

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT ANCHORAGE

In the Matter of the 2021)
Redistricting Plan) Case No.: 3AN-21-08869 CI
) 4BE-21-00372 CI
)

AFFIDAVIT OF JENNIFER WINGARD

STATE OF ALASKA)
)
THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT)

I, Jennifer Wingard, being first duly sworn under oath, depose and say:

1. I am a registered voter in the State of Alaska and the Municipality of Anchorage. I reside in Girdwood, Alaska.

2. I was elected to Girdwood Board of Supervisors in April 2021 for a three-year term. I'm also a regular attendee at other Girdwood committees, including the Land Use Committee, the Housing Working Group, Imagine Girdwood!, and the Public Safety Advisory Committee (with my co-plaintiff Ken Waugh).

3. I live in Girdwood, receive my mail in Girdwood, and vote in Girdwood. I also have a strong connection to urban Anchorage—because our kids attend school in Anchorage, we have a “cabin” in midtown Anchorage, where we often stay during school weeks to accommodate the kids’ Anchorage-based extracurricular activities.

4. The pairing of Girdwood and Eagle River clearly strains the Alaska Constitution’s contiguity requirement to the point of the ridiculous (requiring a hike over

Crow Pass or a lengthy drive through other districts) but also runs counter to the spirit of that requirement, since the lives of Girdwood and Eagle River residents aren't contiguous either.

5. In Girdwood, our closest grocery stores, besides the Mercantile, are in South Anchorage, our high school kids get bussed to South High School (where few if any of their classmates are from Eagle River), and many of our local employees commute from Anchorage.

6. A sizable percentage of our homeowners are urban Anchorage residents, people who have a shared interest in Girdwood's vitality and support our community's goals. By contrast, Eagle River has a proven track record of voting against Girdwood projects, like the school bonds, even when there was no financial cost to them.

7. This exemplifies the extent to which Girdwood and Eagle River have grown apart politically and culturally in the last couple of decades, an important fact to keep in mind when considering historical precedents.

Jennifer Wingard

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this ____ day of May, 2022.

NOTARY PUBLIC IN AND FOR ALASKA
My Commission Expires:_____

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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