

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION
COUNTY OF WAKE 11 CVS 16896
11 CVS 16940

MARGARET DICKSON, et al.,)
)
Plaintiffs,)
vs.)
ROBERT RUCHO, in his)
official capacity only as)
the Chairman of the North)
Carolina Senate)
Redistricting Committee,)
et al.,)
)
Defendants.)

NORTH CAROLINA STATE)
CONFERENCE OF BRANCHES OF)
THE NAACP, et al.,)
)
Plaintiffs,)
vs.)
STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,)
et al.,)
)
Defendants.)
)

DEPOSITION OF CHARLIE COLLICUTT
GUILFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS

11:31 A.M.

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Exhibit 2

1 Q. And that compares to 165?

2 A. 165.

3 Q. This is not a guess or, you know, a test or
4 anything, but do you know of the 154 precincts that
5 were around in 2002 how many of them still remain
6 today substantially unchanged?

7 A. Well, all of them except for the difference is
8 those precincts we split, so the basic outline of
9 all the precincts is the same. There are some
10 splitting into two of those precincts, but of the
11 154 precincts from 2002, those have not
12 substantially changed at all.

13 Q. Okay. So --

14 A. Except some of them split I guess is the way to
15 describe is it.

16 Q. I think I understand what you're saying. In 2002
17 there were 154 precincts?

18 A. Uh-huh.

19 Q. You don't know how far back those precinct lines
20 were established, I take it?

21 A. No, I do not.

22 Q. Would George Gilbert know?

23 A. He would know. He's been employed since 1986 or
24 '88 so he would be able to tell you more.

25 Q. And the change that has taken place from 2002 when

1 you had 154 to get to where you are now with 165
2 has largely been a few subdivisions of precincts
3 that existed in 2002 based upon voter turnout?

4 A. Uh-huh. Yes. Yeah. The primary criteria was
5 voter turnout, how many are actually showing up at
6 the polls. Second was kind of the overall size of
7 the precinct as far as registered voters go.

8 Once early voting started really to attract
9 a lot of voters, we weren't seeing precincts that
10 had 1200 voters any more, so that kind of went away
11 as a criteria in the mid '90s -- I mean mid 2000s.

12 Q. Is it a logical assumption on my part that the only
13 change in the precincts is subdividing precincts
14 that had very large voter turnout, does that not
15 mean that you had only divided about five or six
16 precincts since 2002?

17 A. That's correct.

18 Q. Do you know what the population or what the range
19 of registered voters is in the precincts in
20 Guilford county?

21 A. I would -- an average would be 2,000, some lower,
22 some higher. The Board has consciously tried to
23 keep relatively small precincts over time, and I
24 think that's -- that's the number that they've
25 targeted is approximately 2,000.