IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

EVAN MILLIGAN, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

No. 2:21-cv-01530-AMM

JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,

Defendants.

BOBBY SINGLETON, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,

Defendants.

No. 2:21-cv-01291-AMM

AMENDED EXHIBIT LIST TO JOINT PRETRIAL REPORT

The *Milligan* Plaintiffs, *Singleton* Plaintiffs, and Defendants hereby respectfully resubmit their list of Stipulated and Objected-to Exhibits with modifications from the version filed on December 23. They do so for several reasons.

First, the Parties have altered the numbering of the exhibits to prevent confusion and duplication with those in *Caster*.

Second, the Parties apologize for their omission of copies of the Stipulated exhibits. The *Milligan* Plaintiffs' exhibits are attached here; Defendants and *Singleton* Plaintiffs have filed their exhibits separately.

Third, to minimize the need to refer to multiple lists, the Parties have added a column for the objected-to exhibits previously filed that identifies their filing location on the docket.

Stipulated Exhibits		
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M1	Expert Report of Kosuke Imai	68-4
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M12	Transcript of Rep. Pringle Deposition & exhibits	N/A
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M22	2021 Alabama congressional plan map	RC 000553
M23	2021 Alabama congressional plan map book	RC 000556
M24	2021 Reapportionment Public Hearings list	N/A
M25	Ala. HB 621 (May 2011)	SOS000076
M26	2011 Legislative Reapportionment Comm.	SOS002410
	Guidelines	
M27	2021 Proposed Reapportionment Comm.	RC 044470
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M28	2021 Reapportionment Comm. Redistricting	RC 044593
	Guidelines	
M29	Talking Points for Likely Issues	RC 045524
M30	Proposed Ala. Senate Districts Functionality	RC 044600
	Examination	
M31	"House approves congressional	SOS001921
	redistricting plan," Montgomery Advertiser	
	(6/2/2011)	
M32	June 29, 2021 email from Rep. Hall to D.	RC 045712-14
	Overton	
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M40	Exhibit O-2 to Cooper report in <i>Caster</i>	Caster, ECF No. 48-51
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S25	Singleton Plan 2 Map (Letter Size)	RC 030932
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S28	Singleton Plan 2 Communities of Interest	RC 030745
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S29	Singleton Plan 3 (Zero Deviation)	RC 034944 (PDF)
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S36	Coleman Plan 1 Communities of Interest Splits	RC 009238
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S40	Secretary of State Merrill's Pre-Trial Brief, Chestnut v. Merrill	ECF No. 101, No. 18-cv-907 (N.D. Ala.)
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D8	Mary McIntyre Declaration (12.20.21)	
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D20	Evans letter to DOJ 3.10.1992 SOS007085	
D21	Evans Letter to Justice Dept. 3.10.1992, Section 5 Submission by State of Alabama SOS007070	

D22	Evans Letter to Justice Dept. 3.10.1992,	
	Section 5 Submission by State of Alabama	
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	SOS007071	
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	DOJ 3.25.1992 SOS007079	
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D78	Single Race Hatcher Plan - 4 - VAP Summary - Single	
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D89	Letter to John Park Jr. 11.21.2011	
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D107	Reapportionment Committee Guidelines for Legislative, State Board of Education, and Congressional Redistricting State of Alabama May 2011	
D108	Legislative Reapportionment Public	
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D113	Singleton 1 Plan - 6 - Population Summary - Any Part Race	
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D115	Singleton 1 Plan - 8 - Plan Components' Population and VAP	
D116	Singleton 1 Plan - 9 - County and Voting District Splits	
D117	Singleton 1 Plan - 10 - City Splits	
D118	Singleton 1 Plan - 11 - Reock Compactness Measure	
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D130	Singleton 3 Plan - 4 - VAP Summary -	
	Single Race	
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	Single Race	
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D147	Letter to DOJ Feb. 7, 2002, re: Submission	
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	2011-677 – 1212857 Sept. 21, 2011	
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	SOS001080	
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D166	Letter to Justice Dept. 3.10.1992 Section 5	
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M47 - Transcript of Alabama Senate Floor	Authenticity	
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S32 - DRA About election data.pdf	Authenticity; Relevance	
S33 - DRA D7 Act 2021-555 map.pdf	Authenticity; Relevance	
S34 - DRA Act 2021-555 plan stats.pdf	Authenticity; Relevance	
S42 - DRA Whole County Plan map.pdf	Authenticity; Relevance	
S43 - DRA Whole County Plan statistics.pdf	Authenticity; Relevance	
S51 - DRA Singleton Congressional Plan 2	Authenticity; Relevance	
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S52 - DRA Singleton Congressional Plan 2	Authenticity; Relevance	
statistics.pdf		
S60 - DRA Singleton Congressional Plan 3	Authenticity; Relevance	
map.pdf		
S61- DRA Singleton Congressional Plan 3	Authenticity; Relevance	
statistics.pdf		

Defendants' Objected-To Exhibits ¹		
Exhibit	Objections	

¹ Objections come from the *Milligan* Plaintiffs. The *Singleton* Plaintiffs do not object to the authenticity or relevance of any of the Defendants' exhibits. The *Singleton* Plaintiffs reserve the right to object if an exhibit is offered for a purpose not permitted by the Federal Rules of Evidence.

D10	Bonner Declaration Bonner Deposition Testimony with exhibits - Part 1	Improper use of deposition testimony under FRCP 32(a)(4); Hearsay
D11	Bonner Declaration Bonner Deposition Testimony with exhibits - Part 2	Improper use of deposition testimony under FRCP 32(a)(4); Hearsay
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D15	1991-06-14 Public Hearing Transcript - Joint Legislative Committee on Reapportionment (Mobile, AL) SOS008654	Relevance; Hearsay
D16	1991.08.21 Public Hearing Transcript - Joint Legislative Committee on Reapportionment (Montgomery AL) SOS 007291	Relevance; Hearsay
D17	1991.10.02 Public Hearing Transcript - Joint Legislative Committee on Reapportionment (Montgomery AL) SOS007200	Relevance; Hearsay
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D28	2011 Plan – <i>Alabama v. Holder</i> (DDC) Dismissal	Relevance
D29	2011 Plan - <i>Alabama v. Holder</i> (DDC) DOJ Preclearance	Relevance

D30	State of Alabama v. Holder Errata to Complaint SOS000172	Relevance
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D68	Application of Appellant Billy Joe Camp, Secretary of State of Alabama, for Stay of Judgment Pending Appeal	Hearsay
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D92	SCOTUS No. 91-1553 - Appendix to the Jurisdictional Statement Part 1	Relevance
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D94	SCOTUS No. 91-1553 - Appendix to the Jurisdictional Statement Part 3	Relevance; Hearsay
D95	SCOTUS No. 91-1553 - Appendix to the Jurisdictional Statement Part 4	Relevance; Hearsay
D96	SCOTUS No. 91-1553 - Appendix to the Jurisdictional Statement Part 1	Relevance; Hearsay
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D105	Preclearance submission Exhibit C-8 alternative plan Allen	Rule 106 (completeness)
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D138	SOS002410 Reapportionment Committee Guidelines May 2011	Relevance
D139	Thompson v. Merrill Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles Chair Leigh	Relevance, Hearsay

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D140	Thompson v. Merrill SOS Merrill's Objections and Answers to Plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories to Him	Relevance, Hearsay
D141	US election 2020 Why Trump gained support among minorities	Relevance, Hearsay
D143	Wesch - Supplemental Stipulation	Relevance
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D145	Milligan v. Merrill Deposition Transcript of Randy Hinaman 2021.12.09 Part 2	Improper use of deposition testimony under FRCP 32(a)(4); Hearsay
D146	2000 Population State Board of Education	Relevance, Hearsay
D150	CDC MMWR – Study Showing vaccination by SVI index	Hearsay
D152	Hispanic Voters Now Evenly Split Between Parties, WSJ Poll Finds	Relevance, Hearsay
D153	Sentencing Project, The Color of Justice Racial and Ethnic Disparity in Prison	Relevance, Hearsay
D154	Redistricting Alabama: How South Alabama could be split due to Baldwin County's growth	Relevance, Hearsay
D155	Voting Determination Letters for Alabama	Relevance
D156	Felon Voting Rights Final Version	Relevance; Hearsay
D157	2017.08.09 Alabama Senate Profile – Robert Kennedy Jr. says he's more than a name	Relevance, Hearsay
D158	Economic Policy Institute, State unemployment by race and ethnicity (2021Q3)	Hearsay
D162	Becoming Less Separate	Rule 106 (completeness)

D163	Defendant's First Evidentiary Submission	Relevance
D164	Randy Hinaman Amended Notice of Deposition 120921	Relevance

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I. INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE OF WORK

- 1. My name is Kosuke Imai, Ph.D., and I am a Professor in the Department of Government and the Department of Statistics at Harvard University. I specialize in the development of statistical methods for and their applications to social science research. I am also affiliated with Harvard's Institute for Quantitative Social Science.
- 2. I have been asked by counsel representing the plaintiffs in this case to analyze relevant data and provide my expert opinions related to the role that race played in drawing Alabama's congressional district plan (HB1). To do so, I simulated two sets of 10,000 possible Alabama congressional districting plans that adhere to other redistricting considerations. The simulations allow me to determine whether and to what extent the Alabama legislature's inclusion or exclusion of Black voters in Districts 2 and 7 in HB1 is consistent with the likelihood of particular outcomes in the simulated plans that are generated without consideration of race.¹
- 3. These simulated plans are at least as compact as the enacted plan and have fewer than or an equal number of county splits. Like the enacted plan, none of these simulated plans pair incumbents. The first set of 10,000 alternative plans were generated without any consideration of race. I call them "race-blind" simulated plans. These race-blind simulations allow me to determine how race would be treated in districting plans if the districts were drawn without using any consideration of race. I also generated the second set of 10,000 alternative plans that have one majority-minority district (MMD) but otherwise followed the same criteria as the race-blind simulation procedure used for the first set. They were referred to as "one-MMD" simulated plans. These one-MMD simulations allow me to examine how the racial composition of the other districts would look if the districts were drawn with the constraint of including one MMD but otherwise not considering race at all.

II. SUMMARY OF OPINIONS

^{1.} My analysis focused on Districts 2 and 7, the districts with the highest proportion of Black voters, where the role of race was most apparent. Other types of analysis may uncover similar evidence in Districts 1 and 3, but the simulations run here focus on the predominance of race in Districts 2 and 7.

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- 4. The comparison of the race-blind simulated plans with the enacted plan yields the following findings: The enacted plan draws Black voters who live in Jefferson and Montgomery Counties into District 7 at a rate not present in the race-blind simulated plans. Indeed, the enacted plan is a clear statistical outlier in this regard when compared to the ensemble of the race-blind simulated plans. As a result of the enacted plan including an unusually large number of Black voters into District 7, the Black voting age population (BVAP) proportion of District 2 is much lower than a vast majority of the simulated plans.²
- 5. The comparison of the one-MMD simulated plans with the enacted plan yields the following findings: The enacted plan sweeps about 39,000 Black voters who live in Montgomery County into District 7 in the ways that render it a statistical outlier when compared to the simulated plans. In contrast, about 90% of the one-MMD simulated plans include fewer than 4,000 Black voters from Montgomery in the MMD, and instead include most Black voters from Montgomery in other districts. As a result of packing Black voters who live in Montgomery into District 7 in the enacted plan, the district with the second highest BVAP proportion (i.e., District 2) has a BVAP of only 30.1%. In contrast, a large proportion of the one-MMD simulated plans avoid packing Black voters into the MMD and the district with the second highest BVAP proportion achieves, on average, 4.4 percentage points or higher BVAP proportion than the enacted plan. This difference is statistically significant using the conventional standard.
- 6. My simulation analyses, therefore, provide evidence that race was a significant factor in drawing the enacted plan.

III. QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE, AND COMPENSATION

7. I am trained as a political scientist (Ph.D. in 2003, Harvard) and a statistician (MA in 2002, Harvard). I have published more than 60 articles in peer reviewed journals, including premier political science journals (e.g., *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Political Science*), statistics journals (e.g., *Biometrika*, *Journal of the American*

^{2.} I define BVAP as people who are some part Black per the Census definition.

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Statistical Association, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society), and general science journals (e.g., Lancet, Nature Human Behavior, Science Advances). My work has been widely cited across a diverse set of disciplines. For each of the past four years, Clarivate Analytics, which tracks citation counts in academic journals, has named me as a highly cited researcher in the cross-field category for producing "multiple highly cited papers that rank in the top 1% by citations for field and year in Web of Science."

- 8. I started my academic career at Princeton University, where I played a leading role in building interdisciplinary data science communities and programs on campus. I was the founding director of Princeton's Program in Statistics and Machine Learning from 2013 to 2017. In 2018, I moved to Harvard, where I am Professor jointly appointed in the Department of Government and the Department of Statistics, the first such appointment in the history of the university. Outside of universities, between 2017 and 2019, I served as the president of the Society for Political Methodology, a primary academic organization of more than one thousand researchers worldwide who conduct methodological research in political science. My introductory statistics textbook for social scientists, *Quantitative Social Science: An Introduction* (Princeton University Press, 2017), has been widely adopted at major research universities in the United States and beyond.
- 9. Computational social science is one of my major research areas. As part of this research agenda, I have developed simulation algorithms for evaluating legislative redistricting since the beginning of this emerging literature. At Harvard, I lead the Algorithm-Assisted Redistricting Methodology (ALARM; https://alarm-redist.github.io/) Project, which studies how algorithms can be used to improve legislative redistricting practice and evaluation.
- 10. Back in 2014, along with Jonathan Mattingly's team at Duke, my collaborators and I were the first to use Monte Carlo algorithms to generate an ensemble of redistricting plans. Since then, my team has written several methodological articles on redistricting simulation algorithms (Fifield, Higgins, et al. 2020; Fifield, Imai, et al. 2020; McCartan and Imai 2020; Kenny et al. 2021).
 - 11. I have also developed an open-source software package titled redist that allows

researchers and policy makers to implement the cutting-edge simulation methods developed by us and others (Kenny et al. 2020). This software package can be installed for free on any personal computer with Windows, Mac, or Linux operating system. According to a website that tracks the download statistics of R packages, our software package has been downloaded about 30,000 times since 2016 with an increasing download rate.³

- 12. In addition to redistricting simulation methods, I have also developed the methodology for ecological inference referenced in voting rights cases (Imai, Lu, and Strauss 2008; Imai and Khanna 2016). For example, my methodology for predicting individual's race using voter files and census data was extensively used in a recent decision by the Second Circuit Court of Appeals regarding a redistricting case (Docket No. 20-1668; Clerveaux *et al* v. East Ramapo Central School District).
 - 13. A copy of my curriculum vitae is attached as Exhibit A.
- 14. I am being compensated at a rate of \$450 per hour. My compensation does not depend in any way on the outcome of the case or on the opinions and testimony that I provide.

IV. METHODOLOGY

15. I conducted simulation analyses to help evaluate whether the enacted plan was drawn using race as a primary factor. Redistricting simulation algorithms generate a representative sample of all possible plans that satisfy a specified set of criteria. These criteria may, for example, include requiring a certain degree of population equality, avoiding pairing of incumbents, drawing compact districts, and limiting the number of counties being split. The resulting simulated plans represent a set of alternative plans that the state could have drawn while being compliant with these redistricting criteria. One can then evaluate the properties of a proposed plan by comparing it against the simulated plans. If the proposed plan unusually treats particular racial groups in a certain way when compared to the ensemble of simulated plans, this serves as empirical evidence that the proposed plan was likely drawn using race as a predominant factor.

^{3.} https://ipub.com/dev-corner/apps/r-package-downloads/ (accessed on December 6, 2021)

- 16. Furthermore, statistical theory allows us to quantify the degree to which the proposed plan is extreme in terms of racial composition, relative to the ensemble of simulated plans. For example, we can estimate the probability of a simulated plan packing Black people into a district at least as much as a proposed plan does. If this probability is small, then the proposed plan is a statistical outlier because the enacted plan is highly unlikely to come from the race-blind distribution that is used to generate the simulated plans.
- 17. A primary advantage of the simulation-based approach, over other traditional methods, is its ability to account for the political and geographic features that are specific to each state, including spatial distribution of voters and configuration of administrative boundaries. Simulation methods can also incorporate each state's redistricting rules. These state-specific features limit the types of redistricting plans that can be drawn, making comparison across states and over time difficult. The simulation-based approach therefore allows us to compare the enacted plan to a representative set of alternate districting plans subject to Alabama's administrative boundaries, political realities, and legal requirements. Appendix A provides a brief introduction to redistricting simulation.

A. Simulation Setup

- 18. For the purposes of my analyses, I have ensured that all of my simulated plans have the following properties:
 - there are a total of seven geographically contiguous districts
 - all districts do not exceed an overall population deviation of \pm 0.5%
 - districts are more compact than the enacted plan on average
 - fewer than or equal to the number of county boundaries split under the enacted plan
 - no more than one incumbent is placed in each district⁴
 - no partisan information is used for simulation
 - 19. I provide an overview of my simulation procedure while leaving the detailed infor-

^{4.} I exclude Representative Mo Brooks who has announced his candidacy for the United States Senate from the list of incumbents.

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mation about the simulation algorithms to Appendix B. I generated two sets of 10,000 simulated plans. The first set is generated by only considering the above criteria, using the Sequential Monte Carlo (SMC) simulation algorithm (McCartan and Imai 2020; Kenny et al. 2021; briefly described in Appendix B). Importantly, the simulation procedure does not use the information about race at all. I call this "race-blind" simulation analysis.

- 20. The second set of simulated plans also satisfy the above criteria, but use the information about race to create one majority-minority district (MMD). At the request of counsel for plaintiffs, the MMD is drawn as a district with the proportion of Black voting age population (BVAP) between 50% and 51%. I use the short-burst Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) algorithm (Cannon et al. 2020; briefly described in Appendix B) to find different MMDs by running this algorithm multiple times. Then, for each simulated MMD, I use the same race-blind simulation procedure as the one used for the race-blind simulation analysis to generate the remaining six districts. Specifically, I run the SMC algorithm on the rest of the state without using any information about race. Each of the resulting simulated plans, therefore, has one MMD and the remaining districts created in the race-blind fashion. I call this "one-MMD" simulation analysis.
- 21. Neither of my two simulation analyses use any partisan information. Lastly, Appendix E.1 provides the detailed information about data sources used in my analysis.

B. Description of Redistricting Simulation Software

22. In my analysis, I use the open-source software package for redistricting analysis redist (Kenny et al. 2020), which implements a variety of redistricting simulation algorithms as well as other evaluation methods. My collaborators and I have written the code for this software package, so that other researchers and the general public can implement these state-of-the-art methods on their own. I supplement this package with code written primarily to account for the redistricting rules and criteria that are specific to Alabama. All of my analyses are conducted on a laptop. Indeed, all of my analysis code can be run on any personal computer once the required software packages, which are also freely available and open-source, are installed.

V. EVALUATION OF THE ENACTED PLAN

- 23. Using the redistricting simulation methodology described above, I evaluate evidence regarding whether race was a primary factor in drawing the enacted plan. This is done by instructing the algorithms to adhere to all of the other redistricting rules and then comparing how the enacted plan treats race to the treatment of race in the resulting simulated plans. Specifically, I simulated two sets of 10,000 alternative plans ("race-blind" and "one-MMD"), using the simulation procedure described in Section IV.
- 24. In Appendix C, I show that the simulated plans are on average at least as compact as the enacted plan based on the standard compactness measures. For example, virtually all of the race-blind simulated plans are more compact than the enacted plan. Appendix D shows that most of the simulated plans have fewer than or equal to the number of county splits the enacted plan does. Indeed, almost all of the race-blind simulated plans split at most four counties while the enacted plan splits six counties. As mentioned above, all simulated plans have at most one incumbent located in any given district. This allows me to number the districts of each simulated plan according to the incumbents contained in them.
- 25. I can easily generate additional plans by running the algorithm longer, but for the purpose of my analysis, 10,000 simulated plans for each set will yield statistically precise conclusions. In other words, generating more than 10,000 plans, while possible, will not materially affect the conclusions of my analysis.

A. Race-blind Simulation Analysis

26. I start with the evaluation of the enacted plan based on the race-blind simulation analysis. I show that the way in which the enacted plan deviates from the simulated plans implies that race was a predominant factor in drawing the district boundaries of the enacted plan.

A.1. Outlier Analysis of Districts 2 and 7

27. I first conduct an outlier analysis of District 7, which is the sole MMD under the enacted plan. This analysis examines how extreme the BVAP proportion of District 7 is under the enacted plan when compared to that under the race-blind simulated plans. Figure 1 presents

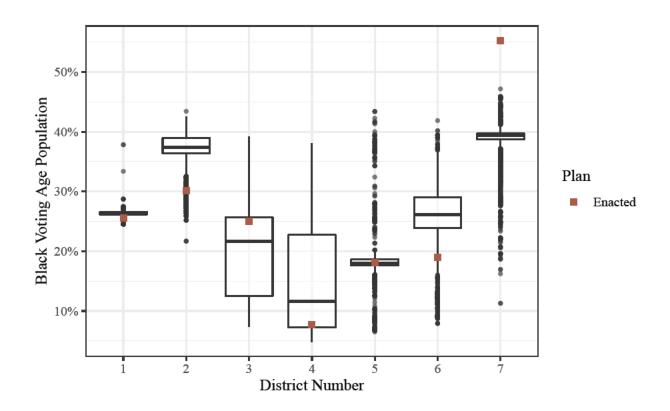


Figure 1: Proportion of Black voting age population (BVAP) for each district of the enacted plan (represented by the red square) compared to the distribution of BVAP proportion for the corresponding district under the simulated plans (represented by a boxplot). District 7 of the enacted plan is a clear outlier.

the distribution of the BVAP proportion for each district under the simulated plans (boxplot) with the red square representing the BVAP proportion for the corresponding district under the enacted plan (matched based on the incumbent location). Note that in a boxplot, the "box" contains 50% of the data points (those from 25 percentile to 75 percentile to be exact) with the horizontal line indicating the median value whereas the vertical lines coming out of the box, called "whiskers", indicate the range, which contains most data. Any data points that are beyond these whiskers are considered as outliers.

28. For the BVAP proportion of District 7, the enacted plan is a clear outlier, including many more Black people than the corresponding district of the simulated plans. In fact, none of my 10,000 simulated plans has a district that has anywhere near as high a BVAP percentage as District 7 of the enacted plan. In other words, the enacted plan considers race beyond what is required

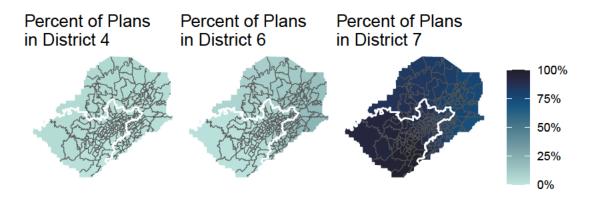


Figure 2: Precinct assignments to Districts 4 (left plot), 6 (middle plot), and 7 (right) across the simulated plans within Jefferson County. Darker colors indicate precincts that are often assigned to that district in simulated plans, while lighter colors indicate precincts that are less likely to be included in that district. The white line represents the district boundary of the enacted plan.

to satisfy the other redistricting criteria. Given the extent to which the BVAP of District 7 is an outlier, I conclude that race was a predominant factor" in drawing the district.

29. As a result of the high percentage of BVAP in District 7, the BVAP of District 2 under the enacted plan, which is 30.1%, is much lower than that under a vast majority of the simulated plans. Most simulated plans achieve a BVAP between 36.4% and 38.9% for this district.

A.2. Analysis of Jefferson County

- 30. I next analyze Jefferson County, where the city of Birmingham is located. The enacted plan splits this county by including a large part of Birmingham into District 7 while assigning the rest of the county to District 6. I examine how this decision differs from the way in which the simulated plans treat Jefferson County. First, unlike the enacted plan, more than half of the simulated plans (53.3%) do not split Jefferson County at all. These simulated plans include the entire county as part of District 7.
- 31. Second, the way in which the enacted plan splits Jefferson County is highly unusual. Figure 2 presents the proportion of simulated plans that assign each precinct from Jefferson County to Districts 4 (left), 6 (middle), and 7 (right). Darker colors indicate precincts that are likely to be assigned to each district under the simulated plans, whereas lighter colors represent the ones that tend to be part of other districts. As discussed above, the figure shows that the whole Jefferson

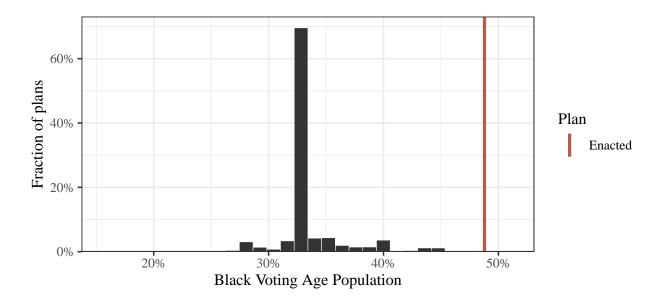


Figure 3: Comparison of Black Voting Age Population percent within Jefferson County and District 7 between simulated plans (black bars) and the enacted plan (red line).

County is usually part of District 7, indicated by the fact that the entire county is colored dark in the right map. Even when split, the simulated plans tend to assign much of the county to District 7. This pattern is in sharp contrast to the way in which the enacted plan splits Jefferson County — it groups precincts where more Black Alabamians reside and includes them into District 7 while assigning the rest of the county to District 6.

32. The examination of the BVAP within Jefferson County also confirms that the enacted plan is an outlier with respect to how it packs many Black residents of Jefferson County into District 7. Figure 3 presents the distribution of BVAP proportions within both Jefferson County and District 7 across simulated plans and compares it against the enacted plan (red line). The enacted plan is a clear outlier in that it packs many more Black residents of Jefferson County into District 7 than 9,992 of the 10,000 simulated plans. In other words, only 0.08% of simulated plans pack as many Black residents of Jefferson County into District 7 as the enacted plan.

A.3. Analysis of Montgomery County

33. In addition to Jefferson, Montgomery is another key county where many Black Alabamians live. The enacted plan splits this county into Districts 2 and 7. Importantly, the enacted plan divides the city of Montgomery into those two districts. I examine how often Montgomery

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County is split in the simulated plans to determine whether the decision to split Montgomery County in the enacted plan was likely to occur in order to satisfy other redistricting criteria. I find that over 97% of the simulated plans do not split Montgomery County at all. Indeed, about 94% of these simulated plans assign the entire Montgomery County to Districts 2 or 6 rather than District 7. It is clear that the enacted plan packs Black voters who live in the western part of the city of Montgomery into District 7 while leaving District 2 with fewer Black voters.

34. Based on these findings, it is my opinion that the enacted plan splits Montgomery County in a way that includes a disproportionate number of Black people into District 7, even though doing so was unnecessary to satisfy the other redistricting criteria.

B. One-MMD Simulation Analysis

35. I next conduct the one-MMD simulation analysis. As described in Section IV, this simulation procedure first uses a simulation algorithm to find an MMD with the BVAP proportion of 50–51% and then runs another simulation algorithm on the rest of the state without using any information about race. Like in the race-blind simulation, I created a total of 10,000 plans (see Appendix B for details).

B.1. Analysis of the Majority-Minority District

- 36. I find that all of the simulated plans use Birmingham as part of the MMD. In fact, many of the simulated plans split Jefferson County and incorporate the city of Birmingham into the MMD in a similar way to the enacted plan. In addition, all of the simulated plans split Tuscaloosa County and within this county draw district boundaries similar to those in the enacted plan.
- 37. The key difference between the enacted plan and simulated plans is how Montgomery County is treated. The enacted plan packs an unnecessarily large number of Black voters into the MMD, i.e., District 7, when compared to the simulated plans. Specifically, the enacted plan splits the City of Montgomery into two and includes its western part along with its northern and southern environs into the MMD. In contrast, a majority (62.2%) of the simulated plans do not split Montgomery County at all and instead assign the whole county to a non-MMD. Moreover, even in 37.8% of the simulated plans that split Montgomery County, a much smaller part of the

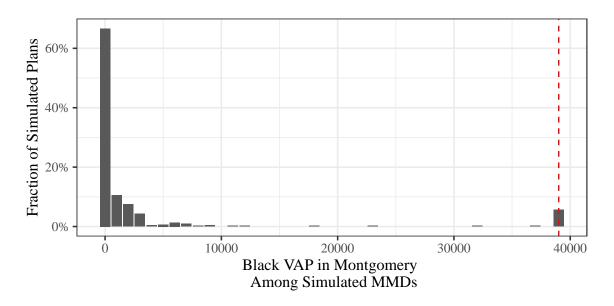


Figure 4: Black voting age population (BVAP) in Montgomery among each simulated majority-minority district (MMD). The enacted plan (red) places considerably more Black population in Montgomery than most simulated MMDs.

county's population gets assigned to the MMD.

- 38. Figure 4 shows the distribution of the BVAP in Montgomery County that is assigned to the MMD across the simulated plans. The enacted plan (red dashed line) assigns about 39,000 Black residents of voting age to the MMD. In contrast, the simulated plans include a much smaller percentage of BVAP of Montgomery County in the MMD. The distribution for the simulated plans is highly skewed with a large spike at zero because a majority of the simulated plans do not assign any part of Montgomery County to the MMD and instead keep Montgomery County as a whole. And, even when the MMD incorporates a part of Montgomery County in 37.8% of the simulated plans, it includes much less than 4,000 Black residents of voting age most of the time as opposed to 39,000 in the enacted plan.
- 39. Figure 5 shows which parts of Montgomery County, if any, are likely to be included in the MMD under the simulated plans. In this map, a precinct with darker shade means that it is part of the MMD in a greater number of simulated plans. Consistent with the finding above, most of Montgomery County has almost zero chance of being part of the MMD. The only area that is somewhat likely to be included in the MMD is the western edge of the City of Montgomery. But,

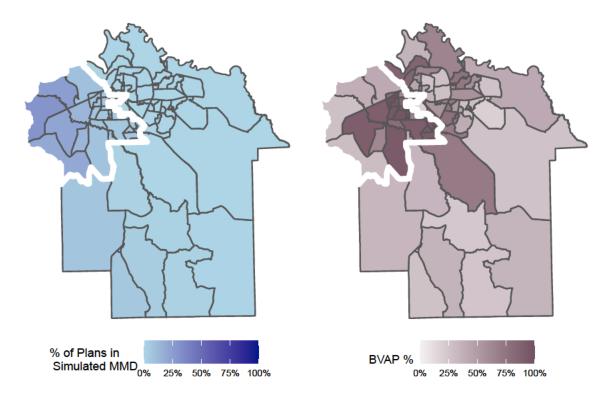


Figure 5: The fraction of times that each Montgomery precinct was assigned to a simulated majority-minority district compared to the enacted plan (white) on left, and the black voting age population share of each precinct in Montgomery county on right.

this area is much smaller than the area that is part of the MMD under the enacted plan as delineated by the white line.

40. In sum, the above analysis demonstrates that the enacted plan places Black voters who live in Montgomery County into District 7 in a manner that suggests race was a predominant factor in drawing district boundaries. In contrast, most of the simulated plans place none or few of these voters in the MMD.

B.2. Analysis of the Second Highest BVAP District

41. The consequence of packing Black voters who live in Montgomery County into the MMD is that it leaves fewer Black voters for other districts. Figure 6 shows the distribution of BVAP proportion for the district that has the second highest BVAP proportion under each simulated plan. Note that under more than 90% of the simulated plans, District 2 has the second highest BVAP proportion. When compared to the enacted plan (represented by the red dashed line), under

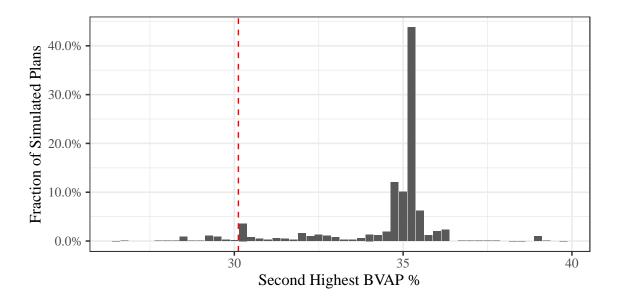


Figure 6: The second highest Black voting age population (BVAP) proportion (after the simulated majority-minority district) in each simulated plan. The vast majority of simulated plans have greater BVAP than the enacted (red).

the simulated plans, this district has a much higher BVAP proportion with the maximum value of 39.7%. Although all of non-MMD districts were generated without using any information about race, the simulation plan has, on average, the second highest district-level BVAP proportion at 34.5%, which is 4.4 percentage point higher than the corresponding BVAP proportion under the enacted plan (30.1%). Only 3.7% of the simulated plans have the second highest district-level BVAP proportion to be less than the one for the enacted plan (30.1%).

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct:

Executed, this day, December 10, 2021, in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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VI. APPENDIX

A. Introduction to Redistricting Simulation

- 1. In recent years, redistricting simulation algorithms have played an increasingly important role in court cases involving redistricting plans. Simulation evidence has been presented to courts in many states, including Michigan, North Carolina, Ohio, and Pennsylvania.⁵
- 2. Over the past several years, researchers have made major scientific advances to improve the theoretical properties and empirical performance of redistricting simulation algorithms. All of the state-of-the-art redistricting simulation algorithms belong to the family of Monte Carlo methods. They are based on random generation of spanning trees, which are mathematical objects in graph theory (DeFord, Duchin, and Solomon 2021). The use of these random spanning trees allows these state-of-the-art algorithms to efficiently sample a representative set of plans (Autry et al. 2020; Carter et al. 2019; McCartan and Imai 2020; Kenny et al. 2021). Algorithms developed earlier, which do not use random spanning trees and instead rely on incremental changes to district boundaries, are often not able to do so.
- 3. These algorithms are designed to sample plans from a specific probability distribution, which means that every legal redistricting plan has certain odds of being generated. The algorithms put as few restrictions as possible on these odds, except to ensure that, on average, the generated plans meet certain criteria. For example, the probabilities are set so that the generated plans reach a certain level of geographic compactness, on average. Other criteria, based on the state in question, may be fed into the algorithm by the researcher. In other words, this target distribution is based on the weakest assumption about the data under the specified constraints.
- 4. In addition, the algorithms ensure that all of the sampled plans (a) are geographically contiguous, and (b) have a population which deviates by no more than a specified amount

^{5.} Declaration of Dr. Jonathan C. Mattingly, Common Cause v. Lewis (2019); Testimony of Dr. Jowei Chen, Common Cause v. Lewis (2019); Testimony of Dr. Pegden, Common Cause v. Lewis (2019); Expert Report of Jonathan Mattingly on the North Carolina State Legislature, Rucho v. Common Cause (2019); Expert Report of Jowei Chen, Rucho v. Common Cause (2019); Amicus Brief of Mathematicians, Law Professors, and Students in Support of Appellees and Affirmance, Rucho v. Common Cause (2019); Brief of Amici Curaiae Professors Wesley Pegden, Jonathan Rodden, and Samuel S.-H. Wang in Support of Appellees, Rucho v. Common Cause (2019); Intervenor's Memo, Ohio A. Philip Randolph Inst. et al. v. Larry Householder (2019); Expert Report of Jowei Chen, League of Women Voters of Michigan v. Benson (2019).

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from a target population.

- 5. There are two types of general Monte Carlo algorithms which generate redistricting plans with these guarantees and other properties: sequential Monte Carlo (SMC; Doucet, Freitas, and Gordon 2001) and Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC; Gilks, Richardson, and Spiegelhalter 1996) algorithms.
- 6. The SMC algorithm (McCartan and Imai 2020; Kenny et al. 2021) samples many redistricting plans in parallel, starting from a blank map. First, the algorithm draws a random spanning tree and removes an edge from it, creating a "split" in the map, which forms a new district. This process is repeated until the algorithm generates enough plans with just one district drawn. The algorithm calculates a weight for each plan in a specific way so that the algorithm yields a representative sample from the target probability distribution. Next, the algorithm selects one of the drawn plans at random. Plans with greater weights are more likely to be selected. The algorithm then draws another district using the same splitting procedure and calculates a new weight for each updated plan that comports with the target probability distribution. The whole process of random selection and drawing is repeated again and again, each time drawing one additional district on each plan. Once all districts are drawn, the algorithm yields a sample of maps representative of the target probability distribution.
- 7. The MCMC algorithms (Autry et al. 2020; Carter et al. 2019) also form districts by drawing a random spanning tree and splitting it. Unlike the SMC algorithm, however, these algorithms do not draw redistricting plans from scratch. Instead, the MCMC algorithms start with an existing plan and modify it, merging a random pair of districts and then splitting them a new way.
- 8. Diagnostic measures exist for both these algorithms which allow users to make sure the algorithms are functioning correctly and accurately. The original papers for these algorithms referenced above provide more detail on the algorithm specifics, empirical validation of their performance, and the appropriateness of the chosen target distribution.

B. Implementation Details

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B.1. Race-blind simulation analysis

- 9. In my race-blind simulation analysis, I use the SMC algorithm for a couple of reasons. First, unlike the MCMC algorithms, the SMC algorithm generates nearly independent samples, leading to a diverse set of redistricting plans that satisfy the specified constraints. Second, the SMC algorithm avoids splitting political subdivision boundaries where possible, an important consideration in the case of Alabama.
- 10. Article II(b) of the Reapportionment Committee Redistricting Guidelines (hereafter *the Guidelines*) states "Congressional districts shall have minimal population deviation." I selected the population deviation threshold of 0.5% given the fact that our primary unit of analysis is voting districts (VTD), the smallest geographical unit for which the election results are available. Although this means that the total population is not exactly equalized across the Congressional districts in my simulated plans, this level of population deviation (i.e., about 3,500 people) is too small to qualitatively change the conclusions of my analyses.
- 11. Article II(h) of the Guidelines require districts to be "contiguous and reasonably compact". The SMC algorithm I use is designed to generate contiguous and relatively compact districts. Figure 7 of Appendix C shows that most of the simulated plans are more compact than the enacted plan according to the Polsby-Popper measure (Polsby and Popper 1991), which is a common metric of compactness used in the academic literature.
- 12. Article II(j)(iv) of the Guidelines call for minimizing the number of counties within each district. To achieve this, I instructed the algorithm to reduce the number of county splits. I do this in two ways. The first is instruct the algorithm to draw boundaries along county boundaries where feasible, which mechanically limits the maximum number of possible county spits. To further reduce the number of county splits, I also impose a small penalty against splitting counties into the probability distribution that governs the sampling process. The mathematical formulation of this constraint is $C_{\text{splits}}n_{\text{splits}}$, where n_{splits} is the number of splits for a given plan or portion of a plan and C_{splits} is a parameter, which controls the strength of the constraint. I set $C_{\text{splits}} = 1$, which is balanced with the incumbency constraint (discussed in the next paragraph) as the maximum integer

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value without sacrificing the sampling efficiency and sample diversity. Figure 9 of Appendix D shows that the simulated plans have fewer or equal number of county splits than the enacted plan, which splits a total of 6 counties.

13. Article II(j)(i) of the Guidelines state that "Contests between incumbents will be avoided whenever possible." Indeed, the enacted plan includes no more than one incumbent in each district. I follow this decision and ensure that all simulated plans have the same property. This is achieved by adding a penalty to any sampled districts which pair incumbents, similar to the penalty used for reducing splits. The mathematical formulation of this constraint is analogous to that for splits, $C_{\text{pair}}n_{\text{pair}}$, where n_{pair} is the number of incumbents paired for a given plan or portion of a plan and again C_{pair} is a parameter which controls the strength of the constraint. I set $C_{\text{pair}} = 2$ to ensure that I can sample plans without incumbent pairings in a reasonable portion of the original sample. This value is balanced with C_{splits} to ensure that the final sample is diverse. As this is probability-based, I sample 50,000 plans and reject those which still pair incumbents. Of the remaining plans, I take the first 10,000 which do not pair any incumbents and do not split any counties more than once. My list of incumbents does not include Representative Mo Brooks of the fifth Congressional district who plans to run for the Senate.

B.2. One-MMD simulation analysis

14. The one-MMD simulation analysis proceeds in two steps. First, I run the short-burst algorithm (Cannon et al. 2020) based on the merge-split type MCMC algorithm (Autry et al. 2020; Carter et al. 2019). I designed the algorithm so that it will find one majority-minority district (MMD) with the BVAP proportion between 50% and 51%, as instructed by counsel for the plaintiffs. Additionally, I instructed the algorithm to seek MMDs with few county splits. I do both by using the following mathematical criterion: $I_{\rm MMD} - 0.2 f_{\rm splits}$, where $I_{\rm MMD}$ is an indicator variable (1 if the plan has an MMD between 50 and 51% BVAP, 0 otherwise) for whether or not there is an MMD in the plan, and $f_{\rm splits}$ is the fraction of counties that are split. In the enacted plan, there is one MMD and 6 (out of 67) counties are split, creating a score of 0.982. Since within the MMD itself, there are 3 county splits (Jefferson, Tuscaloosa, and Montgomery), I seek an MMD

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with 3 or fewer county splits. I instructed the short-burst algorithm to seek a score of 0.985, which would indicate plans that have an MMD and the limited number of county splits.

15. While this algorithm seeks plans that meet the score, I run it more times than the required number of plans so that I will have enough plans to analyze even in rare cases where the algorithm fails to converge. Specifically, I run this algorithm 650 times, from which 444 plans successfully meet this score, have no incumbent pairs, and create an MMD with 3 or fewer county splits. Once I obtain 444 MMDs with the desirable characteristics, I run the race-blind analysis on the rest of the state. Next, I simulate 10,000 plans created using these MMDs. To do this, I take each simulated MMD and use the Sequential Monte Carlo (SMC) simulation algorithm (McCartan and Imai 2020; Kenny et al. 2021) to generate the remaining districts in the rest of the state without using race information. I use the same constraints as in the earlier race-blind analysis in the SMC algorithm, to reduce the likelihood of incumbent pairs and limit the number of county splits. I place a slightly higher weight on each constraint, i.e., $C_{\rm splits} = 3$, than in the race-blind analysis, because part of the map has already been accounted for in the creation of the MMD. Half of the county splits in the enacted map, i.e., 3 out of 6, come from the single MMD, so this makes for realistic comparison maps.

I aim to create 10,000 sample plans, and I again oversample so that I can remove maps from the analysis that do not meet the specified criteria above. Simulation algorithms are probabilistic, and it is possible to create maps which do not meet the criteria even when there is a weight placed on them. By oversampling, I can remove the plans which do not meet the criteria and still reach the targeted sample size of 10,000. Specifically, I randomly sample 300 of the 444 created MMDs. For each of these simulated MMDs, I run a race-blind analysis on the rest of the state by taking 75 independent draws of the SMC algorithm.

Finally, I adjust for oversampling by removing ultimate plans that do not meet the criteria. For example, a very small number of simulated plans (<1%) create 7 county splits, which are dropped from the analysis. I also drop any simulated plan that contains an incumbent pair, and take 50 independent draws from 200 randomly selected starting points, for a total of 10,000 plans.

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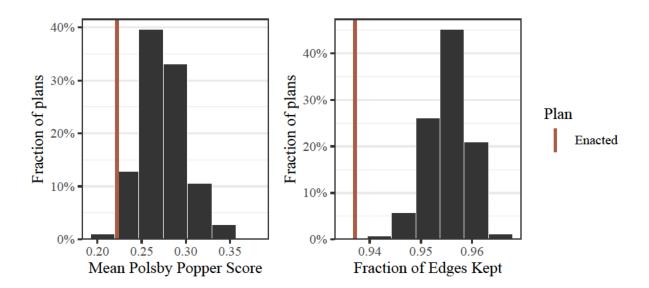


Figure 7: The compactness of the race-blind simulated plans according to two measures – the average Polsby-Popper compactness (left) and fraction of edges kept (right). In general, simulated plans are as compact or more compact than the enacted plan.

I take the same number of draws from each plan so that each of the generated MMDs has an equal weight in the final outcome.

C. Compactness of the Simulated Plans

- 16. I now show that the simulated plans are more compliant than the enacted plan. I use the average Polsby–Popper (Polsby and Popper 1991) and edge-removal (DeFord, Duchin, and Solomon 2021; McCartan and Imai 2020) scores, two commonly-used quantitative measures of district compactness. For the edge-removal compactness, I present the fraction of edge kept so that like the Polsby–Popper score, a greater value implies a higher level of compactness. Figure 7 shows that according to these two measures, almost all of the race-blind simulated plans are more compact the enacted plan.
- 17. Figure 8 also shows that according to the Polsby–Popper and edge-removal scores, almost all of the one-MMD simulated plans are more compact than the enacted plan.

D. County Splits of the Simulated Plans

18. Figure 9 compares the number of counties split between the race-blind simulated plans and the enacted plan (red). The race-blind simulated plans split fewer counties than the

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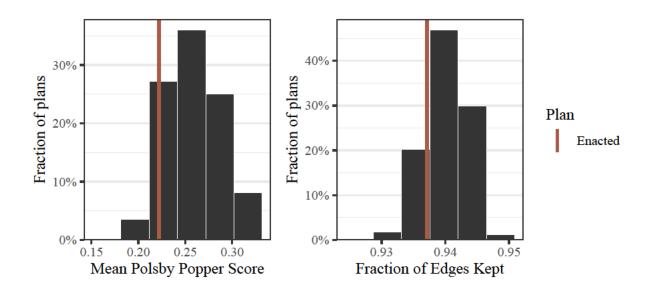


Figure 8: The compactness of the one-MMD simulated plans according to two measures – Polsby-Popper compactness (left) and fraction of edges kept (right). In general, simulated plans are as compact or more compact than the enacted plan.

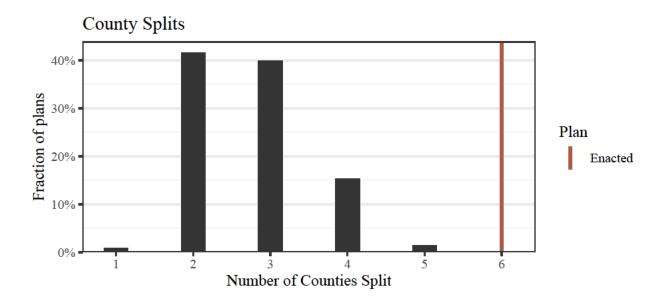


Figure 9: The number of counties split in the simulated plans (histogram) and in the enacted plan (red line). A county is deemed as split if any of its precincts are assigned to different districts. The left plot presents the total number of split counties while the right plot shows the number of counties that are split into more than two districts.

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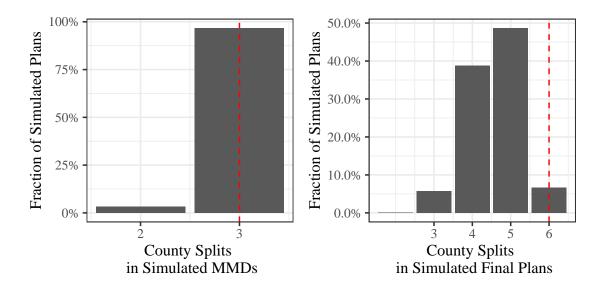


Figure 10: The number of county splits in each simulated majority-minority district (left) and in the complete simulated plans (right). All simulated plans used in the analysis have the same number or fewer splits than the enacted plan (red).

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19. For the one-MMD simulation analysis, Figure 10 presents the number of counties split within the MMD (left plot) and the total number of counties split (right plot). The figure shows that when compared to the enacted plan, all of the one-MMD simulated plans have fewer or equal number of county splits within the MMD and across all districts.

E. References and Materials Considered

E.1. Data Sources

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- 21. The 2014 precinct-level election returns came from the Alabama Secretary of State's office, and, after cleaning, were joined those to the 2016 precinct-level shapefile acquired from the Voting and Election Science Team. Since absentee and provisional vote is reported at the county level, the county-level absentee and provisional votes for each candidate were distributed

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to the precincts in the county, proportional to the share of the candidate's vote total in the county that was reported from each precinct.

- 22. The 2020 Census Block shapefiles, total population by race and ethnicity, and voting age population by race and ethnicity were obtained directly from the Census FTP portal.

 The VTD block assignment files, congressional district block assignment files, state house district block assignment files, and state senate district block assignment files came from the Census website. The draft congressional, state house, and state senate plans came from a member of the Alabama Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.
- 23. For datasets that were on the 2020 census block level (total population, voting age population, VTD assignment, congressional district assignment, state house district assignment, and state senate district assignment), these datasets were joined to the 2020 Census block shapefile.
- 24. For datasets that were not on the level of the census block (2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2020 election returns precinct), they were disaggregated down to the 2020 census block level. Then, they were joined to the 2020 Census block shapefile. The full block-level dataset was aggregated up to the level of the 2020 voting districts, taking into account (a) discontiguities in voting districts and (b) splits of voting districts by any of the implemented and proposed plans.

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- 13. Inaugural recipient of the *Emerging Scholar Award* for a young scholar making exceptional contributions to political methodology who is within ten years of their terminal degree, awarded by the Society for Political Methodology (2011).
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- 2. Ben-Michael, Eli, D. James Greiner, Kosuke Imai, and Zhichao Jiang. "Safe Policy Learning through Extrapolation: Application to Pre-trial Risk Assessment."
- 3. Tarr, Alexander and Kosuke Imai. "Estimating Average Treatment Effects with Support Vector Machines."
- 4. McCartan, Cory and Kosuke Imai. "Sequential Monte Carlo for Sampling Balanced and Compact Redistricting Plans."
- 5. Imai, Kosuke and Zhichao Jiang. "Principal Fairness for Human and Algorithmic Decision-Making."
- 6. Papadogeorgou, Georgia, Kosuke Imai, Jason Lyall, and Fan Li. "Causal Inference with Spatio-temporal Data: Estimating the Effects of Airstrikes on Insurgent Violence in Iraq."
- 7. Eshima, Shusei, Kosuke Imai, and Tomoya Sasaki. "Keyword Assisted Topic Models."
- 8. Tarr, Alexander, June Hwang, and Kosuke Imai. "Automated Coding of Political Campaign Advertisement Videos: An Empirical Validation Study."
- 9. Olivella, Santiago, Tyler Pratt, and Kosuke Imai. "Dynamic Stochastic Blockmodel Regression for Social Networks: Application to International Conflicts."
- 10. Chan, K.C.G, K. Imai, S.C.P. Yam, Z. Zhang. "Efficient Nonparametric Estimation of Causal Mediation Effects."
- 11. Barber, Michael and Kosuke Imai. "Estimating Neighborhood Effects on Turnout from Geocoded Voter Registration Records."
- 12. Hirano, Shigeo, Kosuke Imai, Yuki Shiraito, and Masaki Taniguchi. "Policy Positions in Mixed Member Electoral Systems: Evidence from Japan."

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- 2. Horiuchi, Yusaku, Kosuke Imai, and Naoko Taniguchi. (2005). "Seisaku Jyōhō to Tōhyō Sanka: Field Jikken ni yoru Kensyō (Policy Information and Voter Participation: A Field Experiment)." Nenpō Seijigaku (The Annals of the Japanese Political Science Association), 2005–I, pp. 161–180.

3. Taniguchi, Naoko, Yusaku Horiuchi, and Kosuke Imai. (2004). "Seitō Saito no Etsuran ha Tohyō Kōdō ni Eikyō Suruka? (Does Visiting Political Party Websites Influence Voting Behavior?)" Nikkei Research Report, Vol. IV, pp. 16–19.

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- 3. Egami, Naoki, Brandon de la Cuesta, and Kosuke Imai. "factorEx: Design and Analysis for Factorial Experiments." available through The Comprehensive R Archive Network and GitHub. 2019.
- Kim, In Song, Erik Wang, Adam Rauh, and Kosuke Imai. "PanelMatch: Matching Methods for Causal Inference with Time-Series Cross-Section Data." available through GitHub. 2018.
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- 14. Shiraito, Yuki, and Kosuke Imai. "endorse: R Package for Analyzing Endorsement Experiments." available through The Comprehensive R Archive Network and GitHub. 2012.
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- 19. Imai, Kosuke, Ying Lu, and Aaron Strauss. "eco: Ecological Inference in 2×2 Tables." available through The Comprehensive R Archive Network and GitHub. 2004.
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- 21. Imai, Kosuke, Gary King, and Olivia Lau. "Zelig: Everyone's Statistical Software." available through The Comprehensive R Archive Network. 2004.

External Research Grants

Principal Investigator

- 1. National Science Foundation (2021–2024). "Collaborative Research: Causal Inference with Spatio-Temporal Data on Human Dynamics in Conflict Settings." (Algorithm for Threat Detection Program; DMS-2124463). Principal Investigator (with Georgia Papadogeorgou and Jason Lyall) \$485,340.
- 2. National Science Foundation (2021–2023). "Evaluating the Impacts of Machine Learning Algorithms on Human Decisions." (Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics Program; SES-2051196). Principal Investigator (with D. James Greiner and Zhichao Jiang) \$330,000.
- 3. Cisco Systems, Inc. (2020–2022). "Evaluating the Impacts of Algorithmic Recommendations on the Fairness of Human Decisions." (Ethics in AI; CG# 2370386) Principal Investigator (with D. James Greiner and Zhichao Jiang) \$110,085.
- 4. The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation (2020–2022). "Causal Inference with Complex Treatment Regimes: Design, Identification, Estimation, and Heterogeneity." (Economics Program;

- 2020--13946) Co-Principal Investigator (with Francesca Dominici and Jose Zubizarreta) $\$996,\!299$
- 5. Facebook Research Grant (2018). \$25,000.
- 6. National Science Foundation (2016–2021). "Collaborative Conference Proposal: Support for Conferences and Mentoring of Women and Underrepresented Groups in Political Methodology." (Methodology, Measurement and Statistics and Political Science Programs; SES–1628102) Principal Investigator (with Jeffrey Lewis) \$312,322. Supplement (SES–1831370) \$60,000.
- 7. The United States Agency for International Development (2015–2017). "Unemployment and Insurgent Violence in Afghanistan: Evidence from the Community Development Program." (AID-OAA-A-12-00096) Principal Investigator (with Jason Lyall) \$188,037
- 8. The United States Institute of Peace (2015–2016). "Assessing the Links between Economic Interventions and Stability: An impact evaluation of vocational and skills training in Kandahar, Afghanistan," Principal Investigator (with David Haines, Jon Kurtz, and Jason Lyall) \$144,494.
- 9. Amazon Web Services in Education Research Grant (2014). Principal Investigator (with Graeme Blair and Carlos Velasco Rivera) \$3,000.
- Development Bank of Latin America (CAF) (2013). "The Origins of Citizen Support for Narcos: An Empirical Investigation," Principal Investigator (with Graeme Blair, Fabiana Machado, and Carlos Velasco Rivera). \$15,000.
- 11. The International Growth Centre (2011–2013). "Poverty, Militancy, and Citizen Demands in Natural Resource-Rich Regions: Randomized Evaluation of the Oil Profits Dividend Plan for the Niger Delta" (RA–2010–12–013). Principal Investigator (with Graeme Blair). \$117,116.
- 12. National Science Foundation, (2009–2012). "Statistical Analysis of Causal Mechanisms: Identification, Inference, and Sensitivity Analysis," (Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics Program and Political Science Program; SES–0918968). Principal Investigator. \$97,574.
- National Science Foundation, (2009–2011). "Collaborative Research: The Measurement and Identification of Media Priming Effects in Political Science," (Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics Program and Political Science Program; SES–0849715). Principal Investigator (with Nicholas Valentino). \$317,126.
- 14. National Science Foundation, (2008–2009). "New Statistical Methods for Randomized Experiments in Political Science and Public Policy," (Political Science Program; SES–0752050). Principal Investigator. \$52,565.
- 15. National Science Foundation, (2006–2009). "Collaborative Research: Generalized Propensity Score Methods," (Methodology, Measurement and Statistics Program; SES–0550873). Principal Investigator (with Donald B. Rubin and David A. van Dyk). \$460,000.
- 16. The Telecommunications Advancement Foundation, (2004). "Analyzing the Effects of Party Webpages on Political Opinions and Voting Behavior," Principal Investigator (with Naoko Taniguchi and Yusaku Horiuchi). \$12,000.

