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Maryland woman pleads guilty to impersonation voter fraud

Linda Earlette Wells pretended to be her mother, who had died

A 70-year-old Montgomery County woman has [pleaded guilty to voting fraudulently in the 2012 presidential elections...](#)

Wells' mother, Beatrice Moore Wells, had been registered in Montgomery County before she died in June 2011. According to the statement of facts, Wells, impersonating her mother, called the Montgomery County Board of Elections and said that she wasn't actually dead and wanted to vote.

How was fraudster Wells caught? She confessed:

Wells called the Board of Elections and told them she took her mother's ID to the polls and voted fraudulently.

Not that [Maryland voters](#) are required to present an ID, photo or otherwise.

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