderbyshire@mdlab.org).

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**About Maryland Legal Aid**

Maryland Legal Aid (MLA) is a private, non-profit law firm that provides free, civil legal services to people who are in Baltimore City and Maryland's 23 counties from 12 offices. The firm handles cases involving a wide range of issues, including family, housing, government benefits, healthcare, employment, and consumer law. MLA also represents children in CINA (Child in Need of Assistance) proceedings in 16 jurisdictions. Other vulnerable populations, such as homeowners facing foreclosure, migrant and seasonal farm workers, people with developmental and mental health disabilities, nursing home and assisted living residents, and veterans seeking benefits and assistance with related legal issues also receive representation through special projects. MLA's Community Lawyering Initiative, which includes its Lawyer in the Library program, assists with expunging criminal records to remove barriers to obtaining housing, employment, and child custody through clinics held in libraries, community centers, non-profit organizations, places of worship, schools, healthcare facilities, and other communal places.