Adviser and Statistical Consultant

- National Science Foundation (2016–2017). "Doctoral Dissertation Research: Crossing Africa's Arbitrary Borders: How Refugees Shape National Boundaries by Challenging Them." (Political Science Program, SES–1560636). Principal Investigator and Adviser for Co-PI Yang-Yang Zhou's Dissertation Research. \$18,900.
- 2. Institute of Education Sciences (2012–2014). "Academic and Behavioral Consequences of Visible Security Measures in Schools" (R305A120181). Statistical Consultant (Emily Tanner-Smith, Principal Investigator). \$351,228.
- National Science Foundation (2013–2014). "Doctoral Dissertation Research: Open Trade for Sale: Lobbying by Productive Exporting Firm" (Political Science Program, SES– 1264090). Principal Investigator and Adviser for Co-PI In Song Kim's Dissertation Research. \$22,540.
- 4. National Science Foundation (2012–2013). "Doctoral Dissertation Research: The Politics of Location in Resource Rent Distribution and the Projection of Power in Africa" (Political Science Program, SES–1260754). Principal Investigator and Adviser for Co-PI Graeme Blair's Dissertation Research. \$17,640.

Invited Short Courses and Outreach Lectures

- 1. Short Course on Causal Inference and Statistics Department of Political Science, Rice University, 2009; Institute of Political Science, Academia Sinica, 2014.
- 2. Short Course on Causal Inference and Identification, The Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago, 2011; Department of Politics, Princeton University, 2012.
- 3. Short Course on Causal Mediation Analysis Summer Graduate Seminar, Institute of Statistical Mathematics, Tokyo Japan, 2010; Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness Conference, Washington DC, Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2015; Inter-American Development Bank, 2012; Center for Education Research, University of Wisconsin, Madison, 2012; Bobst Center for Peace and Justice, Princeton University, 2014; Graduate School of Education, University of Pennsylvania, 2014; EITM Summer Institute, Duke University, 2014; Center for Lifespan Psychology, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, 2015; School of Communication Research, University of Amsterdam, 2015; Uppsala University, 2016
- 4. Short Course on Covariate Balancing Propensity Score Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness Conference, Washington DC, Spring 2013; Uppsala University, 2016
- Short Course on Matching Methods for Causal Inference Institute of Behavioral Science, University of Colorado, Boulder, 2009; Department of Political Science, Duke University, 2013.
- Lecture on Statistics and Social Sciences New Jersey Japanese School, 2011, 2016;
 Kaisei Academy, 2012, 2014; Princeton University Wilson College, 2012; University of Tokyo, 2014

Selected Presentations

- 1. Distinguished speaker, Harvard College Summer Program for Undergraduates in Data Science, 2021.
- 2. Keynote speaker, Kansas-Western Missouri Chapter of the American Statistical Association, 2021.
- 3. Invited plenary panelist, Association for Computing Machinery Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (ACM FAccT) 2021.
- 4. Keynote speaker, Taiwan Political Science Association, 2020.
- Keynote speaker, Boston Japanese Researchers Forum, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2020.
- 6. Keynote speaker, Causal Mediation Analysis Training Workshop, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, 2020.
- 7. Keynote speaker, Special Workshop on Evidence-based Policy Making. World Economic Forum, Centre for the Fourth Industrial Revolution, Japan, 2020.
- 8. Distinguished speaker, Institute for Data, Systems, and Society. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2019.
- 9. Keynote speaker, The Harvard Experimental Political Science Graduate Student Conference, Harvard University, 2019.
- Invited speaker, Beyond Curve Fitting: Causation, Counterfactuals, and Imaginationbased AI. Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence, Spring Symposium, Stanford University, 2019.
- 11. Inaugural speaker, Causal Inference Seminar, Departments of Biostatistics and Statistics, Boston University, 2019.
- 12. Keynote speaker, The Second Latin American Political Methodology Meeting, Universidad de los Andes (Department of Political Science), 2018.
- 13. Keynote speaker, The First Latin American Political Methodology Meeting, Pontifical Catholic University of Chile (Department of Political Science), 2017.
- 14. Keynote speaker, Workshop on Uncovering Causal Mechanisms, University of Munich (Department of Economics), 2016.
- 15. Keynote speaker, The National Quality Registry Research Conference, Stockholm, 2016.
- 16. Keynote speaker, The UK-Causal Inference Meeting, University of Bristol (School of Mathematics), 2015.
- 17. Keynote speaker, The UP-STAT Conference, the Upstate Chapters of the American Statistical Association, 2015.
- 18. Keynote speaker, The Winter Conference in Statistics, Swedish Statistical Society and Umeå University (Department of Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics), 2015.

- 19. Inaugural invited speaker, The International Methods Colloquium, Rice University, 2015.
- 20. Invited speaker, The International Meeting on Experimental and Behavioral Social Sciences, University of Oxford (Nuffield College), 2014.
- 21. Keynote speaker, The Annual Conference of Australian Society for Quantitative Political Science, University of Sydney, 2013.
- 22. Keynote speaker, The Graduate Student Conference on Experiments in Interactive Decision Making, Princeton University. 2008.

Conferences Organized

- 1. The Asian Political Methodology Meetings (January 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018; coorganizer)
- 2. The Experimental Research Workshop (September 2012; co-organizer)
- 3. The 12th World Meeting of the International Society for Bayesian Analysis (June 2012; a member of the organizing committee)
- 4. Conference on Causal Inference and the Study of Conflict and State Building (May 2012; organizer)
- 5. The 28th Annual Society for Political Methodology Summer Meeting (July 2011; host)
- 6. Conference on New Methodologies and their Applications in Comparative Politics and International Relations (February 2011; co-organizer)

Teaching

Courses Taught at Harvard

- 1. Stat 286/Gov 2003 Causal Inference (formally Stat 186/Gov 2002): introduction to causal inference
- 2. Gov 2003 Topics in Quantitative Methodology: causal inference, applied Bayesian statistics, machine learning

Courses Taught at Princeton

- 1. POL 245 Visualizing Data: exploratory data analysis, graphical statistics, data visualization
- 2. POL 345 Quantitative Analysis and Politics: a first course in quantitative social science
- 3. POL 451 Statistical Methods in Political Science: basic probability and statistical theory, their applications in the social sciences
- 4. POL 502 Mathematics for Political Science: real analysis, linear algebra, calculus
- 5. POL 571 Quantitative Analysis I: probability theory, statistical theory, linear models
- 6. POL 572 Quantitative Analysis II: intermediate applied statistics

- 7. POL 573 Quantitative Analysis III: advanced applied statistics
- 8. POL 574 Quantitative Analysis IV: advanced applied statistics with various topics including Bayesian statistics and causal inference
- 9. Reading Courses: basic mathematical probability and statistics, applied bayesian statistics, spatial statistics

Advising

Current Students

- 1. Soubhik Barari (Government)
- 2. Adam Breuer (Computer Science and Government). To be Assistant Professor, Department of Government and Department of Computer Science, Dartmouth College
- 3. Jacob Brown (Government)
- 4. Ambarish Chattopadhyay (Statistics)
- 5. Shusei Eshima (Government)
- 6. Georgina Evans (Government)
- 7. Dae Woong Ham (Statistics)
- 8. Christopher T. Kenny (Government)
- 9. Michael Lingzhe Li (MIT, Operations Research Center)
- 10. Jialu Li (Government)
- 11. Cory McCartan (Statistics)
- 12. Sayumi Miyano (Princeton, Politics)
- 13. Sun Young Park (Government)
- 14. Casey Petroff (Political Economy and Government)
- 15. Averell Schmidt (Kennedy School)
- 16. Sooahn Shin (Government)
- 17. Tyler Simko (Government)
- 18. Soichiro Yamauchi (Government)
- 19. Yi Zhang (Statistics)

Current Postdocs

- 1. Eli Ben-Michael
- 2. Evan Rosenman

Former Students

- 1. Alexander Tarr (Ph.D. in 2021, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Princeton University; Dissertation Committee Chair)
- 2. Connor Jerzak (Ph.D. in 2021, Department of Government, Harvard University). Post-doctoral Fellow, Linkoping University. To be Assistant Professor, Department of Government, University of Texas, Austin
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Editorial board member for Asian Journal of Comparative Politics (2014 – present), Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics (2011 – present), Journal of Politics (2007 – 2008, 2019–2020), Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness (2014 – 2016), Political Analysis (2010 – 2013), Political Science Research and Methods (2019 – present).

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Background and Qualifications

I am an Assistant Professor of Political Science in the Department of Political Science at Auburn University in Auburn, Alabama. I have held this position since 2018. My areas of expertise include American government, electoral politics, electoral administration, legislative politics and procedure, and statistical methods in social sciences.

At Auburn, I teach courses on a variety of topics related to American politics including election administration reform policy, voting behavior and representation, and electoral institutions. I also serve on the dissertation committees of 11 graduate students, have participated in nearly 40 conference presentations, have given half a dozen invited talks around the country, received multiple teaching awards, and have been awarded nearly \$90,000 dollars in grants to support my research.

Further in my capacity as an assistant professor, I have published over 20 peer-reviewed articles and book chapters, including research in leading outlets in the field such as *The Journal of Politics*, *Election Law Journal, Electoral Studies, Political Research Quarterly*, and *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*. Of these publications, six directly address issues related to redistricting and gerrymandering and have garnered dozens of citations in a few short years. I am also currently serving as the associate editor of a new journal entitled *Journal of Election Administration Research and Practice*, which publishes research related to how elections are administered and how different laws and policies impact said administration.

In addition to my substantive expertise, I have extensive background and experience in statistical analysis. My graduate training included courses in research design, probability theory, ordinary least squares, maximum likelihood estimation, Bayesian analysis, geospatial data analysis, and casual inference. I also attended the Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research at the University of Michigan in 2013 where I took additional courses on maximum likelihood estimation, advanced regression, and multidimensional scaling. Each of my academic publications has required the use of statistical analysis including descriptive analysis, geospatial analysis, ordinary least squares, maximum likelihood estimation, time series data, panel data, survey data, and experimental designs. Furthermore, I am responsible for teaching the research methods course for the Master of Public Administration program at Auburn University.

Through the relationship between Auburn University and the National Association of Election Officials, I have been invited to give presentations and teach advanced courses to election administrators from around the country on a range of topics including redistricting, gerrymandering, and the constitutional law of elections.

Prior to coming to Auburn, I served as a Congressional Fellow on the United States Senate Committee on Rules and Administration through the American Political Science Association. The

Committee has jurisdiction over federal election administration, and my portfolio included election administration and reform, including issues related to redistricting and gerrymandering.

I received my undergraduate degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham in 2011, where I studied political science and history. Upon completion of this degree, I began my graduate studies at the University of Georgia, earning my doctoral degree in political science in 2017. Broadly speaking, my dissertation examined the role of laws and regulations in determining election outcomes.

My full curriculum vitae is attached to this report.

I have been retained by the Plaintiffs in this case to analyze the role that race played in drawing the federal congressional districts within Alabama. I have not previously testified as an expert at trial or by deposition. I am retained for a rate of \$300 per hour—my standard consulting rate.

Data Acquisition

I acquired data on race and ethnicity by voting age population by congressional district, county, and census block from the American Civil Liberties Union ("ACLU"). The ACLU informed me that it acquired 2020 Census Block shapefiles, total population by race and ethnicity, and voting age population by race and ethnicity directly from the Census file transfer protocol ("FTP") portal. The ACLU informed me that it acquired current congressional district block assignment files from the Census website. The ACLU informed me that it then joined congressional district assignments to the 2020 Census block shapefile.

I acquired the draft congressional plans from the ACLU, which I understand acquired them through a member of the Alabama Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.

All summary statistics and analyses were performed using Stata version 14. Any maps were created using R version 4.1.2.

Summary of Congressional District Analysis and Opinions

My analysis focuses on the four districts I understand have been challenged as racial gerrymanders in this case: Alabama Congressional Districts ("CDs") 1, 2, 3, and 7. Specifically, I have been asked to analyze whether there is evidence that race predominated over other districting considerations in drawing the contours of Districts 1, 2, 3, and 7. Because the allegations in this case concern different methods of using race to draw districts—through what is informally known as "packing" in District 7, and through what is referred to as "cracking" in Districts 1, 2, and 3—I employ different forms of analysis appropriate to examine the role that race played in those two different contexts. By packing, I refer to the practice of disproportionately concentrating a group into one district. By cracking, I refer to the practice of separating groups across boundaries in order to dilute their potential for electoral influence.

In Part 1, I examine county splits within the state with specific attention to the relationship between these splits and the Black Voting Age Population ("VAP") in Congressional District 7. I find

strong evidence that race was a predominant factor in the construction of this district. In Parts 2 and 3, I examine how Congressional Districts 1, 2, 3, and 7 were drawn. I pay particular attention to how counties were separated across districts as well as how the 2021 enacted map compares to the previous map enacted in 2011. I again find strong evidence that race was a predominant factor in how these district lines were created. In Part 4, I summarize my findings and provide my concluding remarks.

Part 1: District 7

County Splits

I begin by examining the three counties that are split between Congressional District 7 and another district. These counties are Jefferson, Montgomery, and Tuscaloosa. Jefferson County is split between Districts 6 and 7, Montgomery County is split between Districts 2 and 7, and Tuscaloosa County is split between Districts 4 and 7.

I examine county splits for multiple reasons. First, most counties in the plan are kept whole, and it is therefore important to investigate the circumstances where splits were made and if there is a relationship with race. Second, historically, Alabama mapmakers have sought to respect existing political boundaries (such as county lines) in order to preserve communities of interest and reduce voter confusion. Third, and related to the previous point, county lines may be ignored in the pursuit of other legal requirements, which necessitates investigation into which other requirement is being pursued.

To assess the role of race, I first include the percentage of the voting age population that identifies in whole or in part as Black. For Jefferson County, this figure is 41.5 percent. For Montgomery County, this figure is 56.3 percent. For Tuscaloosa County, this figure is 29.5 percent. The median county in Alabama features 22.5 percent of the voting age population that identifies in whole or in part as Black. It is important to note that this is a conservative test of the relationship between race and district lines, as it does not account for other non-White populations within the state.

I then calculate the percentage point deviation from the state median by subtracting the median percentage from the county percentage. A positive deviation denotes a county has a greater Black VAP than the median within a state. These numbers are presented in Table 1.

Table 1. County Black VAP

County	Districts	Black	Black Median Black	
		Percentage	Percentage	Deviation
Jefferson	6/7	41.5	22.5	19
Montgomery	2/7	56.3	22.5	33.8
Tuscaloosa	4/7	29.5	22.5	7

Each of the three split counties in District 7 feature a greater Black VAP than the median district. Furthermore, District 7 has more county splits than any other district in the state. Given that there are so few splits within the state, it is also worth noting that these three counties represent three of the five counties with the highest Black VAP in the state of Alabama. Mobile, Madison, and

Baldwin counties are more populous than Montgomery and Tuscaloosa counties but do not feature any splits.

Statewide, only 40.3 percent of counties feature 29.5 percent or more Black VAP. However, 66.7 percent of split counties feature 29.5 percent or more Black VAP. All the split counties in Congressional District 7 feature a greater Black VAP than the median county in Alabama.

District Splits

If the splits were not driven by race, areas on either side of the dividing line within the county should show comparable percentages of Black VAP. I therefore examine the Black VAP within census blocks for the three split counties mentioned above—Jefferson, Montgomery, and Tuscaloosa.

The unit of analysis in Table 2 below is census block. I calculate the average Black VAP in census blocks within the county for either district that the county has been split into. I then calculate the percentage point difference between the average Black VAP within the split parts of the county against the Black VAP in the county as a whole. A negative deviation indicates that the part of the county in question features a larger White VAP than the county as a whole, and a positive deviation denotes that the part of the county in question features a larger Black VAP than the county as a whole.

The part of Jefferson County in Congressional District 7 has an average census block Black VAP of 69.1 percent, which is 20 percentage points higher than the average census block Black VAP in the entire county.

The part of Montgomery County in Congressional District 7 has an average census block Black VAP of 75.1 percent, which is 22.5 percentage points higher than the average census block Black VAP in the entire county.

The part of Tuscaloosa County in Congressional District 7 has an average census block Black VAP of 33.5, which is 4.9 percentage points higher than the average census block Black VAP in the entire county.

Table 2. Census Block Black VAP within County

County	District	Average Black	Percentage Point		
		Percentage	Deviation		
Jefferson	6	23.8	-25.3		
	7	69.1	20		
Montgomery	2	41.0	-11.6		
	7	75.1	22.5		
Tuscaloosa	4	9.6	-19.0		
	7	33.5	4.9		

I then compare the parts of each county in Congressional District 7 with the parts of the county that have been split into other districts. This allows me to analyze the relationship between race and where the splits occurred.

The part of Jefferson County drawn out of CD 7 has an average census block Black VAP of 23.8 percent. This is 25.3 percentage points lower than the county as a whole and a **45.3 percent point difference** from the part of Jefferson County that was included in CD 7. This is comparable to the difference between Cullman County (the second lowest county in terms of Black VAP) and Barbour County (one of the counties in the region traditionally referred to as the "Black Belt").

The part of Montgomery County drawn out of CD 7 has an average census block Black VAP of 41.0 percent. This is 11.6 percentage points lower than the county as a whole and a **34.1 percent point difference** from the part of Montgomery County drawn into CD 7. This is comparable to the difference between Winston County (the county with the lowest Black VAP in the state) and Mobile County (the third largest metro area in the state).

The part of Tuscaloosa County drawn out of CD 7 has an average census block Black VAP of 9.6 percent. This is 19.0 percentage points lower than the county as a whole and a **23.9 percent point difference** from the part of Tuscaloosa County drawn into CD 7. This is comparable to the difference between Blount County (with less than 2 percent Black VAP) and Madison County (which houses Huntsville, another large metro area within the state).

To summarize, in each of these three counties, areas with larger Black VAP were drawn into CD 7 and the disproportionately White census blocks within each of these counties were drawn into districts other than CD 7. These occurrences in all three counties demonstrate a pattern of race serving as a predominant factor in the construction of district lines. That the difference in Black VAP by census block within the same county but in different congressional districts is so substantial makes these divergences substantively important.

In short, these analyses demonstrate that predominantly Black communities within these three counties were drawn into Congressional District 7 while predominantly White communities within the same three counties were drawn into other districts. This constitutes strong evidence that race played a substantial role in the drawing of Congressional District 7.

Part 2: Districts 1, 2, and 3

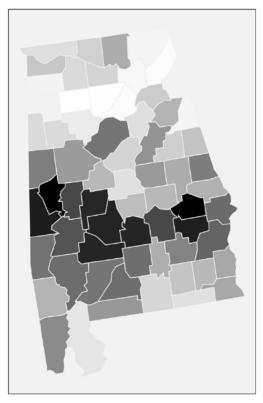
Variation within Districts

As to Congressional Districts 1, 2, and 3, I examine the variability of census block Black VAP within congressional districts to further test for allegations of "cracking." The map below depicts Black VAP by county. Here, darker shades of grey correspond to higher Black VAP. This shows concentrations of Black voters in specific parts of the state. If predominantly Black counties are drawn into areas with largely White populations, which would be suggestive of "cracking," then I will see substantial variability within congressional districts. Necessarily, some predominantly Black areas will have to be connected to more White counties. However, given the racial sorting

depicted in the map below, I examine whether that same clustering translates into clustering within congressional districts as well.

Black VAP by County, Proportion





I therefore examine the Black VAP by census block within Congressional Districts 1, 2, and 3. In Table 3, the second column denotes the average Black VAP by census block, the third column denotes the standard deviation of Black VAP of census blocks within each district, and the final column contains the interquartile range of census block Black VAP. The interquartile range depicts the census blocks at the 25th and 75th percentiles, respectively. Both the standard deviation and the interquartile range provide a picture of how racially (dis)similar census blocks are within a district.

The standard deviation is a useful metric to evaluate how dispersed the data are. In this case, a higher standard deviation indicates that the average census block Black VAP is more variable within the congressional district. A lower standard deviation indicates that more census blocks are closer to the average Black VAP within the congressional district.

The interquartile range ("IQ range") is another measure of how variable the Black VAP of census blocks within congressional districts is. This can be thought of as the middle 50 percent of the district. A large difference between the first and second number in the IQ Range column seen in the table below denotes more variability in the average Black VAP of census blocks within congressional districts.

Table 3. Congressional District Black VAP by Census Block

District	Average Black VAP	Standard Deviation	IQ Range
1	27.9	35.8	0:50.0
2	25.6	32.1	0:43.1
3	24.6	33.1	0:40.0
4	8.7	20.9	0:4.5
5	14.4	23.8	0:19.0
6	17.1	27.6	0:22.2
7	58.5	39.9	15:100

This analysis shows a positive relationship between average Black VAP and the standard deviation and interquartile range. Each of these demonstrates substantial variation in the racial composition of these districts. In CD 1, CD 2, and CD 3, 25 percent of census blocks feature 0 percent Black VAP. Additionally, in those same districts, 25 percent of census blocks feature at least 40 percent Black VAP. In contrast, CD 4, CD 5, and CD 6 feature much smaller ranges, with 75 percent of census blocks featuring less than 22.2 Black VAP and as low as 4.5 Black VAP, despite including counties such as Madison and Shelby, which have large populations of Black residents.

The variability seen here indicates that Black Alabamians are more likely to be diffused across different districts, especially compared to CD 4, CD 5, and CD 6. In other words, Black Alabamians are geographically concentrated within the state, but that concentration within counties does not translate into comparable concentration within CD 1, CD 2, or CD 3.

Variation Across Districts

I then examine where the district lines were drawn. Given the geographical clustering within the state, if there is a significant difference between bordering counties and non-bordering counties, that would suggest race was a factor in how district lines were drawn. Specifically, it would indicate that Black communities were split among different districts.

I organize counties into two categories: those that share any part of their border with another district and those that do not. For example, in Congressional District 2, Henry, Houston, Dale Geneva, Coffee, Covington, and Pike Counties do not share a border with another district while Conecuh, Butler, Crenshaw, Montgomery, Autauga, Elmore, Bullock, Escambia, and Barbour Counties share a border even if that shared border is small (as with Crenshaw County).

I then examine the differences in average Black VAP by census block within counties based on these two categories. (All counties in Congressional District 1 share a border with another district, therefore making this particular test inappropriate for this particular district.) The final column in Table 4 depicts the deviation from the district average Black VAP.

I use census block Black VAP within districts throughout my analyses for two primary reasons. First, this allows me to maintain consistency across sections. Second, more populous areas are weighted equally to less populous areas, which has the effect of decreasing the Black VAP. This in turn creates a stricter, more conservative test and makes finding any significant effect of race more difficult. This provides greater confidence in any findings that do emerge.

Table 4. Census Block Black VAP within Districts

District	Borders	Average Black VAP	Deviation
2	No shared border	19.9	-5.7
	Shared border	32.9	7.3
3	No shared border	21.8	-2.8
	Shared border	25.9	1.3

From this table, we see that within CD 2, counties that border another district have an average Black VAP of 32.9 percent compared to 19.9 percent within counties that do not border another district. This represents a 13 percent point difference, comparable to the difference between Winston County and Shelby County.

From this table, we see that within CD 3, counties that border another district have an average Black VAP of 25.9 percent compared to 21.8 percent within counties that do not border another district. This represents a 4.1 percent point difference, comparable to the difference between Henry County and Tuscaloosa County.

Part 3: Changes Between Maps

Next, I analyze which census blocks were moved out of Congressional Districts 1, 2, 3, and 7; which were moved into these districts; and which were kept in the same district relative to the 2011 map.

Table 5. Average Census Block Black VAP

District	Total	Moved In	Same	Moved Out
1	27.9	NA	27.9	26.5
2	25.6	31.0	25.4	55.6
3	24.6	17.4	25.0	32.3
6	18.1	49.4	13.5	24.7
7	58.5	30.4	62.3	58.8

From Table 5, we see some clear differences in the census blocks that were moved into new districts. For CDs 2, 3, and 7, the census blocks moved out of the districts had substantially higher Black VAPs than those that were moved into the district. These differences are 24.6 percentage points, 15.9 percentage points, and 28.4 percentage points, respectively.

I then examine which districts the relocated census blocks were drawn into. The census blocks moved out of CD 1 where placed in either CD 2 or CD 7. All of the census blocks moved out of CD 2 were moved to CD 7. All of the census blocks moved out of CD 3 were moved to CD 2. And the overwhelming majority of census blocks moved out of CD 7 were moved to CD 6, with less than 1 percent moved to CDs 2 and 4.

Taken together, this evidence suggests that movement across districts was not random, and Black VAP was a strong predictor of change across maps. Furthermore, a comparison of the total Black VAP to the average Black VAP of census blocks that were moved in and moved out of these

districts shows that largely Black blocks were disproportionately moved out of these districts and replaced with disproportionately White blocks. This is then offset by a large number of higher Black VAP census blocks relocated into the predominantly White CD 6. This indicates that areas with higher Black VAP were intentionally spread across multiple districts.

I next turn to an examination of specific boundaries and their relationship to countywide Black VAP. It is illustrative to examine the composition of the districts against the racial makeup of the counties. On the left is the enacted map, and on the right is a map showing the Black VAP by county. A few choices of where lines were drawn warrant additional attention.

Given the concentration of Black VAP in the area traditionally referred to as the "Black Belt," my analysis focuses primarily on this area. The affected counties include Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Crenshaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Russell, Sumter, and Wilcox. This impacts Congressional Districts 1, 2, 3, and 7.

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Black VAP by County, Proportion

With respect to CD 2, Elmore County has a population of 69,005 and a Black VAP of 20.9 percent. Macon County and Russell County have a combined population of 60,907 and Black VAPs of 80.7 percent and 44.4 percent, respectively. The three counties are adjacent. However, Elmore was drawn into the same district as a number of Black Belt counties, while Macon and Russell were drawn into a different district, apart from the rest of the Black Belt.

Furthermore, again with respect to CD 2, Bullock County and most of Montgomery County were drawn out of the Black Belt and connected to the much Whiter Autauga County to the north and Coffee, Covington, and Geneva to the south.

With respect to CD 3, Macon County with a Black VAP of over 80 percent was located into the same district as Cherokee County (approximately 150 miles away), which has a Black VAP of 4.5 percent.

Additionally, we see that most of the Black Belt has been drawn into CD 7. With the exception of the aforementioned splits in Jefferson, Montgomery, and Tuscaloosa Counties, the edges of CD 7 with the highest Black VAP occur where they meet the boundaries of CD 4, CD 6, and CD 2. This provides further evidence that race played a major role in deciding where to split the districts.

Finally, we see that the western part of Jefferson County was split into the majority-Black district CD 7 and the eastern part of the county was connected to Blount, Shelby, Bibb and Chilton Counties, which contain some of the lowest Black VAPs in the state.

In totality, this provides visual evidence suggesting that race was a factor in where to draw district lines.

Part 4: Summary and Conclusion

In conclusion, in my opinion, substantial evidence indicates that race was a significant factor that motivated the drawing of congressional district lines in Alabama. Congressional District 7 features a substantially larger Black VAP than any other district, created by splitting three largely Black counties in ways that disproportionately draw areas with more Black residents into District 7. Similarly, race appears to have played a significant role in drawing the contours of Congressional Districts 1, 2, and 3 by dividing the area of the state traditionally referred to as the Black Belt among these three districts, and by drawing districts lines through areas with high concentrations of Black residents to separate those areas into multiple districts.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct:

Executed, this day, December 10, 2021, at Washington, District of Columbia.

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2017: University of Georgia, Ph.D. Political Science

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2013: University of Michigan, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research

2011: University of Alabama at Birmingham, B.A. Political Science Honors, cum laude

Research and Teaching Interests

Elections & Election Administration, Congressional Procedure & Policy, Institutional Development

Peer-Reviewed Articles

"Elections, Competition, and Constituent Evaluations of U.S. Senators." Conditionally Accepted at Electoral Studies. with Joel Sievert.

"Redistricting and Incarceration: Examining the Effect of New York's Prohibition on Prison Gerrymandering." Accepted for publication. State Politics & Policy Quarterly. with Bridgett King.

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Book Chapters

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"Introduction to Congressional Elections." 2016. In *Guide to U.S. Elections* 7th ed. Ed. Deborah Kalb. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly Press. with Jamie Carson.

Other Publications

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"Electoral Politics in Georgia and Their Impact on Future Gubernatorial Races." 2018. *Presidents and Executive Politics Report* 40(2): 18-22.

Select Working Papers

"Interbranch Warfare: Senate Amending Process and Restrictive House Rules." with Anthony Madonna. Invited to Revise & Resubmit at Political Research Quarterly.

"Trump and Trust: Examining the Relationship between Claims of Fraud and Citizen Attitudes." with Florian Justwan. Invited to Revise & Resubmit at PS: Political Science & Politics.

"Nationalized Politics: Examining Electoral Politics Across Time." with Jamie Carson and Joel Sievert. Book manuscript. Under review.

"Promise and Performance: The Water Quality Act at Thirty." with John C. Morris, Jan C. Hume, and Lien Nguyen. *Under review*.

"Candidate Entry in U.S. Congressional Primary Elections, 1956 - 2018." with Jason Byers and Jamie Carson.

"Evaluating the Relationship between Redistricting Methods and Citizens' Attitudes towards Government." with Florian Justwan.

Grants and Awards

Auburn University Student Government Association's The Final Lecture Award Nominee University of Georgia Graduate School Outstanding Teaching Award University of Georgia Department of Political Science Excellence in Teaching Award Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Grant (\$49,994)

Auburn University College of Liberal Arts New Faculty Release from Teaching Grant (\$34,505)

Auburn University College of Liberal Arts New Faculty Summer Research Grant (\$6,000)

Congressional Research Grant sponsored by the Dirksen Congressional Center (\$3000)

Southern Political Science Association Artinian Travel Award (\$500)

Southern Political Science Association Prestage-Cook Travel Award (\$250)

Richard A. Baker Graduate Student Research Travel Grant (\$763)

Invited Presentations

2021

"Vote Choice and Electoral Politics." Presented to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows program.

"Redistricting and the Census in 2021." Presented at the Election Center Special Workshop on Lessons Learned and Resilience Going Forward.

2020

"Voting in 2020: What to Expect." Auburn University College of Liberal Arts Public Webinar.

"Vote Choice and Electoral Politics." Presented to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health Policy Fellows program.

"Security and Integrity: Administrative Structure, Capacity, and American Elections." with Kathleen Hale, Mitchell Brown, Lindsey Forson, and Robert Smith. Presented at the Election Administration and Technology Symposium hosted by the Bedrosian Center at the University of Southern California Sol Price School of Public Policy.

2019

"Election Law Update: Redistricting and Gerrymandering." Presented at the Election Center Special Workshop on Improving the Integrity of Voter Registration & Election Operations.

Conference Participation

Presentations

2021

"Nationalization and Candidate Evaluations." with Jamie Carson and Joel Sievert. Accepted for presentation at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

"Smith v. Allwright: Examining External Reform and the Electoral Connection." with Aaron Hitefield and Adam Rutkowski. Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

"Nationalization and the Electoral Connection." with Jamie Carson and Joel Sievert. Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

"State Choice vs. National Policy Goals: Loan Distribution Patterns in the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund Program." with John Morris. Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

"Examining the Divergence of Foreign and Domestic Human Rights Support Within the United States." with Shelby Hall. Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association.

"Green Stimulus or Industry Bailout: Assessing the Implementation of State Well-Plugging Programs." with Jonathan Fisk, John Morris, and Steven Nelson. Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the American Society for Public Administration.

"The Water Quality Act at Thirty: State Choice and the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund." with John Morris, Jan Hume, and Lien Nguyen. Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

"Politics or Public Health? Explaining State Actions During the COVID-19 Pandemic." with John Morris, Jan Hume, and Martin Mayer. Presented at the 2021 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

2020

"Interbranch Warfare: Senate Amending Process and Restrictive House Rules." with Anthony Madonna. Presented at the 2020 Annual Congress and History Conference by the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisconsin.

"Evaluating the Relationship between Redistricting Methods and Citizens' Attitudes towards Government." with Florian Justwan. Accepted at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois. (conference cancelled)

"Nationalization and Polarization in US House Elections." with Jamie Carson and Joel Sievert. Accepted at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois. (conference cancelled)

"Promise and Performance: Loan Distribution Patterns in the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund Program." with John Morris, Jan Hume, and Lien Nguyen. Accepted at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the American Society for Public Administration in Anaheim, CA. (conference cancelled)

"Should Florida Establish an Independent Redistricting Commission?" with Barry Edwards, Michael Crespin, and Maxwell Palmer. Accepted at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the Florida Political Science Association in Deland, Florida. (conference cancelled)

"Examining the Divergence of Foreign and Domestic Human Rights Support Within the United States." Accepted at the 2020 Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association in Honolulu, Hawaii. (conference cancelled)

2019

"Constituent Evaluations of US Senators Over the Electoral Cycle." with Joel Sievert. Presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.

"Interbranch Warfare: Senate Amending Process and Restrictive House Rules." with Anthony Madonna, Jordan McKissick, Laine P. Shay, and Simon Williamson. Presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.

"Examining Exit Decisions and Their Effect on the 2018 House Elections." with Joel Sievert. Presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in Austin, Texas.

2018

"Are Congressional Primaries Becoming as Nationalized as General Elections?" with Jason Byers and Jamie Carson. Presented at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Boston, Massachusetts.

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2017

"Challengers, Choices, and Competition in Congressional Primaries." with Jason Byers and Jamie Carson. Presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in San Francisco, California.

"Did Party Loyalty Trump Ideology? Assessing Candidate Effects on the 2016 Elections." with Jason Byers, Jamie Carson, and Stephen Pettigrew. Presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.

"The Effects of House Restrictive Rules on Senate Amending." with Anthony Madonna, Jordan McKissick, Rory Hibbler, and Robert Oldham. Presented at the 2017 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.

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2016

"Legislators, Commissioners, and Traditional Redistricting Principles." with Barry Edwards, Michael Crespin, and Maxwell Palmer. Presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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"Candidates, Money, and Polarization in U.S. House Elections, 1872-2014." with Jamie Carson, Mark Owens, and Joel Sievert. Presented at the 2016 Annual Congress and History Conference at the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Oklahoma.

"Examining the Relationship Between Executive Orders and the President's Legislative Agenda." with Jason Byers and Jamie Carson. Presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.

"Do Vetoes Hurt the President?" with Joel Sievert. Presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

2015

- "Assessing the Rise and Development of the Incumbency Advantage in Congress." with Jamie Carson and Joel Sievert. Presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in San Francisco, California.
- "Assessing the Rise and Development of the Incumbency Advantage in Congress." with Jamie Carson and Joel Sievert. Presented at the 2015 Annual Congress and History Conference at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee.
- "Dramatic Defeats, Primary Participation, and Republican Rifts: Evaluating the 2014 Midterm Elections." with Jamie Carson and Joel Sievert. Presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.
- "Reassessing the Scare-Off Effect: Evidence from House Primary Races." Presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.
- "Examining Incumbent Behavior Following Failure to Deter a Quality Challenger." Presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, Louisiana.
- "Looking Beyond the Incumbency Advantage: Measuring the Effect of Challenger Ideology on Congressional Election Outcomes." with Jamie Carson. Presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, Louisiana.

2014

- "Analyzing the Effects of Redistricting on Ideology in the Post-Wesberry Era." Presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology at the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia.
- "A Reconsideration of Disaster Declarations as an Exercise in Unilateral Power." Presented at the 2014 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.
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2013

"Examining the Roles of Race and Income in Partisan Self-Placement, 1966-2008." with Joel Sievert. Presented at the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago.

Discussant

- "American Development." 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Electoral Politics in the U.S." 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

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- "Environmental Policy." 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Public Policy in the American States." 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Voting and Position Taking in Legislatures." 2019 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.
- "Meet the Author: Women Officeholders and the Role Models Who Pioneered the Way." 2019 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in Austin, Texas.
- "Analyzing Roll Calls in Congress." 2018 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.
- "Of Geography and Gerrymandering: The Causes and Consequences of Congressional Redistricting." 2017 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.
- "New Directions in APD Research." 2017 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, Louisiana.
- "Diffusion and Policy Variation in the American States." 2016 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- "Executive Influence and Success." 2016 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.
- "Floor and Pre-Floor Actions: Holds, Cosponsorships, and Amendments." 2015 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, Louisiana.
- "Legislative Politics: Elections I." 2014 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Chair

- "American Development." 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Electoral Politics in the U.S." 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Environmental Policy." 2021 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- "Presidents and Cabinet Politics." 2021 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.
- "Of Geography and Gerrymandering: The Causes and Consequences of Congressional Redistricting." 2017 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association in Chicago, Illinois.

Courses Taught

Undergraduate

Introduction to American Government

Introduction to American Government, Online

Introduction to American Government, Honors

The Legislative Process

Political Parties and Interest Groups

Executive Politics

Electoral Institutions

Voting Behavior and Representation

State Government and Policy

Honors Study and Travel: Washington, D.C.

Graduate

Electoral Institutions

Voting Behavior and Representation

Classics in American Politics and Policy Election Administration Reform Policy

State Politics

MPA Research Project

Research Methods

Graduate Advising

PhD Dissertation Co-chair for Karen Newsome

PhD Dissertation Co-chair for Steven Nelson

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PhD Dissertation Committee Member for Jalonta Jackson

PhD Dissertation Committee Member for Gregory Johnson

PhD Dissertation Committee Member for Kara Newby

PhD Dissertation Committee Member for Towanna Sears

PhD Dissertation Committee Member for Lindsey Forson (completed Summer 2020)

Masters Thesis Committee Member for Amanda Alva

Masters Thesis Committee Member for Sabine Bailey

Masters Thesis Committee Member for Thomas Moorman

Training and Facilitation

October 2021. "Communications and Public Relations in Election Administration." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

July 2021. "Information Management and Security."

The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

July 2021. "Elections Administration as a System."

The Election Center CERA Training Program. Denver, CO.

June 2021. "Communications and Public Relations in Election Administration."

The Election Center CERA Training Program. Virginia Beach, VA.

May 2021. "Communications and Public Relations in Election Administration."

The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

April 2021. "The Constitutional Law of Elections."

The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

March 2021. "Voter Participation."
The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

March 2021. "History of Elections III: Pathways to Participation." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

February 2021. "Voter Participation."

The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

February 2021. "The History of Elections II: 1781 to 1964." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

July 2020. "Information Management and Security." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

July 2020. "Voter Participation."

The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

July 2020. "History of Elections III: Pathways to Participation." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

July 2020. "The Constitutional Law of Elections."

The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

May 2020. "The History of Elections II: 1781 to 1964." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Remote Delivery.

February 2020. "Redistricting and Election Administration." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Greenville, SC.

August 2019. "Redistricting and Election Administration." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Orlando, FL.

June 2019. "The History of Elections II: 1781 to 1964." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Denver, CO.

April 2019. "Courts, Constitutions, and Cases: Early America to 1965." The Election Center CERA Training Program. Virginia Beach, VA.

Alabama Secretary of State Registrar Training Program. May 2021. Tuscaloosa, AL.

Alabama Secretary of State Registrar Training Program. September 2019. Dothan, AL.

Service

Postdoctoral Fellow in Election Administration search committee (Spring 2020)

Professor of Practice in Non-Profit Administration search committee (Spring 2021)

Ad hoc committee on Departmental Bylaws

Ad hoc committee on Tenure and Promotion

MPA Core Faculty

American Politics Comprehensive Exam Writer (Fall 2018–Spring 2021)

American Politics Comprehensive Exam Grader (Fall 2018–Spring 2021)

Political Methodology Comprehensive Exam Writer (Spring 2021)

Political Methodology Comprehensive Exam Grader (Fall 2019–Spring 2021)

Election Administration Comprehensive Exam Writer (Spring 2021)

Election Administration Comprehensive Exam Grader (Spring 2021)

Media Contributions

Blog Posts

In 2020, Senate elections were nationalized elections. The Georgia runoffs could be too.

LSE's American Politics and Policy blog. with Jamie Carson. December 4, 2020.

Why did Democrats lose seats in the 2020 elections?

LSE's American Politics and Policy blog. with Jamie Carson. November 12, 2020.

Is gerrymandering "poisoning the well" of democracy?

Oxford University Press blog. October 26, 2020.

Polarization in the Senate isn't going away.

LegBranch.org blog. March 25, 2019.

Taking the redistricting process out of the hands of state legislatures can mean more competitive US House elections. LSE's American Politics and Policy blog. March 6, 2019.

The story of the midterms is the triumph of the moderates – on both sides.

LSE's American Politics and Policy blog. with Jamie Carson. November 9, 2018.

How the Dems Could Win the House in November.

Newsweek. with Jamie Carson. February 2, 2018.

Why taking moderate positions may help the Democrats to retake the House this fall.

LSE's American Politics and Policy blog. with Jamie Carson. February 1, 2018.

This is how to get rid of gerrymandered districts. Monkey Cage, *The Washington Post*. with Michael Crespin, Maxwell Palmer, and Barry C. Edwards. March 17, 2017.

Michelle Nunn's midterm result shows that Georgia's demographics may be shifting to favor the Democrats. LSE's American Politics and Policy blog. with Jamie Carson and Joel Sievert. November 10, 2014.

2014 Midterms: Key Issues in the Georgia Senate Race. The Brookings Institute. with Jamie Carson. October 28, 2014.

In order to increase competition in U.S. House races, states should look to extra-legislative bodies to redraw congressional boundaries. LSE's American Politics and Policy blog. with Jamie Carson and Michael Crespin. May 26, 2014.

Interviews

Katie Boyd Britt wants to solve the state's problems, but is that what Alabama wants? *Interview with the Montgomery Advertiser.* July 25, 2021.

"No Step Too High for a High-Stepper": Gov. Kay Ivey Says She's Running for Another Term. Interview with the Birmingham Times. June 2, 2021.

Biden's American Rescue Plan a Big Win, But Can Dems Capitalize? *Interview with the Birmingham Times.* April 3, 2021.

What the 2020 election revealed about conservatism in the U.S. *Interview with Desert News*. December 2, 2020.

COVID-19 changed election rules in the South. Now activists see chance for reform. *Interview with The American South.* December 1, 2020.

GOP advantages in rural Alabama grow even wider in Tommy Tuberville win. *Interview with Montgomery Advertiser*. November 5, 2020.

Auburn University political science professor gives perspective on the election. Interview with WSFA News 12 in Montgomery, AL. November 4, 2020.

Trump Sweeps Alabama, Tuberville Ousts Jones for Senate Seat. Interview with Birmingham Watch. November 4, 2020.

Straight-party voters could doom Doug Jones in US Senate race against Tommy Tuberville. *Interview with AL.com* October 30, 2020.

Election 2020: Why 'convenience' voting is controversial, even in a pandemic. *Interview with Desert News.* October 30, 2020.

The crisis may be a turning point! How will an epidemic that killed 230,000 lives change the US presidential election? *Interview with The World Today*. October 29, 2020.

As Tommy Tuberville pitches to Republican base, Doug Jones tries to assemble a coalition. *Interview with Montgomery Advertiser*. October 28, 2020.

With a Commanding Lead in Polls, Tuberville Shuns Media and Jones While Embracing Trump. Interview with Birmingham Watch. October 27, 2020.

Doug Jones Faces Long Odds in Keeping Alabama Senate Seat.

Interview with Wall Street Journal. October 26, 2020.

Ex-Auburn coach Tommy Tuberville's race for US Senate seat short on substance, insiders say.

Interview with USA Today. October 22, 2020.

Republicans Aren't Writing Off Doug Jones. Neither is Jones.

Interview with Bloomberg Government. October 8, 2020.

Plain Talk with Dr. Ryan Williamson

Interview with Eagle Eye TV. October 5, 2020.

Could fewer absentee voting restrictions affect Alabama's election?

Interview with WHNT News 19 Huntsville, AL. September 17, 2020.

Alabama Democrats aim to be heard under new leadership.

Interview with AL.com. July 26, 2020.

Trends favor Tommy Tuberville in Senate election, but plenty of questions remain.

Interview with Montgomery Advertiser. July 17, 2020.

Alabama Senate Candidates Take Sharply Different Approaches to Rise in COVID-19 Cases.

Interview with Montgomery Advertiser. June 26, 2020.

Political Science Professor Looks at How the Coronavirus Pandemic Will Effect State &

Presidential Elections. Interview with WLTZ First News Columbus, GA. June 9, 2020.

Political Science professor examines pandemic's effect on state, presidential elections.

Auburn University Expert Answers. May 21, 2020.

As Alabama reopens, will people wear masks?

Interview with AL.com. May 9, 2020.

¿Podrá Joe Biden sacar de la Casa Blanca a Donald Trump?

Interview with SEMANA Magazine. March 14, 2020.

Auburn Professor Talks Impeachment.

Interview with Eagle Eye TV. January 28, 2020.

'Divided': Auburn Reckons with Impeachment.

Interview with The Auburn Plainsman. January 23, 2020.

What's next? Impeachment probe set to shift to Judiciary Committee.

Interview with Sinclair Broadcast Group. November 25, 2019.

Political science assistant professor discusses impeachment process.

Auburn University Expert Answers. November 15, 2019.

Ex-Coach, Scandal-Ridden Judge Jolt GOP in Pivotal Senate Race.

Interview with Bloomberg Government. August 1, 2019.

Price tag for Alabama elections: \$111 million.

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Alabama GOP Still Dominant Despite Challenges from Democrats.

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Alabama among 7 states allowing straight-ticket voting; That won't soon change.

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Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association Midwest Political Science Association Southern Political Science Association

Manuscript Reviewer

American Political Science Review

Journal of Politics

American Politics Research

State Politics & Policy Quarterly

Congress & the Presidency

Journal of Political Science Education

Open Journal of Political Science

Applied Geography

Sustainability

Health care

Oxford University Press

Rowman & Littlefield

American Journal of Political Science

Political Research Quarterly

 $Legislative\ Studies\ Quarterly$

Social Science Quarterly

Party Politics

Review of Economics and Statistics

Law & Policy

Social Sciences

 $Administrative \ Sciences$

Cambridge University Press

SAGE Publishing

Software Proficiency

Stata, R, LATEX, Qualtrics

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Plaintiffs,

V.

JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,

Defendants.

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DECLARATION OF MOON DUCHIN, PH.D.

I, Moon Duchin, declare:

- 1. My name is Moon Duchin. I am over 18 years of age and have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this Declaration.
- 2. I hold a Ph.D. and an M.S in Mathematics from the University of Chicago as well as an A.B. in Mathematics and Women's Studies from Harvard University.
- 3. I am a Professor of Mathematics and a Senior Fellow in the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life at Tufts University. I hold an affiliation as Collaborating Faculty in the American Studies track within the Department of Race, Colonialism, and Diaspora Studies.
- 4. A copy of my expert report and exhibits in support, including a current copy of my full CV, are attached as Exhibit 1 to this declaration.
- 5. All of the quantitative work described in my report was performed by myself with the support of research assistants working under my direct supervision.

6. I am compensated at the rate of \$300 per hour. My compensation for my work on this case is not dependent on the substance of my opinions or the outcome of the case.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Executed on December 10, 2021 in <u>Medford</u>, Massachusetts

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Exhibit 1

Presentation of Alternative Congressional Districting Plans for Alabama

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1 Background, qualifications, and materials consulted

I am a Professor of Mathematics and a Senior Fellow in the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life at Tufts University. I hold an affiliation as Collaborating Faculty in Department of Race, Colonialism, and Diaspora Studies (American Studies track). I hold a Ph.D. and an M.S in Mathematics from the University of Chicago as well as an A.B. in Mathematics and Women's Studies from Harvard University.

My general research areas are geometry, topology, dynamics, and applications of mathematics and computing to the study of elections, voting, and civil rights. My redistricting-related work has been published in venues such as the Election Law Journal, Political Analysis, Foundations of Data Science, the Notices of the American Mathematical Society, Statistics and Public Policy, the Virginia Policy Review, the Harvard Data Science Review, Foundations of Responsible Computing, and the Yale Law Journal Forum. My research has had continuous grant support from the National Science Foundation since 2009, including a CAREER grant from 2013–2018 and a Convergence Accelerator grant from 2019–2021 entitled "Network Science of Census Data." I am currently on the editorial board of the journals Advances in Mathematics and the Harvard Data Science Review. I was elected a Fellow of the American Mathematical Society in 2017 and was named a Radcliffe Fellow and a Guggenheim Fellow in 2018.

Materials

I consulted a range of materials while preparing this report:

- Data products published by the Census Bureau, especially the PL94-171 Decennial Census release, the 2015-19 American Community Survey, and the ACS Special Tabulation from the same 5-year period. The Census Places dataset was used to extract block assignments to cities and towns. TIGER/Line shapefiles were used to pair demographics with geography.
- Block equivalency files defining the State's new enacted districts from www.sos.alabama.gov/alabama-votes/state-district-maps.
- The Alabama Legislature's *Reapportionment Committee Redistricting Guidelines* [1], as well as the other articles cited in the bibliography below.

2 Introduction

On November 3, 2021, the Alabama Legislature enacted four districting plans: maps of 7 U.S. Congressional districts, 35 state Senate districts, 105 state House districts, and 8 state Board of Education districts. They were signed into law by Governor Kay Ivey the next day. This report presents alternative plans for Alabama Congressional districts and contrasts them with the enacted plan. I was asked to draw plans that establish that it is possible to create two majority-Black districts in a map that maintains population balance, reasonable compactness, respect for political boundaries, and other traditional districting principles. In particular, I was instructed to emphasize the Polsby-Popper (isoperimetric) definition of compactness.

I will be comparing the following plans: the enacted plan HB-1 and a set of alternative plans that I have drawn, labeled Plan A, Plan B, Plan C, and Plan D. They are shown in Figures 1/2.

The focus of this report is to establish that the first Gingles factor, known as "Gingles 1," is met:

First, the minority group must be able to demonstrate that it is sufficiently large and geographically compact to constitute a majority in a single-member district. 1

Together with Gingles 2 and 3, the factors establishing racially polarized voting, these stand as the threshold conditions for advancing litigation under the Voting Rights Act.

Alabama's largest minority group is Black, with 1,364,736 out of 5,024,279 residents—27.16% of the total population—identifying as Black, possibly in combination with other races, of any ethnicity, on their Census forms. This group is therefore large enough to constitute majorities of three out of seven congressional districts. However, the second half of the Gingles 1 condition requires that we take the human geography into account, considering whether the group's residential location is sufficiently geographically compact to achieve majority-minority districts. The constraints of geography make it impossible to create three, but I will show that it is readily possible to create two majority-Black Congressional districts in Alabama today.

Furthermore, these two majority-Black districts can be drawn without sacrificing traditional districting principles like population balance ($\S3.1$), contiguity ($\S3.2$), respect for political subdivisions like counties, cities, and towns ($\S3.3$), or the compactness of the districts ($\S3.4$), and with heightened respect for communities of interest ($\S3.5$).

¹Thornburg v. Gingles, 478 U.S. 30 (1986)

 $^{^2}$ Since each district will contain 1/7 (or about 14.3%) of the population, it follows that 7.2% of the population is enough to constitute the majority in a district. Alabama's Black population is more than three-and-a-half times this numerous. Thus, in terms of numbers alone, three districts could have Black population majorities by a comfortable margin.

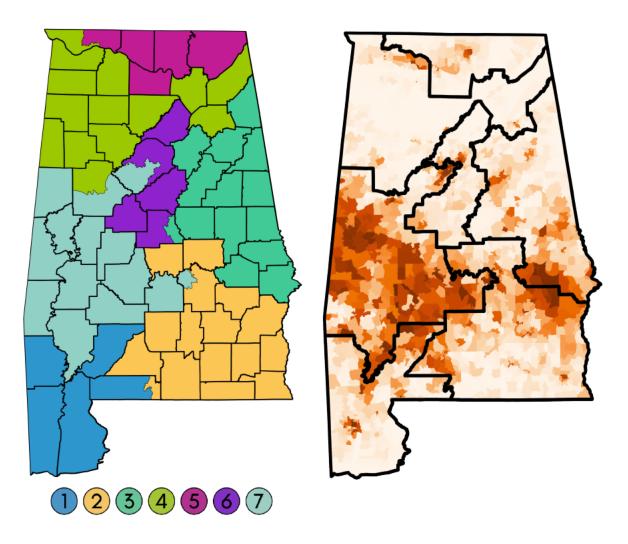


Figure 1: The State's plan HB-1 is shown (left) next to a demographic map (right). Darker shading indicates precincts with a higher share of BVAP, or Black voting age population. The State's plan packs Black population into District 7 at an elevated level of over 55% BVAP, then cracks Black population in Mobile, Montgomery, and the rural Black Belt across Districts 1, 2, and 3, so that none of them has more than about 30% BVAP.

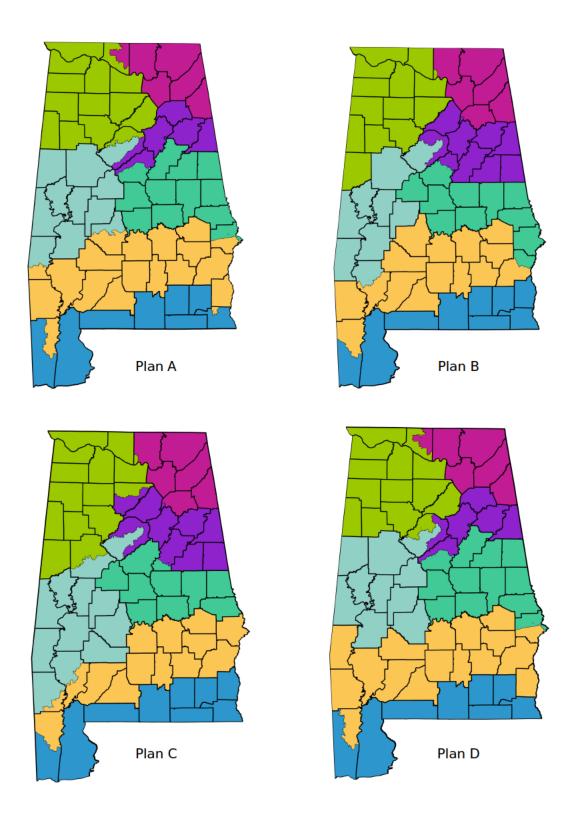


Figure 2: The four alternative plans presented in this report.

3 Traditional districting principles

I will begin by surveying the criteria discussed in the Alabama Legislature's *Reapportionment Committee Redistricting Guidelines* (henceforth, "the Guidelines") [1].

3.1 Population balance

The standard interpretation of *One Person, One Vote* for Congressional districts is that districts should be balanced to as near mathematical equality of population as possible, using total population from the Decennial Census. As the Guidelines put it, "*Congressional districts shall have minimal population deviation.*" The State's plan and all four alternative plans have very tight population balance, with each district within one-person deviation from the rounded ideal population of 717,754.

3.2 Contiguity

A district formed from census blocks can be called *contiguous* if it is possible to transit from any part of the district to any other part through a sequence of blocks that share boundary segments of positive length. As is traditional in Alabama (and affirmed in Section II.j.ii of the Guidelines), contiguity through water is accepted. The State's plan and the four alternative plans all satisfy contiguity.

3.3 Respect for political subdivisions

The Guidelines call for districting plans to "respect communities of interest, neighborhoods, and political subdivisions"; in redistricting terms, respect for political subdivisions can be interpreted as attempting to keep intact as many localities (counties, cities, and towns) as possible. In order to make seven finely population-tuned districts, it is necessary to split at least six of Alabama's 67 counties into two pieces, or to split some counties into more than two pieces. All of the plans under consideration—the State's plan and the four alternative maps—split nine counties or fewer, giving them high marks for respecting these major political subdivisions. Plan D in fact splits only five counties, with the largest county (Jefferson) touching three districts. On the municipal level, Alabama has 172 cities and 290 towns, according to the 2020 Census. All of the alternative plans are comparable to the State's plan on locality splits, with Plan B splitting fewer localities than HB-1.

Number of localities split, by type

	localities	counties	municipalities	majority-Black cities
	(out of 529)	(out of 67)	(out of 462)	(out of 32)
HB-1	42	6	36	Adamsville, Bessemer, Birmingham, Montgomery, Tarrant (5)
Plan A	48	8	40	Adamsville, Bessemer, Birmingham, Pritchard (4)
Plan B	39	7	32	Bessemer, Birmingham (2)
Plan C	51	9	42	Adamsville, Bessemer, Birmingham (3)
Plan D	49	5	44	Adamsville, Bessemer, Birmingham, Pleasant Grove, Tarrant (5)

Table 1: Comparing the plans' conformance to political boundaries. Municipalities are defined as cities and towns, and localities includes these as well as counties.

3.4 Compactness

The two compactness metrics most commonly appearing in redistricting are the *Polsby-Popper score* and the *Reock score*. Polsby-Popper is the name given in this setting to a metric from ancient mathematics: the isoperimetric ratio comparing a region's area to its perimeter via the formula $4\pi A/P^2$. Higher scores are considered more compact, with circles uniquely achieving the optimum score of 1. Political scientist Ernest Reock created a different score based on the premise that circles were ideal: it is computed as the ratio of a region's area to that of its circumcircle, where the circumcircle is defined as the smallest circle in which the region can be circumscribed. Polsby-Popper is thought to be relevant as a measure of how erratically the geographical boundaries divide the districts, but this sometimes penalizes districts for natural features like coastlines of bays and rivers. Reock has a much weaker justification, since the primacy of circles is the goal rather than the consequence of the definition. $^{[3]}$

These scores depend on the planar contours of a district and have been criticized as being too dependent on map projections or on cartographic resolution [2] [3]. Besides having the weakest relevance to redistricting, the Reock score is also technically flawed, subject to large distortions among different equally reasonable methods of computation. Recently, some mathematicians have argued for using discrete compactness scores, taking into account the units of Census geography from which the district is built. The most commonly cited discrete score for districts is the *cut edges* score, which counts how many adjacent pairs of geographical units receive different district assignments. In other words, cut edges measures the "scissors complexity" of the districting plan: how much work would have to be done to separate the districts from each other? Plans with a very intricate boundary would require many separations. Relative to the contour-based scores, this better controls for factors like coastline and other natural boundaries, and focuses on the units actually available to redistricters rather than treating districts like free-form Rorschach blots.

Compactness

	block cut edges (lower is better)	average Polsby-Popper (higher is better)	average Reock (higher is better)
HB-1	3230	0.222	0.427
Plan A	3417	0.256	0.378
Plan B	3127	0.282	0.365
Plan C	3774	0.255	0.338
Plan D	3540	0.249	0.399

Table 2: Comparing compactness scores via one discrete and two contour-based metrics. Plan B is the most compact by cut edges. All four alternative plans are superior to the State's plan on the Polsby-Popper metric and have very reasonable Reock scores, especially Plan D.

3.5 Additional principles

• **Communities of interest.** The Guidelines describe communities of interest in terms that are congruent with the usage across many states: "A community of interest is defined as an area with recognized similarities of interests, including but not limited to ethnic, racial, economic, tribal, social, geographic, or historical identities."

In Alabama, there was no sustained effort by any state authority to formally collect community of interest (COI) maps, to my knowledge. Without this, it is difficult to produce a suitable metric based on public testimony or submissions.

³Reock took the idealization of the circle for granted: "The most compact plane figure is the circle, for here the maximum area is enclosed within a given perimeter. The circle, therefore, can be used as the ideal of compactness..."

[4]. No further justification is given for why non-circular shapes are plausible indicators of gerrymandering.

However, it is possible to identify several clear examples of communities of interest of particular salience to Black Alabamians. The "Black Belt" of 18 mostly rural counties will be discussed below in §4.2.2.

• Cores of prior districts. The State's plan HB-1 bears a close resemblance to the plan from the prior Census cycle, which was engineered to have one district with a Black supermajority, while the other six do not approach one-third Black population. Therefore it should be expected that plans designed to address Voting Rights Act concerns would disrupt the structure of the prior plans, which can be confirmed in the alternative plans presented here.

4 Racial demographics

4.1 Demographics

Over 1.3 million Alabamians, or 1,364,736 to be precise, identified as Black or African-American on the 2020 Decennial Census. Over a million of these, namely 1,014,372, are of voting age. Black residents constitute 27.16% of total population, 25.9% of voting-age population, and 26.3% of citizen voting-age population in the state. But in the last Census cycle as in the State's new proposed plan, just one district out of seven had close to a Black majority—that one district constitutes just under 14.3% of the seats, while two majority-Black districts can readily be produced in alternative districting plans.

VAP CVAP

BVAP Share by District

BCVAP Share by District

CD	HB-1	Plan A	Plan B	Plan C	Plan D	CD	HB-1	Plan A	Plan B	Plan C	Plan D
1	25.61%	14.50%	15.73%	15.73%	15.36%	1	25.77%	14.54%	15.77%	15.77%	15.41%
2	30.12%	51.37%	51.06%	50.06%	50.05%	2	30.49%	52.05%	51.75%	50.78%	50.71%
3	24.99%	23.96%	22.28%	19.64%	23.96%	3	25.21%	24.26%	22.63%	19.97%	24.26%
4	7.70%	8.30%	10.86%	11.03%	8.58%	4	7.70%	8.35%	10.91%	11.10%	8.62%
5	18.06%	16.02%	15.66%	15.66%	16.02%	5	18.23%	16.25%	15.84%	15.84%	16.25%
6	18.93%	15.44%	15.32%	15.51%	15.37%	6	19.33%	15.62%	15.48%	15.66%	15.53%
7	55.26%	51.50%	50.24%	53.50%	51.73%	7	56.34%	52.40%	51.28%	54.51%	52.64%

WVAP Share by District

WCVAP Share by District

CD	HB-1	Plan A	Plan B	Plan C	Plan D	CD	HB-1	Plan A	Plan B	Plan C	Plan D
1	66.00%	76.25%	75.20%	75.20%	75.47%	1	65.17%	75.19%	74.13%	74.13%	74.40%
2	62.03%	42.33%	42.60%	43.14%	43.56%	2	61.43%	41.89%	42.19%	42.65%	43.14%
3	67.74%	67.78%	68.47%	70.99%	67.78%	3	67.49%	67.61%	68.37%	71.04%	67.61%
4	82.41%	82.98%	80.12%	79.98%	82.63%	4	82.50%	82.62%	79.88%	79.78%	82.30%
5	70.89%	71.62%	72.56%	72.56%	71.62%	5	70.42%	71.24%	72.28%	72.28%	71.24%
6	71.16%	75.39%	76.73%	76.49%	75.58%	6	71.23%	75.83%	76.63%	76.35%	76.01%
7	38.60%	42.08%	42.71%	40.04%	41.82%	7	38.02%	41.51%	42.24%	39.53%	41.22%

Table 3: Demographics broken out as a comparison of Black and White population.

⁴Here and throughout, we use the so-called "Any Part Black" definition, which counts people who self-identified as Black on the Census form, possibly in combination with other races, whether Hispanic or not, for total population and voting-age population. Abbreviations such as BVAP refer to this construction. Citizen voting-age population is derived from the American Community Survey (ACS) in combination with the Decennial Census. The racial group constructions are fully defined in the supplemental material.

⁵Black citizen voting-age population is derived from the 5-year ACS, 2015–2019. The supplemental material contains an explanation of how BCVAP and WCVAP are constructed.

_	CD	WVAP	BVAP	HVAP	WCVAP	BCVAP	HCVAP
= HB-1	1	66.00%	25.61%	3.23%	65.17%	25.77%	2.45%
	2	62.03%	30.12%	3.57%	61.43%	30.49%	2.55%
	3	67.74%	24.99%	3.07%	67.49%	25.21%	2.29%
IID-T	4	82.41%	7.70%	5.66%	82.50%	7.70%	2.84%
	5	70.89%	18.06%	5.28%	70.42%	18.23%	3.31%
	6	71.16%	18.93%	5.38%	71.23%	19.33%	2.81%
	7	38.60%	55.26%	3.65%	38.02%	56.34%	2.05%
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	CD	WVAP	BVAP	HVAP	WCVAP	BCVAP	HCVAP
	1	76.25%	14.50%	4.00%	75.19%	14.54%	3.07%
	2	42.33%	51.37%	2.68%	41.89%	52.05%	1.77%
Plan A	3	67.78%	23.96%	3.98%	67.61%	24.26%	2.62%
	4	82.98%	8.30%	4.58%	82.62%	8.35%	2.58%
	5	71.62%	16.02%	6.50%	71.24%	16.25%	3.67%
	6	75.39%	15.44%	3.91%	75.83%	15.62%	2.26%
	7	42.08%	51.50%	4.18%	41.51%	52.40%	2.32%
	CD	WVAP	BVAP	HVAP	WCVAP	BCVAP	HCVAP
	1	75.20%	15.73%	3.99%	74.13%	15.77%	3.06%
	2	42.60%	51.06%	2.60%	42.19%	51.75%	1.71%
Plan B	3	68.47%	22.28%	4.59%	68.37%	22.63%	2.92%
	4	80.12%	10.86%	4.68%	79.88%	10.91%	2.70%
	5	72.56%	15.66%	6.23%	72.28%	15.84%	3.40%
	6	76.73%	15.32%	3.46%	76.63%	15.48%	2.11%
	7	42.71%	50.24%	4.29%	42.24%	51.28%	2.41%
	CD	WVAP	BVAP	HVAP	WCVAP	BCVAP	HCVAP
	1	75.20%	15.73%	3.99%	74.13%	15.77%	3.06%
	2	43.14%	50.06%	2.93%	42.65%	50.78%	1.95%
Plan C	3	70.99%	19.64%	4.46%	71.04%	19.97%	2.82%
	4	79.98%	11.03%	4.70%	79.78%	11.10%	2.69%
	5	72.56%	15.66%	6.23%	72.28%	15.84%	3.40%
	6	76.49%	15.51%	3.51%	76.35%	15.66%	2.13%
	7	40.04%	53.50%	4.01%	39.53%	54.51%	2.26%
	CD	WVAP	BVAP	HVAP	WCVAP	BCVAP	HCVAP
	1	75.47%	15.36%	4.01%	74.40%	15.41%	3.07%
	2	43.56%	50.05%	2.68%	43.14%	50.71%	1.79%
Plan D	3	67.78%	23.96%	3.98%	67.61%	24.26%	2.62%
	4	82.63%	8.58%	4.66%	82.30%	8.62%	2.61%
	5	71.62%	16.02%	6.50%	71.24%	16.25%	3.67%
	6	75.58%	15.37%	3.93%	76.01%	15.53%	2.25%
	7	41.82%	51.73%	4.08%	41.22%	52.64%	2.30%

Table 4: Demographics by district in the State's plan HB-1 and the alternative plans.

By contrast, the non-Hispanic White population share in Alabama is 63.12% and the corresponding shares of voting-age population and citizen voting-age population are 65.47% and 65.07%, respectively. By any of these measures, proportional representation for White voters would be between 4.4 and 4.6 of Alabama's 7 seats in the U.S. House. The State's map HB-1 orchestrates a non-Hispanic White VAP share of at least 60% in all districts besides CD-7—that is, in 6 out of 7 Congressional districts.

4.2 Centers of Black population

4.2.1 Urban

The four largest cities in Alabama today are Huntsville (population 215,006), Birmingham (population 200,733), Montgomery (population 200,603), and Mobile (population 187,041). Together, they have over 400,000 Black residents, comprising roughly 1/3 of the Black population in the state. Of these cities, Birmingham, Montgomery, and Mobile are majority-Black, with population shares of 69.9%, 60.8%, and 51.5%, respectively, making them two among Alabama's 52 majority-Black cities.

Of those four largest cities, the State's plan HB-1 only includes parts of Birmingham and parts of Montgomery in a majority-Black district. In particular, this means that the hundreds of thousands of Black voters in Montgomery and Mobile are located in districts in which Black population share falls short of one-third.

All four alternative plans retain most of Birmingham in a majority-Black district, but by adding a second majority district the alternative plans are able to include all of Montgomery and most of Mobile as well.

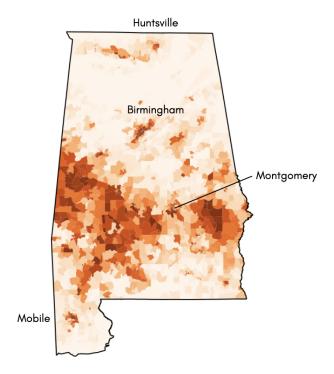


Figure 3: Black voting-age population share is shown by shading at the precinct level. The major cities have visible concentrations of Black population, and the Black Belt rural counties are clearly visible running East-West across the state.

4.2.2 Rural: Alabama's Black Belt

Alabama also has a significant Black population in rural counties, especially in the 18 "Black Belt" counties of Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Crenshaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Russell, Sumter, and Wilcox. These counties have a long shared history from plantation slavery to sharecropping to Jim Crow and up to the present—these constitute very clear communities of interest by the Guidelines definition. (Recalling from above, that definition holds that "A community of interest is defined as an area with recognized similarities of interests, including but not limited to ethnic, racial, economic, tribal, social, geographic, or historical identities.")

The Black Belt includes 8 of the 10 least populous counties in the state, each with under 13,000 residents. Together, the Black Belt region has over 300,000 Black residents.

In the State's plan, eight of these are partially or fully excluded from majority-Black districts: Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Crenshaw, Macon, Pike, and Russell are excluded from CD-7 while Montgomery County is split.

Each of the 18 Black Belt counties is contained in majority-Black districts in at least some of the alternative plans presented here: Plan A and Plan D include all but part of Russell County, Plan B includes all but Russell and part of Barbour County, and Plan C includes the entirety of the Black Belt. Forming a district that reaches south into Mobile County and eastward across the Black Belt is natural for a mapmaker following traditional principles. In fact, the State's own recently enacted State Board of Education map, which has two majority-Black districts out of eight, does just this in a manner similar to my illustrative Congressional plans.

5 Conclusion

I have presented four alternative maps that all secure population majorities for Black Alabamians in two districts, rather than just one district, out of seven.

- The State's map and all four alternative plans have districts balanced to within ±1 person from rounded ideal size. All four plans are contiguous, and all split five to nine counties, at or close to the theoretical minimum level of splitting.
- All four alternative plans have strong compactness scores; in fact, all four are significantly superior to the State's plan in the most common compactness metric, the average Polsby-Popper score.
- The State's plan splits Montgomery County and Montgomery City, even though Montgomery County is less than one-third the size of a Congressional district. All four alternative plans hold the city and county whole.
- Proportionality for the White non-Hispanic population in Alabama would amount to roughly 4.5 out of 7 seats in Congress, but the State's map would lock in fully 6 out of 7 seats for White-preferred candidates—a massively super-proportional showing.
- All four alternative plans place thousands of Black voters in the population centers of Montgomery and Mobile, as well as voters across the rural Black Belt, in majority-Black districts. Seven Black Belt counties are wholly excluded from the sole majority-Black district, and another is split, in the State's plan. Relative to HB-1, each one of the alternative plans allows over 300,000 additional Black Alabamians—including plaintiffs Shalela Dowdy (Mobile), Evan Milligan (Montgomery), and Khadidah Stone (Montgomery)—to live in majority-Black districts.

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A Supplemental information

Definition of Black by Census Codes (within total population)

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Black or African American alone P0010001
Black or African American P0010011
Black or African American; American Indian and Alaska Native P0010016
Black or African American; Asian P0010017
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Black or African American; Stain P0010017
Black or African American; Some Other Race P0010019
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Definition of Black by Census Codes (within voting-age population)

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White; Black or African American; Asian; Asian P0030040
White; Black or African American; Asian; Asian P0030050
White; Black or African American; Asian; Asian P0030050
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White; Black or African American; Asian; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander; Some Other Race P0030060
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Definition of Black via Census products (within citizen voting-age population)

The 2015-2019 5-year ACS Special Tabulation produces 2010 tract-level estimates of citizen voting age population (CVAP) with some subpopulations. I selected the Non-Hispanic White (WCVAP), Non-Hispanic Black or African American (BCVAP), and Hispanic (HCVAP) categories. The 2015-2019 ACS also provides 2010 tract-level voting age population (VAP) estimates by tract, from which we use White (WVAP), Black or African American (BVAP), and Hispanic (HVAP). From these two products I have calculated the citizenship share for each subpopulation in each 2010 Census tract in Alabama. This citizenship share tracks, for example, BCVAP / BVAP—the share of non-Hispanic Black citizens of voting age over the total number of Black citizens, independent of ethnicity. To calculate 2020 CVAP estimates on 2020 Census blocks, I start with the 2020 PL-94 to determine the VAP share in each block for each subpopulation, then multiply by the corresponding citizenship share. For instance, we compute the 2020 BVAP count in each block *b* (independent of ethnicity) and multiply it by the BCVAP / BVAP citizenship share assigned to the 2010 tract that contains *b*. An exactly similar method is used for WCVAP and HCVAP.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 10th day of December, 2021.

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Appendix A

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Education

University of Chicago MS 1999, PhD 2005 Mathematics Advisor: Alex Eskin Dissertation: Geodesics track random walks in Teichmüller space BA 1998

Harvard University

Mathematics and Women's Studies

Appointments

Tufts University	
Professor of Mathematics	2021—
Assistant Professor, Associate Professor	2011–2021
<i>Director</i> Program in Science, Technology, & Society (on leave 2018–2019)	2015–2021
Principal Investigator MGGG Redistricting Lab	2017—
Senior Fellow Tisch College of Civic Life	2017—
University of Michigan Assistant Professor (postdoctoral)	2008–2011
University of California, Davis	
NSF VIGRE Postdoctoral Fellow	2005–2008

Research Interests

Data science for civil rights, computation and governance, elections, geometry and redistricting. Science, technology, and society, science policy, technology and law. Random walks and Markov chains, random groups, random constructions in geometry. Large-scale geometry, metric geometry, isoperimetric inequalities. Geometric group theory, growth of groups, nilpotent groups, dynamics of group actions.

Geometric topology, hyperbolicity, Teichmüller theory.

Awards & Distinctions

Research Professor - MSRI Program in Analysis and Geometry of Random Spaces	Spring 2022
Guggenheim Fellow	2018
Radcliffe Fellow - Evelyn Green Davis Fellowship	2018-2019
Fellow of the American Mathematical Society	elected 2017
NSF C-ACCEL (PI) - Harnessing the Data Revolution: Network science of Census data	2019-2020
NSF grants (PI) - CAREER grant and three standard Topology grants	2009-2022
Professor of the Year , Tufts Math Society	2012-2013
AAUW Dissertation Fellowship	2004–2005
NSF Graduate Fellowship	1998-2002
Lawrence and Josephine Graves Prize for Excellence in Teaching (U Chicago)	2002
Robert Fletcher Rogers Prize (Harvard Mathematics)	1995–1996

Mathematics Publications & Preprints

The (homological) persistence of gerrymandering

Foundations of Data Science, online first. (with Thomas Needham and Thomas Weighill)

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Conjugation curvature for Cayley graphs

Journal of Topology and Analysis, online first. (with Assaf Bar-Natan and Robert Kropholler)

A reversible recombination chain for graph partitions

Preprint. (with Sarah Cannon, Dana Randall, and Parker Rule)

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A computational approach to measuring vote elasticity and competitiveness

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Random nilpotent groups I

IMRN, Vol 2018, Issue 7 (2018), 1921–1953. (with Matthew Cordes, Yen Duong, Meng-Che Ho, and Ayla Sánchez)

Hyperbolic groups

chapter in Office Hours with a Geometric Group Theorist, eds. M.Clay, D.Margalit, Princeton U Press (2017), 177-203.

Counting in groups: Fine asymptotic geometry

Notices of the American Mathematical Society 63, No. 8 (2016), 871–874.

A sharper threshold for random groups at density one-half

Groups, Geometry, and Dynamics 10, No. 3 (2016), 985–1005.

(with Katarzyna Jankiewicz, Shelby Kilmer, Samuel Lelièvre, John M. Mackay, and Ayla Sánchez)

Equations in nilpotent groups

Proceedings of the American Mathematical Society 143 (2015), 4723-4731. (with Hao Liang and Michael Shapiro)

Statistical hyperbolicity in Teichmüller space

Geometric and Functional Analysis, Volume 24, Issue 3 (2014), 748-795. (with Howard Masur and Spencer Dowdall)

Fine asymptotic geometry of the Heisenberg group

Indiana University Mathematics Journal 63 No. 3 (2014), 885–916. (with Christopher Mooney)

Pushing fillings in right-angled Artin groups

Journal of the LMS, Vol 87, Issue 3 (2013), 663-688. (with Aaron Abrams, Noel Brady, Pallavi Dani, and Robert Young)

Spheres in the curve complex

In the Tradition of Ahlfors and Bers VI, Contemp. Math. 590 (2013), 1-8. (with Howard Masur and Spencer Dowdall)

The sprawl conjecture for convex bodies

Experimental Mathematics, Volume 22, Issue 2 (2013), 113-122. (with Samuel Lelièvre and Christopher Mooney)

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Divergence of geodesics in Teichmüller space and the mapping class group

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Curvature, stretchiness, and dynamics

In the Tradition of Ahlfors and Bers IV, Contemp. Math. 432 (2007), 19-30.

Geodesics track random walks in Teichmüller space

PhD Dissertation, University of Chicago 2005.

Science, Technology, Law, and Policy Publications & Preprints

Models, Race, and the Law

Yale Law Journal Forum, Vol. 130 (March 2021). Available online. (with Doug Spencer)

Computational Redistricting and the Voting Rights Act

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The Conversation (online magazine), October 2017. (with Peter Levine)

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Notices of the American Mathematical Society 64 No. 9 (2017), 1020-1024. (with Mira Bernstein)

International mobility and U.S. mathematics

Notices of the American Mathematical Society 64, No. 7 (2017), 682–683.

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Nate Fisher (PhD 2021), Sunrose Shrestha (PhD 2020), Ayla Sánchez (PhD 2017), Kevin Buckles (PhD 2015), Mai Mansouri (MS 2014)

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- Growth in groups (two talks) MSRI, Berkeley, CA	August 2016
- Hyperbolicity in Teichmüller space (three talks) Université de Grenoble	May 2016
- Counting and growth (four talks) IAS Women's Program, Princeton	May 2016
- Nilpotent groups (three talks) Seoul National University	October 2014
- Sub-Finsler geometry of nilpotent groups (five talks) Galatasaray Univ., Istanbul	April 2014

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- Arthur Miller Lecture on Science and Ethics MIT Program in Science, Tech, and Society	November 2018

Data Science, Computer Science, Quantitative Social Science

- Data Science for Social Good Workshop (DS4SG) Georgia Tech (virtual)	November 2020
- Privacy Tools Project Retreat Harvard (virtual)	May 2020
- Women in Data Science Conference Microsoft Research New England	March 2020
- Quantitative Research Methods Workshop Yale Center for the Study of American Politics	February 2020
- Societal Concerns in Algorithms and Data Analysis Weizmann Institute	December 2018
- Quantitative Collaborative University of Virginia	March 2018
- Quantitative Social Science Dartmouth College	September 2017
- Data for Black Lives Conference MIT	November 2017

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- The Long 19th Amendment: Women, Voting, and American Democracy Radcliffe Institute	Nov-Dec 2020
- "The New Math" for Civil Rights Social Justice Speaker Series, Davidson College	November 2020
- Math, Law, and Racial Fairness Justice Speaker Series, University of South Carolina	November 2020
- Voting Rights Conference Northeastern Public Interest Law Program	September 2020
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- Program in Public Law Panel Duke Law School	October 2019
- Redistricting 2021 Seminar University of Chicago Institute of Politics	May 2019
- Geography of Redistricting Conference Keynote Harvard Center for Geographic Analysis	May 2019
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- Cyber Security, Law, and Society Alliance Boston University	September 2018
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- Constitution Day Lecture Rockefeller Center for Public Policy, Dartmouth College	September 2017

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Research Member Geometric Group Theory program Mathematical Sciences Research Institute Berkeley, CA	Fall 2016
Research Member Random Walks and Asymptotic Geometry of Groups program Institut Henri Poincaré Paris, France	Spring 2014
Research Member Low-dimensional Topology, Geometry, and Dynamics program Institute for Computational and Experimental Research in Mathematics Providence, RI	Fall 2013
Research Member Geometric and Analytic Aspects of Group Theory program Institut Mittag-Leffler Stockholm, Sweden	May 2012
Research Member Quantitative Geometry program Mathematical Sciences Research Institute Berkeley, CA	Fall 2011
Postdoctoral Fellow Teichmüller "project blanc" Agence Nationale de la Recherche (Collège de France) Paris, France	Spring 2009

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

EVAN MILLIGAN, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,

Defendants.

No. 2:21-cy-01530-AMM

Preliminary Expert Report of Baodong Liu, Ph.D.

December 10, 2021

I. Introduction

I have been retained as an expert by counsel for the Plaintiffs in the above-captioned litigation. I have prepared this report pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 26(a)(2)(B).

I have been asked to express opinions on whether racially polarized voting (RPV) exists in Alabama, and whether or not RPV has resulted in the defeats of Black-preferred candidates in Alabama Congressional elections.

I am being compensated at \$300 per hour for my work on this case. My compensation is not contingent on or affected by the substance of my opinions or the outcome of this litigation. My work in this matter is ongoing, and I reserve the right to amend, modify, or supplement my analysis and opinions.

II. Background on Racially Polarized Voting

In the landmark *Thornburg v. Gingles* (1986), the Supreme Court provided the precise three-prong dilution test in litigation arising under Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act (VRA). The *Gingles* test asks whether: 1) the racial or

language minority group is "sufficiently large and geographically compact to constitute a majority in a single-member district"; 2) the minority group is "politically cohesive" (meaning its members tend to vote for the same candidate); and 3) the "majority votes sufficiently as a bloc to enable it ... usually to defeat the minority's preferred candidate." In particular, the second and the third preconditions under the *Gingles* test have become the legal definition of RPV.

III. Summary of Professional Qualifications

I am a tenured professor of political science in the Department of Political Science at the University of Utah. I have done extensive research regarding the relationship between election systems and the ability of minority voters to participate fully in the political process and to elect representatives of their choice.

My research has won the Byran Jackson Award for the best study/dissertation about racial voting from the Urban Politics Section of the American Political Science Association, and the Ted Robinson Award from the Southwest Political Science Association. The results of my research have been published in peer-reviewed journals, including Social Science Quarterly, American Politics Research, Sociological Methods and Research, PS: Political Science and Politics, Urban Affairs Review, Political Behavior, Journal of Urban Affairs, Southeastern Political Review, and American Review of Politics, among other journals. I am also an author or editor of eight scholarly books including Political Volatility in the United States: How Racial and Religious Groups Win and Lose; Solving the Mystery of the Model Minority; The Election of Barack Obama: How He Won, and Race Rules: Electoral Politics in New Orleans, 1965-2006. I have also served as a member of the Board of Directors/Advisors on many national and international organizations such as the National Association for Ethnic Studies, Urban Affairs Review, Journal of Behavioral and Social Sciences, and International Encyclopedia of Political Science (CQ Press).

As an expert on RPV analysis, I have published peer-reviewed journal articles and books on the cutting-edge techniques used by academic professionals and supported by courts in voting rights cases and on the electoral history of the South. I have served as an expert witness in dilution cases in several states, including Alabama, Arkansas, New York, Louisiana, Utah, and Tennessee. Furthermore, I have provided my expertise to the US Department of Justice and others on census differential privacy policy and methodological issues concerning RPV. I have also been an invited instructor for expert training programs on RPV analysis concerning both the 2010 and 2020 rounds of redistricting.

My applied research and grants have included analyses of ranked-choice voting, economic development, racial voting patterns, public school science education, school districts' economic impact on the local economy, and various citizen surveys. My grants have come from New America, the National Science Foundation, American Political Science Association, the National Humanities Center, Wisconsin Security Research Consortium, Fond du Lac School District, Johnson Controls, Inc, City of Waupaca (WI), the League of Women Voters, American Democracy Project, and Wisconsin Public Service. I also served as the editor of <u>Urban News</u> for the American Political Science Association's Urban Politics Section, and I was elected as a co-chair of the Asian Pacific American Caucus of the American Political Science Association.

I have served as a commentator or opinion writer for the Salt Lake Tribune, ABC4News, Hinkley Forum, NPR, AP, Daily Utah Chronicle, Milwaukee Sentinel Journal, Daily Caller, and KSL, among other media outlets.

At my university, I served as Associate Chair of the Department of Political Science and the Interim Director of the Ethnic Studies Program, the MLK Committee Chair, and a faculty senator.

Attached as Appendix 1 is a curriculum vitae setting forth my professional background, which includes a list of all publications I have authored or co-authored, including forthcoming publications.

IV. Opinions

I have formed the following opinions:

Based on the data available at the time of writing this report, voting in Alabama since 2008 is "racially polarized" in that Black voters in 13 of the 13 elections analyzed have expressed a clear preference for the same candidate, and in each of the elections analyzed, the candidate preferred by Black voters was a Black candidate. Furthermore, this preference was not shared by the white voters who were the majority of the electorate. As a result, the Black preferred candidates were typically defeated in biracial elections in Alabama.

V. Elections Analyzed

In a case challenging a redistricting plan of Congressional districts under Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, such as this one, I am aware of case law stating that endogenous elections providing a choice between voting for a white candidate and voting for a minority (in this case, Black) candidate are generally considered the most probative for assessing RPV. 1 My focus on

¹ See Wright v. Sumter Cnty., 979 F. 3d 1282, 1292-93 (11th Cir. 2020) ("[E]vidence drawn from elections involving black candidates is more probative in Section Two cases"); Clark v. Calhoun Cnty., Miss., 88

biracial endogenous elections is consistent with scholarly research, which finds that minority voters are mobilized in elections involving a minority candidate running against white candidates.² Congressional elections in the districts at issue in this litigation are called endogenous elections. I identified and reviewed endogenous elections in which there were both a Black candidate and a white candidate (i.e., biracial elections) since 2008.³ The reason to select only biracial elections is because these elections satisfy the necessary conditions on which Black voters and non-Black voters had a realistic opportunity to vote for the candidate of their choice which is not available in uni-racial elections involving only white candidates (or involving only Black candidates). Seven endogenous biracial elections were analyzed in this report.

Since there were only seven such endogenous biracial elections during the period under study, I also identified and reviewed six biracial elections for statewide elected offices in the same period. The elections that did not concern the electoral offices at issue in this matter are called exogenous elections. Two of these state-wide biracial exogenous elections were for Lt. Governor (2018 and 2014), two were for the 2018 State Auditor election and 2014 Secretary of State election, and the other two were for the presidential elections in 2008 and 2012 which involved a Black candidate, Barack Obama, as the nominee for a major political party. In addition, I reviewed exit poll data from the 2008 presidential primary, presidential general, and Senate general elections in Alabama.

VI. Measurement of RPV

I used the following two-step operational rules to measure whether a particular election is racially polarized: 1) I first estimate the Black and white group support⁵ for the Black candidate in a <u>biracial</u> election; and 2) if in this biracial election the majority of Black voters cast their vote for the Black candidate, and only a minority of white voters cast their vote for the same Black candidate, then this election is racially polarized.

F.3d 1393, 1397 (5th Cir. 1996) ("[E]xogenous elections-those not involving the particular office at issueare less probative than elections involving the specific office that is the subject of the litigation.").

² Matt A. Barreto. 2012. Ethnic Cues: The Role of Shared Ethnicity in Latino Political Participation. University of Michigan Press; Karen M. Kaufmann. 2004. The Urban Voter: Group Conflict and Mayoral Voting Behavior in American Cities. University of Michigan Press; .

³ While more recent elections are more probative than distant past elections, my decision to include biracial elections since 2008 also took into consideration of the two census datasets (the 2010 and 2020 datasets) that provided a longitudinal analysis for a period long enough to allow the examination of RPV pattern over time (or lack of).

⁴ Evidence from exogenous elections can be used to supplement evidence from endogenous elections, particularly where there is little data from recent endogenous elections.

⁵ Support is defined as over 50% of votes for a particular candidate.

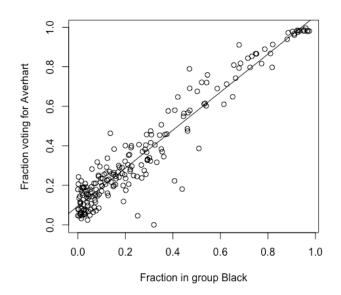
Since voting in the United States takes place in privacy, the only way to determine whether or not RPV existed in a given election is through statistical procedures. In this report, I analyzed the biracial elections using the award-winning Ecological Inference (EI) method developed by Professor Gary King of Harvard University. EI is a statistical procedure for estimating voting results of voter groups (in this case grouped by race), and it has been widely used as the most-advanced and reliable statistical procedure for RPV estimates in not only academic research but also voting rights cases in the last two decades. To run an EI operation, the specific election return data at the precinct-level needed to be matched with the voting-age population (VAP) data for the non-Hispanic white-majority, and the Black, Hispanic, and "all other" racial groups at the level of the Voting Tabulation District (VTD) or other reporting unit based on the closest census regarding Alabama.

There are other statistical procedures that have been used to analyze RPV. One such procedure that has been used in dilution cases relies on various regression tools. The regression tools are inadequate for the analysis necessary for the RPV analysis here, and I explain why. To demonstrate the use of such regression tools, Figure 1 uses the 2020 Congressional District 1 general election in Alabama as an example. It shows a scatterplot for the relationship between the Black-voter proportion in precincts and the proportion of votes cast for the James Averhart, the Black candidate who ran against the white candidate, Jerry Carl.

⁶ See Gary King, <u>A Solution to the Ecological Inference Problem: Reconstructing Individual Behavior from Aggregate Data</u> (Princeton University Press, 1997).

⁷ I also ran the same EI operations for all the elections analyzed in this report based on the American Community Survey (ACS) data, and results are very similar to those provided in Tables 1 and 2 of this report. Election results were compiled from https://www.sos.alabama.gov and, per my specifications, precinct-level results data was provided by Plaintiffs' counsel using the process described in Appendix 3.

Figure 1
Regression Method to Measure RPV: An Example



Each circle in Figure 1 represents a voting precinct in Congressional District 1. It is clear from Figure 1 that as the fraction in the Black group increases in a precinct, so does Averhart's share of votes. To capture this positive relationship, regression methods use a straight line to make the best fit for the data. The Single Regression Method (also called Goodman Regression) uses the slope and the intercept of the regression line to estimate the Black and non-Black voters' support for Averhart in Congressional District 1. Based on this procedure, it is estimated that the Black voting group provided Averhart with 105.7% of their votes while the non-Black group voted for him at the 9.5% level. Of course, based on the two-step operational rules specified above, the Congressional District 1 election in Alabama in 2020 was racially polarized, in that Black voters overwhelmingly supported Averhart whereas the super-majority of the non-Black voters voted against him.

If the above regression procedure is adopted to analyze all biracial elections in Alabama, it will unfortunately provide a misleading result. Obviously, Averhart's Black support should never surpass the 100% maximum value which is exactly the rule that the Single Regression Method violates in the Congressional District 1 example. There are other limitations of the Single Regression Method that make it a subpar tool for RPV analysis. For example, it assumes that all Black voters, regardless of which precinct they are located, voted at the same rate for the Black candidate in a given election; and in making estimates for racial groups' support for the Black candidate, the Single Regression Method treated all precincts with exactly the same weight

regardless of how many voters in that precinct cast their votes. ⁸ As a result of the aforementioned limitations and errors, experts in this field have increasingly replaced the regression-related tools with more advanced statistical procedures.

Thus, rather than regression-related tools, I instead analyzed the biracial elections based on EI method. One of the main reasons to use the EI method in the estimation of single-member district elections, rather than the regression methods, is because it *always* generates realistic estimates. With respect to the Congressional District 1 election in Alabama in 2020, for example, the EI method estimated that Averhart received 93.3 % of the votes from the Black voter group and 12.6% of the votes from the white voter group. The realistic estimation of group votes is guaranteed through EI's method of bounds feature, which adopts the mathematical rule to determine the maximum and minimum number of votes cast by a particular racial group for a particular candidate. For example, if a precinct has only five Black registered voters and the total votes cast for the only Black candidate in the election is 10, then at least five of the total 10 votes are from non-Black registered voters, which is a mathematical necessity.

EI also provides not only the point estimates for racial voting patterns, but also the standard errors (or 95% confidence interval) associated with these point estimates, which is to be understood as the uncertainty boundaries beyond the point estimates. The point estimates are to be considered as the most likely vote percentages cast for a given candidate by different racial groups in a given election. ¹⁰

The point estimates and the uncertainty boundaries can be visually displayed by the EI technology. We can once again use the 2020 Congressional District 1 election as an example. The data at the precinct-level for Black, white, and Hispanic voting age population (VAP) and the votes cast for Averhart and his white opponent, Jerry Carl are available at the time of writing this report. Figure 2 is the Density Plot based on the Ecological Inference (EI) estimations

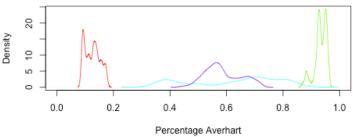
⁸ Because of the clear limitations of the Single Regression Method concerning RPV analysis, some scholars proposed some alternatives such as weighted regression or double-regression method to remedy the specific limitations. But none of the regression tools can avoid a vital mistake in all circumstances, that is, to generate unrealistic estimates (e.g., more than 100% Black support for a Black candidate, or less than 0% support from the non-Black group for a Black candidate).

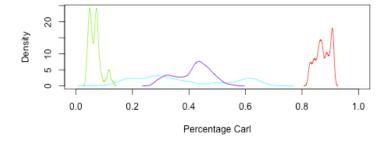
⁹ For detailed discussions of EI method, compared to previous statistical procedures, see my article: Liu, Baodong. (2007). "EI Extended Model and the Fear of Ecological Fallacy," *Sociological Methods and Research* 36 (1): 3-25.

¹⁰ In statistical analysis, point estimates are estimated through the empirical data on which theorems (especially the central limit theorem) are applied. The point estimates are the exact numbers (for example, Black voters cast exact 86.3% of their vote for a Black candidate) which are "the best" estimation, given the data, but also are "uncertain" in that the reality may be "off" from this best estimation. The extent to which the reality may deviate from it is known as standard errors. Scholars accept conventionally a 95% confidence interval where the lowest possible value and the highest possible value around the best point estimate are specified based on the central limit theorem.

of data for multiple racial groups. ¹¹ The red curve on the left shows the boundary of the white vote for Averhart, and the green curve on the right displays that of the Black vote, which is a clear picture of RPV. Note that there are also two other curves in the middle of the plot. These two curves (in blue and pink colors) showed the support for Averhart from Hispanic voters and the "other" minority racial group (which includes, for example, Asians and Indigenous Americans). Note also that the bottom panel shows the plot for Carl.

Figure 2: Density Plot based on EI Operation





VII. The Findings

As explained above, the selection of the elections for my RPV analysis is based on three critical criteria: 1) biracial elections involving at least one Black candidate and one white candidate; 2) endogenous biracial elections supplemented by exogenous biracial elections (i.e., non-Congressional biracial elections); and 3) elections during the last 15 years. My analysis focuses on elections in the last 15 years as more recent elections are most probative in identifying RPV. ¹²

¹¹ I used the eiPack R-package to derive the racial estimates for multiple groups.

¹² As a statistical rule, more recent elections help us understand what just happened and predict what will happen in the near future. Biracial endogenous electoral competitions are the most probative elections to analyze.

A) Endogenous Elections

Table 1: Estimated Racial Support for Black Candidate in Endogenous Elections

Election	Black Candidate(s)	White Candidate(s)	% vote cast for Black Cand	Black Support for Black Cand (95% CI) ¹³	White Support for Black Cand (95% CI)	Black- Cand Won?	RPV?
2020 CD1, primary	James Averhart	Kiani Gardner and Frederick Collins	40.2%	53.8% (.5256)	16.7% (.1320)	Into Runoff	Yes
2020 CD1, James general Averhart		Jerry Carl	35.6%	93·3 [%] (.8896)	12.6% (.09, .17)	No	Yes
2020 CD2, general	Phyllis Harvey-Hall	Barry Moore	34.5%	93.4% (.8896)	5.2% (.041)	No	Yes
2020 CD3, general	Adia Winfrey	Mike Rogers	32.4%	92.6% (.8895)	6.6% (.0312)	No	Yes
2018 CD1, general	Robert Kennedy, Jr.	Bradley Byrne	36.8%	94.6% (.9296)	8.1% (.0813)	No	Yes
2012 CD7, general	Terri Sewell	Don Chamberlain	75.8%	96.3% (.9498)	26.1% (.20-36)	Yes	Yes
2010 CD7, general	Terri Sewell	Don Chamberlain	72.5%	95·5% (·93··97)	19.3% (.16-23)	Yes	Yes

Seven endogenous elections were analyzed. Table 1 shows the results of EI operations on these seven elections during the last decade.

To be more specific, the Black candidate, James Averhart, was involved in two of these five elections. He received 53.8% of votes cast by Black voters and only 16.7% from white voters in the 2020 Democratic primary. Black voters were the majority of the electorate in the primary. Averhart received 93.3% of votes cast by Black voters and 12.6% from white voters in the general election for Congressional District 1. In the 2020 Congressional District 2 general election, Phyllis Harvey-Hall, the Black candidate, received 93.4% of the votes from Black voters and 5.2% from white voters. In the 2020 Congressional District 3 general election, Adia

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¹³ See footnote 10 for the explanation of uncertainty estimates (i.e., 95% confidence interval).

Winfrey, the Black candidate, received 92.6% of the votes from Black voters and 6.6% from white voters. In the 2018 Congressional District 1 general election, Robert Kennedy Jr., the Black candidate, received 94.6% of the votes from Black voters and only 8.1% from white voters. The only Black candidate who was able to win a biracial Congressional election in Alabama was Terri Sewell who ran in Congressional District 7 which has been a Black-majority district since the 1990s. Her two contested elections in 2010 and 2012 were both highly racially polarized. In 2010, she won 95.5% of the Black vote but only 19.3% of the white vote. In 2012, as an incumbent running against the same white Republican candidate, Don Chamberlain, Sewell won 96.3% of the Black vote and only 26.1% of the white vote.

These endogenous election analyses revealed the same pattern of RPV which led to the same result in non-Black-majority districts, that is, the defeat of the Black candidate by his/her white opponent in each election despite Black voters' clear support for the Black candidate, though Averhart did make into the Democratic Primary runoff for Congressional District 1 in 2020 and later was defeated in the general election.

It should also be noted that I have examined the RPV pattern, or lack of it, in the Congressional Districts at issue in this litigation by using the election returns in those districts from state-wide elections. My analysis shows consistently that RPV existed in these Congressional Districts in those state-wide biracial elections. I will show the results of RPV analyses in these elections in the following section.

B) Exogeneous Elections

All exogeneous elections analyzed in this report showed a high level of racial polarized voting, as shown in Table 2.

Specifically, Will Boyd and Miranda Joseph as the Black candidates in the 2018 Lt. Governor and State Auditor elections received 95.5% and 95.4% of the votes cast by Black voters, respectively, whereas votes from white voters were as low as 11.0% and 12.1% respectively.

In the 2014 general election, James Fields, a Black candidate running against the white incumbent Republican candidate, Kay Ivey. Fields received 94.0% of the Black vote and 14.9% of the white vote, and was defeated with 36.7% of total votes cast. In the same year, Lula Albert-Kaigler, a Black candidate competed in the Secretary of State election, and received 35.6% of the total votes. She was defeated by her white Republican opponent, John Merrill. She received 95.1% of the Black vote and only 12.0% of the white vote in this highly racially polarized statewide election.

Table 2. Estimated Racial Support for Black Candidate in Exogenous Elections

Election	Black Candidate	White Candidate(s)	% vote cast for Black Cand	Black Support for Black Cand (st error)	White Support for Black Cand (st error)	Black-Cand Won?	RPV?
2018 Lt Governor	Will Boyd	Will Ainsworth	38.7%	95-5% (.9296)	11.0% (.114)	No	Yes
2018 State Auditor	Miranda Joseph	Jim Zeigler	39.5%	95.4% (.9396)	12.1% (.1114)	No	Yes
2014 Lt Governor	James Fields	Kay Ivey	36.7%	94.0% (.9295)	14.9% (.14-16)	No	Yes
2014 Secretary of State	Lula Albert- Kaigler	John Merrill	35.6%	95.1% (.9496)	12.0% (.1113)	No	Yes
2012 Presidential	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	36.9%	93.9% (.9096)	13.9% (.1317)	No	Yes
2008 Presidential	Barack Obama	John McCain	36.8%	92.0% (.8894)	15.0% (.1417)	No	Yes

Finally, the 2008 and 2012 presidential elections in Alabama revealed the same consistent pattern of RPV. ¹⁴ In 2008 Obama received less than 40% of the total votes cast in Alabama, and thus failed to win Alabama. His defeat was clearly a result of RPV as his Black support was about 92% while his white support was around 14%. Racial bloc voting by the white-majority led to his defeat. Despite running as an incumbent in 2012, Obama was not able to overcome the deep racial divide in Alabama in his reelection. His white vote further declined one percentage point, while his Black support increased by roughly the same margin.

¹⁴ The dataset from the Alabama Secretary of State's website for my analysis of the 2012 presidential election was missing election returns from Bullock, Butler, Hale, and Wilcox Counties. For my Effectiveness analysis, I relied on data that, per my specifications, Plaintiffs' counsel provided to me. I understand that these data consist of statewide election results projected onto Census VTDs retrieved from the Redistricting Data Hub, https://redistrictingdatahub.org, with each VTD associated with one or more congressional districts from Plaintiffs' Demonstrative Plans B and D using a Census Block Equivalency File provided by Dr. Moon Duchin.

As mentioned above, I also examined the detailed RPV results in Congressional districts by using state-wide election results in the 2018 Lt. Governor race and the 2012 and 2008 presidential races. In my analysis, the Black candidates lost every Congressional district except CD7 because of RPV. For example, in the 2008 presidential election, the Congressional districts revealed the same pattern. Table 3 provides the RPV statistics based on the same EI operation that was applied to 7 Congressional districts separately.

As shown in Table 3, Black voters were almost uniformly supportive of Obama in the 2008 Presidential election. But CD7 provided the highest level of support for him and made him the winner of the District with 70.1% of the votes cast. This was largely due to the almost universal Black support there (at 97%), and the white bloc voting at the 13% level did not lead to his failure of winning this majority-Black district.

Table 3: the RPV Patterns of Congressional Districts in the 2008 Presidential Election in Alabama

Congressional District	Black Candidate	White Candidate(s)	% vote cast for Black Cand	Black Support for Black Cand (st error)	White Support for Black Cand (st error)	Black-Cand Won?	RPV?
1	Barack Obama	John McCain	36.3%	92.0% (.8894)	12.6% (.1016)	No	Yes
2	Barack Obama	John McCain	33.4%	90.3% (.8393)	8.1% (.0613)	No	Yes
3	Barack Obama	John McCain	44.0%	89.5% (.8393)	16.2% (.1321)	No	Yes
4	Barack Obama	John McCain	22.9%	90.6% (.8794)	16.0% (.1517)	No	Yes
5	Barack Obama	John McCain	36.6%	88.6% (.8691)	24.0% (.2225)	No	Yes
6	Barack Obama	John McCain	23.5%	56.6% (.4176)	17.1% (.1419)	No	Yes
7	Barack Obama	John McCain	70.1%	97.0% (.9598)	13.1% (.1019)	Yes	Yes

The RPV in the other six districts, however, produced an opposite result. Obama lost all other Congressional districts in Alabama in 2008. Even in CD6 where Obama's Black support was in the 50% range, by far the lowest in Alabama, the white bloc voting at 17% support level for him was enough to defeat him in CD6. ¹⁵ The RPV results in CDs 1 through 5 displayed similar patterns as the racial gap was more than 60%, and even reached 80% in CD1. In short, RPV was instrumental in Obama's defeat in all these Congressional districts.

VIII. Review of Exit Polls

The RPV results based on EI in this report regarding Obama's 2008 and 2012 general elections are consistent with the exit poll results conducted by major media networks. Because voters do not register by party in Alabama, the exit polls also help us understand the votes of self-identified Democrats and Republicans. For example, according to the 2008 exit poll, Obama won 98% of Black voters in Alabama, and John McCain, a white Republican, won 88% of white voters. McCain won a majority (51%) of white Democrats, and Obama won only 47% of white Democrats. And, in the 2012 Presidential election, 84% of white people in Alabama voted for Romney while white support for Obama was only 15%. 17

In addition, I reviewed exit poll data for the 2008 Presidential Democratic Primary ¹⁸ and the 2008 U.S. Senate elections ¹⁹ in Alabama which revealed a similar pattern of racially polarized voting. In the 2008 Primary, Hilary Clinton, a white woman, received 72% of the white vote, and Obama received 84% of the Black vote. In the 2008 Senate race, white voter support for U.S. Senator Jeff Sessions was 89% against Vivian Figures, a Black candidate. Sessions received 58% of the white Democratic vote and 96% of the white Republican vote. Figures won 90% of the black vote.

IX. <u>Effectiveness Analysis: Different Plans Compared</u>

I have also conducted a comparative study of three Alabama Congressional redistricting plans based on their performance in the most recent statewide elections in Alabama. These three plans are the Adopted Congressional Plan, and the two versions of CD Plans provided to me by Plaintiffs' counsel (named as PLSCD_Plan B and PLSCD_Plan D,

¹⁵ Note also that CD6's RPV result showed a higher level of uncertainty based on 95% confidence interval.

¹⁶ See http://www.cnn.com/ELECTION/2008/results/polls/#val=ALP00p1. Also see Table 7.1 of my book, *The Election of Barack Obama: How He Won*, for the comparison of RPV in Alabama in 2008, compared to other states (Liu, 2010, p. 117)

¹⁷ See https://www.amren.com/features/2012/11/race-and-the-2012-election/.

¹⁸ See https://abcnews.go.com/images/PollingUnit/ALDemHorizontal.pdf.

¹⁹ See http://www.cnn.com/ELECTION/2008/results/polls/#val=ALP00p1.

respectively). I reported my analysis based on their performance using the 2018 Lt. Governor and 2018 State Auditor election results.²⁰

The most important findings of my comparative study concern CDs 2 and 7. With respect to CD2, the Adopted Congressional Plan led to the defeat of the Black candidates whereas the two Plaintiffs' Plans did not.

Table 4: CD2
Plans Compared, based on the RPV Analysis of the 2018 Lt. Gov Election

Adopted Plan

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.432 (0.404,	0.932 (0.897,	0.068 (0.048,
	0.448)	0.952)	0.103)
White	0.425 (0.419,	0.043 (0.032,	0.957 (0.929,
	0.432)	0.071)	0.968)
Total	0.424	0.355	0.645

PLSCD PlanB

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.47 (0.454,	0.962 (0.946,	0.038 (0.028,
	0.48)	0.972)	0.054)
White	0.433 (0.427,	0.08 (0.067,	0.92 (0.882,
	0.439)	0.118)	0.933)
Total	0.448	0.568	0.432

PLSCD PlanD

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.462 (0.448,	0.957 (0.939,	0.043 (0.032,
	0.474)	0.968)	0.061)
White	0.451 (0.436,	0.092 (0.075,	0.908 (0.881,
	0.466)	0.119)	0.925)
Total	0.452	0.555	0.445

As shown in Table 4, the RPV pattern was present in all three plans. But the Adopted Plan minimized the Black VAP percentage at less than 30% in CD2 while the two Plaintiffs' plans increased it to around 50%. This major difference led to different election outcomes in that Will Boyd, the Black Democratic candidate in the Lieutenant Governor's race, would have been the winner had he run in the CD2 of the Plaintiffs' plans, but would have lost CD2 in the Adopted Congressional Plan.

²⁰ For my effectiveness analysis, I used any-part Black VAP for the Black racial group measurement.

If one evaluates the effectiveness of different plans based on the 2018 State Auditor election results, the CD2 also produces the similar results of the 2018 Lt. Governor election (see Table 5).

Table 5: CD2
Plans Compared, based on the RPV Analysis of the 2018 State Auditor Election

Adopted Plan

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.437 (0.423,	0.946 (0.907,	0.054 (0.033,
	0.456)	0.967)	0.093)
White	0.417 (0.407,	0.049 (0.037,	0.951 (0.923,
	0.426)	0.077)	0.963)
Total	0.419	0.366	0.634

PLSCD Plan B

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.472 (0.465,	0.964 (0.947,	0.036 (0.027,
	0.48)	0.973)	0.053)
White	0.433 (0.423,	0.102 (0.085,	0.898 (0.875,
	0.444)	0.125)	0.915)
Total	0.442	0.578	0.422

PLSCD Plan D

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Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate	
Black	0.456 (0.438,	0.952 (0.91,	0.048 (0.033,	
	0.467)	0.967)	0.09)	
White	0.444 (0.434,	0.111 (0.075,	0.889 (0.812,	
	0.459)	0.188)	0.925)	
Total	0.446	0.564	0.436	

With respect to CD7, though all three plans produced the same result, that is, the election of the Black candidates in both 2018 state-wide election, the Adopted plan packed the Black voting age population to about 54% while the two Plaintiffs' plans made the district around 50-52% Black majority. The comparisons are shown using the two state-wide election results in Tables 6 and 7.

Table 6: CD7
Plans Compared, based on the RPV Analysis of the 2018 Lt Governor Election

Adopted Plan

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.503 (0.49,	0.963 (0.932,	0.037 (0.025,
	0.513)	0.975)	0.068)
White	0.415 (0.406,	0.159 (0.13,	0.841 (0.786,
	0.425)	0.214)	0.87)
Total	0.454	0.659	0.341

PLSCD PlanB

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.508 (0.482,	0.959 (0.943,	0.041 (0.027,
	0.523)	0.973)	0.057)
White	0.41 (0.397,	0.143 (0.11,	0.857 (0.796,
	0.429)	0.204)	0.89)
Total	0.447	0.617	0.383

PLSCD PlanD

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Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate		
Black	0.509 (0.496,	0.946 (0.914,	0.054 (0.036,		
	0.523)	0.964)	0.086)		
White	0.409 (0.394,	0.19 (0.153,	0.81 (0.757,		
	0.428)	0.243)	0.847)		
Total	0.449	0.628	0.372		

Table 7: CD7
Plans Compared, based on the RPV Analysis of the 2018 State Auditor Election

Adopted Plan

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.507 (0.498,	0.952 (0.93,	0.048 (0.026,
	0.516)	0.974)	0.07)
White	0.396 (0.375,	0.162 (0.138,	0.838 (0.808,
	0.408)	0.192)	0.862)
Total	0.449	0.661	0.339

PLSCD PlanB

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.498 (0.487,	0.959 (0.934,	0.041 (0.025,
	0.508)	0.975)	0.066)
White	0.398 (0.385,	0.132 (0.091,	0.868 (0.796,
	0.415)	0.204)	0.909)
Total	0.443	0.619	0.381

PLSCD PlanD

Group	Turnout	Blk Candidate	Wht Candidate
Black	0.501 (0.491,	0.96 (0.929,	0.04 (0.027,
	0.511)	0.973)	0.071)
White	0.401 (0.391,	0.155 (0.129,	0.845 (0.77,
	0.411)	0.23)	0.871)
Total	0.444	0.629	0.371

X. <u>Conclusion</u>

The empirical analyses clearly revealed that in 13 out of the 13 elections (100%) in which Black voters expressed a preference for Black candidates, that preference was not shared by white majority voters. This RPV pattern is confirmed not only by the seven endogenous biracial elections, but also by the six statewide biracial elections during the last decade. Despite Black voters uniting cohesively behind their preferred candidates, the white majority voted sufficiently as a bloc to typically defeat all the Black candidates in these elections. The only Black success in winning a biracial endogenous election since the 2008 elections was Terri Sewell who ran in a Black-majority congressional district. Furthermore, it is also shown in this empirical analysis, Obama won only in Congressional District 7 in the 2008 and 2012 elections where Black voters were the majority and white bloc voting was not enough to defeat him, thanks to the very high level of Black-voter cohesion there.

Thus, my empirical analysis indicates that the characteristics of "racial polarization," meaning Black voters tend to vote for the same candidate and the white majority votes as a bloc to usually to defeat the Black preferred candidate, has been met in the Congressional districts at issue here in recent endogenous and exogenous elections.

My effectiveness analysis also shows that the two plans proposed by Plaintiffs that I analyzed clearly offer Black voters in Alabama more opportunities to elect candidates of their choice than does the Adopted Congressional Redistricting Plan.

XI. Appendices

Appendix 1 is my curriculum vita.

Appendix 2 is the list of voting-rights cases for which I served as an expert witness.

Appendix 3 is the Data Acquisition, Processing, and Aggregation Process

Per 28 U.S. Code § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on December 10, 2021.

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Appendix 1

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Professor of Political Science and Ethnic Studies, affiliated with Asian Studies, 2008-present Associate Chair, Political Science Department, 2015-2017
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Courses taught: Advanced Quantitative Methods (graduate), American Political Behavior (graduate), Race and Political Volatility in the US (graduate/undergraduate), Voting, Election and Public Opinion, Racial and Ethnic Politics, Political Analysis, Asian American Contemporary Issues, Social Justice and Inequality, Asian Pacific American Experiences, Methodology in Ethnic Studies.

TRISS Endowed Professor in Political Science, 2007-8

Associate Professor (early promotion to associate professor 2005, early tenure 2006)

Assistant Professor, 2002-2005

Department of Political Science

University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh

Courses taught: Race and Ethnicity in American Politics, Politics of Urban Growth, Political Method, State and Local Government, Political Analysis, American Government, National, state and Local Government.

Assistant Professor of Political Science

Department of Political Science

Stephens College, Columbia, Missouri, 1999 - 2002

Courses taught: Urban and Minority Politics, Legislative Process, American Presidency, Campaigning and Lobbying, Macroeconomics, American Government, and Introduction to Statistics.

Consultant, Expert Witness, Principal Investigator, Opinion Writer/Commentator, 2000-present Provided research services to the US Department of Justice, New America, Navajo Nation, Southern Coalition for Social Justice, National Science Foundation, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Florida State Legislature, Illinois State Legislature, Wisconsin Security Research Consortium, Fond du Lac School District, Johnson Controls, Inc, City of Waupaca (WI), and Wisconsin Public Service, among others.

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Ph.D. in Political Science (1999), University of New Orleans, Louisiana Dissertation: Black Candidates, White Voters and Racial Context Winner of Byran Jackson Award, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, and Winner of Ted Robinson Award for the best research in race and ethnicity, Southwestern Political Science Association

Master of Arts in Political Science (1995), Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma

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National Science Foundation's "Local Elections in America Project Workshop," Macalester College, Saint Paul, MN (2009)

Methodological Issues in Quantitative Research on Race and Ethnicity, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan (2006)

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D) Book Reviews

Liu, Baodong. (2010). Review of Zoltan L. Hajnal, America's Uneven Democracy: Race, Turnout, and Representation in City Politics in American Review of Politics 31 (summer): 157-160.

Liu, Baodong. (2008). Review of Rodney E. Hero, *Racial Diversity and Social Capital*, in *Urban Affairs Review* 44 (1):146-149.

Liu, Baodong. (2006). Review of Peter Burns, *Electoral Politics Is Not Enough*, in *American Review of Politics* 27 (Spring): 186-189.

Liu, Baodong. (1999). Review of Terry Nichols Clark and Vincent Hoffmann-Martinot (ed), *The New Political Culture*, in *American Review of Politics* 20: 99-102.

E). Other Publications/Editorials

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Liu, Baodong and Feng Ling. (2018). "Liberalism or Conservatism: Which One Contributes to America More?" *Chinese Americans*, No. 1565. (in Chinese).

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Liu, Baodong. (2016). "Lu Xun's Attack on Old Chinese Regime and St. Augustine's Self Examination," *Overseas Campus* (in Chinese).

Liu, Baodong. (2015). "Will Christianity Bring about Democracy?" *Overseas Campus* 130 (June): 40-43. (in Chinese)

Liu, Baodong. (2011). "New Ethnic Studies Major at the U: Education for the 21st Century" *Diversity News* 2011 (Fall). http://diversity.utah.edu/newsletter/fall-2011/ethnic-studies-degree.php.

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Liu, Baodong. (2008). "Negative Campaigning a Desperate Strategy," *The Daily Utah Chronicle*. Guest Column. October 20, 2008.

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Liu, Baodong. (2006). "Midterm Election Results Show No Clear Future Vision." Guest Column, *Advance-Titan*. Nov. 9, 2006: A5.

Liu, Baodong and James Vanderleeuw. (2003). "Local Policymakers and Their Perceptions of Economic Development: Suburbs, Central Cities and Rural Areas Compared" *Wisconsin Political Scientist* IX (1): 4-7.

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT/GRANTS

diaglm, the author of the R software statistical package for diagnosing and visualization of violations of linear and nonlinear statistical modeling, published at GitHub (bblpo/diaglm). 2019.

diagglm, the author of the R software statistical package for diagnosing and visualization of violations of nonlinear statistical modeling, published at github (bblpo/diagglm). 2019.

Principal Investigator, "Authoritarianism in the Global Ethnic Chinese Communities", a grant proposal supported by University Sabbatical Leave and Asia Center Travel Award. 2020. \$1500

Principal Investigator, with Co-Pi, Mike Cobbs (North Carolina State University) and Richard Engstrom (University of Houston). "Understanding the Support for Ranked-Choice Voting,"

initial grant proposal supported by Political Reform Program, New America. Washington D.C. 2020. \$40,000

Co-PI, with Dennis Wei (PI) and Reid Ewing. "Urban Form, Amenity, and Upward Mobility in the United States," initial grant proposal submitted to Russell Sage Foundation, 2017. (rejected)

Co-PI, with Annie Isabel Fukushima (PI). "Victimhood, Human Trafficking and Immigration: Victimhood in the Face of Criminal Charges." American Council of Learned Societies Collaborative Research Program. 2015-16. (rejected)

Co-PI, with Dennis Wei (PI) and Chris Simon. "Amenity, Neighborhood and Spatial Inequality: A Study of Salt Lake County," Interdisciplinary Research Pilot Program (IRPP), College of Social and Behavioral Science, the University of Utah, 2015. \$10,000.

Co-PI, with Annie Isabel Fukushima (PI). "Victimization, Human Trafficking and Immigrants: Mixed Methods analysis of the Perceptions of Victimhood in U.S. Courts (2000 – 2015)", submitted to National Institute of Justice, 2015. \$997,407. (rejected)

Co-PI, with Daniel McCool. "The Efficacy of American Indian Voting: A Pilot Project" Research Incentive Grant, College of Social and Behavioral Science, the University of Utah. (2014-). \$7500.

I have provided my Expert Witness Opinions on federal voting rights cases such as *Traci Jones et al vs. Jefferson County Board of Education et al*, (Alabama, 2019); *CMA v. Arkansas* (Arkansas, 2019); *Navajo Nation, et al, vs. San Juan County, et al*, (Utah District, 2012); *League of Women Voters of Florida, et al v. Detzner, et al*, (Florida, 2012); *Anne Pope et. al. v. County of Albany and the Albany County Board of Elections* (N.D., NY 2011); *Radogno, et al v. State Board of Elections, et al*, (N.D., IL, 2011); *NAACP v. St. Landry Parish et al*, (W.D. LA 2003); *Arbor Hill Concerned Citizens Neighborhood Association et al v. County of Albany* (N.D. NY 2003); *Hardeman County Branch of NAACP v. Frost* (2003).

Expert Instructor, <u>Racially Polarized Voting and Political Participation: EI and EZI.</u> Expert Preparation Program, Community Census and Districting Institute. A grant supported by Ford Foundation and Southern Coalition for Social Justice, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina. 2010.

Principal Investigator, 2010-2012. <u>A Multi-level Analysis of Obama Racial Coalition in 2008 and 2012</u>. A project funded by the PIG grant of College of Social and Behavior Sciences, the University of Utah.

Co-PI. <u>Educational Succession Movements in U.S. Metropolitan Areas</u>, proposal submitted to Seed Grants, the University of Utah. 2009. Rejected.

Recipient, Faculty Sabbatical Grant, 2008. University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, grant offered, but finally declined the offer due to job change.

Grant Director/Faculty Advisor, 2008. The WiscAMP program, National Science Foundation.

Principal Investigator, 2007. <u>Wisconsin Research and Development Capacity Study</u>. A project funded by Wisconsin Security Research Consortium.

Principal Investigator, 2007. <u>The Impact of Industrial Involvement on Science Education in Wisconsin</u>. A project funded by Johnson Control, Inc.

Principal Investigator, 2007. <u>The Impact of Fond du Lac School District on Local Economic Development</u>. A project funded by Fond du Lac School District.

El Methodologist, 2007. <u>Retrogressive Effects of H.B. No. 1565 on Latino Voters in the Bexar</u> County Metropolitan Water District, TX.

Principal Investigator, 2006. <u>The Impact of Economic Development on Citizen Opinions.</u> A project funded by City of Waupaca, Wisconsin Public Services.

Principal Investigator, 2006. <u>Leading the Big Easy: Will the Biracial Coalition Sustain Katrina?</u> Institute on Race and Ethnicity, University of Wisconsin System. 2006.

Methodological Issues in Quantitative Research on Race and Ethnicity, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Institute of Social Research, University of Michigan, 2006.

Off-Campus Program Grant, Faculty Development, the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 2006.

GIS and Social Research, Small Research Grant, Faculty Development Program, the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 2005.

Principal Investigator, <u>Getting the White Votes.</u> American Political Science Association Research Grant, Washington D.C., 2003.

Principal Investigator, <u>A Comparative Study of Urban Elections</u>. Faculty Research Development Grant, the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, 2004.

Principal Investigator, <u>Getting the White Votes.</u> Faculty Research Development Grant, the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, 2003.

Advanced Graduate Student Travel Grant, the American Political Science Association, 1999

AWARDS AND HONORS

Nominee for the Career & Professional Development Center, Faculty Recognition Program, University of Utah. 2018.

Winner of A Showcase of Extraordinary Faculty Achievements (for publication of my book, Social Research: Integrating Mathematical Foundations and Modern Statistical Computing. San Diego: Cognella Academic Publishing), With commendation from the J. Willard Marriott Library and the Office of the Vice President for Research. University of Utah. 2016

Nominee for the Social and Behavior Science College Superior Research Award (senior scholar category), nominated by the political science department in both 2011 and 2012.

Professor of Political Science (National 985-Plan Supported Foreign Scholar), Taught Summer Class at School of Government, Nanjing University, Nanjing, China. 2012.

TRISS Endowed Professorship for Excellence, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh, 2007-8

Artinian Award for Professional Development, Southern Political Science Association, 2004

Byran Jackson Award for the best research/dissertation in racial and ethnic politics in an urban setting, Urban Politics Section, the American Political Science Association, 1999

Ted Robinson Award for the best research in race and ethnicity, <u>Southwestern Political Science Association</u>, 1999

Who's Who in America, 2001-2006, Marquis, USA.

Davis Summer Research Grant, Stephens College, 2001

Firestone Baars Grant for Faculty Development, Stephens College, 1999-2001

Vice President Discretion Grant for Research, Stephens College, 2001, 2000

Advanced Graduate Student Travel Grant, the American Political Science Association, 1999

Graduate Student Travel Grant, University of New Orleans, 1997

The Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Department of Political Science, Oklahoma State University, 1993

Pi Sigma Alpha, National Political Science Honor Society, 1994

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Member, Review Board, Journal of Behavioral and Social Sciences. 2019-

Member, Board of Directors, National Association for Ethnic Studies, 2013-2015

Editorial Board, Urban Affairs Review, 2008-2011

Editorial Advisor, International Encyclopedia of Political Science, CQ Press, 2005-2011

Editor, Urban News, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2004-2010

Chair, Urban Politics Program, Southern Political Science Association Annual Convention, 2008

Co-Chair, Asian Pacific American Caucus, American Political Science Association, 2004-2006

Member, American Political Science Association Small Research Grant Committee, 2005

AS A JUDGE OR REVIEWER OF WORKS OF OTHER SCHOLARS FOR ACADEMIC JOURNALS OR PRESSES

2001-present

Perspectives; Politics and Religion; American Political Science Review; Lexington Books; Journal of Behavioral and Social Sciences; The National Science Foundation; Sage Publications, W. W. Norton & Company, Inc; McGraw Hill Publishing; Journal of Politics; National Political Science Review, Political Analysis; Social Science Quarterly; Urban Affairs Review; Political Research Quarterly; Politics and Policy; Journal of Urban Affairs; American Politics Research; Public Opinion Quarterly; Political Behavior; Sociological Methods and Research

PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Reviewer, University URC Faculty Scholarly Grant Program, 2020

Chair, Faculty Tenure and Promotion Committee, Political Science, 2019-2020

Member, Curriculum Overhaul Committee, Ethnic Studies, 2018-2019

Member, Faculty Tenure and Promotion Committee, Political Science, 2018-2019

Chair, Faculty Tenure and Promotion Sub-Committee, Ethnic Studies, 2017-2018

Member, Graduate Committee, political science department, the University of Utah, 2014-2018

Member, Executive Committee, political science department, the University of Utah, 2014-2018

Faculty Senator, the University of Utah, 2015-2018

Chair, American Politics Field, political science department, the University of Utah, 2014-1018

Member, GC Building Committee, Social Science Lab, 2015-2018

Expert Volunteer for Utah Fair Redistricting Legal Team, 2017

Member, Assistant Vice President for Diversity Search Committee, 2015-2016

Member, Ad Hoc Graduate Committee for Writing, 2015-2016

Chair, Faculty Joint Appointment Search Committee, ethnic studies program and theatre department, the University of Utah, 2014-2015

Member, Betty Glad Foundation Committee, political science department, the University of Utah, 2014-2015

Chair, Awards Committee, National Association for Ethnic Studies, 2014

Faculty Mentor to Junior Faculty, Department of Political Science, 2013-2018

Chair, University of Utah MLK Committee. 2012-2013.

Member, Graduate School Dean Search Committee, 2013.

Member, University Diversity Leadership Team, the University of Utah. 2010-2013.

Member, University Teaching Program Committee, the University of Utah, 2011-2013.

Member, University Diversity Curriculum Committee, Undergraduate Studies, the University of Utah, 2011-2013.

Judge, The Research Day of College of Social and Behavioral Science, 2011-2013.

Member, Organizing Committee, International Conference on Urbanization and Development in China, University of Utah, August 2010.

Member, Retention, Promotion, and Tenure Committee, Department of Political Science, the University of Utah. 2011-2013.

Assistant Director, Ethnic Studies Program, the University of Utah. 2010-2011.

Committee Member, Undergraduate Studies, Department of Political Science, the University of Utah. 2009-2011.

Committee Member, Utah Opportunity Scholarship, the University of Utah, reviewing and making decisions on more than 200 applications. 2009-2010.

Member, Ethnic Studies Positions Exploration Committee, the University of Utah. 2009-2010.

Member, Marketing Committee, Department of Political Science, the University of Utah. 2009-2010.

Guest Speaker, "Obama and the 2008 Presidential Election: A Spatial Analysis" at the Graduate Seminar titled Introduction of Survey Research in Higher Education. College of Education. The University of Utah. Feb. 3, 2009.

Special Speaker, "Obama and the Minimum Winning Coalition" Ethnic Studies Works in Progress Presentation. The University of Utah. Dec., 5, 2008.

Special Speaker, "Election 2008: A Symposium," Hinckley Institute of Politics, University of Utah. October 6, 2008.

Special Speaker, "Predicting the 2008 Presidential Election Outcomes" Discussion on the 2008 Presidential Election. Political Science Department, the University of Utah. Sept. 25, 2008.

Political Commentator for reporting from Salt Lake Tribune, AP, EFE Hispanic News Services, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, WHBY, KFRU radio stations, the Post-Crescent, Oshkosh Northwestern, Columbia Missourian, and the Daily Utah Chronicle (December 1999 to present)

Faculty Representative for University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, ICPSR, University of Michigan, 2007-8

Member, Board of Trustees, Wisconsin International School, 2007-8

Member, UWO Office of Institutional Research Advisory Board, 2007-8

President, Northeast Wisconsin Chinese Association, 2007 (executive vice president, 2006)

Member, Program Evaluation Committee. College of Letters and Science, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 2007-8

Member, Political Science Curriculum, Center for New Learning, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 2007-8

Moderator, Oshkosh City Forum, Mayoral Candidates' Debates, March 23, 2005

Grant Reviewer, Faculty Development Program. University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 2004-8

Member, African American Minor Counsel. University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 2006-.

Member, Search Committee for University Foundation President. University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 2005-2006.

Member, Faculty Senate Libraries & Information Services Committee. University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 2005-2008.

Chair/Member, Curriculum Committee, Dept. of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, September 2002-8

Chair, Budget Committee, Dept. of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, September 2007-8

Member, Personal Committee, Dept. of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, September 2007-8

Member, Search Committee, Dept. of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, September 2002-8

Faculty Director, the Stephens College Model UN Team, National Model United Nations Conference, New York, New York, (3/2002)

Chair, Political Science Search Committee, Stephens College (August 2001 to May 2002)

Member, Editorial Advisory Board, Collegiate Press, San Diego, California (2000 to 2001)

Chair, Harry Truman Scholarship Committee, Stephens College (2000 to 2002)

Member, Strategic Planning and Budgeting Committee, Stephens College (2000 to 2002).

CONFERENCE PAPER/PROCEEDINGS

Liu, Baodong. "Racial Prejudice behind the Anti-Affirmative Action Attitude of Asian Americans" paper presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Conference. San Diego. 4/2019.

Liu, Baodong, Porter Morgan and Dimitri Kokoromytis. "Immigration, Nation-State Contexts and Value Changes of Ethnic Chinese" paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. Chicago. 4/2019.

Baodong Liu. "The Strategical Religious Voter", paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, Illinois. 4/2018.

Baodong Liu, Nicole Batt and Zackery Stickney. "Authoritarianism for and against Trump", paper presented at the Annual Meeting of Behavioral and Social Sciences, Las Vegas, Nevada. 2/2018.

Baodong Liu. "The Strategic Religious Voter", paper presented at the Oxford Symposium on Religious Studies, Oxford, UK. 3/2016.

Baodong Liu. "The Political Fate of Religious Minorities in the U.S. Presidential Elections." paper presented at the 19th Annual American Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences. Las Vegas, Nevada. 2/2016.

Baodong Liu. "The Political Fate of Religious Minorities in the U.S. Presidential Elections." paper presented at the Hawaii University International Conferences on Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Education. Honolulu, Hawaii. 1/2016.

Baodong Liu. "Statistical Inference and Visualization of Big Data in Urban Research", paper presented at the 3rd International Conference on China Urban Development, Shanghai, China. 6/2015.

Baodong Liu. "Race, Religion, and U.S. Presidential Elections," paper presented at the Annual Convention of National Association for Ethnic Studies, Oakland, California. 4/2014.

Baodong Liu. "Racial Context and the 2008 and 2012 US Presidential Elections," paper presented at the 11th Annual International Conference on Politics & International Affairs, Athens, Greece. 6/2013.

Baodong Liu. "Deracialization in the Post-Obama Era," presented at the National Black Political Scientist Association Annual Meeting. Las Vegas, Nevada. 3/2012.

Baodong Liu. "Obama's Racial Coalition," paper presented at the Southwestern Social Science Association Annual Meeting. Las Vegas, Nevada. 3/2011.

Geoffrey M. Draper, Baodong Liu, and Richard F. Riesenfeld. "Integrating Statistical Visualization Research into the Political Science Classroom" Information Systems Educators Conference. 2010. Nashville, Tennessee. 10/2010.

Baodong Liu. "Space and Time: An Empirical Analysis of 2008 Presidential Election," paper delivered at the Annual American Political Science Association Conference, Toronto, Canada, 9/2009.

Baodong Liu. "Sequential and Spatial Voting: An Analysis of the 2008 Democratic Primaries," paper presented at the 2009 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, 4/2009.

Baodong Liu. "Social Capital, Race, and Turnout," paper presented at the 2008 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, 4/2008.

Baodong Liu and Lori Weber. "Social Capital and Voting Participation," paper presented at the 2008 Southern Political Science Association Annul Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1/2008.

Baodong Liu. "The 2006 New Orleans Mayoral Election," paper presented at the 2007 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, Illinois, 4/2007.

James Vanderleeuw, Baodong Liu, and Erica Williams. "The Political Ramifications of a Large-Scale Natural Disaster," paper presented at the 2006 annual conference, the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, 9/2006.

Baodong Liu. "EI Extended Model and the Fear of Ecological Fallacy," paper presented at the 2006 Midwest Political Science Association Annul Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, 4/2006.

Baodong Liu. "The Fear of Ecological Fallacy and the Methods to Conquer It" paper presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Oakland, CA, 4/2005.

Baodong Liu. "The Whites Who Stayed in the City," paper presented at the 2004 Midwest Political Science Association Annul Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, 4/2004.

Baodong Liu. "Whites as a Minority and the New Biracial Coalition," paper presented at the 2004 Southern Political Science Association Annul Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1/2004.

Baodong Liu and James Vanderleeuw. "Economic Development Priorities and Central City/Suburb Differences," presented at the 2003 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, Illinois, 4/2003.

James Vanderleeuw, Baodong Liu, and Greg Marsh, "Divided Leadership and Racial Reflexivity in Memphis: An Analysis of the 1991, 1995 and 1999 Mayoral Elections," presented at the 2003 Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Antonio, Texas, 4/2003.

Baodong Liu. "White Votes Count: The Effect of Black Candidates' Qualifications on White Crossover Voting," paper presented at *the 98th American Political Science Association Conference*, Boston, Massachusetts, 9/2002.

Baodong Liu. "Searching for a 'Qualified' Black Candidate," *Proceedings of the 97th American Political Science Association Conference*, San Francisco California, 9/2001.

Baodong Liu. "In Defense of an Ethical Rational Choice Theory," paper delivered at the 2001 Jessie Ball duPont Fund Summer Seminars for Liberal Arts College Faculty, the National Humanities Center, Research Triangle, North Carolina, 6/2001.

Baodong Liu. "Reconsidering Social Interaction Theory," presented at the 2001 Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Las Vegas Nevada, 3/2001.

James Vanderleeuw, Baodong Liu, and John Johnson. "Economic Development Priorities of City Administrators: A Report on a Survey of City Administrators in Texas," presented at the 2001 Louisiana Political Science Association Convention, Lamar Texas, 3/2001.

Baodong Liu. "Racial Transition: Explaining the Curvilinear Relationship between Black Density and White Crossover Voting," *Proceedings of the 96th American Political Science Association Conference*, Washington DC, 9/2000.

Baodong Liu and James Vanderleeuw. "Racial Transition: Explaining the Curvilinear Relationship between Black Density and White Crossover Voting," presented at *the 96th American Political Science Association Conference*, Washington DC, 9/2000.

Baodong Liu. "Electoral Law and the Russian Party System: A Comparative Study," presented at the 58th Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago Illinois, 4/2000.

James Vanderleeuw and Baodong Liu. "Rolling Off in the Context of Context," presented at the 30th Southwestern Political Science Association Conference, Galveston Texas, 3/2000.

Baodong Liu. "The Changing Nature of Electoral Competition in Japan." Roundtable Discussant, the 52nd Association of Asian Studies Annual Meeting, San Diego California, 3/2000.

Baodong Liu. "Racial Context and White Voting Strategies," presented at the 95th American Political Science Association Conference, Atlanta Georgia, 9/1999.

Baodong Liu. "The President's Support in Congress: A Test of U.S. China Policy, 1980-1994," *The 1997 Southern Political Science Association Convention*, Norfolk Virginia, 11/1997.

Baodong Liu. "Examining the Race Line: White Voting Behavior in New Orleans, 1980-1994," *The 27th Southwestern Political Science Association Conference*. New Orleans Louisiana, 3/1997.

Baodong Liu. "Intrapartisan Defeats and the Nomination Strategies of the Japanese Liberal Democratic Party in the 1993 Election," *The Sixth Annual Graduate Student Research Symposium*. Oklahoma State University. Stillwater Oklahoma, 2/1995.

INVITED SPEAKER, ROUNDTABLE/PANEL DISCUSSANT

Baodong Liu. "The 2020 Presidential Election and the Future of American Democracy", invited lecture given to Chinese Americans on Zoom. 9/2020.

Baodong Liu, Michael Cobb, and Richard Engstrom. "Understanding the Support for Ranked-Choice Voting in Two Southern Cities" talk given at the Electoral Reform Research Group, Research Development Conference. Washington D.C. 2/2020.

Baodong Liu. ""Nation-State Context and Authoritarian Value Changes of Ethnic Chinese." Talk given at the workshop of The Clash of Authoritarianisms: Secularism versus Islamism in Turkey, University of Utah. 4/2019

Baodong Liu. "Trump's Voters," Panel Discussion on Presidential Primaries. Hinckley Institute of Politics. The University of Utah. Salt Lake City, Utah. 3/2016

Baodong Liu. "Big Data in the Social Sciences," The Consortium for Research on China and Asia (CROCA) and Policy at the Podium. The University of Utah. Salt Lake City, Utah. 11/2014.

Baodong Liu. "Deracialization in the Historial Perspective," the National Black Political Scientist Association Annual Meeting. Las Vegas, Nevada. 3/2012.

"Educating the Best Students in the 21st century: the New Ethnic Studies Major at the University of Utah," a presentation provided to the University Division Fall Retreat (8/12/2011), the Ethnic Studies Program (8/17/2011), and the Community Council (9/13/2011), at the University of Utah.

"Quantitative Analysis: Ecological Inferences and the Voting Rights Law," a Ford Foundation Project, Duke University. July 24-28, 2010.

"Election 2008: A Symposium," Hinckley Institute of Politics, University of Utah. October 6, 2008.

"IMMIGRATION TODAY: What are the Issues?" League of Women Voters of the Oshkosh Area Public Forum, November 12, 2007.

Theme Panel: "Bleaching" New Orleans? Power, Race, and Place After Katrina, the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, September 2, 2006.

"2006 Midterm Election Preview," American Democracy Project, the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, November 2, 2006.

"Analysis on the 2006 Midterm Election Results," American Democracy Project, the University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh, November 9, 2006.

"The Politics of New Americans: Studying Asian American Political Engagement," the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C. September 3, 2005.

"Significance of Voting Rights Act," Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights under Law, National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium, Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Washington DC: June 17-18, 2004.

"Protecting Democracy: Defining the Research Agenda for Voting Rights Reauthorization," the Civil Rights Project, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA. May 10, 2004.

Chair, the Politics of Ethnicity and Self-Determination Panel, International Studies Association-Midwest Conference, St. Louis, Missouri, November 2, 2001.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Pi Sigma Alpha, National Political Science Honor Society American Political Science Association Western Political Science Association Midwest Political Science Association Association for Asian American Studies Association of Chinese Political Studies

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Appendix 2 Voting Rights Cases in which I served as an Expert Witness

Milligan, et al. v. Merrill, et al., Case No. 2:21-cv-01530-AMM (Alabama, 2021)

Traci Jones et al vs. Jefferson County Board of Education et al, (Alabama, 2019)

CMA v. Arkansas, (Arkansas, 2019)

Navajo Nation, et al, vs. San Juan County, et al, (Utah, 2012)

League of Women Voters of Florida, et al v. Detzner, et al, (Florida, 2012)

Anne Pope et. al. v. County of Albany and the Albany County Board of Elections (N.D., NY 2011)

Radogno, et al v. State Board of Elections, et al, (N.D., IL, 2011)

NAACP v. St. Landry Parish et al, (W.D. LA 2003)

Arbor Hill Concerned Citizens Neighborhood Association et al v. County of Albany, (N.D. NY 2003)

Hardeman County Branch of NAACP v. Frost, (TN, 2003)

Appendix 3

Description of the Data Acquisition, Processing, and Aggregation Process

Data Acquisition

- 1. Acquired 2016, 2018, and 2020 precinct-level shapefiles from the Voting and Election Science Team. Joined those shapefiles to 2016, 2018, and 2020 precinct-level election returns from the Alabama Secretary of State's office, which were processed and cleaned by OpenElections.
 - a. Acquired and cleaned 2014 precinct-level election returns from the Alabama Secretary of State's office, and joined those to the 2016 precinct-level shapefile acquired from the Voting and Election Science Team.
 - b. Since absentee and provisional vote is reported at the county level, distributed the county-level absentee and provisional vote for each candidate to the precincts in the county, proportional to the share of the candidate's vote total in the county that was reported from each precinct.
- 2. Acquired 2020 Census Block shapefiles, total population by race and ethnicity, and voting age population by race and ethnicity directly from the Census FTP portal.
- 3. Acquired 2010 Census block total population by race and ethnicity, and voting age population by race and ethnicity, directly from the Census FTP portal.
- 4. Acquired VTD block assignment files, congressional district block assignment files, state house district block assignment files, and state senate district block assignment files from the Census website.
- 5. Acquired the draft congressional, state house, and state senate plans from a member of the Alabama Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.

Data Processing

- 1. For datasets that were on the 2020 census block level (total population, voting age population, VTD assignment, congressional district assignment, state house district assignment, and state senate district assignment), joined these datasets to the 2020 Census block shapefile.
- 2. For datasets that were not on the level of the census block (2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2020 election returns precinct), disaggregated them down to the 2020 census block level. Then joined them to the 2020 Census block shapefile.
- 3. For the 2010 Census block data, used the Census' Block Relationship File to measure the area overlap between the 2010 and 2020 census blocks. Then distributed the 2010 census block population data to the 2020 census blocks, proportionally to the land area overlap between the 2010 and 2020 census blocks.

Data Aggregation

1. Aggregated the full block-level dataset up to the level of the 2020 voting districts, taking into account (a) discontiguities in voting districts and (b) splits of voting districts by any of the implemented and proposed plans.

MILLIGAN V. MERRILL Case No.: 2:21-cv-012921 DECLARATION OF JOSEPH BAGLEY PHD

I. CREDENTIALS, PURPOSE

I am an Assistant Professor of History at Perimeter College, Georgia State University. My specific area of study is United States constitutional and legal history, politics, and race relations, with a focus on Alabama and Georgia. I earned a Ph.D. in 2013 from Georgia State and an M.A. (2007) and B.A. (2004) from Auburn University. My first book, *The Politics of White Rights: Race, Justice, and Integrating Alabama's Schools*, was published in November 2018 by the University of Georgia Press in the *Politics and Culture of the Twentieth Century South* series. There, I assert that Alabama lawmakers used lessons from the fight against school desegregation to perfect the process of "colormasking" legislation, or in creating racially discriminatory laws – such as those that maintain the political and electoral status quo when it comes to Black voting and political representation – that can withstand legal tests. My current projects include a book manuscript examining the struggle for voting rights in Alabama and a grant proposal for a National Endowment for the Humanities "Public Humanities Discussions" series focused on citizenship rights and obligations in Georgia.

I have been certified as an expert by this Court in previous voting rights litigation. I submitted a report, testified in a deposition and at trial, and was cited in the Court's opinion in *People First of Alabama v. Merrill* in 2020. My academic work has been cited in the *Case Western Law Review*, the *Journal of Urban History, Rural Sociology*, the *Alabama Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Law Review*, and in the *New York Times Magazine (NYTM)*. My doctoral thesis, "School Desegregation, Law and Order, and Litigating Social Justice in Alabama," which formed the basis of my book manuscript, was quoted multiple times by Pulitzer Prize winner Nikole Hannah-Jones in her September 6, 2017 piece in *NYTM*, "Resegregation in Jefferson County," in which Hannah-Jones examines the city of Gardendale's attempt to secede from the county school system – an issue litigated in the *Stout v. Jefferson County Board of Education* school desegregation case that remains before this Court.²

I include here a C.V. listing conference presentations, invited talks, essays, and solicited book and manuscript reviews that I have written for the University Press of Kansas, the *Alabama Review*, and journals such as *Urban History* and *History of Education Quarterly*. I am compensated at the rate of \$150 per hour for my work in preparing this report. This compensation is not dependent upon my findings, and my opinions stated in this report do not necessarily represent the sum total of my opinions in this matter, which are subject to change upon further research or revelations.

I have been asked by plaintiffs' counsel in this case to examine any relevant historical and contemporary evidence and to determine if, in my opinion, Alabama House Bill 1 ("H.B. 1"), establishing the map redrawing the state's congressional districts following the release of the 2020 Census data, will result in an impairment of Black voters' ability to participate fully and equitably in the political process and to elect candidates of their choice. My analysis adheres to the common standards of historiography, meaning that I have objectively examined different types of sources – the legislative and judicial record, newspaper coverage, campaign literature, and public

¹ People First of Alabama v. Merrill, 467 F.Supp.3d 1179 (2020).

² Wendy Parker, "Why Alabama School Desegregation Succeeded (And Failed)," 67 Case Western Law Review, 1091 (2017); Rebecca Retzlaff, "Desegregation of City Parks and the Civil Rights Movement: The Case of Oak Park in Montgomery, Alabama," Journal of Urban History 47.4, 715 (2019); Erika Frankenberg, "The Impact and Limits of Implementing Brown: Reflections from Sixty-Five Years of School Segregation and Desegregation in Alabama's Largest School District," 11 Alabama Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Law Review, 33 (2019); Bryan Mann, "Segregation Now, Segregation Tomorrow, Segregation Forever? Racial and Economic Isolation and Dissimilarity in Rural Black Belt Schools in Alabama," Rural Sociology 86.3, 523 (2021). Nikole Hannah-Jones, "The Resegregation of Jefferson County," The New York Times Magazine, Sept. 6, 2017.

statements, for example, along with the existing scholarship and the established historical background – and weighed all of that material collectively in forming my opinions. In my evaluation of this evidence and in my effort to determine whether, in my opinion, H.B. 1 will deny Black citizens of Alabama an equitable right to elect candidates of their choice, I am also guided by the "totality of the circumstances" test, as applied using the factors set forth by the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee during the amendment of Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act in 1982 and subsequently referenced by the Supreme Court in *Thornburg v. Gingles* (478 U.S. 30, 1986, "*Gingles I*") (the "Senate Factors"). There are seven core Senate Factors and two typical "additional" factors that might be considered to the extent that they are appropriate.

These include:

- The "extent of any history of official discrimination in the state or political subdivision that touched the right of the members of the minority group to register, to vote, or otherwise to participate in the democratic process" [Factor 1]
- The "extent to which voting in the elections of the state or political subdivision is racially polarized" [Factor 2]
- The "extent to which the state or political subdivision has used unusually large election districts, majority vote requirements, anti-single shot provisions, or other voting practices or procedures that may enhance the opportunity for discrimination against the minority group" [Factor 3]
- If "there is a candidate slating process, whether the members of the minority group have been denied access to that group" [Factor 4]
- The "extent to which members of the minority group in the state or political subdivision bear the effects of discrimination in such areas as education, employment and health, which hinder their ability to participate effectively in the political process" [Factor 5]
- Whether "political campaigns have been characterized by overt or subtle racial appeals" [Factor
 6]
- The "extent to which members of the minority group have been elected to public office in the jurisdiction" [Factor 7]
- Whether "there is a significant lack of responsiveness on the part of elected officials to the particularized needs of the members of the minority group" [Factor 8, Additional Factor]
- And "Whether the policy underlying the state or political subdivision's use of such voting qualification, prerequisite to voting, or standard, practice or procedure is tenuous" [Factor 9, Additional Factor].

These factors allow scholars and courts to undertake a "practical evaluation of the past and present realities" and to determine "whether the political process is equally open to minority voters" (*Gingles I* at 478). As the Court stated in *Gingles*, other additional factors may be considered, and there is no requirement that all factors be considered or that any particular weight be assigned to any one factor.⁴

³ In 1980, the Supreme Court held in City of Mobile v. Bolden (446 U.S. 55) that discriminatory results alone did not warrant relief in voting rights litigation and that plaintiffs needed to establish discriminatory intent, prompting Congress to amend Section 2. The committee derived the relevant factors from pre-Bolden jurisprudence, especially Whitcomb v. Chavis (403 U.S. 124, 1971), White v. Regester (412 U.S. 755, 1973) and Zimmer v. McKeithen (485 F.2d 1297, 5th CCA, 1973). Report of the Committee on the Judiciary on S. 1992 (Voting Rights Act Extension), United States Senate, 97th Congress, 2nd Session, Report No. 97-417 [Senate Factors Report], p. 28, n. 113; Peyton McCrary, "History in the Courts: The Significance of City of Mobile v. Bolden," in Chandler Davidson (Ed.), *Minority Vote Dilution* (Washington, D.C.: Howard University Press, 1984), pp. 47-65.

⁴ Senate Factors Report, pp. 28-9.

Given the nature of this case and my own expertise, my report focuses on Factors 1, 5, 6, 7, and 8. I will not systematically address here Factors 2, 3, or 4. While Factor 2 carries great weight in voting rights litigation, racially polarized voting ("RPV") analysis is generally the purview of specially trained political scientists. Plaintiffs may or may not employ such scholars to conduct RPV analysis, but I do not draw any conclusions based on RPV except to acknowledge that federal courts have repeatedly determined that voting in Alabama, including in congressional contests, has been racially polarized. ⁵ I discuss the kind of enhancing devices and schemes covered in Factor 3 in my treatment of Factor 1, and I contend that the discriminatory redistricting plans discussed therein are as much exemplary of the devices highlighted by this factor as the at-large election schemes and numbered place laws of the (somewhat) more distant past.

My summary findings as to the relevant Senate Factors with respect to this report are as follows:

<u>Factor 1</u>: the state of Alabama has an undisputed history of discrimination against Black citizens, especially when it comes to registering to vote, voting, and enjoying an equitable chance to participate in the political process, and this has been recognized by numerous courts. In particular, white legislators of both major political parties have, in the last 50 years, manipulated the redistricting process to prevent Black citizens from electing members of Congress or, in the last 30 years, to limit Black voters' ability to elect members of Congress from more than one district.

<u>Factor 5</u>: the effects of past and ongoing discrimination in education, employment, health, and criminal justice are profound and have had a significant impact on Black voters' ability to participate fully in the political process.

<u>Factor 6</u>: despite a decades-long tradition of color-masking racial appeals, campaigns and politicians' public statements have recently trended back towards more overt racial appeals, and these have been plentiful in Alabama and attributable to its current members of Congress and candidates for those offices.

<u>Factor 7</u>: the ability of Black Alabamians to elect candidates from among their own to statewide offices has been almost nonexistent, while Black candidates have had some success at the local level, thanks to litigation and federal government intervention.

<u>Factor 8 (Additional Factor 1)</u>: white lawmakers have been generally unresponsive to the needs and demands of Black citizens, as suggested by the fight for Medicaid expansion, by the actions of the state legislature since *Shelby County v. Holder*, and by lawmakers' failure to address much of what I discuss under Factor 5. The Court should also consider the votes of the members of the state's congressional delegation on other bills that the Black community in the state would tend to support, especially a redistricting plan that would provide for a second majority-minority congressional district.

Given these conclusions, in my opinion H.B. 1 will deny Black Alabamians an equitable right to elect candidates of their choice.

II. FACTOR 1: HISTORY OF DISCRIMINATION

As this Court found in 2020, "Black Alabamians have consistently overcome barriers to exercising their fundamental right to vote, only to later have that right curtailed," and the state's history of official discrimination is

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⁵ Greater Birmingham Ministries v. Merrill, 284 F. Supp. 3d 1253, 1258 (ND AL, 2018); Alabama Legislative Black Caucus v. Alabama, 135 S.Ct. 1257, 1272 (2015); White v. Alabama, 867 F. Supp. 1519, 1552 (MD AL, 1994), vacated on other grounds, 74 F.3d 1058 (11th CCA, 1996); Dillard v. Baldwin County Commission, 222 F. Supp. 2d 1283, 1290 (MD AL, 2002), affirmed, 376 F.3d 1260 (11th CCA, 2004); Wilson v. Jones, 45 F. Supp. 2d 945, 951 (S.D. Ala. 1999), affirmed sub nom. Wilson v. Minor, 220 F.3d 1297 (11th CCA, 2000).

replete with facts that the Court described as "largely undisputed" (*People First of Alabama v. Merrill*, 467 F.Supp.3d 1179, ¶ 32, ND). Similarly, the court in *Alabama NAACP v. Alabama*, also in 2020, found that, "Alabama's history of discrimination against African Americans in all areas of life is long, well-documented, and undisputed" (<u>CA 2:16-cv-00731-WKW-SMD</u>, Feb. 5, 2020, MD, pp. 153-54). I will briefly summarize the history that is the basis for these findings for the Court, beginning with Reconstruction. As referenced, as recently as last year, federal courts in Alabama have ruled in favor of plaintiffs targeting vote dilution schemes that persist, having fallen through the cracks of administrative and judicial oversight.⁶

I conclude by examining the efforts of white Democrats and white Republicans in the state legislature, during the last 30 years, to manipulate the redistricting process to the detriment of Black voters. Of primary importance in this case, I trace the general characteristics of the state's 7th Congressional District from the redistricting litigation of the 1990s to the present.

a. From Reconstruction to the Constitution of 1901

Alabama's effort to restrict the rights of its Black citizens began when the enslaved became citizens. A pattern of advancement and backlash was thus established at the very beginning of the story of Black citizenship. After the Civil War, Alabama was among the first former Confederate states to enact "Black Codes" limiting the citizenship rights of former slaves. The 14th Amendment invalidated such laws on equal protection grounds, and the 15th Amendment guaranteed formerly enslaved men the right to vote. While the Union Army was empowered to combat the Ku Klux Klan and other white supremacist groups, Alabama was forced to accede to some measure of Black voting and to the election of a few Black candidates to office though, even then, most offices were won by white Republicans. When the Union Army was removed from the state and priorities in Washington began to shift, white Democrats unleashed a campaign of violence aimed at "redemption," or gaining back control of the state government. At the heart of that effort was the disenfranchisement of Black citizens. The party adopted the slogan "White Supremacy for the Right" (a slogan it did not abandon until 1966) and replaced the state's Congressional Reconstruction constitution with one that protected white people in majority-Black areas by severely restricting home rule and giving control over local governments to the governor and the state legislature.⁸

The "redeemer" Democrats used a variety of measures to consolidate that control: where white people constituted a local majority, legislators switched from district to at-large elections; where they did not, legislators eliminated elections in favor of gubernatorial appointment; they set higher bonds for office-holding, abolished courts, closed polling places, and eventually resorted to outright election fraud in the form of ballot-box stuffing. The legislature ultimately passed the Sayre Law, establishing what District Judge Myron Thompson would later describe as "a more respectable and cunning way of controlling or disenfranchising black voters" (*Harris v. Siegelman*, 695 F. Supp. 517, 522, MD, 1988). The Sayre Law replaced the "party ballot" with the "secret ballot,"

⁶ Jones v. Jefferson County, No. 2:19-cv-01821-MHH (ND, 2019); Alabama State Conf. of the NAACP v. City of Pleasant Grove, No. 2:18-cv-02056 (ND, 2019).

⁷ Alabama's Black Code was enacted on January 15, 1866. It subjected anyone convicted of vagrancy, including "stubborn servant[s]," runaway apprentices, and "any person who habitually neglect[ed] his employment," to a \$50 fine which, if unpaid, would compel convicted to work for his employer, usually the former master, for free until it was paid off. William Warren Rogers and Robert David Ward, "From 1865 through 1920," in Rodgers, et al., Eds, *Alabama: The History of a Deep South State* (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 1994), pp. 225-410, p. 238; Orville Vernon Burton, *The Age of Lincoln* (New York: Hill and Wang, 2008), pp. 267-69; Eric Foner, *Reconstruction: America's Unfinished Revolution*, 1863 – 1877 (New York: Harper Collins, 1988), pp. 199-201.

⁸ Rogers and Ward, "From 1865 through 1920," pp. 244-45, 262-65; Peyton McCrary et al., "Alabama," in Chandler Davidson et al., Eds, *Quiet Revolution in the South: The Impact of the Voting Rights Act*, 1965-1990 (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1994), pp. 38-66, pp. 41-2; Brian Wilhelm, "The Election Riots of 1874," *Encyclopedia of Alabama*, Nov. 6, 2009; Burton, *The Age of Lincoln*, pp. 300-322; Foner, *Reconstruction*, pp. 228-411.

which came with written instructions that could only be explained by a gubernatorially appointed poll official. Not only did this allow those officials to swindle Black voters, it discouraged many Black people from even bothering to go to the polls; the Sayre Law resulted in an immediate 22 percent drop in Black turnout.⁹

Emboldened by federal indifference, in 1901 Democrats held a constitutional convention for the expressed purpose of "avoid[ing] Negro domination" and "establish[ing] white supremacy." The delegates "registered vow" was to "disfranchise every Negro in the state." The constitution they adopted, which is still operative, featured provisions for an accumulating poll tax; property ownership and employment requirements for registering to vote; disenfranchisement of anyone convicted of vagrancy or "crimes of moral turpitude," a deliberately chosen class of crimes for which Black people were more frequently convicted; and a literacy test to be administered by local (white) registrars, which is to say, one that could be discriminatorily administered and used to bar Blacks, but not poor whites, from registering to vote. 10

Following the enactment of the new constitution, there was a 96 percent reduction in Black voter turnout, and the number of registered Black voters fell from 180,000 to 3,000. The constitution was upheld by the Supreme Court in *Giles v. Harris* (189 U.S. 475, 1903). The following year, the Alabama Democratic Party adopted the "white primary," whereby membership was limited, as in a club, to white people, thus barring Black people from participating in what had become the only election that mattered. White supremacy was the order of the day in Alabama from that point until the Second World War.

The constitution also institutionalized what had already been written into the state's penal code and had escaped Radical Republican censure – the new document included an anti-miscegenation clause that read, "The legislature shall never pass any law to authorize or legalize any marriage between any white person and a negro, or descendant of a negro." A "Negro" was anyone with "one drop" of Black "blood." The anti-miscegenation statute was revised in 1940 to read, "If any white person and any negro, or the descendant of any negro intermarry, or live in adultery or fornication with each other, each of them shall, on conviction, be imprisoned in the penitentiary for not less than two nor more than seven years." Such laws were invalidated in *Loving v. Virginia*, but the voters of Alabama did not overturn its ban officially until 2000.¹¹

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⁹ Kousser, *The Shaping of Southern Politics*, pp. 133-35; McCrary, et al, "Alabama," p. 42-43; Rodgers and Ward, "From 1865 through 1920," pp. 311-14, 21-34; Peyton McCrary, "Minority Representation in Alabama: The Pivotal Case of *Dillard v. Crenshaw County*," in Raymond Arsenault et al. Eds, *Dixie Redux: Essays in Honor of Sheldon Hackney* (Montgomery: New South Books, 2013), pp. 379-97, pp. 382-83; J. Morgan Kousser, *The Shaping of Southern Politics: Suffrage Restrictions and the Establishment of the One-Party South, 1880-1910* (New Haven: Yale University Press, 1974) pp. 45-79.

¹⁰ Kousser, *The Shaping of Southern Politics*. pp. 165-71; McCrary et al., "Alabama," pp. 43-4; *Journal of the Proceedings of the Constitutional Convention of the State of Alabama, Held in the City of Montgomery, Commencing May 21, 1901* (Montgomery: Brown, 1901), at Alabama Department of Archives and History Digital Collections Online [hereinafter cited as ADAH Digital Collections], pp. 8-10, http://digital.archives.alabama.gov/cdm/compoundobject/collection/legislature/id/16317/rec/1; McCrary et al., "Alabama," pp. 44; Rodgers and Ward, "From 1865 through 1920," pp. 343-351; "delegates" quotation cited by the court in *United States v. Alabama*, 252 F. Supp. 95, 98 (MD, 1966); on crimes of moral turpitude, see Hunter v. Underwood, 471 U.S. 222, 232, 1985.

¹¹ Loving v. Virginia, 388 U.S. 1 (1967); Jeremy W. Richter, "Alabama's Anti-Miscegenation Statutes," *The Alabama Review*, Volume 68, Number 4 (October 2015): pp. 345-365, p. 345-46; Aaron Blake, "Alabama was a final holdout on desegregation and interracial marriage. It could happen again on gay marriage," *Washington Post*, Feb. 9, 2015, https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/the-fix/wp/2015/02/09/alabama-was-a-final-holdout-on-desegregation-and-interracial-marriage-it-could-happen-again-on-gay-marriage/.

b. From World War II to the Civil Rights Movement

The "white primary" was overturned when the Supreme Court handed down *Smith v. Allwright* in 1944 (321 U.S. 649). True to the pattern of advance-and-restrict, however, Alabama's white Democratic lawmakers responded by enacting the Boswell Amendment to the 1901 constitution – a facially race-neutral provision that required applicants for voter registration to "understand and explain" an article of the U.S. Constitution. One of the bill's framers admitted that this would enable boards of registrars to "prevent from registering those elements in our community which have not yet fitted themselves for self-government," meaning Black people. Birmingham's Arthur Shores challenged the Boswell Amendment, and in 1949 a federal court found that the law was "intended to be, and [was] being used for the purpose of discriminating against applicants for the franchise on the basis of race or color" and gave registrars "naked and arbitrary power," which they were using to disqualify Black applicants using the "understand and explain" clause (*Davis v. Schnell*, 81 F. Supp. 872, 880, SD, quoting *Yick Wo v. Hopkins*, 118 U.S. 356, 366, 1886).

The state legislature responded by presenting the almost exclusively white electorate with a Voter Qualification Amendment, which it ratified in 1951. The amendment replaced the "understand and explain" language with a deliberately byzantine application process devised by the state Supreme Court. Prospective voters had to navigate a lengthy questionnaire (21 questions),, perform a reading of the U.S. Constitution at the direction of a white registrar, and present a "supporting witness," an existing voter who would testify to the applicant's residence and good standing, as well as the witness's own occupation and employer. ¹³

The state legislature also enacted an "anti-single-shot" voting law. When Black citizens began agitating for citizenship rights during and after World War II, many local governments, via state legislative delegations, switched to at-large electoral systems, as some had done during the "redemption," to avoid the election of Black officials in districts or wards that were predominantly Black. Black voters, though, realized that they could increase the numerical value of their vote by throwing all of their support behind one candidate. The anti-single-shot law, the brainchild of Sam Engelhardt, a pioneer of the white supremacist Citizens' Council in the state and the author of the infamous Tuskegee gerrymander, invalidated any ballot in an at-large election that did not include a full slate of choices. That law and the new voter registration questionnaire, along with tactics like simply closing a registration office when Black people came to register, served to limit Black access to the franchise at a time when the state's handful of Black attorneys, including Shores, had little help in assailing the legislative wall that the state had built over the preceding half century.¹⁴

¹² McCrary et al., "Alabama," p. 44-45; McCrary, "Minority Representation in Alabama," pp. 408-9; Brian Landsberg, *Free at Last to Vote: The Alabama Origins of the Voting Rights Act* (Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2007), p. 18; Steven F. Lawson, *Black Ballots: Voting Rights in the South, 1944-1969* (New York, Columbia University Press, 1976), pp. 90-93; Scotty E. Kirkland, "Mobile and the Boswell Amendment," *Alabama Review*, 65 (July 2012), pp. 205-19; Donald S. Strong, *Registration of Voters in Alabama* (Bureau of Public Administration, University of Alabama, 1956), p. 22; Davis v. Schnell, (81 F. Supp. 872, 879, SD AL, 1949).

¹³ Annotated copies of Alabama Voter Questionnaires, Papers of Frank M. Johnson, Library of Congress Manuscript Reading Room, Washington D. C. [hereinafter cited as Frank Johnson Papers LOC], Container 7, U.S. v. Alabama (Bullock County), Folders 5-6; *Anniston Star*, Feb. 28, 1951; *Talladega Daily Home*, Feb. 28, 1951; *Mobile Journal*, Oct. 3, 1952; *Dothan Eagle*, Feb. 28, 1951; McCrary et al., "Alabama," p. 45; Landsberg, *Free at Last to Vote*, p. 19, Strong, *Registration of Voters in Alabama*, p. 27, 34-35.

¹⁴ McCrary et al., "Alabama," p. 46, 402 n 74; McCrary, "Minority Representation in Alabama," p. 409; Joseph Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights: Race, Justice, and Integrating Alabama's Schools* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2018), pp. 19, 213; Gomillion v. Lightfoot, 364 U.S. 339 (1961); Sellers v. Wilson, 123 F. Supp. 917 (MD, 1954).

In 1957, Congress passed the first Civil Rights Act since Reconstruction, with no southern support. Three years later, it passed the Civil Rights Act of 1960. These acts created the Civil Rights Division ("CRD") within the Justice Department, tasked it with enforcing the 15th Amendment in the South, gave it the tools to bring suit on behalf of the United States against states that were discriminating in voter registration, and empowered it to seek the appointment of federal voting referees. The division subsequently sued the state of Alabama and registrars in numerous counties in the Alabama Black Belt – the old, black-soiled plantation belt where Black majorities threatened white supremacy in the most critical way. The CRD targeted the discriminatory use of the state's voter registration questionnaire.¹⁵

In one of the CRD's Black Belt suits, Judge Frank Johnson determined that "As to Negro applicants, the defendants used the [voter registration] questionnaire to obtain substantive information regarding the applicants' qualifications for registering and also as a tricky examination or test. If a Negro applicant failed to meet the standard required of him, he was denied registration regardless of whether the error or omission on the form was formal, technical, or inconsequential." Judge Johnson explained, "For white applicants, the questionnaire was not used as an examination or test" (*United States v. Penton*, 212 F. Supp. 193, 198, 1962). ¹⁶

Not all of the CRD Black Belt suits were filed Johnson's Middle District. Wilcox County lies in the Southern District, where sat Judge Daniel Thomas, known to delay and frustrate civil rights actions on his docket. The CRD alleged that in Wilcox, from January 1, 1959, through October 17, 1963, 29 Black residents tried to register and were denied, whereas 376/386 white applicants were able to register in the same period. Despite the fact that 70 percent of the county's voting age population was Black, zero Black people were registered to vote at the time the suit was filed. Judge Thomas declined to enjoin the county officials but was reversed by the 5th Circuit, which found that there was "substantial uncontradicted evidence in the record that the registration officials applied the supporting witness requirement in a discriminatory fashion" (*United States v. Logue*, 344 F.2d 290, 291-92, 1965). By the time of that decision, various aspects of the questionnaire had been enjoined, from Wilcox to Montgomery and from Sumter to Macon and Bullock. 18

Beyond the questionnaire, local officials engaged in various other tactics to frustrate Black citizens from voting. Defendants in the Montgomery CRD case attempted to distort registration numbers by race by denying a few applications from white would-be voters; the court found this to be "nothing more than a sham and an attempt on the part of the [Montgomery] Board [of Registrars] to disguise their past discriminatory practices." Judge Johnson observed that this "approached the ridiculous when the Board rejected the law partner of one of the defense attorneys, a retired general and graduate of West Point, and the college graduate son of one of the State's attorneys general" (*Penton*, at 198). Officials in Elmore County denied applications from Black people on minor technical grounds, while not doing the same for white people; rendered assistance to white applicants and not to Black

¹⁵ Landsberg, *Free at Last to Vote*, pp. 7, 26-27; Blacksher, et.al., "Voting Rights in Alabama, 1982-2006," 17 *Southern California Review of Law and Social Justice* 2, Spring 2008, pp. 249-281, pp. 252-53.

¹⁶ The form used needlessly verbose language; for example, it prompted prospective voters to answer the "interrogatories propounded" by the board. It asked applicants to read selected portions of the Constitution in front of the registrars. Applicants had to produce a supporting witness in person who would vouch for their residency and good character. And the form eventually included an "Insert" section that allowed for rotating civics questions, so that voting rights organizations could not coach applicants on the answers. Memorandum in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion of Oct. 31, 1963, United States v. Penton, CA 1714-N, Appendix with Applications, in Frank Johnson Papers LOC, Container 18, Folder 1.

¹⁷ Bagley, *Politics of White Rights*, p. 54.

¹⁸ United States v. Alabama (Macon), 192 F.Supp. 677 (MD, 1961); United States v. Alabama (Bullock), Findings of Fact, Concl. Of Law, and Order, April 27, 1965 (MD, AL), Frank Johnson Papers, Container 7, Folder 4; *Birmingham News*, Sept. 8, 1959; *Huntsville Times*, March 21, 30, 1961, Dec. 16, 1963; *Opelika Daily News*, Jan. 21, 1961; *Montgomery Advertiser*, Dec. 17, 1963.

applicants; failed to notify Black applicants of the need to sign an oath, then disqualified them for not signing; failed to notify Black applicants when their registration was denied; and required that Black applicants wait three months before attempting again to register.¹⁹

Lawmakers then replaced the anti-single-shot law with a numbered post law in conjunction with a majority vote requirement and staggered terms. Judge Myron Thompson would later describe how the numbered place law "intentional[ly] . . . reshaped at-large systems into more secure mechanisms for discrimination" and became the "the discriminatory centerpiece" of a vote dilution scheme (*Dillard v. Crenshaw County*, 640 F. Supp, 1347, 1357, MD, 1986). Candidates had to run for specific, enumerated posts or places on a given body, be it a school board or county commission or city council. And with terms staggered, each contest would be head-to-head and at-large, which is to say county or city-wide. White majorities in registered voters could then use the majority vote requirement to win, potentially, each and every seat, each and every time. ²⁰

Democratic Party leader Frank Mizell laid bare the intent behind this arrangement in a meeting of the State Democratic Executive Committee, a transcript of which was later discovered by a historian working in the *Dillard v. Crenshaw* case. "If you have people who want to vote as a bloc," Mizell explained, using a euphemism for the Black vote, "it would be very easy under the single shot voting for all of them to come in, to put a scallowag or a Negro in there." There was, he said, a "situation in Alabama that we are becoming more painfully aware of every passing day," as there was now "a concerted desire and a campaign to register Negroes en masse, regardless of the fact that many of them ordinarily cannot qualify because of their criminal records, or criminal attitudes, because of the fact that they are illiterate and cannot understand or pass literacy tests." According to Mizell, it had "occurred to a great many people, including the legislature of Alabama, that to protect the white people of Alabama, that there should be numbered place laws."

c. Reapportionment, Redistricting, and the Voting Rights Act

Another tool used to deny Black citizens equitable access to the franchise has been the racial gerrymander. In 1960 Alabama state Senator Sam Engelhardt orchestrated the state's first modern attempt to use the racial gerrymander to disenfranchise Black citizens. Engelhardt was a large landowner from Macon County who lamented the possibility of Black electoral success by asking rhetorically, "If you had a nigger tax assessor, what would he do to you?" He purported to enter politics for the sole purpose of keeping Black tenant farmers from "stealing his property." Engelhardt sponsored a bill that passed the state legislature that redrew the boundaries of the city of Tuskegee, home to the prestigious Tuskegee Institute and a seedbed of Black activism, to exclude nearly every single Black voter, and no white voters, from the city limits. Black plaintiffs brought suit and lost at trial, but the decision was reversed by the Fifth Circuit and the Supreme Court, which found that the gerrymander served no legitimate purpose beyond its being "used as an instrument for circumventing a federally protected right" (Gomillion v. Lightfoot, 364 U.S. 339, 347, 1960).

The 1960 Census was the first in American history in which respondents could select their own race; it had been determined by census-takers prior to that time. When the 1960 data was published, Alabama was revealed to have lost a seat in its Congressional delegation. The state faced the necessity of redistricting for the U.S. House

²¹ Quoted in Dillard v. Crenshaw County, 640 F. Supp, 1347, 1357, MD, 1986.

¹⁹ United States v. Cartwright, 230 F. Supp. 873 (MD, 1964).

²⁰ McCrary et al., "Alabama," p. 46.

²² Gomillion v. Lightfoot, 364 U.S. 339 (1960); Engelhardt also argued that "Desegregating the schools will lead to rape!" He added, "Damn niggers stink. They're unwashed. They have no morals; they're just animals. The nigger is depraved! Give him the opportunity to be near a white woman, and he goes berserk!" The conclusion: "The nigger isn't just a dark-skinned white man. He's a separate individual altogether." Bagley, *Politics of White Rights*, pp. 19, 213

under the shadow of *Gomillion*. And yet the state legislature failed to pass a such a plan. Nor did the state pass any plan to redraw its state legislative districts. Indeed, despite a directive in the state constitution, Alabama had not once since 1901 reapportioned its legislature to account for population growth and shifts. With the urbanization that had taken place since the constitution was adopted, and especially since the end of World War II, this meant that white legislators from majority-Black rural areas, namely in the Black Belt, held a disproportionate share of seats in the state legislature. When the U.S. Supreme Court handed down *Baker v. Carr* in 1962, declaring reapportionment a justiciable issue, white Democrats from urban areas in Alabama filed *Sims v. Frink*. In the first of several rulings under the *Sims* mantle, a three-judge court decided to give the Alabama legislature a chance to rectify that situation on its own without further action on the court's part.²³

The state submitted two state legislative plans that summer. Of these the court wrote, "We find that each . . . when considered as a whole, is so obviously discriminatory, arbitrary, and irrational that it becomes unnecessary to pursue a detailed development of each of the relevant factors of the [invidiousness] test" (Sims v. Frink, 208 F.Supp. 431, 437, MD). The court allowed for elections to be held that fall using a temporary plan that incorporated those elements of each state plans that did "correct a few of the most glaring discriminations" (440). In that same cycle, congressional elections in Alabama were held fully at-large for the first time since before the Civil War; the state legislature had failed still to pass a congressional redistricting plan following the state's loss of a seat in the House. 24

The state Supreme Court held that all ballots in the 1962 congressional election had to include a full slate of 8 choices, essentially adding an anti-single shot provision. This came amid a rising Republican challenge. White Democrats in the South had begun, at a minimum, to support Republican candidates for President and, increasingly, switch parties altogether as part of a backlash against the Kennedy administration's actions – namely, sending federal troops to support the desegregation of the University of Mississippi and other fledgling measures in support of a growing civil rights movement. They nonetheless carried all 8 seats in the Alabama congressional election that year. The odd man left out of the Democratic slate was veteran lawmaker Frank Boykin of Mobile, representing the old 1st District wherein there were a "substantial number" of voters of the "so-called minority bloc," meaning Black voters.

When the Supreme Court decided the appeal in the *Sims* case in 1964, it handed down its landmark one-person/one-vote ruling, styled *Reynolds v. Sims*. Alabama was again given a chance to correct its malapportioned state legislative scheme. A three-judge court the following year found the plan for the state Senate permissible but held that the plan for the state House contained numerous districts with wide population variances with no rational basis but "preventing the election of a Negro House member" (*Sims v. Baggett*, 247 F.Supp. 96, 109, MD, 1965). The court afforded great weight to the historical context, writing, "The House plan adopted by the all-white Alabama Legislature was not conceived in a vacuum. If this court ignores the long history of racial discrimination in Alabama, it will prove that justice is both blind and deaf' (*Sims v. Baggett*, Id.).

Lyndon Johnson signed the Civil Rights Act into law that same year, accelerating white flight to the Republican Party at a time when Alabama's public schools were being desegregated by way of litigation for just the second school year. Also that year, the U.S. Supreme Court decided *Wesberry v. Sanders*, wherein it held Georgia's 5th Congressional District to be malapportioned, applying the principles in *Baker* and *Reynolds* to

²³ Baker v. Carr, 369 U.S. 186 (1962); Sims v. Frink, 205 F.Supp. 245 (MD, 1962); Reynolds v. Sims, 377 U.S. 533 (1964); Anna Brown, "The changing categories the U.S. census has used to measure race," Pew Research Center, Feb. 25, 2021, https://www.pewresearch.org/fact-tank/2020/02/25/the-changing-categories-the-u-s-has-used-to-measure-race/.

²⁴ Montgomery Advertiser, Jan. 10, 1962; Huntsville Times, June 8, 1962; Birmingham News, May 27, 1962; Anniston Star, Feb. 4, 1962.

²⁵ Birmingham News, Nov. 4, 1962, Aug. 3, 1963; Montgomery Advertiser, Dec. 27, 1962.

congressional redistricting. Alabama finally passed a congressional redistricting plan in a special session that year. Some had pushed for maintaining the at-large election of the delegation, but with numbered posts; this was the impetus for the Mizell plea in the Executive Committee meeting – warning that voters could "put a scallowag [Republican] or Negro in there" – that became central to the *Dillard* litigation years later. White flight to the Republican Party had accelerated in response to the Johnson administration's actions, and Republicans took 5 of the 8 seats under the newly enacted district plan. ²⁶

The following year, 1965, in the aftermath of "Bloody Sunday" in Selma, the Voting Rights Act ("VRA") became law. At that time, 19 percent of Alabama's Black voting-age population was registered to vote, compared to 69 percent of the white voting-age population. That seemed destined to change with the VRA's prohibition on literacy tests, poll taxes, and other devices that would deny or abridge minority groups' access to the franchise. The CRD immediately sought a judgement striking down Alabama's poll tax, which Circuit Judge Richard Rives described as "one of the last great pillars of racial discrimination" (*United States v. State of Alabama*, 252 F. Supp. 95, 96, MD, 1966).

Section 5 of the VRA covered Alabama, meaning that, in order to make any changes to election law, including redistricting, the state needed to seek "preclearance" from the Attorney General (effectively the CRD and Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights). The Attorney General soon registered objections when Alabama localities tried to require voters to sign poll lists in order to access voting machines. And the CRD sought to block, by way of litigation, Alabama officials' efforts to "freeze" in office those "who were elected when Negroes were being illegally deprived of the right to vote," while also "freez[ing] Negroes out of the electorate" (*Sellers v. Trussell*, 253 F. Supp. 915, MD, 1966). Within a year of the VRA's passage, 107,000 Black voters registered in the state, pushing Black voter registration to nearly 60 percent by the end of the decade, even as white registration increased apace, reaching nearly 90 percent by the same time.

Black leaders sought to capitalize and to organize. In 1968, Huntsville dentist John Cashin formed the National Democratic Party of Alabama (NDPA) which, that fall, ran several candidates in races across the Black Belt. But the names of the NDPA candidates were left off of the ballot or they were disqualified, either by way of new statutes designed for that purpose or by way of discriminatory use of existing statutes, both of which actions were subsequently enjoined by federal courts. NDPA candidates then won local elections in four Black Belt counties, and Fred Gray and Thomas Reed of Tuskegee, running as Democrats, became the first Black members of the state legislature since Reconstruction. Across the state, 23 Black candidates were elected to local bodies.²⁷

With data from the 1970 census, the state legislature assumed its responsibility under the *Sims* decision to equitably reapportion and redistrict the state House and Senate. The court found the plans the state submitted to be "unacceptable since, in conjunction with their discriminatory effect, they fall considerably short of guaranteeing to each citizen of Alabama that his vote 'is approximately equal in weight to that of any other citizen in the State'" (*Sims v. Amos*, 336 F. Supp. 924, 936, MD, 1972).²⁸ The court ordered the implementation of the plaintiffs' plan,

²⁶ Reynolds v. Sims, 377 U.S. 533; Wesberry v. Sanders, 376 U.S. 1.

²⁷ Hadnott v. Amos, 394 U.S. 358 (1969); Jerris Leonard, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, to MacDonald Gallion, Attorney General of Alabama, Aug. 1, 1969, CRD Voting Determination Letters; *New York Times*, Feb. 8, May 16, June 3, 1970; *Alabama Journal*, Nov. 27, 1970; Matthew Edmonds, "The National Democratic Party of Alabama," *Encyclopedia of Alabama*, May 1, 2008, Sept. 20, 2018, http://www.encyclopediaofalabama.org/article/h-1518; The NDPA continued to weather attempts by the legislature to bar it from full participation in politics; see e.g. Wm. Bradford Reynolds to Honorable Charles Graddick, May 6, 1976, CRD Voting Determination Letters (attempt to change date, time of primaries to stifle use of conventions to nominate).

²⁸ The CRD that year blocked two state laws that would have limited assistance to illiterate voters in municipal elections and another that would have increased the number of signatures necessary for candidates to qualify to run as

but it first gave the legislature another chance to produce a viable plan of its own. It submitted one in the spring of 1973, but the court rejected that plan as well. The court noted that a legislative floor leader for Governor George Wallace had instructed the reapportionment committee to take advantage of maximum-allowable deviations from one-person, one-vote. When the court ordered the implementation of plaintiffs' plan, Wallace himself called it "a most onerous and burdensome albatross around the necks of the people of Alabama." The following fall, Black voters were able to elect 13 preferred candidates to the state legislature.²⁹

While 1973 marked the culmination of the *Sims* litigation, it marked only the beginning of redistricting battles. After the 1980 census, the legislature submitted its state House and Senate plan for preclearance, and the CRD concluded that if precleared and implemented, the plan would lead to "a retrogression in the position of black voters" through "unnecessary reconfiguration" in Jefferson County and in the Black Belt.³⁰ Black leaders in the state, meanwhile, filed suit seeking a preliminary injunction in advance of the September primaries. The court allowed the legislature to attempt to pass a constitutional plan via special session, but the CRD found the plan it produced to be objectionable due to the unnecessary cracking of Black communities in Jefferson County. The court in *Burton v. Hobbie* ordered the implementation of modifications for Jefferson County submitted by plaintiffs on an interim basis for that fall.³¹

The Attorney General's Section 5 objection rendered the plan as set out by the legislature legally unenforceable, so the court had not ruled on the merits of the plaintiffs' original claims. It had given the legislature yet one more chance to enact a plan that could pass muster, under the specter of Senate hearings on amending Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act to include the discriminatory results standard in response to the Supreme Court's decision in *City of Mobile v. Bolden*.

In 1983 Act No. 83-154 passed the Alabama legislature and was precleared. The court ordered its use in special elections that fall, refusing, it its words, "to approve a settlement which would result in the continuation in office for four years of legislators who were not elected under a valid reapportionment plan" (*Burton v. Hobbie*, 561 F.Supp. 1029, 1036, MD). Judge Johnson quoted Judge Rives, who had written previously in *Dent v. Duncan*, "I look forward to the day when the State and its political subdivisions will again take up their mantle of responsibility, treating all of their citizens equally, and thereby relieve the federal government of the necessity of intervening in their affairs." Johnson observed in *Burton*, "Despite the repeated efforts of this Court, the Alabama Legislature has failed to enact a valid reapportionment plan for over eighty years. The day has finally arrived" (Id). 32

independents, in a plain effort to limit the ability of groups like NDPA to get candidates on the ballot. See Acts Nos 2229 and 2230, Alabama Legislative Acts, 1971, Organizational, Special, and Regular Sessions, Volume 5, pp. 3586-87, ADAH Digital Collections, http://digital.archives.alabama.gov/cdm/compoundobject/collection/legislature/id/145593/rec/1; David Norman, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, to Leslie Hall, Assistant Attorney General, Alabama, April 4, 1972, and David Norman, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, to William J. Baxley, Attorney General, Alabama, Aug. 14, 1972, CRD Voting Determination Letters.

²⁹ Sims v. Amos, 336 F.Supp. 924, 930-41 (MD, 1972); Act No. 3, Alabama Legislative Acts, 1973, Special and Regular Sessions, Volume 1, p. 6, ADAH Digital Collections, http://digital.archives.alabama.gov/cdm/compoundobject/collection/legislature/id/147440/rec/6; Montgomery Advertiser, Aug. 4, 1973; Selma Times-Journal, Aug. 6, 1973; Alabama Journal, Aug. 4, 1973; Birmingham News, May 2, 5, 8, 1974, Nov. 6, 7, 1974; New York Times, Dec. 4, 1974.

³⁰ William Bradford Reynolds, Asst. Attorney General, to Charlie Graddick, Attorney General of Alabama, May 6, 1982, CRD Section 5 Rejection Letters, https://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/crt/legacy/2014/05/30/AL-1520.pdf.

³¹ Burton v. Hobbie, 543 F.Supp. 235, 236-39 (MD, 1982); *Montgomery Advertiser*, June 9, 13, 1982; *Anniston Star*, June 10, 1976; Blacksher, et.al., "Voting Rights in Alabama," pp. 271-273.

In the November election, Black citizens gained two seats each in the state House and Senate, bringing their numbers to 19/105 in the House and 5/35 in the Senate. The Court soon thereafter handed down *Gingles I*, adopting the Senate Factors I use for guidance in this report. By that time, the CRD had sent federal observers to Alabama 107 times and had registered 59 objections to proposed changes in state or local election law.³³

That same year, 1986, Judge Thompson issued the court's ruling in *Dillard* (649 F Supp. 289, MD). The principle target of the lawsuit was the numbered place law, which in conjunction with at-large elections, staggered terms, and majority vote requirements, served to deny Black citizens across the state an equitable chance to elect candidates of their choice. Judge Thompson cited, among other evidence, the comments of Frank Mizell, who insisted that numbered place laws were needed to "protect the white people of Alabama," as proof of discriminatory intent. The Court recognized that at-large systems themselves were relics of the redemption period and that, in the 1950s and 1960s, these new elements like numbered post requirements were added to strengthen those systems and to deny victories to Black candidates. Inspired by a statewide structural injunction that had been issued in the *Lee v. Macon* school desegregation litigation (discussed *infra*), plaintiffs in *Dillard* sought similar relief. *Dillard* would eventually compel 183 local governments (17 county commissions, 28 county school boards, and 144 cities) to discard at-large systems for single-member district plans, though some at-large electoral schemes have only recently been discarded by federal courts (see *Jones v. Jefferson County*, No. 2:19-cv-01821-MHH, ND, 2019, and *Alabama State Conf. of the NAACP v. City of Pleasant Grove*, No. 2:18-cv-02056, ND, 2019).

Throughout the 1980s and into the 1990s, the CRD continued to register Section 5 objections to numerous proposed changes in state and local election law in Alabama. The types of changes that failed to receive preclearance included a court-packing scheme, changes in candidate qualification and nomination procedures, changes in voter registration procedures, voter roll purges, changes in voter identification requirements, the addition of at-large seats on top of district schemes, racially motivated municipal severances, and racially selective annexations intended to protect white majorities. The City of Pleasant Grove (which was created for the purpose of white exclusivity and which attempted unsuccessfully to secede from the Jefferson County school system for the same purpose) challenged CRD objections to its racially discriminatory annexations and sought a declaratory judgment in the D.C. Circuit Court. The claim was denied, with the Supreme Court upholding in 1987. The following year, a trial court found that a state law, which required any voter seeking assistance "swear an oath to the inspectors that he or she is unable to write the English language" and which limited voters to 5 minutes in the voting booth, "continue[d] . . to have substantial adverse effects on the black citizens of this state" (*Harris v. Siegelman*, 695 F. Supp. 517, 528, MD). ³⁵

d. Redistricting since the 1990s Cycle

After the 1990 Census was published, Black plaintiffs brought suit challenging Alabama's legislative redistricting plan. The state ultimately negotiated a consent decree in circuit court after a federal trial court certified

³² Burton v. Hobbie, 543 F.Supp. 235, 238-40 (MD, 1982), and 561 F. Supp. 1029, 1032-35 (MD, 1983); *Montgomery Advertiser*, Feb. 2, 1983; *Anniston Star*, Nov. 9, 1983; Blacksher, et.al., "Voting Rights in Alabama," pp. 271-

³³ James Blacksher, et al., "Voting Rights in Alabama, p. 253; Peyton McCrary, "History in the Courts," pp. 47-65; McCrary et al., "Minority Representation in Alabama," p. 414.

³⁴ Anniston Star, Aug. 27, 1986; Selma Times-Journal, June 25, 1989; Consent Order, Taylor v. Jefferson County Commission, No. 84-C-1730 (ND AL, Aug. 17, 1985); "White minority wins right to challenge at-large voting," Chicago Tribune, June 18, 1988; Blacksher, et.al., "Voting Rights in Alabama, 1982-2006," pp. 259-260.

³⁵ City of Pleasant Grove v. United States, 623 F. Supp. 782, DDC 1985, affirmed 479 U.S. 462, 1987; Blacksher, et.al., "Voting Rights in Alabama, 1982-2006," pp. 255-58, 268-69; CRD Voting Determination Letters; *Montgomery Advertiser*, April 12, 1984.

a question to the state Supreme Court regarding venue.³⁶ At the same time, the state legislature, then still controlled by white Democrats, submitted its congressional redistricting plan to the CRD, and the Attorney General objected. The CRD had determined that the legislators were cracking Black population centers due to "a predisposition on the part of state political leadership to limit black voting potential to a single district," while hiding behind the idea that the state was prioritizing a lack of retrogression by creating the one majority-Black district and packing it with Black voters. Assistant Attorney General John R. Dunne wrote, "The proposed plan provides for one such district based on black population concentrations in Jefferson County, Montgomery County and intervening areas. The remainder of the state's concentrated black population, however, is fragmented under the submitted plan among a number of districts none of which has a black population of as much as 30 percent."³⁷

A white realtor in Mobile brought suit against the plan under a one-person/one-vote claim, and Black voters joined the suit as plaintiff-intervenors with a Section 2 claim, citing specifically the lack of a second majority-Black congressional district. The court in *Wesch v. Hunt* was compelled to order the implementation of a plan, choosing from several that had been considered by the newly created Permanent Committee on Reapportionment and Redistricting and submitted to the court, while adding the court's own modifications. A modified version of the "Pierce Plan" was adopted for Congressional elections that year, and the 7th District was created with a 65 percent Black majority of registered voters. The court in *Wesch* did not consider any analysis of racially polarized voting in the district, nor did it consider the "preconditions" established in *Gingles* or the totality of the circumstances.³⁸

The Pierce Plan was originally the Larry Dixon Plan. Dixon was a white legislator who would later be recorded on tape making blatantly racist remarks directed against Black voters.³⁹ White lawmakers had acceded to the necessity that one Congressional district would have to be majority-minority, and all parties to the litigation had stipulated to as much. Birmingham's Earl Hilliard became the first Black representative from Alabama to sit in the U.S. Congress since Reconstruction when he was elected to represent the 7th District. That seat has subsequently been held by Artur Davis and Terri Sewell. These three represent the only Black Alabamians to serve in Congress since Reconstruction.

After the 2000 Census, the first in which Americans could choose more than one race to identify themselves, the legislature, then still under white Democratic control, failed in regular and special sessions to pass a viable Congressional redistricting plan. ⁴⁰ Three separate actions challenging the failure were filed and consolidated, and

³⁶ Brooks v. Hobbie, 631 So.2d 883 (Ala., 1993); Peters v. Folsom, CA 93-T-124-N (MD) and Brooks v. Camp, CA 93-T-364-N (MD), consolidated, dismissed.

³⁷ John R. Dunne, Assistant Attorney General, to Jimmy Evans, Attorney General, March 27, 1992, CRD Voting Determination Letters.

³⁸ Wesch v. Hunt, 785 F. Supp. 1491, 1495-99 (SD, 1992), affirmed sub nom. Camp v. Wesch, 504 U.S. 902 (1992); Blacksher, et.al., "Voting Rights in Alabama, 1982-2006," pp. 273-75.

³⁹ A federal investigation in 2010 revealed an effort to keep a gambling referendum off of the 2010 ballot in order to limit Black voter turnout. Dixon was recorded saying, "Just keep in mind if [the gambling] bill passes and we have a referendum in November, every black in this state will be bused to the polls. And that ain't gonna help." Dixon added, "Every black, every illiterate" will be "bused on HUD financed buses" with free food provided. Dixon was also a chief sponsor of the state's voter photo ID law, which he argued would undermine the "black power structure" since the absence of such a law "benefits black elected leaders." *Anniston Star*, April 2, 2010; *Montgomery Advertiser*, June 19, Nov. 16, 2011.

⁴⁰ The 2020 Census, for the first time, allows respondents to clarify their heritage by not just choosing white or black, but by adding information about their origin. This is important as the state of Alabama, and white society in general, have by law and custom long considered anyone with African heritage to be "Negro" or Black. *See, e.g.*, Ala.Const. Art. IV, § 102 ("The legislature shall never pass any law to authorize or legalize any marriage between any white person and a negro, or descendant of a negro.") repealed by Amend. 667. Historically, and today, people with African ancestry self-identify and are categorized by society as "Black," not white, despite the reality that, since slavery, most Black Americans are mixed race.

the state was forced to acknowledge that it was malapportioned. A three-judge court invited the submission of plans from all parties, heard expert witness testimony, and even appointed two experts of its own, when the parties could not agree on any, to assist the court in what it admitted was extremely complex litigation. While that trial was ongoing, the legislature passed a plan for Congressional redistricting and submitted it for preclearance. The court hearing the consolidated cases deferred to the Justice Department and the state and, rather than enter an injunction or rule on the merits of the state's plan, awaited a preclearance ruling, which came in March of 2002. The legislature passed redistricting plans for state house and senate districts and state board of education districts that were precleared along with the Congressional plan. Despite calls from Black legislators to create a second majority-Black congressional district, the plan adopted by the legislature maintained only one such district.⁴¹

The Republican Party had begun siphoning local white Democrats and isolating Black elected officials and voters in the Democratic Party in the 1990s. White flight from the Democrats in presidential elections dated back at least to the Dixiecrats of 1948 if not the New Deal, but white voters remained loyal to the Democratic Party, in large part because George Wallace remained a dominant political force into the 1980s and never switched parties. Wallace retied in 1987, however, and was succeeded by Republican Guy Hunt. George Bush carried the state against Bill Clinton in 1992. In 1996, the GOP swept statewide elections. U.S. Senator Richard Shelby switched parties in 1998. Between the redistricting battles of the early 2000s and the end of the decade, Republican leaders began pressuring the remaining white Democrats, the so-called "Blue Dogs," to switch parties. The culmination of these efforts was the 2010 Republican takeover of the Alabama legislature after 136 years of Democratic Party rule. 42

Republicans gained supermajorities in the state House and Senate, leading Senate President Pro-Tem Del Marsh to observe, "We are in the majority and in a position, if we have to, to run over people." It was those supermajorities that would oversee redistricting in the spring of 2011. White lawmakers had no need or incentive to bargain with Black Democrats. And if they could win at the ballot box, they would inherit, wholesale, the limited Congressional representation plan that provided for only one majority-minority district. After the 2010 elections, most white politicians in Alabama were Republican, and very nearly every Black politician a Democrat. 43

Redistricting following the 2010 census was highly acrimonious. White Republican legislators made up a supermajority of the 22-member Permanent Joint Legislative Committee on Redistricting: 16 members were Republicans, and 6 members were Democrats. Black legislators insisted that this was not fair representation and proposed instead a nonpartisan appointed commission, but this proposal was rejected. The committee was cochaired by Senator Gerald Dial and then-Representative Jim McClendon, both white Republicans. The committee chairs held public hearings, ostensibly allowing for citizens' input, while the actual work of drafting a plan was farmed out, behind-the-scenes, and with minimal input from anyone, to attorney Dorman Walker, Georgia political consultant Randy Hinaman, and the late Thomas Hofeller, another consultant who has been called a "gerrymander

⁴¹ Douglas v. Alabama, No. 01-D-922-N (MD), order dismissing consolidated Congressional cases as moot, Apr. 29, 2002; *Montgomery Advertiser*, Jan. 29, 30, March 5, 2002.

⁴² Wayne Flynt, *Alabama in the Twentieth Century* (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2004), pp. 102-4; Merle Black and Earl Black, *The Rise of Southern Republicans* (New York: Belknap Press of Harvard, 2002), pp. 314-15; *Montgomery Advertiser*, March 14, Nov. 6, 2008, Aug. 23, Oct. 8, Nov. 14, 2010; *Anniston Star*, Aug. 1, 2008; *Alabama Journal*, Nov. 5, 1962.

⁴³ *Montgomery Advertiser*, Nov. 3, 2010, May 1, 2011; al.com and Mobile Press-Register Staff, "Republicans claim majority in Alabama House and Senate for 1st time in 136 years," Al.com Nov. 3, 2010, https://www.al.com/live/2010/11/republicans historic alabama majority.html; Camille Corbett, "Hubbard reflects on GOP takeover," *The Crimson White*, Oct. 23, 2012, https://cw.ua.edu/13191/news/hubbard-reflects-on-gop-takeover/.

⁴⁴ Tim Reeves, "Congressional Redistricting: Piece by Piece," Selma Times-Journal, May 10, 2011.

whiz" and who worked on several redistricting plans that have been cited in state and federal courts as being racially gerrymandered. 45

State Senator McClendon and Hofeller corresponded, in Sen. McClendon's case via private email account, on redistricting matters. These included a draft, which Hofeller edited, of the reapportionment committee's guidelines and the relevant racial data needed to draw the maps to the maximum benefit of white Republicans. Sen. McClendon later critiqued longtime state Senator Jimmy Holley, saying in an email that Holley was "bound and determined" to hold public hearings. Sen. McClendon also arranged a meeting between Hofeller, himself, and then Attorney General Luther Strange to discuss districts for the state board of education. Walker also communicated with Hofeller, commending his work in making changes to the committee guidelines document, under the email subject line "Confidential and Privileged Alabama Guidelines"; Walker added his own changes and emailed those back to Hofeller, Hofeller's associate John Odlham, and John Ryder, who was at that time serving as general counsel for the Republican National Committee. None of the members of the reapportionment committee were included in any of this correspondence. When asked to comment on his correspondence with Hofeller, Sen. McClendon said, "Knowing that everything is going to show up in court, then you have to be very thoughtful about what you say. For that reason. I don't say much."⁴⁶

Sen. McClendon denied any recollection of the correspondence with Hofeller, though no one has denied that most of the work done in actually drafting the plans and making adjustments was handled by Walker and Hinaman. McClendon has explained, "The strategy was very simple, and it was understood by everybody. It was pretty commonplace. We did this for congressional districts and we did this for House districts. We drew minority districts first. That's how you guarantee they get to keep what they've got." This seems to underscore that the primary concern of avoiding retrogression in terms of majority-minority districts, allowing "they" – Black voters – to "keep what they've got." Sen. McClendon in 2019 stated that Black people accounted for about 25 percent of the state's population, and "25 percent of our legislators are blacks. Are you getting the picture here? Yeah. So. Okay. What do you want?"⁴⁷

The map initially approved by the committee was introduced into the house by McClendon but was rejected. Meanwhile, the committee plan was introduced into the senate, only to meet concerted opposition there as well. Legislators from Montgomery County, including some of the very few remaining white Democrats, opposed splitting the county among three districts. Black Democrats argued that the plan packed Black voters into the 7th District, especially by moving the almost exclusively Black portion of western Montgomery County into the 7th District and then cracking Black voters in heavily-white remaining districts. Sen. Bobby Singleton observed flatly,

⁴⁵ Michael Wines, "Republican Gerrymander Whiz Had Wider Influence Than Was Known," *New York Times*, Sept. 10, 2019, https://www.nytimes.com/2019/09/10/us/republican-gerrymander-thomas-hofeller.html; Wines and Richard Fausset, "North Carolina's Legislative Maps Are Thrown Out by State Court Panel," *New York Times*, Sept. 3, 2019, https://www.nytimes.com/2019/09/03/us/north-carolina-gerrymander-unconstitutional html; David Daley, "The Secrets of the Master of Modern Republican Gerrymandering," *The New Yorker*, Sept. 6, 2019, https://www.newyorker.com/news/news-desk/the-secret-files-of-the-master-of-modern-republican-gerrymandering.

⁴⁶ Brian Lyman, "Report: GOP redistricting expert was in touch with Alabama legislator, attorney," *Montgomery Advertiser*, Sept. 24, 2019, https://www.montgomeryadvertiser.com/story/news/2019/09/24/documents-gop-redistricting-expert-touch-alabama-legislator-attorney/2430518001/; David Daley, "GOP Racial Gerrymandering Mastermind Participated in Redistricting in More States Than Previously Known, Files Reveal," *The Intercept*, Sept. 23, 2019, https://theintercept.com/2019/09/23/gerrymandering-gop-west-virginia-florida-alabama/.

⁴⁷ Eddie Burkhalter, "Gerrymandering expert worked with Alabama Republicans on 2011 redistricting lines, documents show," *Alabama Political Reporter*, Sept. 24, 2019, https://www.alreporter.com/2019/09/24/gerrymandering-expert-worked-with-alabama-republicans-on-2011-redistricting-lines-documents-show/.

"I think it's political packing." The perennial population loss of the western Black Belt allowed the map-makers to excuse the packing by citing the necessity of upholding the one-person/one-vote principle. 48

After debate in the Senate was cut off via a cloture vote, Sen. Scott Beason, a white Republican and another lawmaker recorded on tape making racist remarks, introduced an augmented version of the committee plan, with adjustments he had made to his own district. When Democrats protested this irregularity – introducing a bill after debate had been terminated – then-Lieutenant Governor Kay Ivey allowed for three minutes of debate. After those three minutes, a vote was held, and the bill passed out of the senate. Black Democrats continued to protest but were cut off by Ivey. Senator Roger Bedford, a Black Democrat, called it a "back-room deal." Sen. Quinton Ross, also a Black Democrat, said, "Nothing about their plan was transparent." 50

The House then approved a plan introduced by Representative Micky Hammon, a white Republican, that essentially restored the committee plan, leaving out the Beason adjustments. Black members of the House, including James Busky, made the same protestations as their colleagues in the senate – the plan packed Black voters into the 7th and cracked them everywhere else. Busky argued, "That's stacking blacks in a congressional district [and] there's no need to do it." Busky introduced a plan that would have placed some Black voters from the 7th into the 2nd District, but it failed along party lines. The bill that was finally approved, out of a six-member conference committee, essentially adopted the Hammon Plan, and therefore produced a map preserving the basic characteristics of the Larry Dixon Plan, as modified by Walker and Hinaman. It was signed by Governor Robert Bentley on June 8, 2011.⁵¹

The legislative Black Caucus and the state Democratic Conference challenged the state's plan as discriminatory, and a federal court took up the issue. Alabama Attorney General Luther Strange, after consulting with Sen. McClendon, asked a three-judge federal court in Washington D.C. to approve the plan, bypassing Section 5 administrative review under the Obama Administration Justice Department and likely with awareness that other relevant litigation was pending. A suit had been brought by officials in Shelby County, Alabama, seeking the end of Section 5 preclearance. The leader of the Alabama Democratic Conference, Joe Reed, argued that the state, in going to the court, was trying to fast-track preclearance in order make it harder for people to register opposition, particularly to the fact that a map could have been drawn that included either two majority-Black districts or at least 1 majority-Black district and one "opportunity" district. Two months later, and one day before the trail court upheld Section 5 in *Shelby County v. Holder*, the Attorney General precleared the state's congressional plan. This severed that issue from the *Alabama Legislative Black Caucus* case, which moved forward in a contentious battle over the state's legislative districts, the maps for which were drawn by Hinaman. Twelve of those districts were determined by the court to be unconstitutionally gerrymandered. The trial court ultimately approved the state's plans in 2017. ⁵²

⁴⁸ Montgomery Advertiser, May 27, June 1, 3, 2011.

⁴⁹ During a pay-for-play investigation conducted by the FBI, Beason wore a wire and captured himself referring to Black Belt Black citizens as "aborigines." Kim Chandler, "Sen. Scott Beason apologizes for comments revealed during bingo trial (video)," *al.com*, Sept. 27, 2011, https://www.al.com/spotnews/2011/09/sen scott beason apologizes fo html.

⁵⁰ Selma Times-Journal, May 31, 2011.

⁵¹ Montgomery Advertiser, June 1, 2, 3, 9, 2011.

⁵² State of Alabama v. Holder, No. 1:11-cv-01628, Complaint filed (DC CCA), September 9, 2011; *Anniston Star*, Sept. 20, Dec. 21, 2011; *CNN*, "Justice Department approves congressional redistricting for Alabama," Nov. 21, 2011, https://www.cnn.com/2011/11/21/us/alabama-redistricting/index html; Alabama Legislative Black Caucus v. Alabama, 989 F.Supp.2d 1227 (MD, 2013), vac. 135 S. Ct. 1257 (2015); Alabama Legislative Black Caucus v. Alabama, 231 F.Supp.3d 1026 (MD, 2017).

III. FACTOR 5: EFFECTS OF PAST DISCRIMINTION

Education, income, health, and legal vulnerability adversely affect political participation. Black Alabamians still suffer under the socioeconomic weight of that past and from continuing racism, even at the highest levels of government. As the court acknowledged in *Alabama State Conference of the NAACP v. Alabama* in 2020, "Though things have changed, the effects of . . . discrimination persist to some degree" (CA 2:16-cv-00731-WKW-SMD, Feb. 5, 2020, MD, pp. 153-54). Black citizens in Alabama lag behind their white counterparts in nearly every statistical socioeconomic category, due largely to a history of discrimination, only elements of which are sketched above. When Congress amended Section II of the VRA, amid the apportionment fight that immediately preceded the adoption of the Dixon Plan, the 11th Circuit recognized the impact that a century of discrimination had on Black Alabamians. In doing so, the court quoted the Senate Report from which the *Gingles* Senate Factors were derived:

The courts have recognized that disproportionate educational, employment, income level, and living conditions arising from past discrimination tend to depress minority political participation Where these conditions are shown, and where the level of black participation is depressed, plaintiffs need not prove any further causal nexus between their disparate socio-economic status and the depressed level of political participation. ⁵⁴

Today, white Alabamians with more education and therefore higher income can afford a car, internet service, a personal computer, or a smart phone; they can take time off from work; they can afford to contribute to political campaigns; they can afford to run for office; they have access to better healthcare. Education has repeatedly been found to correlate with income independently affects citizens' ability to engage politically. Black people in Alabama are demonstrably poorer, less educated, less healthy, and far more likely to be incarcerated than white people as a consequence of past and continuing racism and discrimination. According to the most recent available data from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey, Black Alabamians are less likely to have completed high school, more likely to live below the poverty line, more likely to be unemployed, more likely to work in a service industry job, more likely to rent rather than own their home, more likely to lack access to a vehicle, and more likely to have a significantly lower median household income than white households. These realities are inseparable from, and in significant part result from, the state's history of official discrimination. ⁵⁵

a. Health, Employment, Criminal Justice

As the court observed in *People First v. Merrill* in 2020, "people who are Black, Latinx, or Native American are more likely to hold jobs that do not provide paid leave, cannot be performed remotely, and require more exposure to the public and, therefore, to COVID-19." The parties to that action stipulated to the fact that "the discrimination and systemic racism that contribute to elevated COVID-19 risk for Black people and other minorities nationally are evident in Alabama," wherein COVID-19 has also had a disproportionate impact on Black people in Alabama in terms of rate of infection and rate of death due to, in the words of the court, "pre-existing and evolving inequities

⁵³ In 2011, the court in *United States v. McGregor* acknowledged that "racist sentiments . . . remain regrettably entrenched in the high echelons of [Alabama] state government" (824 F. Supp. 2d 1339, 1344-1348, MD).

⁵⁴ Senate Report, quoted in U.S. v. Marengo Co. Comm., 731 F.2d 1546, 1568-70 (1984).

⁵⁵ U.S. Bureau of Census, American Community Survey Data Profiles, Alabama, 2018, https://www.census.gov/acs/www/data/data-tables-and-tools/data-profiles/2018/.

in structural systems and social conditions.⁵⁶ The court in *People First* also acknowledged that "due to patterns resulting from a history of housing discrimination, Black and Latinx individuals are more likely to live in areas impacted by environmental pollutants, or in densely populated areas."⁵⁷ This includes areas in Alabama that have been designated as "Superfund" cleanup sites by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), which I discuss in more detail below.⁵⁸

The COVID-19 pandemic has also had a disparate impact on Black school children. When school systems were forced to go online, Black children in the Black Belt in Alabama and in the state's urban areas were more likely to lack internet access or a computer, tablet, or smart phone, rendering them incapable of continuing in school. As a principal at a school in Perry County explained, "Our district cannot afford to get devices for our students. And then the biggest thing is connectivity. No broadband." Many school systems across the state saw serious enrollment declines from 2019-2020 to school year 2020-2021. Most either stabilized or saw increases in enrollment from 2020-2021 to fall 2021-2022. All but one school system in the state that saw a 5 percent or greater continued loss of enrollment in that span are in the Black Belt; the other is Chickasaw City, which is an overwhelmingly Black system in greater Mobile. 60

Black people in the state also continue to face workforce discrimination, including on the part of the state. Of the 1,539 claims of discrimination brought before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in 2020 from Alabama, 45 percent were racially based claims, the highest percentage of any state in America. Alabama's racially based claims accounted for 3.1 percent of national racial claims, although Alabama's population accounts, as of the last Census, for only 1.5 percent of the national population. Litigation in the last 50 years (and within the last ten

⁵⁶ Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, C.A. 2:20-cv-00619-AKK (MD), pp. 15-16, ¶ 13-14. The *New York Times* published the results of a study, backed by input from healthcare experts, that found socioeconomic factors with historical roots – such as access to healthy food options, access to decent healthcare, inability to work from home, etc. – were causal factors in COVID-19's more deadly effects on Black persons. Infectious disease experts at the Centers for Disease Control ("CDC") also determined that "Long-standing systemic health and social inequities have put some members of racial and ethnic minority groups at increased risk of getting COVID-19 or experiencing severe illness, regardless of age." According to the CDC, at the height of the summer surge in COVID last year, "age-adjusted hospitalization rates [were] highest among non-Hispanic American Indian or Alaska Native and non-Hispanic black persons, followed by Hispanic or Latino persons." CDC figures indicated that the age-adjusted hospitalization rate for Black people was at that time "approximately 5 times that of non-Hispanic white persons." Richard A. Oppel Jr. et al, "The Fullest Look Yet at the Racial Inequity of Coronavirus," *New York Times*, July 5, 2020, https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/07/05/us/coronavirus-latinos-african-americans-cdc-data html?action=click&module=Top%20Stories&pgtype=Homepage; No Author, "COVID-19 in Racial and Ethnic Minority Groups," Centers for Disease Control, June 25, 2020, https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/racial-ethnic-minorities html.

⁵⁷ Id.

⁵⁸ The North Birmingham neighborhood has been determined to be so polluted by industrial waste that the EPA can use specially designated funds to remove and replace toxic soil.

⁵⁹ Nellie Peyton, "'Who is standing up for us?'- Black, rural students left behind as U.S. schools go online," *Reuters*, Aug. 28, 2020, https://www.reuters.com/article/us-health-coronavirus-usa-education-feat/who-is-standing-up-for-us-black-rural-students-left-behind-as-u-s-schools-go-online-idUSKBN25O1XR.

⁶⁰ Trisha Powell Crane, "Alabama public schools shrunk by 6,000 students during pandemic," *Al.com*, Nov. 16, 2021, https://www.al.com/news/2021/11/alabama-public-schools-shrunk-by-6000-students-during-pandemic.html.

⁶¹ U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 2020 EEOC Charge Receipts for AL, https://www.eeoc.gov/statistics/enforcement/charges-by-state/AL; United States Census Bureau, Quick Facts, https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/US/PST045219.

years) has revealed numerous instances of racial discrimination in employment on the part of state entities – including the state Personnel Department and Personnel Board, the Department of Public Safety, the Alabama Cooperative Extension Service, the state Board of Education, and the state Department of Transportation – and also on the part of private employers.⁶²

Recent research also demonstrates that the wage gap between white and Black workers, long thought to have been closing in the last 50 years, has actually increased. Studies have considered those who have given up on finding work and the incarcerated, both disproportionately Black groups, among the wage-earning citizenry. According to various scholars, this more accurately measures the wage gap as a socioeconomic indicator. The studies indicate that, when including these groups, the wage gap between Black and white men has grown steadily since the 1980s, a time when white backlash against civil rights and other issues coalesced in the Reagan revolution.⁶³

Leaders in the city of Birmingham, most of them Black, attempted in 2016 to establish a minimum wage in the city higher than that of the federal minimum wage (Alabama has no minimum wage) to the rate of \$10.10/hour. The white-controlled state legislature responded by passing a bill preventing local governments from establishing minimum wages, thus invalidating the city's effort. State Sen. Linda Coleman-Madison, a Black Democrat, said at the time, "Alabama is a poor state. But I say we are poor by choice, because of bills like this that keep people poor." Black wage earners in the city are disproportionately beholden to white business owners. Recent studies have demonstrated that "Black residents make up 74% of Birmingham's population, but only 50% of businesses are Black-owned" and that "white residents make up 22% of the population, but 47% of businesses are white-owned."

Not only are Black men in Alabama more likely to find it difficult to get a job or higher wages, they have also been incarcerated at a disproportionate rate, especially since the declaration of a "war on drugs" in the 1980s. Scholars have described this racial mass incarceration as a "New Jim Crow." The state of Alabama also currently faces a federal lawsuit, initiated by the Department of Justice, alleging unconstitutional conditions in Alabama's prisons. These conditions continue to exist despite decades-long-running remedial litigation dating back to the 1970s, in which Judge Johnson issued a *Lee v. Macon*-style statewide injunction, and more recently filed litigation in which Judge Thompson concluded, in 2017, that mental healthcare in the state's prison system was "horrendously inadequate" (*Braggs v. Dunn*, 257 F.Supp.3d 1171, 1297, MD, 2017). ⁶⁵ The Justice Department's current suit

⁶² United States by Wallace v. Frazer, 317 F. Supp. 1079 (MD, 1970); United States v. Dothard, 373 F. Supp. 504 (MD, 1974); Strain v. Philpott, 331 F. Supp. 836 (MD, 1971); Brown v. Alabama Department of Transportation, 597 F. 3d 1160 (11th CCA, 2010); Reynolds v. Alabama Department of Transportation, 4 F. Supp. 2d 1068 (MD, 1998); Allen v. Alabama State Board of Education, 816 F.2d 575 (11th CCA, 1987), 976 F.Supp. 1410 (1997); Shuford v. Alabama State Board of Education, 897 F. Supp. 1535 (1995); United States v. Jefferson County, 2013 WL 4482970 (ND); Ensley Branch, NAACP v. Seibels, 31 F.3d 1548 (11th CCA, 1994); Adams v. Austal USA, 754 F.3d 1240 (11th CCA, 2014); Ferrill v. The Parker Group, 168 F.3d 468 (11th CCA, 1999).

⁶³ Patrick Bayer and Kerwin Kofi Charles, "Divergent Paths: A New Perspective on Earnings Differences Between Black and White Men Since 1940," *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 133.3 (Aug., 2018) pp. 1459-1501; Becky Pettit, *Invisible Men: Mass Incarceration and the Myth of Black Progress* (Russell Sage Foundation, 2012); Michelle Alexander, *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness* (The New Press, 2012); The Sentencing Project, "Fact Sheet: Trends in U.S. Corrections, U.S. State and Federal Prison Population, 1925-2017," https://sentencingproject.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Trends-in-US-Corrections.pdf.

⁶⁴ Zachary Roth, "Birmingham Raises Minimum Wage and Alabama Takes it Away," *NBC*, Feb. 26, 2016, https://www.nbcnews.com/news/nbcblk/birmingham-raises-minimum-wage-alabama-takes-it-away-n526806; Sydney Cromwell, Birmingham Watch, "Business Capital, Knowledge Remains Out Of Reach For Many Minority Entrepreneurs," WBHM, https://wbhm.org/2020/business-capital-knowledge-remains-out-of-reach-for-many-minority-entrepreneurs/.

alleges that the Alabama Department of Corrections ("ADOC") has failed to protect the incarcerated men from violence and sexual abuse at the hands of other prisoners, from excessive force by correctional officers, and from the inevitable consequences of unsafe and unsanitary housing. In both the Justice Department report and in a recent *New York Times* piece featuring letters from multiple inmates, a picture emerges of a system in Alabama in which correctional officers are so outnumbered and conditions are so systemically violent that officers and staff often simply hide behind barricades and allow the prison population to police itself. Rape, stabbings, attacks on both officers and other inmates, drug use, and corruption all appear to be commonplace. 66

The representation of Black people among the incarcerated in Alabama is grossly disproportionate. As of a January 2020 report issued by the Alabama Department of Corrections ("ADOC"), Black inmates accounted for the majority of the inmate population, despite Black people only constituting 27 percent of the state's population. Alabama's prisons are also catastrophically overcrowded; the state was recently criticized for trying to address overcrowding by pledging funds intended for COVID-19 relief to the building of new prisons, thereby taking funds away from one crisis that disproportionately affects Black people to address another one. Even when released, especially in Alabama, former Black inmates find it harder to exercise their right to vote. In the 1990s, the state reenacted its felon disenfranchisement law after the *Hunter v. Underwood* decision in 1985. The current law has disenfranchised 15 percent of the Black voting age population, and only 7 percent of the white voting age population. Even when released, and only 7 percent of the white voting age population.

Beyond the issues with Alabama's penal system, broadly, Black youth, many of whom attend segregated schools deemed by the state to be "failing," also face disparities in the state's juvenile justice system. A 2017 report of the Alabama Juvenile Justice Task Force, chaired by two white Republicans, found that "Racial disparities exist throughout the juvenile justice system." The Task Force determined that "A larger share of black youth are placed in detention, out-of-home diversion, and DYS [Department of Youth Services] custody than their share of the overall youth population," and that "Black youth also receive a disproportionately high share of dispositions to DYS custody when compared to their share of initial complaints," a disparity that "holds true when comparing complaints and out-of-home placements for youth who commit misdemeanors or felonies." ⁶⁹

⁶⁵ Ivana Hyrnkiw, "Judge rules mentally ill Alabama prison inmates receive inadequate care," June 27, 2017, *Al.com*, https://www.al.com/news/2017/06/federal_judges_rules_in_mental.html; Larry Yackle, *Reform and Regret: The Story of Federal Judicial Involvement in the Alabama Prison System* (New York: Oxford University Press, 1989); James v. Wallace, 382 F.Supp. 1177 (MD, 1974); Pugh v. Locke, 406 F.Supp. 318 (MD, 1976).

^{66 &}quot;Investigation of Alabama's State Prisons for Men," United States Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, April 2, 2019, https://www.justice.gov/opa/press-release/file/1150276/download; New York Times Staff, "No One Feels Safe Here': Life in Alabama's Prisons," New York Times, April 29, 2019, https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/29/us/alabama-prison-inmates.html; Mike Cason, "New Department of Justice complaint says Alabama has not improved prison conditions since 2019 allegations," al.com, Nov. 23, 2021, https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/29/us/alabama-prison-inmates.html; al.com/news/2021/11/new-department-of-justice-complaint-says-alabama-has-not-improved-prison-conditions-since-2019-allegations.html.

^{67 &}quot;Alabama Department of Corrections, Monthly Statistical Report for January 2020 Fiscal Year 2020," Research and Planning division, State of Alabama, http://www.doc.state.al.us/docs/MonthlyRpts/DMR%2001%20January%202020PUB.pdf; Associated Press Wire, "Alabama to use Covid rescue funds to build prisons," NBC News, Oct. 2, 2021, https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/alabama-use-covid-rescue-funds-build-prisons-n1280624.

⁶⁸ No author, "NAACP fights for prison registration," *Birmingham News*, Oct. 1, 2008; Desiree Hunter, "Pastor, state prisons settle suit on inmate voting," *Anniston Star*, Oct. 22, 2008.

⁶⁹ "Final Report," Alabama Juvenile Justice Task Force, December 2017, http://lsa.state.al.us/PDF/Other/JJTF/JJTF-Final-Report.pdf.

In terms of health, between Reconstruction and enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Black citizens had to fend for themselves, with help from charitable organizations like the Rosenwald Fund and the Catholic Church. Following the passage of the Civil Rights Act and the enactment of Great Society social welfare programs, Black Alabamians experienced racially discriminatory dispersion of federal aid in, for example, the program now known as Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, for which state dispersion of aid has been twice cited by federal courts for discrimination.⁷⁰

Today, Black communities in the Black Belt continue to struggle in primitive conditions and suffer unusual health difficulties and lack of even the most basic services. A 2019 United Nations ("U.N.") mission to the United States aimed at examining conditions of "extreme poverty" found conditions in Alabama's that were "very uncommon in the First World." The U.N.'s Special Rapporteur on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights, Philip Alston, reported that Black residents lacked proper sewage and drinking water systems and had unreliable electricity. Residents had constructed homemade water delivery systems using PVC pipe, did not have consistent access to drinking water that had not been tainted by raw sewage, and often fell ill, entire households at a time, with E. Coli and hookworm. After visiting a Black man's Butler County home, where sewage was bubbling up out of the ground due to a failed septic tank, Alston assessed the situation, saying, "There is a human right for people to live decently, and that means the government has an obligation to provide people with the essentials of life, which include power, water and sewage service." He added, "But if the government says, 'oh no, we're not going to do it,' and leaves you to install very expensive septic tanks, that's not how it should work." Under H.B. 1, the state's current congressional plan, Butler County lies in the 2nd Congressional District.⁷¹

Black residents of Uniontown, in Perry County, fought a decision by the state to allow 4 million tons of potentially toxic coal ash to be transferred from the site of a coal-fired electrical plant accident in Tennessee to a landfill in the town. The coal ash was spilled into a river in Kingston, Tennessee, where years later multiple residents have been diagnosed with various forms of cancer. Then-Congressman Artur Davis protested the coal ash's transfer to Alabama, as did local residents, overwhelmingly Black, but met resistance from the state's Department of Environmental Management.⁷²

Black communities in the state's urban areas suffer from industrial pollution as well, as the court in *People First* acknowledged. The North Birmingham neighborhood in the city of Birmingham is home to much of what remains of the city's heavy industry, including coke plants. At the height of the "Magic City's" rise, it provided company housing for workers. Over time it became an exclusively Black working class neighborhood. At the apex of the civil rights movement in Birmingham, it was the home of activist minister Fred Shuttlesworth's Bethel Baptist church and a focal point for civil rights organization. In 2013 the EPA designated the 35th Avenue area in North Birmingham a "Superfund" site, meaning the EPA can use specially designated funds to remove and replace soil laden with toxic materials from airborne and waterborne pollution emanating from nearby factories. The following year, the EPA moved to place the site on a priority list for cleanup. The state of Alabama, via its Department of Environmental Management Office of External Affairs and the Office of the Attorney General, has consistently

⁷⁰ Flynt, *Alabama in the Twentieth Century*, pp. 365-66; Smith v. King, 277 F.Supp. 31 (MD, 1968); Whitfield v. Oliver, 399 F. Supp. 348 (MD, 1975).

⁷¹ Connor Sheets, "UN poverty official touring Alabama's Black Belt: 'I haven't seen this' in the First World," *al.com*, March 7, 2019, https://www.al.com/news/2017/12/un poverty official touring al.html.

⁷² Marianne Engelman-Lado, et al., "Environmental Injustice in Uniontown, Alabama, Decades after the Civil Rights Act of 1964: It's Time For Action," American Bar Association, May 21, 2021, https://www.americanbar.org/groups/crsj/publications/human_rights_magazine_home/vol--44--no-2--housing/environmental-injustice-in-uniontown--alabama--decades-after-the/; Kristen Lombardi, "Welcome to Uniontown: Arrowhead Landfill Battle a Modern Civil Rights Struggle," NBC News, Aug. 5, 2015, https://www.nbcnews.com/news/nbcblk/epa-environmental-injustice-uniontown-n402836; No Author, "Artur Davis Asks EPA For Coal Ash Standards," Alabama Public Radio, Oct. 16, 2009, https://www.apr.org/2009-10-16/artur-davis-asks-epa-for-coal-ash-standards;

opposed the move, which would require that the state help pay for the cleanup if the corporations the EPA has deemed responsible do not. Birmingham Mayor Randall Woodfin and Representative Terri Sewell support adding the site to the priority list. Sewell has insisted, "No family should have to live with a contaminated backyard, and no community should be left to clean up decades of industrial waste." ⁷³

b. Education

Alabama has a long history of discrimination in education. In 1967 Alabama became the first state ever subjected to a statewide structural injunction. That year, 13 years after *Brown v. Board*, a 3-judge federal trial court found that state officials had, "through their control and influence over" local school boards, "flouted every effort to make the Fourteenth Amendment a meaningful reality to Negro school children in Alabama" (*Lee v. Macon County Board of Education*, 267 F.Supp. 458, MD, affirmed 389 U.S. 215). The court enjoined state officials and, by proxy, 99 school systems across the state, along with the state's junior colleges and trade schools, and eventually its teachers' associations and athletic associations. The state's actions before, during, and after the trial of that case on the merits demonstrate the vigor with which it resisted granting basic rights to Black citizens.

When *Brown* was decided in 1954, the NAACP in Alabama petitioned local school boards for a commitment to adhere to the ruling. White men who rejected the violent efforts of the Ku Klux Klan, especially the aforementioned state legislator Sam Engelhardt, responded by organizing Citizens' Councils, which used economic reprisal to punish Black people who pressed for school desegregation. Black plaintiffs nonetheless began to file suit in the late 1950s, seeking redress in federal courts, but not until 1963 did trial courts in four cases order the desegregation of a handful of all-white schools. Klansmen then bombed a Black church in Birmingham in response, killing four children, and the governor and state legislature reinvigorated an already decades-long running campaign to keep public schools in the state entirely white.⁷⁴

After the passage of the Civil Rights Act in 1964, the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare ("HEW") pressed local school systems to desegregate. Governor George Wallace intimidated local school boards, threatening to remove state funding or to hold "mass meetings" in any county or town whose school board agreed to abide by HEW provisions or federal court orders. When the court added the United States as a party in *Lee v. Macon*, it brought the Justice Department into the case. Attorneys from the CRD and for the private litigants recognized that, not only had Wallace demonstrated that he had control over local school boards, but Alabama law gave the state Board of Education control over local boards, even in day-to-day affairs, a reality traceable to the state's first "redeemer" constitution. Plaintiffs asked the court to compel the state to use that power to desegregate, rather than to prevent desegregation, and to issue a statewide desegregation order, which it did in March 1967. The control of the court of the state of the state of the court of the court of the state of the court of the cou

⁷³ Steven Mufson, "The betrayal: How a lawyer, a lobbyist and a legislator waged war on an Alabama Superfund cleanup," *Washington Post*, Aug. 24, 2019, <a href="https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/the-betrayal-how-a-lawyer-a-lobbyist-and-a-legislator-waged-war-on-an-alabama-superfund-cleanup/2019/04/24/834087ae-4c1a-11e9-9663-00ac73f49662_story.html; Madison Underwood, "State fighting EPA drive to add North Birmingham pollution site to Superfund priority list," *al.com*, Feb. 7, 2020,

https://www.al.com/news/birmingham/2014/11/state at odds with epa on nort.html; Elizabeth Patton, "Terri Sewell, Randall Woodfin weigh-in on Birmingham indictments surrounding EPA clean-up site," *Alabama Today*, Nov. 15, 2018, https://altoday.com/archives/27527-terri-sewell-randall-woodfin-weigh-in-on-birmingham-indictments-surrounding-epa-clean-up-site.

⁷⁴ Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights*, pp. 14-76; Armstrong v. Birmingham Board of Education, 220 F. Supp. 217 (ND); Davis v. Board of Commissioners of Mobile 219 F.Supp. 542 (SD); Hereford v. Huntsville Board of Education, *Race Relations Law Reporter* 8.3 (Fall, 1963, ND), p. 908; Lee v. Macon County Board of Education, 267 F.Supp. 458 (MD); U.S. v. Wallace, Civ. A. No. 1976-N (MD, 1963).

Judge Johnson, writing for the court, insisted that the relief awarded in *Lee v. Macon* had to "reach the limits of the defendants' activities." As Professor Brian Landsberg has explained, "Because the racial segregation was systemic, the violation could be cured only by systemic relief." What made the 1967 *Lee v. Macon* ruling extraordinary was that it provided that kind of remedial, sustained systemic relief on a statewide level. ⁷⁶ Under the court's order, state officials, especially the state superintendent of education, were to ensure that the 99 school systems not already under court order in another case begin to disestablish their racially dual school systems by adopting the court's model desegregation plan that fall. Private plaintiffs and the CRD would monitor progress and submit motions for further relief, as necessary. Gradually, each local school system would become a defendant party in the suit. The court, with plaintiffs' counsel, determined when the systems had reached a point at which a consent decree could be entered and the individual system's case could be transferred to a single judge in their district. Plaintiffs and the court would continue to monitor progress until "unitary status," as articulated in *Green v. County School Board of New Kent County* (391 U.S. 430, 1968), had been achieved.

As a direct result of recalcitrance from officials at the state and local level, the "freedom of choice" plans adopted under the initial model plan had not, by the 1970s, resulted in actual integration, only token desegregation. And as Circuit Judge John Minor Wisdom explained, the goal of school desegregation litigation had always been to move beyond a scenario in which there were still "white schools or Negro schools" to one in where there were "just schools," or in other words, to have a "bona fide unitary system" (*U.S. v. Jefferson County Board of Education*, 372 F.2d 836, para. 172, 5th CCA, 1965). Courts began to grant relief when plaintiffs moved for the adoption of compulsory assignment plans. Compulsory assignment led to a renewed white revolt against desegregation – violent, litigious, political, and otherwise – and many whites fled for exclusively or overwhelmingly white suburbs or private schools.⁷⁷

Desegregation litigation continues today, and in some areas, segregation has gotten worse. As of 2020 nearly 50 school systems remain under desegregation orders. The Huntsville schools case remains active before this Court, for example, as several more factors, including student discipline, have not been adequately addressed. In the 2019-2020 school year, for example, 52 percent of Black students at Huntsville High received a disciplinary referral, compared to just 12 percent of white students.⁷⁸

The Politics of White Rights, pp. 87-88, 119-22; federal courts also issued desegregation orders and guidelines involving public schools in Alabama in, *inter alia*, U.S. and Bennett v. Madison County Board of Education, 219 F. Supp. 60 (ND, 1963); Brown v. Board of Education of Bessemer, 419 F.2d 1211 (5th CCA, 1964); Boykins and U.S. v. Fairfield Board of Education, 457 F.2d 1091 (5th CCA, 1972); U.S. and Miller v. Gadsden Board of Education, 482 F.2d 1234 (5th CCA, 1973); Huston v. Lawrence County Board of Education, 320 F.Supp 790 (ND, 1970); Harris v. Crenshaw County Board of Education, 259 F. Supp. 167 (MD, 1966); Franklin v. Barbour County Board of Education, 259 F. Supp. 545 (MD, 1966); Alabama State Teachers Association v. Lowndes County Board of Education, 289 F. Supp. 300 (MD, 1968); Adams v. Lucy, 228 F.2d 619 (5th CCA, 1955), cert. denied 351 U.S. 931 (1956); Franklin v. Parker, 223 F. Supp. 724 (MD, 1963), modified 331 F.2d 841 (5th CCA, 1964); Carr v. Montgomery County Board of Education, 395 U.S. 225 (1969); Alabama NAACP v. Wallace, 269 F.Supp. 346 (MD, 1967); U.S. v. Choctaw County Board of Education, 259 F.Supp. 458 (SD, 1966); U.S. v. Hale County Board of Education, 445 F.2d 1330 (5th CCA, 1971); see also notes 69, supra, and 74-77, infra.

⁷⁶ Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights*, pp. 119-22; Brian K. Landsberg, "Lee v. Macon County BOE: The Possibilities of Federal Enforcement of Equal Educational Opportunity," *Duke Journal of Constitutional Law and Public Policy* 12, No. 1: pp. 1-52, pp. 37-38.

⁷⁷ Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights*, pp. 146-79.

⁷⁸ Yue Qiu and Nikole Hannah-Jones, A National Survey of School Desegregation Orders, Dec. 23, 2014, *ProPublica*, https://projects.propublica.org/graphics/desegregation-orders; School Segregation Data, *ProPublica*, https://www.propublica.org/datastore/dataset/school-segregation-charter-district-data; Anna Claire Vollers, "Huntsville chips away at 57-year-old school desegregation order," Jan. 12, 2020, https://www.al.com/news/huntsville/2020/01/huntsville-chips-away-at-57-year-old-school-desegregation-order httml; Hereford v. Huntsville Board of Education, No. 5:63-CV-

Segregation in the state's metropolitan areas is almost as profound, with white families having left cities like Birmingham and Montgomery for suburbs with majority white, independent school systems or for private schools. In the *Stout v. Jefferson County* case, this Court recently granted, in part, the motion of the City of Gardendale, to separate from the Jefferson County system, even though the Court found that "race was a motivating factor" and that such motivation was "deplorable" (*Stout v. Jefferson County Board of Education*, No. 2:1965cv00396 – 1141, ND, April 24, 2017). In February of 2018, the order was reversed by the 11th Circuit, which affirmed the finding of discriminatory intent and blocked the City of Gardendale's attempt to separate. ⁷⁹

Recent litigation has addressed ongoing inequities and discrimination in schools across the state. The mother of a former student at Franklin County's Phil Campbell High School filed suit in January after her son was subjected to numerous incidents of racist harassment by white students. White administrators not only failed to address the harassment, but punished the Black student on more than one occasion. The Leeds Board of Education, after being sued by the parents of Black children in an ongoing desegregation case, agreed to restart its school lunch program. The board had shut the program down, citing Governor Kay Ivey's COVID stay-at-home order. Plaintiffs successfully argued that school lunch programs were exempt from the order and that suspending the program disproportionately affected Black children enrolled in the school system, some 80 percent of whom are economically disadvantaged.⁸⁰

As recently as November 2021, white students in Alabama schools have made patently racist remarks and posted them online. White students at Cullman High School circulated a video, which was received by Black students, of a white student chanting "white power" and "kill all the n----rs." The student was the child of a member of the local board of education. A year prior to that, white students at Mountain Brook High School circulated a video showing students laughing and doing the Nazi salute as another student paraded around with swastikas on his back. The school board formed a diversity committee, which recommended anti-bias training, which the school system never implemented. A year before that incident, students at Hoover High School were filmed having the following exchange: Student 1, "F--- n-----'s, f--- Jews;" Student 2, "Jews are fine because they're white. We just need the n----'s gone."

The Alabama Accountability Act, enacted in 2013, labels the bottom 6 percent of the state's schools, by proficiency in reading and math, as "failing," borrowing from the No Child Left Behind extension of the Elementary

⁰⁰¹⁰⁹⁻MHH, 2015, WL 13398941 (ND); No Author, "Huntsville City Schools granted partial unitary status in desegregation case," *al.com*, Jan. 9, 2009, WAFF48, https://www.waff.com/2020/01/10/huntsville-city-schools-granted-partial-unitary-status-desegregation-case/.

⁷⁹ Stout and U.S. v. Jefferson County Board of Education, 11th CCA, Feb. 13 (2018), http://media.ca11.uscourts.gov/opinions/pub/files/201712338.pdf.

⁸⁰ Stout v. City of Leeds Board of Education, No. 2:17-MC-681-MHH, 2020 WL 1983331; Ivana Hrynkiw, "Parent says son was harassed, sues Franklin County school for racial discrimination," Jan. 17, 2020, *al.com*, https://www.al.com/news/huntsville/2020/01/parent-says-son-was-harassed-sues-franklin-county-school-for-racial-discrimination html; Trisha Powell Crain, "Alabama school district restarts student meals after legal action filed," *al.com*, April 17, 2020, https://www.al.com/news/2020/04/stopping-school-meals-violates-federal-desegregation-order-group-says.html.

⁸¹ Trisha Powell Crane, "Alabama high school students filmed using racist slurs," March 4, 2019," al.com, https://www.al.com/news/2019/03/alabama-high-school-students-filmed-using-racist-slurs.html; Crane, "Jewish Federation concerned about video of Mountain Brook children drawing swastika," May 13, 2020, al.com, https://www.al.com/news/2020/05/jewish-federation-concerned-about-video-of-mountain-brook-children-drawing-swastika html; Rebecca Griesbach, "I can't say anything': Alabama students, parents wrestle with impact of racist video," al.com, https://www.al.com/news/2021/11/i-cant-say-anything-alabama-students-parents-wrestle-with-impact-of-racist-video.html.

and Secondary Education Act. For 2020-2021, as in previous years, all 75 schools on the list of failing schools were majority Black, most overwhelmingly so. Most of the schools are in majority-Black school systems in or around Birmingham, Montgomery, and Mobile, or in the Black Belt.⁸²

Courts have also found that Alabama's institutions of higher learning have been plagued by "vestiges of segregation," decades after the initiation of court-ordered desegregation (*Knight v. Alabama*, 787 F.Supp. 1030, 1352, ND, 1991). The University of Alabama and Auburn University were desegregated in the 1960, but in 1991, a trial court in *Knight v. Alabama* found that the state was still obligated to eliminate the lingering effects of segregation and discrimination in those institutions, and their proposed satellites, and to make an effort to recruit Black students to those schools and to recruit white students to the state's Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). After a partial reversal, the court in 1995 issued a remedial decree similar to that issued in *Lee v. Macon*, with the court overseeing implementation over the next decade. Prior to that window closing, the *Knight* plaintiffs argued that the state had been "shielding the property of whites from being taxed to support the education of blacks," thereby "denying black citizens equal access to attend and to complete higher education." They cited two amendments to the state's 1901 constitution known as the "Lid Bills."

c. The Lid Bills

The original Lid Bill was conceived by state senator Walter Givhan, a Citizens' Council pioneer and arguably the most prolific segregationist lawmaker in Alabama history, in 1972. Four converging factors motivated Sen. Givhan: government-enabled white flight turning Black Belt public school systems all-Black; Black candidates beginning to get elected in those same districts thanks to enforcement of the VRA; the state legislature being forced to adopt an equitable reapportionment; and a federal trial court ruling in *Weissinger v. Boswell* insisting that the state overhaul its tax assessment system. ⁸⁵ Givhan proposed constitutionalizing a scheme in which residential, farm, and timber land would be assessed at a lower percentage (15 percent) than commercial property (25 percent) or utilities property (30 percent). To this was added a 1.5 percent "lid" or cap on the total *ad valorem* tax revenue that could be collected from any piece of property. Underlying this effort was the fact that almost all of the land in the Alabama Black Belt was owned by white people or corporations controlled by them. The bill passed and was ratified by voters. ⁸⁶

By the end of the decade, white lawmakers and property owners had begun to worry that Black elected officials might exercise a "local option" in the original Lid Bill that allowed county or municipal governments to raise millage rates, provided such measures passed through the state legislature. With Black political representation increasing not just in the Black Belt but also in cities like Birmingham and Mobile, the fear was that an alliance of urban representatives, Black and white, and rural Black officials might allow the latter to raise tax millage rates. The Mobile *Press-Register* explained that white lawmakers were "fearful that the black political leaders, who also enjoy voting majorities, will exercise local options and set property taxes at the highest rates possible in order to raise additional funds for their governmental operations," with such taxes being paid by "white owners of large farms and corporate interests with large timberland holdings." As state Republican Party Chairman John Grenier would later acknowledge, "The problem with the property tax, like everything, goes back to race in Alabama. I

⁸² Trisha Powell Crane, "Here's the new list of 'failing' schools in Alabama," *Al.com*, Nov. 1, 2019, https://www.al.com/news/2019/11/heres-the-new-list-of-failing-schools-in-alabama html.

⁸³ Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights*, pp. 5-6, 223-24.

⁸⁴ Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights*, pp. 5-6, 223-24; Knight v. Alabama, affirmed in part, 14 F.3d 1534 (11th CCA, 1994), 900 F.Supp 272 (ND, 1995) (Knight II).

⁸⁵ Bagley, The Politics of White Rights, pp. 210-15; Weissinger v. Boswell, 330 F.Supp 615 (MD, AL 1971).

⁸⁶ Bagley, The Politics of White Rights, pp. 210-15.

think probably whites feel like they own the property, and the property tax goes up, and proceeds will go to blacks." George Wallace lent his support to a new bill that removed the local option, lowered the assessment rate for farm and timber land, and lowered the overall lid to one percent. It also allowed for "current use" assessment of land, as opposed to fair market value, which considered potential development, among other factors. State voters ratified the new amendment in 1978.88

The plaintiffs in *Knight* called historians to testify, who linked the Lid Bills to the redeemer constitutions of 1875 and 1901 and to a historical rejection of white tax dollars for Black education. The experts argued that the lingering effects of the amendments prevented Black students from enjoying equal access to higher education in the state. The court in 2004 agreed that the Lid Bills were a part of Alabama's long and abysmal history of race discrimination but denied the plaintiffs' claim on the ground that the action was an improper venue for a claim seeking their invalidation or injunction. A new case, targeting only the Lid Bills, was filed in 2008. 89

In a 2011 decision in *Lynch v. Alabama*, the court insisted that it was limited by the Supreme Court's decision in *San Antonio v. Rodriguez* – in which the Court denied that there is a fundamental constitutional right to equal educational opportunity – and that the defendants were arguably motivated by a history of antipathy to taxation that was independent of race discrimination. However, the court acknowledged, in a very lengthy opinion, the discriminatory effects of Alabama's property taxation scheme and cited the plaintiffs' expert witness historians, who fleshed out the testimony in *Knight*, linking the Lid Bills to the state's white supremacist constitutions. The court agreed that the property tax scheme enshrined by the amendments was "crippling" Black education in the state.

At the time *Lynch* was decided, Alabama had not only the lowest property tax revenues in the United States, but they were also twice as low as the state coming in at number 49 and three times lower than the national average. A mere five percent of the state's tax revenue came from property taxes. Most of it came from regressive sales and incomes taxes that disproportionately affect poor people, of which Black people are disproportionately represented in Alabama. The 11th Circuit appellate court acknowledged this and insisted that it was "cognizant of Alabama's deep and troubled history of racial discrimination," which had been "illustrated vividly by the plaintiffs at trial." But it could find no legal fault in the trial court's ruling, since the plaintiffs were held to the standard of proving discriminatory intent. The Senate Factors, however, allow plaintiffs to consider the effects of past discrimination, which seem here to be relevant. 91

IV. FACTOR 6: POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS CHARACTERIZED BY RACIAL APPEALS

White lawmakers in Alabama learned long ago to colormask their public statements, just as they have learned to colormask the legislation intended to protect their racial prerogatives. Not since the high-tide of brazen white supremacy, when George Wallace proclaimed, "segregation forever," have public figures been so bold. Skilled politicians have since mastered the art of deploying coded racial appeals, and historians have been able to home in on certain messages that lawmakers know will resonate with white voters. Yet even today, in campaign

⁸⁷ Grenier quoted in Allen Tullos, *Alabama Getaway: The Political Imaginary and the Heart of Dixie* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2011), p. 188; *Mobile Press-Register* quoted in Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights*, pp. 210-15.

⁸⁸ Bagley, The Politics of White Rights, pp. 210-15.

⁸⁹ Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights*, pp. 224-26.

⁹⁰ Lynch v. Alabama, 2011 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 155012 (ND, AL, 2011), 798-800, Lexis-Nexis Academic.

⁹¹ Lynch v. Alabama, No. 11-15464 (11th CCA, 2014), published at *Justia*, pp. 2, 28, https://law.justia.com/cases/federal/appellate-courts/ca11/11-15464/11-15464-2014-01-10.html

ads and in other public speech, including on social media, white Alabama politicians reveal that direct invocations of race still appeal to white voters. This is not to say that this or that white elected official is "racist," but to acknowledge that racial appeals are present in campaigns. 92

Former United States Senate candidate Roy Moore, who was twice removed from the state Supreme Court for failure to obey federal court orders, won the Republican Party nomination in 2017 for the seat vacated by candidate Jeff Sessions when he became Attorney General. During the campaign, Moore insisted that the United States would be better off without any of the Amendments to the Constitution that follow the 10th. Moore argued, "That would eliminate many problems. You know, people don't understand how some of these amendments have completely tried to wreck the form of government that our forefathers intended." This would of course include the 13th Amendment, which ended slavery, and the 15th Amendment, which established voting rights for Freedmen. Moore singled out the 14th Amendment, which was enacted to protect the rights of former enslaved people, insisting that it "allow[s] the federal government to do something which the first 10 amendments prevented them from doing." Moore has also described the antebellum period in the South as follows: "I think it was great at the time when families were united — even though we had slavery. They cared for one another. People were strong in the families. Our families were strong. Our country had a direction."

Another Alabama jurist, state Supreme Court Chief Justice Tom Parker, in 2018 ran a campaign ad that a federal trial court found to be based upon a racial appeal. Justice Parker targeted the Southern Poverty Law Center, an advocacy group for minorities, and made clear that he opposed "the leftist mob tr[ying] to destroy our society" showing at that moment images of U.S. Congresswoman Maxine Waters, a Black member of Congress from California. The trial court concluded that, "when juxtaposed with images of an African-American Democratic congresswoman from California who had no other reason to appear in an ad for an Alabama judicial race ... one of the motives of the ad was to draw attention to race" (*Alabama State Conf. of the NAACP v. Alabama*, CASE NO. 2:16-CV-731-WKW, @ p. 153).

Mo Brooks, Republican U.S. Congressman for Alabama's 5th District, has repeatedly claimed that Democrats are waging a "war on whites" by "claiming that whites hate everybody else." In 2016, Brooks explained, "They are trying to motivate the African American vote to vote-bloc for Democrats by using every Republican as a racist tool that they can envision." Brooks has also characterized people who receive assistance through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance, or SNAP, program as undeserving. In applauding cuts to the program, the beneficiaries of which in Alabama would include tens of thousands of Black people, Brooks said, "It is wrong to let slackers take roughly \$70 billion per year from hard-working taxpayers who need that money for their own needs." Such colormasked appeals are a product of half a century of connecting federal welfare and public health programs with racial animosity and deploying coded attacks on the former with appeals to the latter. ⁹⁴

⁹² Bagley, The Politics of White Rights, pp.7-11. See also Wayne Flynt, Alabama in the Twentieth Century, pp. 104-5; Dan Carter, From George Wallace to Newt Gingrich: Race in the Conservative Counterrevolution, 1963-1994 (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 1999), and Joseph Crespino, In Search of Another Country: Mississippi and the Conservative Counterrevolution (Princeton University Press, 2009), passim.

⁹³ Philip Bump, "Roy Moore: America was great in era of slavery, is now 'focus of evil in the world," *Washington Post*, Dec. 8, 2017, https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/politics/wp/2017/12/08/roy-moore-america-was-great-in-era-of-slavery-is-now-focus-of-evil-in-the-world/; German Lopez, "Roy Moore was once again caught making that can be interpreted as okay with slavery: maybe he believes what he keeps saying," *Vox*, Dec. 11, 2017, https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2017/12/7/16748038/roy-moore-slavery-america-great; Scott Douglas, "The Alabama Senate Race May Have Already Been Decided," *New York Times*, Dec. 11, 2017, https://www.nytimes.com/2017/12/11/opinion/roy-moore-alabama-senate-voter-suppression.html.

Representative Bradley Byrne of the state's 1st Congressional District, when he was vying for a Senate seat, aired a campaign ad in which he condemned Black people by placing their images in a fire. The television spot begins with Byrne staring into a wood fire in a backyard and lamenting the loss of his brother in the armed services. He shifts to lamenting the course the country is taking, as the faces of Black and Brown people appear in the fire. Former National Football League quarterback Colin Kaepernick appears in the fire, as Byrne calls him an "entitled athlete dishonoring" the American flag. Members of the Congressional caucus known as "The Squad," including Ilhan Omar and Alexandria Ocasio Cortez, appear in the fire and are accused of "attacking America" and "cheapening 9/11." No white people appear in the fire.

U.S. Representative Barry Moore has repeatedly downplayed the January 6, 2021, U.S. Capitol insurrection and has Tweeted about the shooting of Capitol-infiltrator Ashli Babbitt by U.S. Capitol Police, "I understand it was a black police officer that shot the white female veteran. You know that doesn't fit the narrative." Congressman Moore has also Tweeted out a meme that suggested people injured by a car driven into an unarmed crowd of protestors in Charlottesville in 2017 "didn't fight back." ⁹⁶

Finally, Representative Chris Pringle, co-chair of the Reapportionment Committee, previously gave up his seat in the state House to run for U.S. Congress in the 1st District. In a campaign ad, Pringle proudly labels himself "politically incorrect" and insists, "These days if you look like me and believe like me, everything that's wrong in our society is your fault." He explains, "If you're straight, southern, conservative, and heaven forbid, Christian, they call you a racist and blame you for everyone else's problems."⁹⁷

V. FACTOR VII: THE EXTENT TO WHICH MINORITIES HAVE BEEN ELECTED TO OFFICE

Since Reconstruction, three Black candidates have won election to the U.S. House of Representatives from majority-Black districts, with never more than one serving at any given time. Despite constituting almost 27 percent

⁹⁴ Massie, "Rep. Brooks: Dems' 'war on whites' behind some criticism of Sessions"; Leada Gore, "Rep. Mo Brooks: People who live 'good lives' should pay less for health insurance," May 2, 2017, al.com, https://www.al.com/news/2017/05/rep mo brooks people who live.html; Jonece Starr Dunigan, "Mo Brooks: 'War on whites' led to criticism of Jeff Sessions," al.com, Jan. 12, 2020, https://www.al.com/news/2017/01/mo brooks criticism of jeff se.html; Sam Levine, "GOP Congressman Accuses Democrats Of Waging A 'War On Whites," Huffington Post, Aug. 4, 2014, https://www.huffpost.com/entry/mo-brooks-waron-whites n 5647967; Paul Gattis, "No more 'war on whites': Rep. Mo Brooks says RNC chair wants 'better descriptive phrase," al.com, Aug. 8, 2014, https://www.al.com/news/2014/08/no more war on whites rep mo b html; Paul Gattis, "Rep. Mo Brooks: Democrats 'dividing America by race' in 'waging a war on whites," al.com, Aug. 4, 2014, https://www.al.com/news/2014/08/rep_mo_brooks_democrats_dividi_html; Chris Massie, "Rep. Brooks: Dems' 'war on whites' behind some criticism of Sessions," CNN.com, Jan. 12, 2016, https://www.cnn.com/2017/01/11/politics/kfile-mobrooks-war-on-whites/index.htmlsr=twCNN011117kfile-mo-brooks-war-onwhites1042PMVODtopPhoto&linkId=33295365; Anna Claire Vollers, "Mo Brooks outspoken in Senate run, 'I believe we need another Jeff Sessions," al.com, June 6, 2017, https://www.al.com/news/2017/06/mo brooks senate alabama jeff html. 95 Maria Pitofsky, "GOP rep releases campaign ad ripping Kaepernick, 'The Squad,'" The Hill, Jan. 7, 2020, https://thehill.com/blogs/blog-briefing-room/news/477092-gop-rep-releases-campaign-ad-ripping-kaepernick-the-squad.

⁹⁶ Lawrence Specker, "Rep. Barry Moore Deletes Twitter account after suspension, controversial Capitol riot tweets," Jan. 11, 2021, *al.com*, https://www.al.com/news/mobile/2021/01/rep-barry-moore-deletes-personal-twitter-account-after-suspension html; Meghan Roos, "Alabama GOP Congressional Candidate Faces Backlash after Posting and Deleting Meme on Kenosha Shooting Suspect," *Newsweek*, Aug. 30, 2020, https://www.newsweek.com/alabama-gop-congressional-candidate-faces-backlash-after-posting-deleting-meme-kenosha-shooting-1528614.

⁹⁷ Brent Wilson, "Chris Pringle: White Straight Southern Christian Conservatives Under Attack," *Bama Politics*, Feb. 18, 2020, https://www.bamapolitics.com/47024/chris-pringle-white-straight-southern-christian-conservatives-under-attack/.

of the state's voting-age population, Black voters only form an effective voting majority, or anything approaching that, in one out of the state's seven congressional districts (14 percent). 98

Black citizens hold no statewide offices in Alabama. Only three Black individuals have ever held any statewide office, despite Black candidates having run for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, U.S. Senate, Secretary of State, and state Auditor. Civil rights attorney Oscar Adams was appointed to a justiceship on the state Supreme Court in 1980 and won reelection in 1982 and 1988. Adams was replaced by Ralph Cook upon his retirement in 1993, and Justice Cook was able to win reelection in 1994. Justice John England was appointed to the court in 1999, but both he and Cook lost their reelection bids in 2000. Cook and Adams are the only African American candidates to ever run for and win statewide office. There are currently no Black judges on the state's Supreme Court or the Courts of Appeals.⁹⁹

Only through enforcement of the VRA, through CRD administrative action, and through litigation, including *Gingles* and *Dillard*, were Black voters able to register to vote and to elect candidates of their choice to the Alabama state legislature. The vast majority of Black representatives in the legislature today represent majority-Black districts that were created with judicial oversight, federal administrative oversight, or under the specter of litigation.

VI. FACTOR IIX: LACK OF RESPONSIVENESS

The state's lack of responsiveness to the needs of Black Alabamians is exemplified by Black lawmakers failed efforts to advocate for a second majority-minority Congressional district, something that has been repeatedly rejected by white lawmakers. State representative Prince Chestnut, named-plaintiff in a redistricting lawsuit that pending when the 2020 Census was published, argued that a second Congressional majority-minority district would not only more accurately reflect, in the ability of Black voters to elect candidates of their choice to Congress, the percentage of the Black voting age population, it would also, "have the effect of more people in Alabama having representation that is congruent with their beliefs and ideals."

Representative Merika Coleman, Senate Minority Leader Bobby Singleton, and Senator Rodger Smitherman introduced Congressional redistricting plans in 2021 that provided for a either a second majority-minority district or a Black "opportunity" district, but these were brushed aside by the Senator McClendon and Representative Pringle, the co-chairs of the Redistricting Committee. Senator McClendon has said of the possibility of drawing a second majority-minority district, "There is probably a way to maneuver around [and create two majority-minority districts], but it would be gerrymandering at its best [and] doesn't make sense at all." ¹⁰¹

Lack of responsiveness is also evident in the state's response to the COVID-19 crisis. Black citizens have experienced higher rates of infection and death, and they have suffered from inequitable distribution of vaccines. White neighborhoods and suburbs in Birmingham and Mobile, for example, received vaccine doses months before, and in higher proportions, than poorer Black communities in those cities did. 102 As of June 23, 2020, there had been

^{98 2020} U.S. Census Quick Facts, Alabama, https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/AL.

⁹⁹ Blacksher, et.al., "Voting Rights in Alabama, 1982-2006," pp. 277-78.

¹⁰⁰ Selma Times-Journal, Nov. 16, 2019; Montgomery Advertiser, May 2, Nov. 3, 2021.

¹⁰¹ Montgomery Advertiser, Nov. 3, 5, 2021.

¹⁰² Margaret Newkirk, "A Black Neighborhood in Alabama Has Yet to Get a Single Vaccine, In a nearby wealthy White suburb, the doses flow," Bloomberg, Feb. 25, 2021, https://www.bloomberg.com/news/features/2021-02-25/a-black-neighborhood-in-alabama-has-yet-to-get-a-single-vaccine; Seam McMinn et al, "Across The South, COVID-19 Vaccine Sites

30.4 deaths per 100,000 people in the state among Black people and 12.5 deaths per 100,000 among white people. State Health Officer Scott Harris explained that this was not a biological phenomenon independent of sociohistorical factors. Harris said, "This is a disease that has worse outcomes in people that already have other social determinants like chronic health problems or issues just related to education and income." As of March 2021, data by race still bore out that Black people were contracting the disease and dying from it at higher rates than white people. ¹⁰³

Much of what I discuss above under Factor 5 applies here as well. Black citizens who live in impoverished areas with lack of basic services and suffer the accompanying health issues, whose children attend "failing" schools and who lack transportation, or who otherwise do not have the means to attend some other school; whose children are disciplined more frequently in school or are subject to unequal treatment in the criminal justice system; whose school systems are crippled by underfunding thanks to the state's property tax scheme; who suffer discrimination in the workplace; who supported Birmingham's effort to raise the minimum wage only to see the state legislature block that effort: these are all people whose needs are not being met with a positive legislative response, either in the state legislature or in Congress. Alabama also recently enacted a Photo ID law that Black plaintiffs challenged in court as discriminatory, and it has closed numerous drivers' license offices in predominantly Black areas, drawing censure from the U.S. Department of Transportation. ¹⁰⁴

The state of Alabama's failure to respond to the needs of its Black citizens is also exemplified by its refusal to expand Medicaid under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). When a task force convened by then-governor Robert Bentley recommended in 2015 that the state reverse the course it had taken since the ACA was enacted in 2011 and opt-in to the expansion, state Senator Quinten Ross, an African American and a Democrat, applauded the recommendation and insisted that this was what the state's Democratic Caucus had "been saying all along." More recently, amid the COVID-19 pandemic, other Black leaders in the state legislature have insisted, "It is high time that we expand Medicaid to provide vital coverage to the more than 340,000 uninsured Alabamians," adding, "There's a reason this virus is killing African Americans and those in poorer communities at a much higher rate. ... outcomes are undoubtedly worse for those without coverage." 105

Proponents argue that a Medicaid expansion under the ACA would close the "coverage gap" that exists between current Medicaid and ACA marketplace parameters. Around 134,000 Alabamians were in that gap as of 2018, about 40 percent of them minorities (the vast majority of whom were/are Black). Black citizens in Alabama are disproportionately harmed by the existence of the gap and the state's refusal to close it, despite insistence from

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the governor's own task force that doing so would actually have long-term fiscal and economic benefits for the state. According to a June 2020 report released by the Urban Institute in conjunction with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Alabama would see the largest decrease in its uninsured rate, 43 percent, in the nation if it were to adopt expansion. According to a 2020 Kaiser Family Foundation report, some 224,000 Alabamians would become Medicaid eligible under expansion, 34 percent of them Black.¹⁰⁶

Representative Sewell earlier this year cosponsored a bill that would allow the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to bypass state governments and work directly with local government entities and expand Medicaid coverage. Sewell has said of the bill, "Because of the State of Alabama's refusal to expand Medicaid, more than 200,000 low-income Alabamians who would otherwise qualify for health insurance coverage are being forced to go without care, putting their health and their lives at risk. If the State of Alabama won't expand access to health care for our underserved communities, local governments should have the power to do it themselves." 107

Representative Sewell is the only member of Alabama's Congressional delegation who voted Yes to the infrastructure bill that recently passed Congress with bipartisan support. All other representatives voted No, including one who subsequently touted a project that can now move forward with the funding that the state will be awarded under the bill. ¹⁰⁸

VII: CONCLUSION

Given Alabama's history of discrimination against Black citizens, the ongoing effects of that discrimination, the inability of Black voters to elect candidates of their choice to statewide office, the relative lack of representation of Black citizens in the state's Congressional delegations, and lawmaker's consistent lack of responsiveness to the needs of Black voters, the totality of the circumstances demonstrate that Black Alabamians lack an equal opportunity to right to participate in the political process and elect candidates of their choice.

¹⁰⁶ Cason, "Gov. Robert Bentley's task force recommends Medicaid expansion"; Rachel Garfield et al., "The Coverage Gap: Uninsured Poor Adults in States that Do Not Expand Medicaid," Kaiser Family Foundation (KFF), Jan. 14, 2020, https://www.kff.org/report-section/the-coverage-gap-uninsured-poor-adults-in-states-that-do-not-expand-medicaid-data-and-methods/; KFF, "Who Could Get Covered Under Medicaid Expansion? State Fact Sheets," Jan 23, 2020, https://files.kff.org/attachment/fact-sheet-medicaid-expansion-AL; Michael Simpson, "The Implications of Medicaid Expansion in the Remaining States: 2020 Update," Urban Institute/ Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, June 2020, <a href="https://www.rwjf.org/en/library/research/2020/06/the-implications-of-medicaid-expansion-in-the-remaining-states--2020-update html?cid=xem other unpd ini:quickstrike dte:20200608 des medicaid%20exp.

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I. INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE OF WORK

- 1. My name is Kosuke Imai, Ph.D., and I am a Professor in the Department of Government and the Department of Statistics at Harvard University. I specialize in the development of statistical methods for and their applications to social science research. I am also affiliated with Harvard's Institute for Quantitative Social Science. My qualifications and compensation are described in my initial report.
- 2. I understand from Plaintiffs' counsel that one of Defendants' experts offered the opinion that Mobile and Baldwin Counties are communities of interest and should not be divided across congressional districts. I also understand from Plaintiffs' counsel that there is evidence supporting the Black Belt, as defined below, as a community of interest. I express no opinions on these issues.
- 3. I have been asked by Plaintiff's counsel to re-run my "one-MMD (majority-minority district) simulation" from my initial report with additional weighting that encourages the algorithm to keep Mobile/Baldwin and the Black Belt together and to examine the likely effect on the range of black voting-age population (BVAP) proportion of non-MMD districts, particularly District 2. The original one-MMD simulation I conducted for my initial report generated 10,000 alternative plans, each of which was designed to have exactly one MMD with the proportion of black voting-age population (BVAP) ranging from 50% to 51%. The other six districts of each simulated plan were generated without any consideration of race. This time, however, I instructed the algorithm to generate, with a high probability, plans which keep Mobile and Baldwin Counties together and the Black Belt together. Other than this additional weight, the new one-MMD simulation procedure I employed is identical to the one used in my initial expert report. Like the original one-MMD simulation, my new 10,000 simulated plans are, on average, more compact and have no more county splits than the enacted plan.

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II. SUMMARY OF OPINIONS

- 4. The comparison of the new one-MMD simulated plans with the enacted plan yields the following findings: the district with the second highest BVAP proportion in simulated plans achieves, on average, 6.2 percentage points higher BVAP proportion than the enacted plan. This difference is statistically significant using the conventional standard. The new one-MMD simulations generated many more plans with a greater BVAP proportion for the second highest BVAP district than my initial one-MMD simulation, which did not encourage the algorithm to avoid splitting Mobile/Baldwin Counties and the Black Belt.
- 5. My simulation analyses, therefore, provide evidence that race was a significant factor in drawing the enacted plan, and that, taking into account the identified communities of interest, the enacted plan is still an outlier in terms of how it cracks the Black community.

III. METHODOLOGY

6. The simulation procedure used for this report is identical to that of the one-MMD simulation from my initial report with the exception of one additional weighting I added to discourage the simulation algorithm from splitting Mobile and Baldwin Counties as well as the Black Belt. I was instructed by Plantiffs' counsel to use the following set of counties for the Black Belt: Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Clarke, Conecuh, Crenshaw, Dallas, Escambia, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Monroe, Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Russell, Sumter, Washington, and Wilcox Counties. As standard in the literature, I used the so-called Gibbs measure to incorporate this constraint into the simulation algorithm (Autry et al. 2020; Carter et al. 2019; McCartan and Imai 2020; Kenny et al. 2021). One MMD whose BVAP proportion is between 50% and 51% was generated for each simulated plan in the exactly same manner as done in the one-MMD simulation for my initial report. Finally, I used the same data set as the one analyzed in my initial report.

^{1.} Specifically, I used the indicator variable for splitting each of these two county clusters with a penalty weight of 25.

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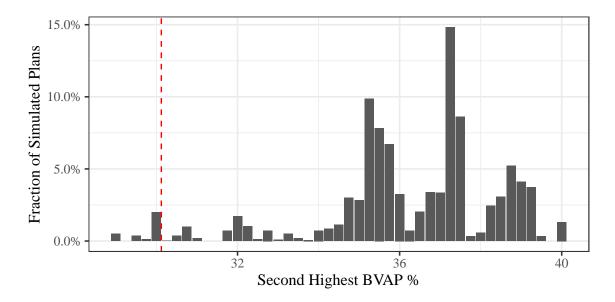


Figure 1: The second highest Black voting age population (BVAP) proportion (after the simulated majority-minority district) in each simulated plan. The vast majority of simulated plans have greater BVAP than the enacted (red).

IV. EVALUATION OF THE ENACTED PLAN

- 7. Using the redistricting simulation methodology described above, I evaluate evidence regarding whether race was a primary factor in drawing the enacted plan. In Appendix A, I demonstrate that the simulated plans are on average at least as compact as the enacted plan based on the standard compactness measures. Appendix B further shows that all of the simulated plans have fewer than or equal to the number of county splits the enacted plan does. In addition, like the original one-MMD analysis conducted for my initial report, all simulated plans have at most one incumbent located in any given district.
- 8. I can easily generate additional plans by running the algorithm longer, but for the purpose of my analysis, 10,000 simulated plans for each set will yield statistically precise conclusions. In other words, generating more than 10,000 plans, while possible, will not materially affect the conclusions of my analysis.
- 9. Figure 1 shows the distribution of BVAP proportion for the district that has the second highest BVAP proportion under each simulated plan. Note that under more than 99% of the simulated plans, District 2 has the second highest BVAP proportion. When compared to the en-

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acted plan (represented by the red dashed line), under the simulated plans, this district has a much

higher BVAP proportion with a maximum value of 39.9%. Although all of non-MMD districts

were generated without using any information about race, the simulation plan has, on average,

the second highest district-level BVAP proportion at 36.3%, which is 6.2 percentage points higher

than the corresponding BVAP proportion under the enacted plan (30.1%). Only 3% of the simu-

lated plans have the second highest district-level BVAP proportion to be less than the one for the

enacted plan. In other words, this difference between the simulated plans and the enacted plan is

statistically significant.

10. When compared to the original one-MMD simulation reported in my initial report,

this new one-MMD simulation generated many more plans with a greater BVAP proportion for

the second highest district-level BVAP proportion. This implies that keeping Mobile and Baldwin

Counties together and the Black Belt together is likely to significantly increase the second highest

district-level BVAP proportion.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true

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Executed, this day, December 20, 2021, in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

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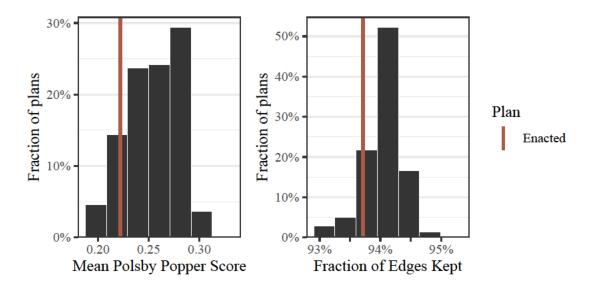


Figure 2: The compactness of the one-MMD simulated plans according to two measures – Polsby-Popper compactness (left) and fraction of edges kept (right). In general, simulated plans are as compact or more compact than the enacted plan.

V. APPENDIX

A. Compactness of the Simulated Plans

1. I now show that the simulated plans are more compliant than the enacted plan. I use the average Polsby–Popper (Polsby and Popper 1991) and edge-removal (DeFord, Duchin, and Solomon 2021; McCartan and Imai 2020) scores, two commonly-used quantitative measures of district compactness. Figure 2 also shows that according to the Polsby–Popper and edge-removal scores, the new one-MMD simulated plans are, on average, more compact than the enacted plan.

B. County Splits of the Simulated Plans

2. Figure 3 presents the number of counties split within the MMD (left plot) and the total number of counties split (right plot). The figure shows that when compared to the enacted plan, all of the new one-MMD simulated plans have fewer or equal number of county splits within the MMD and across all districts.

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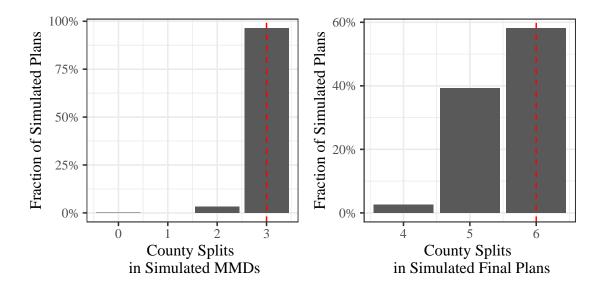


Figure 3: The number of county splits in each simulated majority-minority district (left) and in the complete simulated plans (right). All simulated plans used in the analysis have the same number or fewer splits than the enacted plan (red).

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Response to Report of Thomas Bryan

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1 Background and assignment

I am a Professor of Mathematics and a Senior Fellow in the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life at Tufts University. I have previously submitted an expert report in the current case and have been asked by counsel to provide additional material providing my opinion on the report of Thomas Bryan, particularly focused on his discussion of compactness metrics and of racial categories on the Census.

2 Compactness metrics

Part 4(D) of the Thomas Bryan report (pages 29-30) covers the topic of compactness metrics. In that Part, four compactness metrics are presented: Polsby-Popper, Schwartzberg, Reock, and Convex Hull.

2.1 Erroneous calculation

The Schwartzberg scores are calculated incorrectly in Mr. Bryan's report. Quoting the original 1966 paper where the score was proposed by Joseph Schwartzberg, 1

For any given two dimensional area the most compact shape is a circle. No other geometric figure has as low a ratio between its perimeter and area. The relative compactness of any other figure may be determined by finding the ratio of its perimeter to the perimeter of a circle of equal area. The ratio serves as an index of compactness. The index number of a circle is taken to be one. All other indices are higher and represent varying degrees of departure from perfect compactness. Thus, the index number of a perfect square is 1.13, of an equilateral triangle 1.29, and of a perfect five point star 1.95.

As this makes clear, the Schwartzberg score takes a minimum value of 1 (realized only for perfect circles); all other shapes have values above that. In the Thomas Bryan report, all districts are reported to have Schwartzberg scores less than one. Mr. Bryan supports his calculation by citing the website (fisherzachary.github.io/public/r-output.html) of an undergraduate student project, and including screenshots from that project in his report.

¹Joseph E. Schwartzberg, Reapportionment, Gerrymanders, and the Notion of Compactness, 50 Minn. L. Rev. 443, 452 (1966).

2.2 Questionable combination

In addition to reporting scores incorrectly, Mr. Bryan also performs an operation that violates best practices in statistics and mathematical modeling: he adds scores that are in different units to create a "Total." Polsby-Popper scores are in dimensionless units that can be interpreted as a proportion of a certain circle's area; Reock scores are in proportion of a different circle's area; Convex Hull scores are in percentage of a certain polygon's area. It is unclear how one might interpret their sum, as the standard practice in quantitative analysis would be to only compute sums and averages of scores in like units.

The practice of summarizing multiple compactness scores of numerous districts in a single number is not just abstractly discouraged, but has a concrete impact: it serves to hide the fact that different compactness scores reward or penalize different kinds of features. This can mislead readers into thinking that two plans are directly comparable when in fact one is stronger in some ways while the other is stronger in other ways. In a case like this, the appropriate conclusion would be that the compactness comparison is marked by tradeoffs.

3 Racial population categories

Part 3 of the Thomas Bryan report (pages 9-13) discusses Census Race Definitions, tallying population with categories that he calls "Black Alone" and "All Black." Mr. Bryan writes on p.10 that "the "alone" definition has been most defensible from a political science / Gingles 2 voting behavior perspective"—here, it is unclear what references support his claim, from political science or any other scholarly or practitioner literature.

As Mr. Bryan acknowledges, the ability to use multiple categories to self-identify race in the Census is relatively recent. I note the Decennial Census treats Black as a checkbox, i.e., a yes/no question (see Figure 1). Thus, the Any-Part-Black definition (AKA "All Black") can be very simply described: it contains all residents who, when presented with the Yes-or-No question about whether they are Black, answered Yes.

9. What is Person 1's race? Mark ✗ one or more boxes. ☐ White ☐ Black, African Am., or Negro ☐ American Indian or Alaska Native — Print name of enrolled or principal tribe. ∡
 Asian Indian Chinese Korean Guamanian or Chamorro Samoan Other Asian — Print race, for example, Hmong, Laotian, Thai, Pakistani, Cambodian, and so on. Native Hawaiian Guamanian or Chamorro Samoan Other Pacific Islander — Print race, for example, Fijian, Tongan, and so on.
☐ Some other race — Print race. ✓

Figure 1: The race question on the Decennial Census form in 2010.

I further note that Plan A, the first alternative plan presented in my report of December 10, has two majority-Black districts by any definition of Black that is plausibly used for VRA purposes: Any-Part-Black VAP, Black-Alone VAP, or Black Citizen VAP.

	Black-Alone VAP	Any-Part-Black VAP	Black Citizen VAP
CD2	.5001	.5137	.5205
CD7	.5030	.5150	.5240

Table 1: Statistics for CD2 and CD7 in Plan A

Future inquiry via voter registration

There is another source that could be useful to support the question of Black self-identification in Alabama: the voter registration file, in which citizens are asked to identify their race with a single choice. Counsel is currently attempting to secure a geocoded voter registration file. If I am provided with that resource in the near future, I hope to provide a supplemental report with the corresponding analysis.

²As explained in the supplemental material to my initial report, the BCVAP is estimated by using a special tabulation of the American Community Survey to calculate the citizenship rate for Black residents in the tract to which each block belongs, then applying that rate to the BVAP, in this case the Any-Part-Black VAP.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 20th day of December, 2021.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

EVAN MILLIGAN, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,

Defendants.

No. 2:21-cv-01530-AMM

Rebuttal Report of Baodong Liu, Ph.D.

December 20, 2021

I have been asked to express my opinion on the expert report of Dr. M.V. Hood III, an expert for the Defendants in the above captioned litigation. This report serves as a rebuttal to Dr. Hood's report dated December 10, 2021.

This rebuttal summarizes the areas of agreement and the limitations of Dr. Hood's report.

Areas of Agreement with Dr. Hood

Despite my concerns about his methodology, Dr. Hood and I agree in four important areas. First, Dr. Hood rightly concluded in his report that "racially polarized voting is present [in Alabama] with black voters overwhelmingly supporting the Democratic candidate and more than a majority of white voters casting a ballot for the Republican candidate." (Hood p. 13) Second, Dr. Hood and I agree that white bloc voting will usually result in the defeat of Black-preferred candidates in white-majority districts in Alabama. (Hood p. 14, Liu p. 18) Third, Dr. Hood is correct about the necessity of using Gary King's ecological inference (ei) method for estimating the candidate of choice for different racial groups (Hood p. 3) Finally, Dr. Hood and I agree that, "[i]n a Democratic primary, white and black voters may support different candidates. If there is an insufficient number of black voters to constitute a majority in a Democratic primary, the black community may be unable to elect their candidate of choice." (Hood p. 14). Indeed, my initial report used ei to show racially polarized voting in the 2020 congressional district (CD) 1 primary election (Liu p. 10) and I reviewed exit poll data that showed racially polarized voting in the 2008 Democratic presidential primaries (Liu p. 14).

The Methodology in Dr. Hood's Study of Racial Turnout Rates

Dr. Hood rightly acknowledged the need to consider racial turnout disparities when offering his opinion on functionality analysis (FA). His method for his FA was an attempt to predict what will happen in the future given how different plans including the "enacted plan" provide different opportunity structures for racial groups to vote for their candidate of choice.

In his first step of FAs, Dr. Hood used ei to derive his racial group vote estimates for candidates. For example, his Table 1 shows the racial estimates (Black, White and Other) for the vote choice between the Democratic candidate (Biden) and the Republican candidate (Trump) by using the 2020 Presidential election dataset. His Table 1 indicates the racially polarized voting (RPV) results between Black and white voters with respect to the enacted CD 7.

Strangely, after showing the results of RPV in Table 1, Dr. Hood went on to estimate racial turnout disparities by using what he labeled as "historical registration and turnout data". This procedure is odd because his Table 1 results were already derived along with the racial turnout disparities. To be more specific, the ei package he used (eiPack) and the RxC procedure in his ei operation allowed him to estimate racial turnouts as well as racial vote estimates for candidates. This is the appropriate approach for his FA, and his R-code in his "Replication" folder showed that he indeed engaged in such R operation. Thus, he should already have had his racial turnout rates as he completed his Table 1 procedure. But Dr. Hood choose not to report these racial turnout estimates from his own ei operations. Instead, he went further to use a different dataset and a different method to derive his Tables 2 and 3 about racial turnout breakdown in enacted CD 7.

After being asked to provide a detailed explanation for how his method for arriving at the results reported in his Tables 2 and 3, Dr. Hood did not provide the requested explanation.

The Selected Elections in Dr. Hood's Report

In Dr. Hood's published article, "From Legal Theory to Practical Application: A How-To for Performing Vote Dilution Analyses," the appropriate approach to an RPV analysis, according to Dr. Hood and his two co-authors, "must also consider the race/ethnicity of the candidates running for election. Of the elections available for analysis, the more relevant are those that feature a minority candidate from the racial/ethnic group suing the jurisdiction in question. For example, in a vote dilution suit brought by Latino voters, one would seek election contests featuring Hispanic candidates, while also keeping in mind the other criteria previously discussed" (Hood, Morrison and Bryan, 2017, p.546). But the two elections Dr. Hood analyzed (i.e., the 2020 Presidential Election and the 2018 Gubernatorial Election) did not directly involve a minority candidate. The 2018 Gubernatorial Election did not involve a minority candidate at all. Though the Democratic Vice-Presidential candidate was a minority (Black/Asian) candidate

¹ M.V. Hood III, Peter A. Morrison, and Thomas M. Bryan. 2017. "From Legal Theory to Practical Application: A How-To for Performing Vote Dilution Analyses." *Social Science Quarterly* 99 (2): 536-552.

(Kamala Harris), the 2020 Presidential Election featured two white men on the top of the tickets for both major parties.²

The Misleading Assertion about Black Republican Candidate "Success" in Dr. Hood's Report

Dr. Hood next switched his attention to "minority Republican candidates" (p. 15). Arguing that "white conservatives support minority Republican candidates at the same rates or at significantly higher rates than Anglo (non-Hispanic white) GOP nominees", Dr. Hood attempted to relate what happened in Alabama to his own 2015 publication on Public Opinion Quarterly. Without doing any RPV analysis for a single election that did take place in Alabama, Dr. Hood cited Kenneth Paschal from HD 73 as an example for his claim. Paschal won the Republican runoff election in 2021 with 51.1% votes cast, according to Dr. Hood, and he defeated his white Democratic opponent in the Special General Election at the end with 74.7% of the vote.

But as Dr. Hood indicated, Paschal, as an African American, "ran in a Shelby County district which is 84.1% white VAP." Such a super white-majority district, unfortunately, does not allow any realistic opportunity to estimate the extent to which RPV, or lack thereof, may have any influence on the election outcome in a typical racially contested election in Alabama. To verify Dr. Hood's claim, I ran an RxC ei operation by using the precinct-level election data from the 2021 special election in HD 73. The results of my RPV analysis shows that it is indeed an unreliable election to estimate white support for a Black Republican candidate. The turnout was low overall at 5.3% of the voting-age population. Especially among the white electorate, only 1.7% of the white voting-age population turned out to vote, which suggests that white voters were not highly interested in this election featuring a Black Republican candidate. Furthermore, both white and black racial vote estimates had an extremely large confidence interval³ to the extent that the wide range for the ei results are not useful and cannot be taken seriously. The white vote, for instance, may be as low as 22% for Paschal or as high as 88.9%, while his Black support was similarly estimated between 15% and 72%.

To gauge the willingness of white voters in Alabama to vote for a Black Republican candidate, one should pay attention to state-wide elections where white voters are given a chance to vote for a Black Republican candidate with high name-recognition in a racially contested election. To evaluate Dr. Hood's claim, I conducted a RPV analysis of the 2016 Republican Presidential Primary in Alabama in which Ben Carson, a highly publicized Black candidate, ran against ten other candidates including President Donald Trump.

I report the RPV findings about this election in Table A below. Ben Carson, as shown in the table, received only about 9% of the white vote in Alabama. In contrast, Carson received about 31% of the Black Republican vote. Thus, Black Republicans were over three times more likely

² As a verification study, I ran a RxC ei operation for the 2020 Presidential election, and the state-wide results showed that indeed it was highly racially polarized in that Biden/Harris won around 95% of the Black vote and only 12% of the white vote.

³ I explained confidence intervals in footnote 10 of my initial report.

⁴ For example, national polls from October 2015 showed Carson as the lead Republican candidate. NBC/WSJ Poll: Carson Surges Into Lead of National GOP Race (Nov. 2, 2015), https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/2016-election/nbc-wsj-poll-carson-surges-lead-national-gop-race-n456006.

than whites to support Carson. Donald Trump, on the other hand, received more than 44% of the white vote and essentially tied with Carson with 33% of the Black Republican vote. When the primary outcome was announced, Trump was the overwhelming winner with more than 43% of the total votes cast while Carson was in the fourth place with barely over 10% of the votes.

Table A: RPV in the 2016 Republican Presidential Primary, Alabama

Group	Turnout	Carson	Trump	All-others
Black	0.013 (0.011,	0.307 (0.268,	0.333 (0.299,	0.36 (0.326,
	0.022)	0.338)	0.368)	0.397)
White	0.312 (0.296,	0.089 (0.078,	0.447 (0.443,	0.464 (0.461,
	0.319)	0.094)	0.455)	0.467)
Total	0.217	0.103	0.439	0.458

It is also worth noting that only 1.3% of Black voters participated in this Republican primary. Dr. Hood's assertion of the white conservative support for Black Republican candidates in Alabama has little, if any, empirical support.

Per 28 U.S. Code § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct. Executed on December 20, 2021.

Baodong Liu, Ph.D.

MILLIGAN V. MERRILL Case No.: 2:21-cv-012921 SUPPLEMENTARY DECLARATION OF JOSEPH BAGLEY, PHD REBUTTAL OF REPORT OF THOMAS M. BRYAN

Thomas M. Bryan asserts in his report for the defendants that Mobile and Baldwin Counties constitute an inseparable community of interest ("COI") and that splitting these counties, as in the *Milligan* plaintiffs' proposed plan, would "cause the most harm" among county splits in said plan. Mr. Bryan also alludes to the Black Belt region of the state but does not explain the historical, demographic, or socioeconomic characteristics of the region. In my opinion, the Bryan report fails to describe the Black community and the Black Belt and its close relationship to the Black people of Mobile.

The Black Belt is a region that stretches across America's Deep South, from South Carolina to Texas. It is named for its rich black soil. Though the majority of the American Black Belt's inhabitants are also Black people, the descendants of the enslaved who were forced to work that land before and during the Civil War.

The Alabama Black Belt extends, roughly, from Russell and Barbour Counties in East Alabama, through Montgomery County, to an expanding area covering Pickens County to Washington County on the Mississippi line.

As Native Americans were gradually and forcibly removed from the lands west of the Ocmulgee River in the late 18th and early 19th centuries, white settlers realized that the Black Belt's soil, and the Deep South's climate, were perfect for growing long-staple cotton. At the same time, the invention of the cotton gin and the beginnings of industrialization increased demand for that crop, and a decline in the tobacco market created a "surplus" of enslaved Black people in the older plantation areas of the Tidewater of Virginia and North Carolina.

White settlers began to flood into the state of Alabama when most of the remaining Creek Indians were forced out via the Indian Removal Act of 1830. By then, the United States government had banned the importation of slaves from abroad, so many settlers brought enslaved Black people with them from the older plantation areas of the Upper South. Others purchased them from slave markets in Montgomery, Mobile, Jackson, and other cities. American chattel slavery expanded dramatically between that time and the Civil War, giving rise to the "Cotton Kingdom" of the antebellum era when cotton was America's most valuable export and enslaved Black people were its most valuable commodity. The Black Belt of Alabama became home to not only the wealthiest white plantation owners in the state, but to some of the wealthiest individuals in the young nation, some of whom held hundreds of people in bondage.

When the 13th Amendment brought an end to chattel slavery, land was never systematically redistributed from white landowners and given to newly freed Black people. Formerly enslaved Black people became landless tenant farmers, beholden to their former

masters. And when Alabama replaced its constitution in 1875 and again in 1901, it was the "Bourbon redeemers" of the Black Belt region, hyper-wealthy white landowners, who pushed hardest for a document that would protect white supremacy. Black people were the overwhelming majority in most areas. The Black Belt's white landowners feared that allowing Black people to vote freely would lead to land reform and their political and financial ruin. Thus, they lobbied for protections against white property tax dollars for Black education and for the total disenfranchisement of Black citizens.

When the nonviolent movement for civil rights reached its peak in the mid-1950s, it was the Black Belt where Black activists faced the most formidable reprisals – violent and economic. The Black Belt was also the seedbed of both the Ku Klux Klan and the Citizens' Council in the state. The Citizens' Councils ensured that any Black people engaged in civil rights activism received "the pressure," meaning they would be fired by white employers, evicted by white landowners, denied credit by white bankers, etc.¹ "Bloody Sunday" occurred in the Black Belt city of Selma, and the related murder of Viola Liuzzo occurred in nearby Lowndes County, dubbed "Bloody Lowndes" for the violence meted out against voting rights protestors.² White people fled public schools in the Black Belt rather than integrate and even fled some cities entirely rather than share local governmental power.³

The Black Belt was also the site of Black citizens' efforts to organize and to seek access to the franchise and to equal educational opportunity. When the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People encouraged local branches to petition school boards to address the Supreme Court's *Brown v. Board of Education* decision in 1955, Black people in Butler, Russell, Bullock, and Dallas Counties were among those to answer the call (Black activists in Mobile did the same). The Lowndes County Freedom Association was founded in 1965 and the National Democratic Party of Alabama was formed soon thereafter with both independent focused on running Black candidates in elections in the Black Belt.⁴

White backlash to Black activism took the form of violence and economic reprisals, which contributed to Black Alabamians' migration from the Black Belt to Mobile and elsewhere as early as the end of the Civil War. This migration of Black people from the Black Belt to Mobile continued through the end of the Nineteenth Century and into the Twentieth Century.

The historian Wayne Flynt has described a "massive hemorrhaging of people," mostly Black people, from the Black Belt, in the early Twentieth Century. As Flynt explains, "These internal migrants generally headed for cities." This would include Black people who left the Black Belt for Mobile in significant numbers during the Great Depression, when white

¹ Joseph Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights: Race, Justice, and Integrating Alabama's Schools* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2018).

² Hasan Kwame Jeffries, *Bloody Lowndes: Civil Rights and Black Power in Alabama's Black Belt* (New York: New York University Press, 2010); James P. Turner, *Selma and the Liuzzo Murder Trials: The First Modern Civil Rights Convictions* (Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 2018).

³ Bagley, The Politics of White Rights.

⁴ Bagley, The Politics of White Rights; Jeffries, Bloody Lowndes.

landowners refused to pass down federal aid to their sharecropping tenant farmers. In the second half of the Twentieth Century, consolidation of land, mechanization, and the rise of the Sunbelt generated, in Flynt's words, "a hemorrhaging of people [from the Black Belt] even more severe" than the previous one. Again, Black people left the Black Belt for Mobile. By the end of the century, more Black people in Alabama lived in cities than in rural areas. Many Black families in Mobile are Black Belt migrants or the descendants thereof.⁵

As the political scientist Richard Pride writes of Mobile, "Its roots followed the rivers north into the heart of the black belt . . . where cotton and timber grew abundantly, and planters, rednecks, and blacks marked all the society that people acknowledged." Pride continues, "The city had its face turned toward the world, but it nevertheless grew out of the Old South." 6

White flight accelerated significantly in Mobile when the city's long-running school desegregation case finally yielded positive results for Black plaintiffs in the early 1970s, at the same time that Black Belt public school systems were experiencing similar backlash and flight. As in the Black Belt, white flight has left most public schools east of I-65 in Mobile overwhelmingly Black. The Black communities of Mobile and the Black Belt share significant historic, demographic, and socioeconomic interests.

I am aware that the State Board of Education ("SBOE") elects eight-members from single-member districts, including two majority Black districts. I am also aware that the parties in this case have agreed that, "[i]n each election since 2011, a Black Democrat won a majority of Black voters and the election in Districts 4 and 5 of the SBOE" and that "District 5 of the SBOE Plan connects the City of Mobile to the Black Belt Counties." The fact that most Black voters in SBOE District 5 vote for the same candidates and the State Legislature's decision to place the Black communities in the City of Mobile and the Black Belt in the same SBOE district are consistent with my conclusions here.

In his analysis of Mobile and Baldwin Counties, Mr. Bryan relies exclusively upon the previous testimony of U.S. Congressional Representative Bradley Byrne and former Representative Jo Bonner, two white men elected from the overwhelmingly white 1st District who have asserted that Mobile and Baldwin form a sensible COI. But the population of the Mobile County east of Interstate 65 is overwhelming Black and shares little today with the rest of the metropolitan area, which is predominately white. And to the extent that western Baldwin County shares economic interest with the city, it is because safely white communities

⁵ Wayne Flynt, *Alabama in the Twentieth Century* (Tuscaloosa: University of Alabama Press, 2004), pp. 115, 143, 177.

⁶ Richard Pride, *The Political Use of Racial Narratives: School Desegregation in Mobile, Alabama, 1954-1997* (Champaign: University of Illinois Press, 2002); Scotty E. Kirkland, "Pink Sheets and Black Ballots: Politics and Civil Rights in Mobile, Alabama, 1945–1985," M.A. Thesis (University of South Alabama, 2009).

⁷ Davis v. Mobile Board of School Commissioners, 430 F.2d 883, 889 (5th CCA, 1970), reversed, 402 U.S. 33 (1971).

⁸ Joint Stipulated Facts for Preliminary Injunction Proceedings, Milligan v. Merrill, Dec. 7, 2021.

like Fairhope, Spanish Fort, and Daphne became white flight destinations when courts called for compulsory school desegregation and white residents fled from the possibility of their kids attending majority Black Williamson High and Vigor High or a substantially Black Murphy High. The remaining areas of Baldwin County are either sparsely populated or are Gulf Coast beach tourist destinations that have little meaningful connection to the city of Mobile save for waterfront access. 10

In conclusion, it is my opinion that the Black communities in the Black Belt and Mobile County have longstanding, organic, and meaningful connections.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the forgoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Respectfully submitted and executed December 20, 2021.

JOSEPH BAGLEY PhD

⁹ Bagley, *The Politics of White Rights*; Brian Duke, "The Strange Career of Birdie Mae Davis: A History of a School Desegregation Lawsuit in Mobile, Alabama, 1963 – 1997," M.A. Thesis, Auburn University (2009).

¹⁰ Allen Tullos, *Alabama Getaway: The Political Imaginary and the Heart of Dixie* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2011); Harvey Jackson, *The Rise and Decline of the Redneck Riviera: An Insider's History of the Florida-Alabama Coast* (Athens: University of Georgia Press, 2013).

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5	Brooks	761,102	43,348	682,819	717,754	518,464	499,707	75.93	69.62	116,026	124,642	16.99	17.37	406,038	403,155	77.65	71.84	85,841	95,757	16.42	17.06	I
6	Palmer	740,710	22,956	682,819	717,754	551,887	498,843	80.82	69.5	92,576	138,019	13.56	19.23	427,601	397,498	82.55	71.97	65,503	100,878	12.65	18.27	l
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IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the parties through their respective counsel, that the deposition of:

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                                                                           Is there anything that might prevent you \\
 1 Representative Chris Pringle.
                                                           1 Q.
                                                           2 from understanding my questions or answering
                 MR. PENN: Myron Penn for the Singleton
                                                           3 truthfully today?
3 plaintiffs.
                 MR. TURRILL: Mike Turrill for the
                                                           4 A.
 5 Milligan plaintiffs.
                                                           5 Q.
                                                                           Are you being represented by a lawyer
 6
                 MR. THOMPSON: And Blain Thompson for
                                                           6 today?
7 the Milligan plaintiffs.
                                                                           Dorman Walker with the reapportionment
                 MR. BLACKSHER: And Jim Blacksher for
                                                           8 committee.
9 the Singleton plaintiffs. I'll be asking questions
                                                           9 Q.
                                                                           Are you paying Mr. Walker to be your
10 virtually.
                                                          10 lawyer today?
11
                MS. MADDURI: Lali Madduri for the
                                                          11 A.
                                                                           I am not.
12 Caster plaintiffs.
                                                          12 0.
                                                                           Do you assume that plaintiffs or the
                                                          13 State of Alabama is paying Mr. Walker to be your
13
                 MR. QUILLEN: Henry Quillen for the
                                                          14 lawyer today?
14 Singleton plaintiffs.
                                                          15 A.
15
                 MR. ROSS: Deuel Ross for the Milligan
                                                                           T do.
16 plaintiffs.
                                                          16 0.
                                                                           Have you ever been deposed before?
17
                 MR. ROSBOROUGH: Davin Rosborough for
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           I have.
18 the Milligan plaintiffs.
                                                          18 Q.
                                                                           How many times?
                 MS. EBENSTEIN: Good morning. Julie
                                                                           Once. Once is all I remember, not
19
                                                          19 A.
20 Ebenstein for the Milligan plaintiffs.
                                                          20 counting trial.
                 MS. FAULKS: Good morning. Tish Faulks
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           And was that in the ALBC versus the
22 for the Milligan plaintiffs.
                                                          22 State of Alabama lawsuit?
23
                 MS. BAGGETT: Good morning. It's
                                                          23 A.
                                                                           Yes, sir.
24 Elizabeth Baggett for the Milligan plaintiffs. I'm
                                                                           All right. So I'll go over a few of the
                                                          24 Q.
25 a law clerk, not an attorney.
                                                          25 key rules.
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                THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Court Reporter, will
                                                                           I think that last deposition was about
                                                           2 eight years ago. Is that correct?
 2 you please swear in the witness.
3
                      RANDY HINAMAN,
                                                           3 A.
                                                                           Yes, sir.
 4 having been duly sworn, was examined and testified
                                                           4 Q.
                                                                           Okay. So I'll be asking questions
5
                                                           5 today. And then after I'm done, there will be
                       as follows:
 6
                THE REPORTER: Usual stipulations?
                                                             several other people asking questions, as well.
7
                MR. WALKER: The ones that we've just
                                                                           If you don't understand a question, just
8 discussed.
                                                           8 let me know. Is that okay?
9
                MR. THOMPSON: Yes.
                                                           9 A.
                                                                           Yes, sir.
10
                Mr. Walker, did you want to say
                                                          10 Q.
                                                                           If you answer a question, I will assume
11 something before we begin?
                                                          11 that you understood it. Is that fair?
12
                MR. WALKER: Yes. I'd like to put on
                                                          12 A.
13 the record that the committee chair, Senator Jim
                                                          13 Q.
                                                                           Also, as you can see, we have a court
14 McClendon, and Representative Chris Pringle have
                                                          14 reporter here who is doing an amazing job typing
15 asserted their legislative privilege and immunity in
                                                          15 everything that we say as we go. But it's very
16 this case. Of course, the Court has not yet ruled
                                                          16 important, because she's typing it, that we both
17 on that. Thank you.
                                                          17 speak one at a time. So I'll do my best to wait
18 EXAMINATION BY MR. THOMPSON:
                                                          18 until you're done answering questions. And if you
19 0.
                                                          19 can do the same, that will help her out a lot. Is
                Good morning, sir.
20 A.
                Good morning.
                                                          20 that all right?
                                                          21 A.
21 Q.
                Please state your name for the record.
22 A.
                Randy Hinaman.
                                                                           And then we'll take a break about every
                Mr. Hinaman, you understand that you're
                                                          23 hour. If you need a break before then, just let us
24 testifying under oath right now?
                                                          24 know, and we can do that as long as there's not a
25 A.
                I do.
                                                          25 question pending. Fair?
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	A. Very well.		Q. Did you review any of the complaints in
2		2	this lawsuit?
3	(Plaintiff's Exhibits 1&2	3	A. No, I didn't.
4	were marked for identification.)	4	Q. Did you review any maps?
5		5	A. Yeah. I looked I looked at the
6	Q. I'm handing you what's been marked as	6	current the map that was passed. And I also
7	Exhibit 1 and Exhibit 2.	7	looked briefly at some of the other maps that were
8	MR. THOMPSON: I've got copies for	8	offered to the legislature.
9	everyone else to the extent you would like one.	9	Q. Which other maps did you look at?
10	Q. This is a copy of the deposition notice	10	A. The Singleton
11	and subpoena.	11	MR. BLACKSHER: Randy needs to speak up
12	MR. WALKER: Which one is which?	12	a little bit, please.
13	MR. THOMPSON: Exhibit 1 is the notice.	13	THE WITNESS: Sure.
14	MR. WALKER: Okay.	14	A. The Singleton maps, the Coleman map, and
15	MR. THOMPSON: And Exhibit 2 is the	15	the Hatcher map, I believe.
16	subpoena.	16	Q. Had you reviewed those maps, any of
17	MR. WALKER: Thanks.	17	those maps, before preparing for your deposition?
18	Q. Have you seen a copy of these documents	18	MR. WALKER: Objection to form.
19	before today?	19	Q. You mentioned that you reviewed several
20	A. I have.	20	of those maps in preparation for your deposition,
21	Q. Both of them?	21	correct?
22	A. Yes, sir.	22	A. Correct.
23	Q. Who provided them to you?	23	Q. Before then, had you reviewed any of
24	A. Dorman Walker.	24	those maps?
25	Q. And when was that?	25	A. I looked at them when they were offered
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1 2		1 2	
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3	Q.	By the attorney general's office, as	3	was sort of my dream job to work for his
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	A.	Yes.	5	responsibility for the national field director for
6	Q.	All right. Taking a step back and just	6	the Reagan Youth Campaign.
		t your background a little bit, can you	7	Q. How far along had you gotten in your
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11	_	33267 River Road, Orange Beach, Alabama,	11	you have any educational certificates or anything
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	A.	Yes, sir.	15	in anything?
16	0.	You previously lived in Virginia; is	16	A. No.
17	that correct		17	Q. Mr. Hinaman, what do you do for a
18	A.	That's correct.		
19		When did you make that move?		living? A. I do political consulting and lobbying.
20	Q. A.	I bought this property about five years	20	Q. Where do you work?
1		really technically moved probably about		A. I work for my own company out of my
21 22	ago. But I : three years		22	residence in Orange Beach.
23	Q.	Do you have a telephone number?	23	Q. What's the name of that company?
24		Just my cell phone.		A. R. Hinaman, LLC.
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 1 well, Mr. Walker.
                                                           1 of staff at one point and then his consultant in
2 0.
                And I'll state for the record that this
                                                           2 Alabama, and helped draw a map in 1992 which was
3 is a copy of your resume that was shown to you in a
                                                           3 then put into practice by a federal court.
 4 prior deposition that you gave on June 25, 2013. I
                                                           4 0.
                                                                           Anything beyond that?
 5 believe this was PX3 in that deposition.
                                                                           No. I mean, I assisted the majority
                Do you recognize this document?
                                                           6 leader of the Virginia senate in some of his efforts
 6
 7 A.
                I do.
                                                           7 on redistricting ten years ago. Actually, it was
 8 Q.
                Does this appear to be a true and
                                                           8 more like 20 years ago. But I wasn't really the
9 correct copy of your resume as of June 25, 2013?
                                                           9 lead on it. I was just assisting his office.
10 A.
                It does.
                                                                           Outside of Alabama and Virginia, have
11 Q.
                Is this resume up to date?
                                                          11 you ever worked in redistricting for any other
                                                          12 states?
12 A.
                It is not.
                                                          13 A.
                                                                           I have not.
13 0.
                What has changed?
14 A.
                Well, technically, the name of my
                                                          14 0.
                                                                           How did you get involved in drawing maps
                                                          15 originally?
15 company changed because I moved from Virginia to
16 Alabama. Obviously, my address has changed, again
                                                          16 A.
                                                                           Well, my first effort, I guess, was way
17 because of moving. Obviously, I've had some
                                                          17 back in 1992 when the legislature failed to draw a
18 additional clients since 2013.
                                                          18 map for congress in Alabama. I was working for
19 0.
                Who have your additional clients been?
                                                          19 Congressman Callahan. And with him and some of the
20 A.
                I was afraid you would ask me that.
                                                          20 other members of the delegation, we decided that we
21
                Congressman Ben Cline, I did his
                                                          21 needed to file a lawsuit to remedy that situation.
22 campaign to replace Bob Goodlatte who retired in
                                                          22 And so I helped produce a map that was filed with
23 2018. Let's see. The American Dental Association
                                                          23 that lawsuit. That was my first endeavor.
24 is on there.
                                                                          Had you ever drawn a map before then?
                                                          24 0.
25
                                                          25 A.
                                                                           I had not.
                That's the major one. I can't say there
                                                                                                          Page 25
                                                Page 23
1 wasn't another campaign in there.
                                                           1 Q.
                                                                           So how did they come about saying,
                                                           2 "Randy, we want you to draw this map"?
                On here, it says that your company name
3 is Hinaman & Company, Inc. Did that change at some
                                                                           I guess we drew straws and I lost.
                                                           3 A.
 4 point?
                                                           4 Q.
                                                                           Fair enough.
5 A.
                Yeah, when I moved. That was an LLC in
 6 Virginia. And when I moved to Alabama, I formed a
                                                                          (Plaintiff's Exhibit 4 was
 7 new LLC.
                                                                          marked for identification.)
 8 0.
                And when was that?
                                                           8
9 A.
                Again, approximately about three years
                                                           9 0.
                                                                           I'm going to hand you another exhibit
                                                          10 here. This is being marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit
10 ago.
11 0.
                Does a more current version of your
                                                          11 4. This is also from the ALBC versus Alabama
12 resume exist anywhere?
                                                          12 lawsuit. This is a declaration that was signed by
13 A.
                Yeah, I'm sure it does.
                                                          13 you.
                Is that something that you could produce
14 Q.
                                                          14
                                                                           And you can see at the top there,
15 in this case if you were asked to?
                                                          15 there's a date that says this was filed on June 17,
16 A.
                                                          16 2013, in the Alabama Legislative Black Caucus for
                Yes.
17 0.
                                                          17 the State of Alabama lawsuit. Do you see that?
                What experience do you have working with
18 redistricting?
                                                          18 A.
                                                                           ob T
19 A.
                Obviously, I drew three of the four maps
                                                          19 0.
                                                                           Do you recognize this document?
20 for Alabama ten years ago, 2011, 2012. I drew the
                                                          20 A.
                                                                           Not particularly.
21 congressional maps and the two legislative maps. I
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           If you can, flip to Page 7. Do you see
22 also worked for the republican congressmen in
                                                          22 there's a signature?
23 Virginia to draw their map in 2012.
                                                          23 A.
                And before that, I worked with
                                                          24 Q.
                                                                           And your name?
25 Congressman Callahan, who was my -- I was his chief
                                                          25 A.
                                                                           Yes.
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 1 Q.
                Does that appear to be your signature?
                                                           1 it.
 2 A.
                                                           2 Q.
                                                                           What's your understanding?
                Yes, sir.
                                                                           Well, it was essentially a continuation
 3 0.
                Does this appear to be a true and
                                                           3 A.
 4 correct copy of your declaration?
                                                           4 of the 1992 map, just updated for the most part for
 5 A.
                Again, it doesn't ring a bill. But I
                                                           5 population shift.
 6 have no reason to believe it isn't.
                                                                           And you said you were working with the
                Take a look at paragraph two. It
                                                           7 republican legislators?
 8 states, "I have substantial experience in drafting
                                                                           I was working with Congressman Callahan
9 redistricting plans in Alabama, including drawing
                                                           9
                                                             at that point.
10 the congressional plan adopted by the three-judge
                                                          10 0.
                                                                           Did you have any role whatsoever in
11 federal district court in Mobile in 1992 and work on
                                                          11 drawing that map in 2001?
12 the 2011 congressional plan." Excuse me. "And work
                                                          12 A
                                                                           I had no official role other than I was
                                                          13 working with the leaders -- the democratic leaders
13 on the 2001 congressional plan. In 2011, I
14 developed the redistricting plan for the Alabama
                                                          14 who were working on that map. I would occasionally,
15 congressional delegation. In that work, I worked
                                                          15 you know, talk to them about the changes that were
16 within the guidelines for redistricting adopted by
                                                          16 made, and for especially Congressman Callahan's
17 the reapportionment committee."
                                                          17 district. But I didn't -- I didn't have control of
18
                Do you see that?
                                                          18 the process, if that makes any sense.
                I do.
                                                                           Do you know who did draw the map?
19 A.
20 0.
                Is that an accurate description of your
                                                          20 A.
                                                                           Senator Enfinger, I believe.
                                                                           Did he --
21 experience in drafting redistricting plans in
                                                          21 Q.
22 Alabama?
                                                                           Well, that's who the -- he was the -- I
                                                          22 A.
                It is. I mean, I don't know what that
                                                          23 don't know who he hired. That's who I interfaced
24 -- the sentence on 2001, I did not draft the 2001
                                                          24 with. Let's put it that way.
25 plans. But I did work with the leaders in the
                                                                           Understood. That was going to be my
                                                          25 Q.
                                                Page 27
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 1 legislature who did draft those plans. I didn't
                                                           1 next question.
 2 want it to imply that I drew those maps. I don't
                                                                           You said you spoke to several members of
                                                           3 the legislature. Do you remember who you spoke to?
 3 know that it does imply that.
                Okay. Well, let's go to the first part
                                                                           In 2001?
 5 there where you said that you -- your experience did
                                                           5 0.
                                                                           Yes.
 6 include drawing the congressional plan adopted in
                                                           6 A.
                                                                           My primary -- my primary interface on
 7 1992. Does that mean that you did draw that map?
                                                           7 that map was Senator Enfinger.
 8 A.
                                                                           When you spoke with Senator Enfinger,
                I did, yes.
                                                           8 0.
9 0.
                Is that the map that was used for the
                                                           9 did you provide any sort of input or recommendations
10 Alabama congressional elections in the '90s?
                                                          10 about how the map should be drawn?
11 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                                           Only as to how -- he had a draft, I
12 0.
                Did that map serve as the starting
                                                          12 believe, and was talking about the changes he wanted
13 point, then, for the congressional map that was
                                                          13 to make in various districts. And my primary focus
14 drafted for 2001?
                                                          14 was the first district because I was working for
15 A.
                                                          15 Congressman Callahan.
                I didn't draw that map.
                You said you worked on drawing that map.
                                                          16
                                                                           So he had come with some suggestions,
16 0.
17 What does that mean?
                                                          17 and we just talked about those. They were not -- I
18 A.
                The legislature at that time was
                                                          18 don't think I had any tremendously substantive
19 controlled by the democrats, and I was representing
                                                          19 changes to recommend. So I think it was pretty much
20 some republican Congressman in just interacting with
                                                          20 what he had drawn, we were comfortable with.
21 them. But they -- they drew the map. I was just
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           Did you provide any other sort of
22 trying to give our point of view to it.
                                                          22 feedback in drawing the 2001 congressional map
                Are you familiar at all with how that
                                                          23 beyond what you just mentioned with District 1?
24 map was drawn in 2001?
                                                          24 A.
                                                                           I did not.
25 A.
                Vaguely, but not -- not the specifics of
                                                          25 0.
                                                                           Do you know if it was a goal in the 2001
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 1 congressional map to make sure that District 7
                                                            1 A.
                                                                           No, sir.
 2 remained a majority black district?
                                                                           Did you draw District 7 with the intent
                                                            2 Q.
3 A.
                                                            3 to make it a majority black district?
                I do not.
 4 0.
                Do you know if it was considered in 2001
                                                            4 A.
                                                                           I did.
   to draw two majority black districts?
 5
                                                                           How did you make sure that District 7
                                                            6 would have a majority black voting age population?
 6 A.
                I do not, no.
 7
                Let's go back to the 1992 congressional
                                                                           I just included areas of high
   map. Because you said you did draw that one,
                                                              concentration of African American voters.
9 correct?
                                                           9
                                                              Q.
                                                                           How did you do that?
10 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                           10 A.
                                                                           By assigning counties and precincts that
11 Q.
                The 1992 congressional map created the
                                                           11 fit that definition.
12 first majority black congressional district in
                                                           12 0.
                                                                           Did you have a particular percentage of
                                                           13 black voters that you were shooting for?
13 Alabama history; is that correct?
14 A.
                                                           14 A.
                                                                           I did not.
                I believe so, yes.
                And you said you drafted that map?
15 0.
                                                           15 0.
                                                                           How did you go about choosing District 7
16 A.
                I did.
                                                           16 to be the district that has the majority black
17 0.
                So you drafted District 7 as it stood in
                                                          17 voting age population?
18 1992?
                                                                           I don't -- I mean, I think it was a
19 A.
                                                           19 function of geography, I mean, where areas with
                Yes, sir.
20 0.
                Who asked you to draw that map?
                                                           20 concentration of black voters were.
21 A.
                I was working for Congressman Callahan
                                                           21 Q.
                                                                           And how did you gather that information?
22 and some of the other members of the Alabama
                                                           22 A.
                                                                           Census data.
23 delegation.
                                                           23 0.
                                                                           What specifically?
24 Q.
                Did you work with Senator Larry Dixon in
                                                                           Just the census data from the -- related
                                                           24 A.
                                                           25 to population and race.
25 drafting the map?
                                                Page 31
                                                                                                           Page 33
1 A.
                Probably, yes.
                                                                           So when you were drawing it, you were
 2
                                                            2 able to pull up and see black voters, white voters
                I will point out that this was 30 years
                                                            3 in different areas?
 3 ago. So if you ask me a specific question, it's
 4 probably going to be hard for me to answer.
                                                            4 A
5 Q.
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Objection to form.
                Understood.
 6
                Do you remember any other legislators
                                                           6 0.
                                                                           How did you see that information when
 7 that you worked with directly in drafting the 1992
                                                           7 you were drawing the map in 1992?
 8 map?
                                                             A.
                                                                           I'm not sure I understand your question.
                                                           8
9 A.
                I do not. As you know, the legislature
                                                           9 0.
                                                                           Did you use a software to draw the map
                                                           10 in 1992?
10 did not ultimately pass a map. So we went -- it was
11 a court action that imposed this map.
                                                                           As I remember -- again, it was 30 years
12 0.
                Were you asked to create a majority
                                                           12 ago -- I believe I used the computers at the Alabama
13 black district in drawing the 1992 map?
                                                           13 reapportionment office to draw the map. So I don't
                I quess -- I quess I was, yeah.
                                                           14 know what their software was, to be honest with you.
14 A.
15 Q.
                Who asked you to do that?
                                                           15 0.
                                                                           What specific racial data did you have
                I think the -- well, Congressman
16 A.
                                                           16 in front of you when you were drawing that map?
17 Callahan and the delegation probably in concert with
                                                           17 A.
                                                                           I would have total pop, total African --
18 the NRCC.
                                                           18 total black, and voting age data.
19 0.
                                                           19 0.
                                                                           Was that broken down by county,
                Do you know why you were asked to do
20 that?
                                                           20 precinct, neighborhood, block?
                At the time, I believe they thought that
                                                           21 A.
                                                                           County, precinct, block, yes. Yes, sir.
                                                                           And I realize it was 30 years ago. How
22 was the proper thing to do under the Voting Rights
                                                           22 Q.
23 Act.
                                                           23 did you go about drawing District 7 in 1992?
24 Q.
                Did you receive any instructions from
                                                                           Again, it was 30 years ago. I don't
25 the court?
                                                           25 remember the machinations that went into drawing the
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 1 map.
                                                            1 race?
                                                            2 A.
                                                                           Other than geography and deviation.
 2 Q.
                Did you have in your mind a certain
 3 black voting age population that you were shooting
                                                            3 Those would be the top -- obviously, things had to
 4 for?
                                                            4 be contiquous.
                                                                            If District 7 did not have a majority
 5 A.
                 So you just drew general lines and you
                                                              black population, would it have passed?
 6 0.
 7 found that it came to a certain percentage of black
                                                                           Passed what?
 8 voting age population, and you thought that was
                                                            8 Q.
                                                                           Would it have been approved?
9 good?
                                                                           You're asking me to question what three
                                                            9
                                                              Α.
10 A.
                 Obviously, I was -- I had in my mind
                                                           10 federal judges would approve?
11 that we wanted it to be majority black district.
                                                                           You were asked to draw a map that had a
12 But in terms of above 50 percent, I didn't have a
                                                           12 majority black district, correct?
13 specific number in mind.
                                                           13 A.
14 0.
                 Did you take into account any other
                                                           14 0.
                                                                            If you had turned in a map that did not
                                                           15 have a majority black district, would you have done
15 characteristics of the black voting age population
16 that you were looking at when you drew that map in
                                                           16 what you were asked to do?
17 1992?
                                                           17 A.
                                                                           You mean turned into Congressman
18 A.
                                                           18 Callahan?
                 Such as?
                 For instance, did you look at any
                                                           19 0.
19 0.
                                                                           Correct.
                                                                           No. I think our goal was to draw a
20 socioeconomic factors?
21 A.
                I did not.
                                                           21 majority black district.
                Did you look at attitudes?
22 Q.
                                                           22 Q.
                                                                           Why did you draw only one majority black
23 A.
                I did not.
                                                           23 district?
                                                           24 A.
24 Q.
                 Interests?
                                                                           That was our -- that was our goal, to
25 A.
                                                           25 draw a district.
                 (Witness shakes head).
                                                                                                           Page 37
                                                Page 35
 1 0.
                 Type of employment?
                                                            1 Q.
                                                                            Your goal was to draw only one district?
 2 A.
                 I did not.
                                                                            Well, I'm not sure at that -- I don't
                                                            2 A.
 3 0.
                 Income?
                                                            3 remember the numbers exactly. I'm not sure -- I'm
                 I did not.
                                                            4 not sure whether it would have been possible to draw
 4 A.
 5 0.
                Educational level?
                                                            5 two or not. I don't know that it would have.
                                                            6 0.
                                                                           Did you consider drawing two majority
 6 A.
                No.
 7 Q.
                Voter turnout?
                                                            7 black districts?
 8 A.
                                                            8
                                                              Α.
                                                                           I did not.
                No.
 9 0.
                 Election results to assess party
                                                            9
                                                              0.
                                                                           Did anyone suggest to you to draw that?
10 affiliation amongst the black voting age population?
                                                           10
                                                              Α.
                                                                           They did not.
11 A.
                No, I don't believe so.
                                                                           Did you review or comment on any other
12 0.
                 When you drew District 7 in 1992, did
                                                              maps that contained two majority black districts at
13 you determine that to be a community of interest?
                                                           13 the time?
                Yeah. Well, I think it included most of
                                                                           I don't --
                                                          14 A.
15 the black belt. I would say they had a community of
                                                           15
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Objection to form.
16 interest along -- yeah. So yes.
                                                           16 A.
                                                                           I don't remember seeing any majority two
17 0.
                And what was the basis for that
                                                           17 district maps.
18 determination?
                                                           18 ∩
                                                                            Did you consider race in drawing any of
19 A.
                Well, geography and like demographics.
                                                           19 the other districts in 1992?
20 0.
                And race?
                                                           20 A.
                                                                           I did not. I mean, other than -- I did
21 A.
                 And race.
                                                           21 not, no.
                Was race the main factor you considered
                                                           22 Q.
                                                                           Skipping ahead to the 2011 congressional
23 in drawing District 7?
                                                           23 map. You also drew that map, correct?
24 A.
                 It was a major factor.
                                                           24 A.
                                                                           Yes. But may I go back just one?
25 0.
                 Was there a more predominant factor than
                                                           25 0.
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                                                           1 probably used the 1992 map in drawing the 2001 map?
 1 A.
                Obviously, we drew this map -- I drew
2 this map, and it was submitted in a lawsuit. I had
                                                           2 A.
                                                                           That's an -- a fair assumption, I guess.
3 no idea what would happen to it from there. So it's
                                                                           And the 2011 map then that you drew used
                                                           3 0.
 4 not like I -- you know, I didn't know whether the
                                                           4 the 2001 map as its starting point?
 5 judges would change it or what would happen.
                                                           5 A.
                                                                           Yes, sir.
                That's a good point. Did the judges
 6 0.
                                                           6 0.
                                                                           And then the 2021 map that you drew used
   change it after you submitted it?
                                                           7 the 2011 map as its starting point?
                I don't -- no, I don't believe they did.
                                                           8 A.
                                                                           Yes, sir.
9
                Sorry. Go ahead.
                                                           9
                                                             Q.
                                                                           In drawing the 2011 congressional map,
10 Q.
                So you stated that you also drew the
                                                          10 did you speak to members of congress?
11 2011 congressional map, correct?
                                                                           I spoke to all of them, yes, sir.
                                                          11 A.
                                                                           All seven of the incumbents?
12 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                          12 0.
13 0.
                That one is a little bit more recent,
                                                          13 A.
14 ten years ago. Do you recall the general method
                                                                           And what did you speak to them about?
                                                          14 0.
15 that you used in drawing that map?
                                                          15 A.
                                                                           We're talking about 2011?
16 A.
                Yeah. I mean, essentially it was
                                                          16 0.
                                                                           Correct.
17 updating the 2001 map based on demographic changes
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           I spoke to them about the over and under
18 that had happened over the last ten years and
                                                          18 nature of their districts, whether they needed to
19 working with the -- all of the -- I was hired by all
                                                          19 gain population or lose population. And based on
20 of the members to update the map and submit a --
                                                          20 that, where they would like to gain or where they
21 submit a map to the legislature for approval.
                                                          21 would like to -- where they would be -- you know,
                                                          22 like to lose.
22 Q.
                So correct me if I'm wrong. But
23 generally when you're drawing these maps, it's more
                                                                           And I tried to work with adjacent
24 of a redrawing than a drawing from scratch. Is that
                                                          24 districts to make sure that if person X wanted to
25 fair to say?
                                                          25 give up this county, that the other person would be
                                                Page 39
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1 A.
                That is fair to say.
                                                           1 amenable to taking it. So I tried to negotiate a
 2 0.
                                                           2 map that everybody was happy with.
                So the general process is that you will
3 use the existing map from the prior census data and
                                                                           Did you consult the state's
 4 update it with the new census data, correct?
                                                           4 redistricting criteria in drawing that map?
5 A.
                That's correct. And obviously, whether
                                                           5 A.
                                                                           I did.
6 it's a congressional map or any other maps, you have
                                                           6 0.
                                                                           Did you review election returns in
7 officeholders who have an interest in, for the most
                                                           7 drawing that map?
8 part, keeping the voters that they've had for the
                                                                           They were part of it, yes.
                                                           8 A.
9 last ten years. So, most of them would not go into
                                                           9 0.
                                                                           What data did you have on that?
                                                                           I don't remember if all their races were
10 a redistricting process looking for wholesale
                                                          10 A.
11 change.
                                                          11 in there. But I had the latest last three or four
12 0.
                So the 2021 map, for instance, can be
                                                          12 state-wide races that were available.
13 traced back to the 2011 map, the 2001 map, and the
                                                          13 Q.
                                                                           And how did you use that information?
14 1992 map in that order, correct?
                                                          14 A.
                                                                           I didn't use it all that much. It was a
15 A.
                Yeah. Preserving cores of existing
                                                          15 common -- you know, a common question from a member
16 districts was a guideline for the 2021 map.
                                                          16 might be, you know, what did the governor get in my
17 Q.
                For instance, the 2001 map used the 1992
                                                          17 district? And if we make this change -- or what did
                                                          18 whomever ran for president in the race before that,
18 map as a starting point, true?
19 A.
                                                          19 whoever that was.
                I didn't draw that map.
20 0.
                Do you have any other understanding of
                                                                           But I didn't use it so much in drawing
                                                          21 the map. It was more of confirming to them that
21 how that map was drawn?
                                                          22 their district was going to perform similarly to how
                I mean, if you look at it, it looks like
23 it was continuing that map, yes. But I didn't --
                                                             the previous district had performed electorally.
24 the democratic legislature drew that map.
                                                                           Did that data give you information on
25 0.
                Is it a fair assumption to say that they
                                                          25 party affiliation?
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1 A.
                I don't believe so. I think it was just
                                                           1 A.
                                                                           Their campaigns, yes.
                                                                           Was that the extent of the verbal
 2 election returns.
                                                            2 Q.
3 0.
                Was that aggregate election returns? Or
                                                           3 agreement?
 4 was that by individual counties or precincts? Does
                                                            4 A.
                                                                           It was.
                                                                           Was it a goal in drafting that 2011
 5 that make sense?
                                                            6 congressional map to make sure that District 7 kept
 6 A.
                Yeah. It was precinct-based. But then
   it was aggregate for counties and then for the
                                                              a 60 percent black voting age population?
   districts.
                                                             A.
9 Q.
                You can look at all of that?
                                                           9
                                                              Q.
                                                                           Was there any sort of specific black
10 A.
                Yes.
                                                           10 voting age population percentage that you were
11 Q.
                Understood.
                                                          11 shooting for?
12
                Did you look at any racial polarization
                                                          12 A.
                                                                           No.
13 data in drawing the 2011 map?
                                                           13 0.
                                                                           Were you successful in making sure that
14 A.
                I did not.
                                                           14 District 7 remained a majority black district?
                Did you look at any other voter behavior
                                                                           We were.
15 0.
                                                          15
                                                             Α.
16 data?
                                                           16
                                                             0.
                                                                           How did you make sure of that?
17 A.
                I did not.
                                                           17 A.
                                                                           By whatever -- you know, whatever -- and
                Was it a goal in drafting the 2011
18 Q.
                                                           18 I don't even remember the various counties ten years
19 congressional map to make sure that District 7
                                                             ago. If you handed me a map, I could probably tell
   remained a majority black district?
                                                           20
                                                              you.
21
                   (Zoom interruption.)
                                                           21
                                                                           But by what we added county and
22 A.
                What is that?
                                                           22 precinct-wise to make sure it did not dramatically
23 0.
                It sounds like we might have a singer.
                                                           23 alter the makeup of the district.
24
                 MR. TURRILL: Someone is off on mute on
                                                                           Explain that to me a little bit further.
25 the line there.
                                                           25 So what changes were you making in 2011?
                                                Page 43
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1 Q.
                I think we're good now.
                                                                           Again, I don't even know how much -- I'm
 2 A.
                Can you ask -- I'm sorry. Can you ask
                                                            2 going to hazard a guess that District 7 was
                                                            3 underpopulated in 2011. I don't remember the exact
 3 that again?
                No problem.
 4 Q.
                                                           4 numbers. It was ten years ago.
5
                                                           5
                Was it a goal in drafting the 2011
                                                                           But I'm going to guess that it was
 6 congressional map to make sure that District 7
                                                            6 underpopulated. And so then the discussion with
7 remained a majority black district?
                                                           7 Congresswoman Sewell would be, you know, where --
                Yeah. Obviously, Congresswoman Sewell
                                                           8 what areas would we add to your district to get your
8 A.
9 was one of my -- one of my clients for that map.
                                                              district to ideal population.
10 And she wanted to maintain her majority black
                                                                           And, obviously, in looking at those
                                                           10
                                                             areas, we, you know, wanted to make sure that we
11 district, yes.
12 0.
                When you say that she was one of your
                                                              preserved the majority black district.
13 clients, what do you mean?
                                                                           I know some of this was discussed in
                                                          14 your deposition eight years ago. So I'll try not to
14 A.
                She was one of the members of congress
                                                              tread the same water too much.
15 who paid me to draw the map.
16 Q.
                Did you have a contract with those
                                                          16
                                                                           But explain to me just a little bit
17 members of congress?
                                                          17 about the process when you were drawing the 2011
18 A.
                                                          18 congressional map. So did you start with District
                Verbally.
19 0.
                You didn't have a written contract?
                                                          19 7?
20 A.
                                                           20 A.
                                                                           I probably did start with District 7. I
                What was the verbal contract?
                                                           21 don't really remember, to be honest with you. I
21 Q.
22 A.
                That they would all put in $10,000 to
                                                           22 mean, I -- you know, I was meeting -- I met with the
23 draw -- each to draw -- pay me to draw this map.
                                                           23 entire delegation to start. And then we went from
                That each individual congressman or
                                                           24 there.
25 woman would put in $10,000?
                                                           25
                                                                           But preserving Congresswoman Sewell's
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 1 majority black district was a priority for the
                                                            1 A.
                                                                           I looked at --
 2 delegation.
                                                            2
                                                                            MR. WALKER: And you're talking about --
 3 0.
                                                                           We're talking about 2021 now. Did you
                And that was the priority for you, as
                                                            3 0.
 4 well?
                                                            4 review all the maps that were offered in the
                                                            5 legislature in 2021?
 5 A.
                Yes.
                                                                           Yes, I tried to. Some of -- some of
 6 0.
                Do you remember generally what sort of
 7 changes you made to District 7 in 2011?
                                                            7 that may have been a very short review because some
                 I really don't. I mean, I apologize.
                                                            8 of those maps were literally submitted 24 hours
 9 But I did so many maps and plans in the last ten
                                                            9 before they were offered either on the floor or at
10 years that I don't.
                                                           10 committee. So it's not like it was a long review.
11 Q.
                What other maps and plans have you done
                                                                           One more question going back to the 2011
12 in the last ten years?
                                                           12 congressional map. Did you consider race -- excuse
13 A.
                Well, we just did four in the last
                                                           13 me. A couple more questions, to be fair.
14 couple of months.
                                                           14
                                                                           Did you consider race in drawing any of
15 Q.
                                                              the other districts other than District 7 in 2011?
                Anything else?
16 A.
                 Those are the ones that are mostly stuck
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Congressional.
                                                          16
17 in my brain.
                                                           17 0.
                                                                           The congressional map in 2011.
                                                                           Not specifically. I mean, I'm not sure
18 Q.
                Are there any others?
                                                           19 I know what "consider" means. But, obviously, all
19 A.
20
                MR. WALKER: What was the question
                                                           20 that information was available on each district.
21 again?
                                                           21 But --
22
                MR. THOMPSON: He said there were so
                                                           22 Q.
                                                                           Did you review the racial data for each
23 many maps that he had drawn in the last ten years.
                                                           23 district when you were drawing the 2011
24 And I asked him which ones, and he said just the
                                                           24 congressional map?
25 four that he just did.
                                                           25 A.
                                                                           As a matter of course, yeah. I mean,
                                                Page 47
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                 Well, "drawn" is -- we could find the
                                                            1 it's all there.
                                                            2 0.
 2 exact number. But I think in this last legislative
                                                                           Explain that.
 3 session, there were something like 41 various maps
                                                                           Well, when you finish -- when you draw a
 4 and plans that were submitted to the legislature.
                                                            4 map, obviously, you've got seven districts. And
 5 So while I certainly didn't draw most of those, I
                                                            5 you're going to have -- if you look at the, you
 6 did look at them.
                                                            6 know, top data for each district, it's going to have
                So to ask me to go back ten years, it's
                                                            7 race and voting age, black, so forth and so on for
 8 hard to -- when you have some 41 pieces of 41 maps
                                                            8 each district. It's not like it just only comes up
9 in your head, it's hard to expand back ten years.
                                                            9 on the majority black district. It would come up on
                                                           10 all of them, obviously.
10 Q.
                 So you reviewed all 41 maps that were
11 submitted?
                                                                           Did you review that data for each
12 A.
                 I didn't review them all, but I looked
                                                           12 district?
13 at most of them.
                                                           13 A.
                                                                            I looked at it.
                What's the difference between looking at
                                                                           What did that data tell you?
14 Q.
                                                          14 0.
15 them and reviewing them?
                                                           15
                                                                           Nothing specifically.
                                                              Α.
16 A.
                 Well, reviewing them would take more
                                                           16 Q.
                                                                           Did you do anything with that data?
17 time. Looking at them would be, okay, this is a --
                                                           17 A.
                                                                           I did not.
18 this is a house map or a senate map or whatever. I
                                                           18 0.
                                                                            Did you consider drawing two majority
19 just looked at the cover sheet and maybe the overall
                                                           19 black districts when you drew the 2011 congressional
20 numbers, but didn't review -- didn't -- some of them
                                                           20 map?
21 were never offered, obviously. So if they weren't
                                                                           I really did not.
                                                           21 A.
22 offered, I didn't look at them more seriously than
                                                           22 Q.
                                                                           Why not?
23 that.
                                                                           Well, primarily because the people who
24 Q.
                 Did you review all of the maps that were
                                                           24 were paying me to draw these maps preferred the
25 offered?
                                                           25 districts similar to how they were.
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 1 Q.
                Did the people that were paying you to
                                                           1 in drawing all four maps that they -- the
 2 draw the map prefer not to have a second majority
                                                           2 congressional, as well as the other maps that needed
3 black district?
                                                           3 to be drawn in this session.
 4 A.
                I don't know about that. But they
                                                                           And those four would be the
                                                           5 congressional, the house and senate for the state
 5 preferred to have their districts as close to what
 6 they had under that map going forward.
                                                           6 legislature, and the board of education?
                Did you discuss with anyone the
                                                                           Yes, sir.
 8 possibility of creating a second majority black
                                                           8 Q.
                                                                           Did you agree to draw all four?
9 district?
                                                           9 A.
                                                                           I did.
10 A.
                I don't believe so.
                                                          10 0.
                                                                           When were you officially retained?
                                                                           Around that time, I would think. Like
11 Q.
                Were you aware of requests in the
                                                          11 A.
12 legislature in 2011 to create a second majority
                                                          12 maybe October of 2020.
13 black district?
                                                          13 0.
                                                                           And who officially retained you?
14 A.
                Again, I don't have a -- I don't have a
                                                          14 A.
                                                                           Well, I was working for the two chairs
                                                          15 of the -- the house chair, Representative Pringle,
15 complete recollection of ten years ago what maps
16 were offered or not offered on the -- I don't want
                                                          16 and the senate chair, Senator McClendon.
17 to guess on what was offered and what wasn't
                                                          17 Q.
                                                                           Did you sign a contract?
18 offered.
                                                          18 A.
                                                                           I did.
19 0.
                Do you know if it would have been
                                                          19 0.
                                                                           When did you sign that contract?
20 possible to create a second majority black district
                                                                           Again, I don't have that in front of me.
                                                          20 A.
21 in 2011?
                                                          21 But September or October of 2020, I would imagine.
22
                                                          22 Q.
                MR. DAVIS: Object to the form.
                                                                           Is the contract with you individually,
23
                MR. WALKER: Objection. Go ahead.
                                                          23 or is it with your company?
                I did not do it. So I -- I don't have
24 A.
                                                          24 A.
                                                                           It was with R. Hinaman, yes.
25 an opinion on whether it was possible.
                                                          25 Q.
                                                                           And who is the other party that you
                                                Page 51
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                To be clear for the timeline, I'm moving
                                                           1 contracted with?
 2 ahead now to 2021 for the most recent maps that were
                                                                           Citizens for Fair -- Citizens for Fair
3 drawn.
                                                           3 Representation. Or maybe Alabamians for Fair
 4 A.
                                                           4 Representation.
                Yes, sir.
5 0.
                And I'm going to refer now to the 2021
                                                           5 0.
                                                                           Do you recall which one it is?
 6 congressional map. When I refer to that, I mean the
                                                           6 A.
                                                                           Not off the top of my head.
7 one that was enacted. It was also referred to, I
                                                           7 0.
                                                                           Who is Citizens for Fair Representation
 8 believe, as HB-1 and then ultimately Act 2021-555.
                                                           8 or Alabamians or Fair Representation? Whichever the
9 Is that fair?
                                                           9 name is, who is that group?
10 A.
                                                          10 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                                           It's a 501(c)(4) which also paid me to
                                                          11 do the map drawing that I did in 2011.
11 0.
                And I'll refer to that either as the
12 2021 map or the 2021 congressional map. Is that
                                                                           And what's your understanding of why you
13 okay?
                                                          13 were contracted by this particular group?
14 A.
                                                          14 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                                           Meaning?
15 Q.
                When were you first approached about
                                                          15 0.
                                                                           As opposed to the State of Alabama, the
                                                          16 legislature, anyone else. Why this 501(c)(4)
16 drawing the 2021 congressional map?
17 A.
                That probably would have been the end --
                                                          17 organization?
18 sometime in September or October of 2020.
                                                          18 A.
                                                                           The leadership had set up that (c)(4)
19 0.
                Of 2020 or 2021?
                                                          19 for the purpose of drawing districts in 2020 -- 2011
20 A.
                2020. About a year out, I would say.
                                                          20 and then continued it for 2021.
                Who approached you?
                                                                           So this 501(c)(4) organization was
21 Q.
                                                          21 Q.
22 A.
                Senator McClendon and Representative
                                                          22 created for the purpose of drawing the redistricting
23 Pringle on behalf of the republican leadership.
                                                          23 in the state of Alabama?
24 Q.
                What were you asked to do?
                                                          24 A.
                                                                           In 2011, that's my understanding, yes.
25 A.
                They asked me if I would be interested
                                                          25 0.
                                                                           Do you know if that organization does
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                                                                           Have you been fully paid at this point?
 1 anything else?
                                                           1 Q.
 2 A.
                                                           2 A.
                T do not.
                                                                           T have.
3 0.
                The contract that you signed around
                                                           3 0.
                                                                           Was any part of your compensation
 4 September, October of 2020, did you draft that
                                                           4 contingent on anything?
 5 contract?
                                                                           No. However, the -- just to be clear on
 6 A.
                I did.
                                                           6 the payment, because the time frame of the project
 7 0.
                What does the contract call for you to
                                                              changed -- I mean, when we initially signed the
 8 do?
                                                              contract, the theory was, again, we would have the
9 A.
                It calls for me to work with the two
                                                              census data in March and we would pass a plan in
10 chairs and the leadership of the house and the
                                                              July. Obviously, that didn't happen.
11 senate to draw four maps, congressional, state
                                                                           So my timeline for when I was supposed
12 senate, state house, and state board of education.
                                                          12 to get those four payments I modified so that they
13 And to the extent practical and possible, meet with
                                                          13 didn't have to pay me before I had actually even had
14 the officeholders for those four maps to get their
                                                              census data. So we changed the timeline. But yes.
15 interest in changes and so forth.
                                                                           Were you able to do any work on the maps
16 0.
                In that last part, you said "to meet
                                                           16 before you got the census data?
17 with the officeholders"?
                                                           17 A.
                                                                           Yeah. We -- especially the state-wide
                                                             ones such as congress and state board of education.
18 A.
                Is that basically the incumbents for
                                                             We had to -- we had the estimates, county estimates,
19 Q.
20 each of the various districts on each of those maps?
                                                           20 from the census bureau. I guess it would have been
21 A.
                Correct.
                                                           21 the 2019 numbers.
22 Q.
                                                          22
                                                                           So it was possible to look at them and
                Do you have a copy of that contract?
23 A.
                Not with me. But yes, I do.
                                                           23 say, okay, this district is likely to be under, this
                                                          24 district is likely to be over, which on the
24 Q.
                Is that something that you could produce
25 if you were requested in this case?
                                                           25 congressional level allowed me to start meeting with
                                                Page 55
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1 A.
                Yes.
                                                           1 members before we had the official census data which
 2 Q.
                                                           2 we didn't get until the end of August.
                What were the terms of your compensation
                                                                           So you didn't get the official census
3 in that contract?
                                                             data until the end of August. But you had
                Four payments spaced out over various
                                                             unofficial estimates from the census before then?
 5 months, four payments of $50,000 spaced out over the
 6 length of the contract.
                                                           6 A.
                                                                           Correct.
                I believe when we actually signed the
                                                           7 0.
                                                                           And when did you receive those
8 contract back in September or October, we were
                                                           8 unofficial results?
9 hoping or planning to do a special session in July.
                                                                           I don't -- I don't know when the 2019
10 So we didn't at that time know that COVID was going
                                                           10 numbers were updated. But I'm going to say around
11 to delay the census numbers and so forth and so on.
                                                           11 the end of -- somewhere around the end of 2020. But
                So when I started the process at the end
                                                          12 I don't know that exactly.
13 of 2020, the theory was we would, you know, probably
                                                                           Did you begin working on the
14 have a special session in June or July sometime to
                                                          14 congressional map before you received the official
15 pass these maps.
                                                          15 census data?
16 Q.
                                                          16 A.
                You said you started the process around
                                                                           Yes, sir.
                                                          17 Q.
17 the end of 2020. What do you --
                                                                           When did you begin working on that map?
18 A.
                Well, when I signed the contract.
                                                          18 A.
                                                                           In earnest probably in May of 2021.
19 0.
                You also said that there was -- the
                                                          19 0.
                                                                           What do you mean "in earnest"?
20 contract called for four payments of $50,000. Is
                                                                           Well, meeting with members and talking
                                                           20 A.
21 that four separate payments of 50,000 each, for a
                                                           21 substantively about potential changes.
22 total of --
                                                                           Before we get into the specifics of
23 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                           23 that, just on your compensation real quick, were you
24 Q.
                -- 200,000?
                                                           24 paid or retained by anyone else?
25 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                                           No. I mean, I assume you mean relative
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                                                           1 wait until we knew how many districts the state
 1 to redistricting.
                                                           2 would have. And then I would go to Washington and
 2 Q.
                Certainly. You've received other
                                                           3 meet with the members and start formulating a plan
 3 payments --
 4 A.
                                                           4 from there to hopefully reach some consensus on a
                Yes.
 5 Q.
                -- for other --
                                                           5 map.
 6 A.
                Consulting.
                                                           6
                                                             0.
                                                                           Before you received word from the census
 7
                                                              bureau that there were going to be seven districts
   0.
                Correct.
8
                So you stated that you began drawing the
                                                             in Alabama again, did you do anything else in
9 2021 map in earnest in May of 2021. Did you do
                                                             furtherance of drawing the 2021 congressional map?
10 anything else in preparation for drawing the maps
                                                          10 A.
                                                                           I did not.
11 before that date?
                                                                           When did you actually begin redrawing
                                                          11 Q.
                                                          12 the 2021 congressional map?
12 A
                No. I mean, I had conversations with
13 members of the congressional delegation. And as you
                                                          13 A.
                                                                           After my May round of meetings in
14 may -- may know, there was considerable
                                                          14 Washington.
                                                                           You say after then. Would that have
15 concerns/discussion about whether Alabama would have
                                                          15 0.
16 seven members of congress or six.
                                                          16 been in May? Or June, July?
17
                And until we really knew the answer to
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           I think the end of May, beginning --
18 that -- which I think we were told by the census
                                                          18 again, this was all based on estimates. We did not
19 bureau in April, sometime in April what the answer
                                                             have the real census data. So I just -- I probably
20 to that question was -- there really wasn't much --
                                                          20 roughed out a map sometime in May or June based off
21 I didn't -- my position with the congressmen was it
                                                          21 of the estimates, knowing full well they were not
22 would not make sense to work on a map until we knew
                                                          22 going to be completely accurate.
23 how many districts we were going to have.
                                                          23 0.
                                                                           From the time that you started drawing
                Because, obviously, working on a
                                                          24 the 2021 congressional map until it was completed,
25 six-person map where somebody would be paired with
                                                          25 about how much time did you spend in terms of hours
                                                Page 59
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 1 somebody was not going to be a lot of fun. And
                                                           1 on drawing that map?
 2 there was no need to do that if we didn't ever have
                                                           2 A.
                                                                           I have no idea. I guess I would make a
3 to.
                                                           3 bad lawyer.
 4 Q.
                Certainly. So the census bureau
                                                           4
                                                             Q.
                                                                           Well, I don't want you to guess.
 5 informed --
                                                           5
                                                                           When was the map completed for the 2021
 6 A.
                All the states, I think, in April of how
                                                           6 congressional?
7 many -- how many members of congress they would
                                                           7 A.
                                                                           Complete. When was I done with what I
8 have. And then that allowed me to set up meetings
                                                           8 was doing with it?
9 and work off of the estimates of 2019 to talk about
                                                           9 0.
                                                                           Correct.
10 whether your district was over or under and so
                                                                           Probably the Friday before the week we
                                                          10 A.
11 forth.
                                                          11 went into session. So whatever that -- October 23rd
12 0.
                And you began those meetings around May
                                                             or -- I'm making up that date. Whatever the Friday
13 of --
                                                          13 before we went into session was.
                                                                           And you're referring to the special
14 A.
                I went to DC with the goal to meet with
15 everybody in May, yes, sir.
                                                          15 session that was called in the fall of 2021?
                So you said you went to DC. So I assume
                                                          16 A.
                                                                           Correct.
16 Q.
17 that you're referring to meetings with the
                                                          17 0.
                                                                           Going back to how much time it took you
18 congressional members.
                                                          18 in terms of hours. Would you say that you spent
19 A.
                                                          19 more than 100 hours drawing the congressional map in
                Yes.
20 0.
                Did you meet with any other -- for
                                                          20 2021?
21 instance, did you meet with anybody in the Alabama
                                                                           Well, if you're including meetings and
                                                          21 A.
22 state legislature in the spring of 2021?
                                                          22 discussions about it, yeah, probably.
                                                          23 Q.
23 A.
                Well, I met with the two co-chairs to
                                                                           Would you say you spent more than 150
24 talk about my plan to how to -- you know, how to
                                                          24 hours?
25 move forward on the congressional, that we would
                                                          25 A.
                                                                           I don't know. I just -- I don't really
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 1 have a -- I didn't think of it in terms of hours.
                                                           1 clarification.
 2 My contract didn't -- my contract was just you were
                                                                          Does that apply to all four of the maps
3 going to draw these four maps. And whether it took
                                                           3 that you were drawing?
4 123 hours or 217 was irrelevant to what I was doing.
                                                                          No. That's obviously the -- the only
                Right. I'm just trying to get an idea
                                                           5 one that the census determined how many members
                                                           6 there would be would be -- was congress.
 6 about how long it took you. I know there were
7 months involved.
                                                                          Because you said you had unofficial
                But how much time you were actually
                                                             census data on, I guess, population prior to that?
9 spending on this in that time frame, would you say
                                                           9
                                                             Α.
                                                                          By county, yes.
10 it took you more than 200 hours?
                                                          10 Q.
                                                                          And did you use that unofficial data for
                I have no way of even guessing that. I
                                                          11 the other maps?
12 really -- I apologize, but I don't.
                                                          12 A
                                                                          I used it -- I used it to start working
                                                          13 with the state school board members.
13 0.
                Were you doing other things work-wise
14 between May 2021 and -- when was the special
                                                          14
                                                                          It was less effective at the senate and
15 session? Was it in October?
                                                          15 house levels, virtually useless at the house level
                October of 2021, yes.
16 A.
                                                          16 because it was mostly county data at the beginning.
                Between May 2021 and October 2021, were
                                                          17 And so most house districts are not made up of full
17 0.
18 you doing anything else work-wise other than drawing
                                                          18 counties, obviously. So it was less valuable in
19 these four maps?
                                                             those maps and more valuable in the statewide maps.
20 A.
                Not very much because it was an
                                                          20 0.
                                                                          When did you begin drawing the state
21 off-year, obviously. I had clients that I did
                                                          21 house and senate maps in 2021?
22 things for, obviously, in 2020, working up to the
                                                          22 A.
                                                                          I did not start on a house map until we
23 November 2020 election. But -- and I still had an
                                                          23 actually had all of our census data at the end of
24 ongoing relationship with some of -- a couple of my
                                                          24 August. I had roughed out a few of the rural senate
25 clients. But there wasn't a lot of work that needed
                                                          25 districts based on some of the estimates. But it
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1 to be done in the off-year.
                                                           1 wasn't particularly effective.
                Were you working full 40-hour weeks
                                                                          So I would -- I would really say I
                                                           3 didn't seriously start drawing those maps until
3 during that entire time?
                                                           4 August of 2021.
 4 A.
                By and large, yes.
5 Q.
                                                           5 0.
                                                                          And what about the board of education
                Did you take any trips or personal
6 vacation time during that time period?
                                                           6 map?
7 A.
                Well, it was during COVID. So I didn't
                                                           7 A.
                                                                          The board of education I was doing
8 travel a whole lot. But it was a crazy time, as you
                                                           8 simultaneously to congress because that was
9 all remember.
                                                           9 obviously a statewide map. And the county numbers
10 Q.
                                                          10 were more usable in that type of map than they were
                Did you take any time off?
11 A.
                Sure.
                                                          11 in a 105-member state house map.
12 0.
                About how long did you take off?
                                                          12 0.
                                                                          So you began drawing the board of
13 A.
                I don't know. A couple of weeks.
                                                          13 education map around --
                And in that -- you had mentioned that
                                                          14 A.
14 Q.
                                                                          The same times as congress.
15 you weren't able to begin redrawing the
                                                          15 0.
                                                                          Which was around May of 2021?
                                                                          Correct. I think I started meeting with
16 congressional map before you received the census
                                                          16 A.
17 estimates in April of 2021. Does that apply to all
                                                          17 those members in May, as well.
18 --
                                                                          We've been going about an hour. Do you
                                                          18 0.
                Before I received how many districts we
19 A.
                                                          19 want to take a break?
20 had in April of 2021.
                                                          20 A.
                                                                          Sure.
                Correct. Does that --
                                                                           THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're off the record.
21 Q.
                I think we had the census estimates
                                                          22 The time is 10:17 a.m.
23 before that. I'm saying we just didn't know how
                                                          23
                                                                              (Recess was taken.)
24 many districts there were.
                                                                          THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
25 0.
                Fair enough. Thank you for the
                                                          25 record. The time is now 10:35 a.m.
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 1 Q.
                Mr. Hinaman, when we left off, we were
                                                           1 guidelines had been passed in early May.
 2 talking about the preparation that you did starting
                                                                           The only other thing in there, obviously
3 to get into the beginnings of drawing the 2021 map.
                                                           3 I had talked -- before we knew seven to six, I had
                Prior to May 2021, did you anything in
                                                           4 talked to, obviously, all of the offices, the
                                                           5 congressional offices, about what my -- what our
5 furtherance of drawing the 2021 congressional map?
                Other than reviewing the 2019 census
                                                           6 proposed timeline was going to be based on the fact
 6 A.
 7 estimates by county, no.
                                                           7 that the census data was delayed, and that hopefully
                And what did you do when you were
                                                           8 we would be able to set up a round of meetings in
                                                           9 May and then we would get our data in August or
9 reviewing the --
10 A.
                I was trying to get a feel for what
                                                          10 whatever, and then we would fine tune it from there.
11 districts would be underpopulated and what districts
                                                                           So those were more of administrative
                                                          12 coordination discussions?
12 would be overpopulated based on those estimates.
                And while the estimates in the end
                                                          13 A
                                                                           Yes, sir.
14 didn't turn out to be obviously particularly close
                                                          14 0.
                                                                           You flew to DC, you said, in May of 2021
                                                          15 to meet with the congressional members. Did you
15 to the actual numbers, in order -- they were -- they
16 were close in that they did predict the three
                                                          16 meet with each -- all seven congressional members?
17 districts that would be under and the four districts
                                                                           I met with five in person, one by Zoom.
18 that would be over.
                                                          18 And one of the members declined to meet because they
19
                So it was helpful to pay attention to
                                                          19 were more interested in running for a different
20 that when I started to do my round of meetings with
                                                          20 office, I guess.
21 the members of congress.
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           Which member was that that declined to
                                                          22 meet?
22 Q.
                Did you do anything else prior to May
                                                          23 A.
23 2021 in furtherance of drawing the 2021
                                                                           Mo Brooks. I met with his chief of
                                                          24 staff, but I did not meet with Congressman Brooks
24 congressional map?
25 A.
                No. I mean, obviously, I -- at some
                                                          25 directly.
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1 point in that time frame, the reapportionment
                                                           1 Q.
                                                                           You met with each of the other
 2 committee met and passed their guidelines.
                                                           2 congressional members?
3 Obviously, I reviewed those and how they would
                                                           3 A.
                                                                           Five in person and one by Zoom.
 4 impact the drawing of the maps. But that was --
                                                           4 Q.
                                                                           Who was the one you met with by Zoom?
                                                                           Congresswoman Sewell. She was back in
5 that was about the May time frame, as well. It may
                                                           5 A.
 6 have been early May rather than later May.
                                                           6 Alabama on a personal matter. So I met with her by
7 Q.
                You met with members of congress in DC
                                                           7 Zoom.
 8 in May of 2021, correct?
                                                           8 0.
                                                                           Did you meet personally with Congressman
9 A.
                Yes.
                                                           9 Sewell by Zoom?
10 Q.
                Was that the first thing that you did
                                                          10 A.
11 after the census data came out in 2021?
                                                          11 0.
                                                                           And when was that?
12 A.
                Well, the data --
                                                          12 A.
                                                                           During the May trip. Is that what
13 Q.
                Let me take a step back there.
                                                          13 you're asking me?
                You said that prior to May 2021, the
                                                                           Correct. Because you went to DC to meet
14
                                                          14 Q.
15 only thing that you had done was review some of the
                                                          15 with some of them.
                                                                           Yes. And she was not in DC because of a
16 unofficial census data to get a feel for
                                                          16 A.
                                                          17 personal matter. So we did a Zoom call.
17 underpopulation, overpopulation?
18 A.
                                                          18 0.
                                                                           You were in DC when you had the
                Yes.
19 0.
                                                          19 Zoom call?
                Then the census bureau announced around
20 April 2021 that there will be seven congressional
                                                          20 A.
                                                                           And she was in Birmingham, I believe.
21 districts again in Alabama?
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           Was it just one call that you had with
22 A.
                                                          22 Congressman Sewell?
23 Q.
                Was the next step that you did flying to
                                                          23 A.
                                                                           During that trip, just one call.
24 DC to meet with the congressional members?
                                                                           Have you had other meetings with
                Yes. And that was, again, after
                                                          25 Congressman Sewell?
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 1 A.
                I've had other Zoom meetings with her.
                                                           1 information. And then what did you do with it?
 2 Microsoft Teams, technically. But yes, Zoom
                                                                           Tried to rough it out in an estimated
                                                           3 map, but again knowing that it was going to change
3 meetings.
 4 0.
                Have you had any in-person meetings with
                                                           4 because the estimates were not going to be
 5 Congressman Sewell?
                                                           5 completely accurate.
 6 A.
                No, I don't think I did this time. I
                                                                           And, again, I didn't want to -- if there
 7 mean, as -- in-person meetings were rather
                                                           7 was a conflict somewhere between some -- two members
8 difficult. It was actually May when I went to --
                                                           8 wanted county X, I didn't really want to litigate
9 the house office buildings were actually closed and
                                                           9 that until we had real numbers because it may become
10 didn't allow visitors. So meeting anybody in person
                                                          10 irrelevant when it turns out that their district was
                                                          11 10,000 off of what the estimate said.
11 was a bit challenging during that time.
12
                I would have met with her in person on
                                                          12
                                                                           So I tried not to get into any
13 that trip had she been in town. But she was not.
                                                          13 negotiations at that point.
14 But the other members that I met with were all
                                                          14 0.
                                                                           Were there some disputes in the
15 off-campus, so to speak, because we couldn't go to
                                                          15 recommendations and requests that you received?
16 -- I couldn't go to their offices.
                                                          16 A.
                                                                           Minorly, yeah.
17 0.
                As far as Congressman Brooks goes, you
                                                          17 0.
                                                                           Were there specific counties that more
18 said you met with somebody from his staff?
                                                             than one representative wanted?
                                                          18
                I met with his chief of staff, yes.
                                                                           Yeah. I mean, for example, the 1st
19 A.
                                                          19 A.
                And what did you discuss with these
                                                          20 District was going to be over. The 1st District was
20 0.
21 representatives when you met with them in May of
                                                          21 going to be overpopulated, and it was going to have
22 2021?
                                                          22 to lose some. And the 1st District congressman
23 A.
                I discussed the over and under nature of
                                                          23 wanted to probably lose some to the 2nd in Monroe,
24 their district. And if their district was
                                                          24 but the 2nd District congressman wanted to gain some
25 underpopulated based on the estimates, I said, you
                                                          25 from the 1st in Escambia, just things like that.
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1 know, "Where would you envision picking up
                                                           1 They were not major.
 2 population?" If you were over populated, "What
                                                                           But, again, it really wasn't worth the
3 areas of your district would you envision
                                                           3 point of negotiating it fully until we knew the real
 4 potentially losing?"
                                                           4 numbers. Because as it turned out, it only ended up
5 Q.
                Did you discuss anything other than
                                                           5 being 739 people, and it wasn't particularly
                                                           6 important which county it was in the scheme of
 6 population changes with them?
7 A.
                Population changes and potential
                                                           7 717,000 voters or citizens in a district.
8 timelines and when we might get the real census
                                                                           You said you then took that information
                                                           8 0.
9 data.
                                                             from those meetings with the representatives and
10 Q.
                                                          10 roughed out a map. What does that mean?
                Anything else that you discussed with
11 them?
                                                                           It means I took the -- we had the
12 A.
                That was about it.
                                                          12 estimates on Maptitude at the state reapportionment
13 Q.
                What did you do next after meeting with
                                                          13 office. And I just roughed without -- I mean, I
14 the representatives in May of 2021?
                                                          14 didn't get anywhere close to zero deviation because
                I took -- took back that information and
                                                          15 there was no point in it.
15 A.
16 looked at it in terms of a map, and then waited for
                                                          16
                                                                           I just generally roughed out based on
17 the real census data to come to see where we really
                                                          17 what we had discussed in DC, knowing that it was all
18 were.
                                                          18 going to change when we got the real numbers. But
19 0.
                                                              just explored some of the potential.
                You said you took back that information.
                                                          19
20 What sort of information did you get from these
                                                          20 0.
                                                                           And to be clear, for somebody that
21 meetings?
                                                          21 doesn't draw maps, what does "roughed out" mean?
                When somebody said if I need to lose
                                                                           Meaning assigned various counties to
23 10,000, I would like to lose them in county X or
                                                          23 districts just in an effort to get things closer to
24 place Y or whatever.
                                                          24 the ideal population.
25 0.
                And so you said you took that
                                                          25 0.
                                                                           Kind of playing with the numbers, just
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 1 kind of seeing what works as a preliminary
                                                           1 A.
                                                                           No, sir.
 2 standpoint, I guess?
                                                                           And then in August 2021, you received
                                                           2 Q.
                Yes. And just to be clear, that was all
                                                           3 the official census data, correct?
 3 A.
 4 on total population. Because I certainly didn't
                                                           4 A.
                                                                           Correct.
 5 have the ability or trust the internals of any of
                                                                           What did you do once you received that
                                                           5 Q.
 6 those -- I mean, I wouldn't have trusted like BVAP
                                                           6 data?
 7 or anything else to the extent it wouldn't have made
                                                                           Well, the State received it.
 8 any sense to look at it at that point.
                                                           8 Q.
                                                                           And then ultimately it was passed on to
 9 Q.
                Did you have any data on the black
                                                           9 you, correct?
10 voting age population at that --
                                                          10 A.
                                                                           Well, it was -- I used the state
                                                          11 computer. So their -- that data was then given to
11 A.
                I don't know what the estimates had.
12 But I didn't even look at it because I knew it
                                                          12 Maptitude. This is my understanding. I did not do
13 wasn't going to be significant to what we were
                                                          13 any of this.
14 doing.
                                                          14
                                                                           That data was given to Maptitude, and
15 Q.
                                                          15 Maptitude turned it into their workable -- put it
                Did you do anything else before you
16 received the official census data in August of 2021?
                                                          16 into their program and sent it back to the State.
                                                          17 And the State loaded it into their computers, which
17 A.
                Did you review any other materials in
                                                          18 all took another week. And then I was able to
18 Q.
19 that time frame before August 2021?
                                                          19 manipulate it on -- use it on a computer at that
20 A.
                 Obviously, I reviewed the guidelines and
                                                          20
                                                              point.
21 had discussions with the two chairs of how we will
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           So walk me through that. So Maptitude
22 proceed once we get the data in terms of all the
                                                          22 is a software on a computer, correct?
23 maps.
                                                          23 A.
                                                                           Yes.
                What were those discussions like?
24 Q.
                                                          24 Q.
                                                                           A map-drawing software?
25 A.
                                                          25 A.
                Just mostly timing and how we would --
                                                                           Correct.
                                                                                                           Page 77
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 1 how we would go forward. And hopefully we could get
                                                                           Is it the same software that you had
 2 some consensus on the state school board members and
                                                           2 used previously in drawing maps?
 3 some consensus with the congressional members.
                                                           3 A.
                                                                           I used it in 2011, yes, sir.
                                                                           Did you ever use it before then?
                And, obviously, the house map I couldn't
                                                           4 Q.
 5 do anything with until we got the real numbers. The
                                                                           THE WITNESS: I used it in 2011. The
 6 senate map I could do next to nothing with. I mean,
                                                           6 State used ESRI.
 7 I could look at a few of the more rural districts
                                                           7 A.
                                                                           Excuse me?
 8 because they were whole counties. But once you got
                                                           8 0.
                                                                           Did you use it before 2011?
9 into major metropolitan areas, I couldn't come up
                                                           9 A.
                                                                           I don't think so.
                                                                           And you were clarifying with Mr. Walker
10 with too many suggestions for that then.
                                                          10 Q.
                Other than Pringle and McClendon, did
                                                          11 that you used in 2011 --
12 you meet with any other members of the Alabama
                                                                           Yeah. In 2011, I had a computer, and I
13 legislature?
                                                          13 had Maptitude on it. The State used -- the State of
14 A.
                I don't believe so at that time.
                                                          14 Alabama used a different software, I think, called
15 Q.
                And "that time" being before August
                                                          15 ESRI.
                                                                            THE REPORTER: Called what?
16 2021, correct?
                                                          16
17 A.
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           ESRT.
                Correct.
18 0.
                Did you review any election returns in
                                                          18 0.
                                                                           Can you spell that?
19 that time frame?
                                                          19 A.
                                                                           I don't know.
20 A.
                I did not.
                                                          20
                                                                           MR. WALKER: E-S-R-I, all capital
                                                          21 letters.
21 Q.
                Did you review any voter registration
22 info in that time frame?
                                                          22 0.
                                                                           And what is ESRI?
23 A.
                I did not.
                                                          23 A.
                                                                           It's just a -- it's similar to Maptitude
                Did you review any voter primary
                                                          24 software for using the census data.
25 participation data in that time frame?
                                                                           So in 2011, you drew the map using your
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 1 own computer and your own software?
                                                           1 starting in August 2021 through October 2021?
 2 A.
                Correct.
                                                           2 A.
                                                                           Yes.
                Was that then imported into ESRI for the
3 0.
                                                           3 0.
                                                                           And all four maps, you were doing the
 4 State?
                                                           4 same process using the State's computers and using
 5 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                           5 Maptitude, correct?
 6 0.
                The file types can be imported from one
                                                           6 A.
 7 to the other?
                                                                           Were there any of those maps that took a
8 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                             significantly larger portion of your time to draw?
                Then in 2021, you did not use your own
                                                                           Well, obviously, including meetings with
9 Q.
                                                           9 A.
10 computer and software, correct?
                                                          10 members. 105 house members are significantly more
                                                          11 meetings than, you know, seven for congress and
11 A.
                That's correct.
12 Q.
                You used the State's computers and
                                                          12 eight for school board.
13 software?
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                                                                           So, obviously, the house map probably
14 A.
                                                          14 took a lot longer just in terms of meeting with 105
                Entirely.
15 0.
                Where was that physically?
                                                          15 different -- I didn't meet with everybody. But the
                                                          16 vast majority of 105 people -- and sometimes more
16 A.
                In the reapportionment office at the
                                                          17 than once -- took a lot longer than meeting with
17 state house, Room 317.
                                                          18 seven congressmen, for example.
18 Q.
                So any time that you wanted to actually
19 work on redrawing the map, you had to --
                                                                           In addition to meeting, I assume that
20 A.
                Physically be there.
                                                          20 drawing 105 districts probably takes a lot more of
21 Q.
                How often --
                                                          21 your time to do than just drawing seven. Is that
                                                          22 fair?
22 A.
                Sorry. I didn't mean to finish your
23 sentences.
                                                          23 A.
                                                                           That's fair.
24 Q.
                That's fine. And we're doing a pretty
                                                          24 Q.
                                                                           If you had to put very rough percentages
25 decent job. But let's try to remember to let each
                                                          25 on the amount of time you spent on the congressional
                                                Page 79
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1 other finish so that the court reporter can type
                                                           1 map versus the other ones, about how much of your
 2 everything down.
                                                           2 time would you say you spent?
                                                                           Now you're -- now you're making me a
                How often -- starting in August 2021,
 4 how often would you go to the -- what did you say it
                                                           4 lawyer again. And I'm not good at this.
 5 was? The reapportionment office?
                                                                           I really -- I don't really know how to
 6 A.
                Reapportionment office.
                                                           6 do that. I mean, you would be correct that the
7 Q.
                How often would you go to the
                                                           7 majority -- I mean, I put more time into the house
 8 reapportionment office after August 2021?
                                                           8 map than I put into the state school board and the
                Once the -- once the material was loaded
                                                           9 congressional. But I really don't have a way to
10 into the computer, which was probably the last week
                                                          10 quantify that.
11 of August maybe, I was there once or twice a week
                                                          11 0.
                                                                           Did you put more time into the senate
12 for the next week or so. And then after that, I was
                                                          12
                                                             map, as well?
13 there four or five days a week until we were through
                                                          13 A.
                                                                           Yeah. Obviously, it's 35 members versus
14 the special session. I basically lived in
                                                          14 seven or eight. It just takes longer to do the
15 Montgomery. For all intents and purposes, I lived
                                                          15 meetings and follow-ups and so forth.
                                                                           And the state school board --
16 in Montgomery for a couple of months.
                                                          16 Q.
17 Q.
                From, say, the beginning of September
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           Is eight members.
18 through the end of October?
                                                          18 0.
                                                                           Eight members. Did that take you about
                                                          19 the same amount of time to draw as the --
19 A.
                Yeah. Certainly Labor Day until the end
20 of October.
                                                          20 A.
                                                                           Yeah.
                Would you work on weekends, as well?
21 Q.
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           Sorry. Let me make sure that I can
                Rarely. I mean, once we got very close
                                                          22 finish.
23 to the session, yes. But not -- not normally.
                                                                           Did drawing the state school board map
                Of the four maps you were -- you were
                                                          24 take you about the same amount of time as it did for
25 working on all four maps in that time frame, right,
                                                          25 drawing the congressional map, given that they have
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1	Page 82 about the same number of districts?	1	Page 84 Q. Who did you meet with to discuss the
1 .	A. Yes.	2	drawing of the map between August 2021 and when you
3	Q. Going back to the software, this	3	submitted the map in the week before the special
4	Maptitude software, you said that it took about a	4	session?
5	week for the census information to be uploaded; is	5	A. Once we had the real data, I went back
6	that correct?	6	and had Zoom calls with all of the members of
7	A. Yeah, that's what I said.	7	congress or their or their chief of staff to talk
8	Q. What does that mean?	8	about what the differences were from the estimates
9	A. Again, this was not part of my	9	versus the actual census data and to reiterate, you
10	responsibility. But the State got the data, as I	10	know, what we discussed in May, what was still
11	understood it, and gave it to Maptitude. Maptitude	11	operable and what maybe needed to be slightly
12	translated it into their software and sent it back	12	revised based on what our thoughts were.
13	to the State to be loaded on the State computer.	13	Then after those round of Zoom calls, I
14	But, again, this is all my secondhand	14	went back and drew a proposed map. Which I then did
15	knowledge of what was going on. I was not doing	15	another round of calls, Zoom calls with, to look at
16	this.	16	the final semifinal, final version, I quess.
17	Q. From your perspective, once you arrived	17	Q. In those meetings, did you discuss
18	around the end of August looking at Maptitude and	18	anything with the representatives other than changes
19	the software, you were able to see what information	19	that needed to be made for population deviation?
20	has been uploaded, correct?	20	A. No.
21	A. Well, once it's yeah. Once it's	21	Q. How many meetings would you say you had
22	uploaded, yes.	22	with each of the representatives in that time frame?
23	Q. What sort of information is was	23	A. It varied. For example, Mo Brooks would
24	available to you on the Maptitude software regarding	24	be zero because he again was not interested to
25	the districts?	25	participate. Others took, you know, three, four,
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Page 88 Page 86 1 at 10:00 o'clock. It was just when they were both 1 A. That was not my -- the leadership 2 decided that they would, you know, hire me through 2 there or singularly there, I would just give them a 3 the 501(c)(4), which -- which is how they hired me 3 quick update. 4 for legislative. I did the legislative maps in 4 0. Were these updates by phone or email or 5 2021, and I guess they preferred that model over the 5 in person? 6 other one. I don't know. That was their choice, 6 A. Usually in person. 7 not mine. Were there ever communications by email 8 Q. Did you receive any other instructions with them? 9 A. 9 or requests from the congressional representatives No. 10 other than changes to make to account for population 10 Q. Did you attend any of the public 11 deviation? 11 hearings in preparation for the 2021 congressional 12 A. No. 12 maps? 13 0. Did you meet with any members of the 13 A. I didn't. They were happening 14 Alabama state legislature to discuss the 2021 14 simultaneously with me being in Montgomery. And I 15 congressional maps? 15 would occasionally walk in the room while they were 16 A. Just -- just the two co-chairs, two 16 happening to talk to somebody else or whatever. But 17 chairs. I didn't officially attend them. And that's --18 Q. 18 There were a few that you walked into the room while they were going, you said? 19 A. Senator McClendon and Representative 20 Pringle. 20 Well, they were being done in an 21 Q. What did you discuss with Senator 21 adjacent room, and I occasionally walked in. And I 22 would also occasionally -- either the co-chairs or 22 McClendon and Representative Pringle? 23 A. I would just update them on our progress 23 Dorman Walker or somebody would come back and update 24 and discussions with various members. And to the 24 me as to something somebody said if they thought it 25 extent that there were conflicts like the one I 25 was significant to my drawing. Page 87 Page 89 1 described between the 1st and the 2nd, I just Do you recall what any of those sort of 2 updated on that in case they were to receive a call 2 comments would have been? 3 from somebody, they would know what was happening. Yeah. For example -- and this was In these meetings with Senator McClendon 4 already in process, so it wasn't a tremendous shock. 5 and Representative Pringle, were you pretty much 5 But there were comments, for example, in the 6 just providing information to them? 6 Montgomery meeting that they didn't want to be split 7 A. Yeah, pretty much. 7 into three districts as they were in 2001, that they 8 would prefer Montgomery not -- probably they 8 0. Did you receive any feedback or 9 particular requests from them about how to draw the 9 preferred it not to be split at all. But if it were 10 map? 10 going to be split, to certainly not three ways and 11 A. 11 have it be two, which was a feature of a map I was 12 0. Beyond anything that you were told from already working on. But things like that. 13 the congressional -- U.S. congressional 13 Do you remember any other specific 14 representatives, were you given any instructions or 14 feedback that you received from the public hearings? 15 requests about how to draw the 2021 congressional 15 A. Just areas like the Shoals area wanted 16 map from anyone? 16 to be kept as intact as possible. And people in 17 A. 17 Madison and Morgan wanted to be -- they thought 18 0. 18 there was obviously a lot of community of interest And how many times did you meet with 19 between those areas in north Alabama. People in 19 Representative Pringle and Senator McClendon in 20 preparation for drawing the 2021 congressional maps? 20 Baldwin and Mobile wanted to be kept together. 21 A. I don't -- I mean, this was during the 21 There was a lot of community of interest between 22 course in time when they were also in town doing those counties. Things like that. 23 meetings with their colleagues. So maybe I updated 23 When you refer to "the Shoals area," 24 them every other week. It was rather -- I mean, it 24 you're referring to Muscle Shoals? 25 wasn't a formally structured we meet every Tuesday 25 A. Yes.

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                Any other specific feedback that you
 1 Q.
                                                           1 doing that split. So yes, it was in my mind when we
 2 recall receiving from the public hearings?
                                                           2 were, for example, doing that split.
                Not on congressional. There was a lot
                                                                           Other than the accommodations for the
                                                           3 0.
 4 of feedback on state maps that we also talked about.
                                                           4 Lauderdale, Muscle Shoals area, did any of the
                                                           5 public feedback that you received from the public
5 Q.
                And did you ever personally sit in on
 6 any of these hearings or hear anything that was
                                                           6 hearings tangibly impact a change that you made on
 7 being said personally?
                                                           7 the map?
                I did for ten-minute snippets
                                                           8 A.
                                                                           Not so much a change. But it did -- it
9 occasionally when I was waiting to talk to somebody
                                                           9 did confirm that our theory of putting -- not
10 in that room.
                                                          10 splitting Montgomery three ways was a worthy goal.
11 Q.
                Did you gather anything from the time
                                                          11 And I worked to get Congressmen Rogers to agree to
12 that you spent in the hearing personally?
                                                          12 come out of Montgomery County because he was
                Nothing other than observations that I
                                                          13 partially in Montgomery County.
13 A.
14 relayed to you a minute ago.
                                                          14 0.
                                                                           Since we're talking about it, this may
15 0.
                You mentioned that Montgomery County,
                                                          15 help a bit.
16 the public hearings provided feedback that they
                                                          16
                                                          17
                                                                          (Plaintiff's Exhibit 5 was
17 didn't want to be split. Do you remember why that
                                                          18
                                                                          marked for identification.)
18 was?
19 A.
                I think -- I think both in Montgomery
                                                          19
20 County and most any county when you have split
                                                          20 0.
                                                                           I'm handing you Exhibit 5. I don't want
21 counties or split precincts, there's confusion as to
                                                          21 this to be a memory test for you. So this is a copy
                                                          22 of the 2021 --
22 who somebody's -- who their representative may be.
                                                          23 A.
                And it was a -- it was obviously a
                                                                           I've had enough -- I've had enough of
24 guideline of the committees on all these maps to try
                                                          24 those already.
25 to split less precincts and less counties.
                                                          25 Q.
                                                                           This is a copy of the 2021 congressional
                                                Page 91
                                                                                                           Page 93
                Do you know when Montgomery County was
                                                           1 map. Do you recognize this?
 2 originally split?
                                                           2 A.
                                                                           I do.
 3 A.
                Originally split?
                                                                           Does this appear to be a true and
                                                           4 correct of the 2021 congressional map?
 4 Q.
                Correct.
 5 A.
                No. I mean -- no, I don't.
                                                           5 A.
                                                                           It does.
 6 0.
                The first map you drew was in 1992. Was
                                                           6 0.
                                                                           We were talking about Montgomery County
7 Montgomery County already split prior to that?
                                                           7 here not wanting to be split.
                I have no idea. I'm sorry. I don't
8 A.
                                                           8
                                                             Α.
                                                                           Three ways, yes.
9 even remember the map I drew, whether it was split,
10 to be honest with you.
                                                                          (Plaintiff's Exhibit 6 was
11 Q.
                Did any of the information that you
                                                          11
                                                                          marked for identification.)
12 received from the public hearings impact the way you
                                                          12
13 drew the 2021 congressional map?
                                                                           I'm also going to hand you what's being
                No, other than things like I said, not
                                                          14 marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit 6 for your reference.
15 splitting Montgomery three ways, putting as much of
                                                          15 This is a copy of the 2011 congressional map.
16 the Shoals area together, keeping Mobile and Baldwin
                                                                           So looking at Montgomery County, it
                                                          17 looks like in -- well, first off, Plaintiff's
17 together, keeping Madison and Morgan together.
                Was that something that you specifically
                                                          18 Exhibit 6, does that appear to be a true and correct
18 0.
19 made changes to your map to accommodate?
                                                          19 copy of the 2011 congressional map, to your
                No. Most of those features were already
                                                          20 knowledge?
                                                          21 A.
21 happening. It just -- I kept it in mind. For
                                                                           It does.
22 example, when -- we eventually had to split
                                                                           We were -- and you used this 2011
23 Lauderdale County between 5 and 4. And when we were
                                                          23 congressional map as the starting point in drafting
24 doing that, I was trying to keep Florence and Muscle
                                                          24 the 2021 congressional map, correct?
25 Shoals together as much as possible when we were
                                                          25 A.
                                                                           I used the cores of the existing
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 1 districts as a starting point, yes.
                                                           1 add a number of different counties to make up that
                Is that different from using this map as
                                                           2 population.
 2 Q.
                                                           3 0.
                                                                           Well, it looks like District 7 also
3 the starting point?
 4 A.
                I don't know. I don't think so.
                                                           4 includes only a portion of Tuscaloosa County and
5 Q.
                When you began drawing the 2021
                                                           5 Jefferson County, correct?
 6 congressional map, you didn't start from scratch,
                                                           6 A.
                                                                           That's correct.
 7 right?
                                                                           So could you not have taken more of
8 A.
                No. Correct.
                                                             either Tuscaloosa County or Jefferson County and
                                                             then been able to leave Montgomery County as being
9 Q.
                You started using the 2011 congressional
10 map?
                                                          10 solely in one district?
11 A.
                                                          11 A.
                                                                           Well, yeah, it would have been possible
                Correct.
12 Q.
                Looking at Montgomery County, so that
                                                          12 certainly in Jefferson. I don't know about
13 was split into three districts in 2011; is that
                                                          13 Tuscaloosa. I don't think actually -- I think there
14 right?
                                                          14 are many more people in the 7th District portion of
15 A.
                That's correct.
                                                          15 Montgomery than there are in the 4th District
16 0.
                Do you know why that was split into
                                                          16 portion of Tuscaloosa. But yes, certainly in
17 three districts at the time?
                                                          17 Jefferson that would have been possible.
                Not specifically, other than, obviously,
                                                                           But as you know, they -- these all have
18 A.
19 it had been -- Congressman Mike Rogers in the 3rd
                                                          19 to fit back together at the end. So what might have
20 District had had an office in Montgomery, that part
                                                          20 been a perfect map for somebody in Montgomery may
21 of Montgomery County, and had represented it for a
                                                          21 not have created a perfect situation for whatever
22 while and probably didn't -- didn't want to lose
                                                          22 member represented Jefferson or wherever.
23 that base of support and financial support and so
                                                          23 0.
                                                                           Did you consider moving -- did you
24 forth.
                                                          24 consider making Montgomery County solely District 2?
25 Q.
                                                          25 A.
                                                                           I did not.
                In the 2011 congressional map, District
                                                                                                          Page 97
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1 7 reaches into a portion in the middle of Montgomery
                                                           1 Q.
                                                                           Why not?
 2 County. Do you know why it does that?
                                                           2 A.
                                                                           Because, again, I didn't think it --
3 A.
                To gain population for that district.
                                                           3 while that may look like geographically not a very
                Was District 7 reaching into a portion
                                                           4 large area, it has a considerable number of voters
 4 Q.
 5 of Montgomery County in the prior 2001 congressional
                                                           5 in it. And it would have been hard to take that out
 6 map?
                                                           6 of 7 and make up the population somewhere else.
7 A.
                I don't know.
                                                                           About the only place, as you pointed
                                                           8 out, to do that might have been Jefferson. But,
8 0.
                Do you remember if Montgomery County --
9 do you remember if District 7 reached into a portion
                                                           9 again, we have two representatives in Jefferson
10 of Montgomery County in the 1992 congressional map
                                                          10 County right now. And it would have been hard to
11 that you drew?
                                                          11 eliminate one from that process.
12 A.
                I do not remember, no. I'm sure
                                                                           Is there anything in particular about
13 somebody has a map and could tell me. But I don't
                                                          13 this specific portion of Montgomery County that's in
                                                          14 District 7 that makes it a community of interest or
14 know.
15 Q.
                So it looks like from the 2011
                                                          15 something that ties it into District 7 versus
                                                          16 District 2?
16 congressional map to the 2021 congressional map, you
17 were able to take District 3 out of Montgomery so
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           Not necessarily. I mean, obviously,
18 that it's not split three ways anymore and is only
                                                          18 geographically it's next to -- it's adjacent to
19 split two ways; is that correct?
                                                          19 Lowndes County.
20 A.
                That's correct.
                                                          20 0.
                                                                           Did you look at racial data in including
                Is there a reason why it still needed to
21 Q.
                                                          21 that portion of Montgomery County in District 7?
22 be split into two different districts?
                                                                           I didn't. When we started doing -- I
23 A.
                Yeah. I mean, obviously, the 7th
                                                          23 didn't initially. When we started filling in this
24 District was underpopulated. So if you took it all
                                                          24 -- all these discussions we've had up until now have
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25 the way out of Montgomery, then you would have to

25 all been based on total pop. I didn't look at race

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 1 at all on the computer when we were adding folks to
                                                           1 Q.
                                                                           Anything else?
 2 these districts or subtracting folks from these
                                                            2 A.
                                                                           That's it.
3 districts.
                                                                           Other than modifying the existing
                                                            3 0.
                So at this point, I've basically just
                                                            4 district lines to account for population changes,
5 been looking at total pop and where do you get the
                                                            5 did you make any other changes from the 2011
 6 total pop to get the districts back to ideal
                                                             congressional map?
 7 population. So at that point, there was no
                                                              Α.
                                                                           I'm not sure I follow that.
 8 discussion of race. It was all a discussion of
                                                                           You made changes to the 2011
                                                              congressional map for the 2021 map based on changes
9 total pop.
10 Q.
                You say "at this point." Where are we
                                                           10 in population, correct?
11 talking in the timeline?
                                                          11 A.
                                                                           Correct.
12 A.
                Up until -- up until we finished the
                                                          12 0.
                                                                           Did you make any changes based on any
13 map.
                                                          13 other factors?
14 Q.
                Finishing the map being the week before
                                                          14 A.
                                                                           Are we talking -- we're talking the 2021
15 the special session?
                                                          15 map?
16 A.
                Correct.
                                                           16 0.
                                                                           Correct. So in drawing the 2021 map,
17 0.
                So is it your testimony that you did not
                                                          17 you made certain changes from the prior map based on
18 look at race at all in 2021 before submitting the
                                                             changes in population, correct?
19 maps to the special session?
                                                          19
                                                             Α.
                                                                           Correct.
20 A.
                No, I did not look at it up until the
                                                           20
                                                                           Did you make any changes based on any
21 week before we submitted the maps, when at that
                                                           21 other factors?
22 point we did turn on race and look at the racial
                                                          22 A.
                                                                           No. I didn't make any changes.
23 breakdowns in the various maps.
                                                           23 Obviously, where members lived was a consideration.
                                                          24 I certainly would be mindful -- when I was moving a
                Why did you look at the racial breakdown
25 that week before the special session?
                                                           25 precinct in Jefferson County, for example, I
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1 A.
                Well, to -- obviously, we wanted to see
                                                            1 couldn't move Congresswoman Sewell out of her
                                                            2 district, for example. But I didn't make any
 2 what the, you know, outcomes of our changes were.
3 0.
                What do you mean?
                                                            3 changes based on that.
 4 A.
                We wanted to see what -- the changes we
                                                                           Other than population data and race data
                                                            5 starting the week before the map was submitted, did
 5 had made to get the population balanced among all
 6 these districts, if it changed any of the, you know,
                                                            6 you review any other data about the constituents or
 7 racial makeup of the districts.
                                                            7 the districts when drawing the 2021 map?
                Why did you want to know that?
                                                           8 A.
                                                                           I did not.
 8 0.
9 A.
                Well, one of our guidelines is to comply
                                                                           If any changes were made to the 2021
10 with the Voting Rights Act.
                                                           10 map, would you have been the one to physically make
11 0.
                And you say "we wanted." Who is "we"?
                                                             those changes on the computer?
12 A.
                The two co-chairs, myself, and legal
                                                           12
                                                              Α.
13 counsel.
                                                                           Was there anyone else who physically sat
                                                          14 on the computer and made any changes for the 2021
                "Legal counsel" being Mr. Dorman --
14 Q.
15 A.
                                                          15 map?
                Yes.
                -- Walker?
                                                          16 A.
16 Q.
                                                                           I don't believe so. I mean, Donna
17 A.
                                                          17 Loftin, who heads the reapportionment office,
                Yes.
18 0.
                And prior to that week before the
                                                          18 certainly was capable of doing that. But I don't
19 special session, it's your testimony that you did
                                                           19 believe she ever -- she's not really authorized to
20 not look at any of the racial data at all for any
                                                           20 change a map, I guess, without me asking her to.
21 of the districts in drawing the 2021 congressional
                                                                           Do you know if she made any changes?
                                                           21 Q.
22 map?
                                                           22 A.
                                                                           I don't believe she did, no.
23 A.
                                                          23 Q.
                That's correct.
                                                                           Did anyone else assist you in drawing
24 Q.
                What data did you look at?
                                                           24 the map?
25 A.
                Just -- just total pop and geography.
                                                           25 A.
                                                                           Nobody assisted me in drawing the map.
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                 When did you have a -- when did you
 1 Q.
                                                            1 She felt strongly about picking up facilities and
 2 first have an initial draft map completed?
                                                            2 universities and things rather than just random
                Using the real data? I mean, not an
                                                           3 citizens.
 3 A.
 4 estimate.
                                                            4 0.
                                                                           And what precinct did you take out from
                Did you have an initial draft made from
 5 Q.
                                                           5 District 7 in exchange?
 6 the estimates?
                                                            6 A.
                                                                           Well, it was a split at an adjacent
                 I had a -- I roughed -- again, it wasn't
                                                              precinct. Whitfield, I think, was the name of it.
   -- it wasn't something that would have -- it wasn't
                                                                           How do you choose that precinct?
 9 to zero deviation. It was just roughed-out
                                                           9
                                                              Α.
                                                                           It just was adjacent to it.
10 counties.
                                                          10
                                                             Q.
                                                                           That was the only factor?
11
                 So yes, when I came back from my May
                                                                           That was the only factor.
                                                          11 A.
12 meetings, I roughed out a map using the estimates on
                                                          12 Q.
                                                                           So you had the draft completed, you
13 Maptitude just to get a feel for what areas needed
                                                          13 said, mid September?
14 to be added and subtracted from various districts.
                                                          14 A.
                                                                           Yeah. And just to give a more complete
15
                But, again, it was -- it was not -- it
                                                          15 answer, I also had to do a -- change the split a
16 was not to deviation and it was knowing that the
                                                          16 little bit in Lauderdale based on conversations with
17 estimates were going to be off by thousands, if not
                                                          17 Congressman Adderholt. I had conversations with
18 tens of thousands, which they turned out to be.
                                                           18 Representative -- Congressman Moore's
                When was that draft completed?
                                                           19 representative, Bill Harris, about he would have
19 Q.
20 A.
                The end of May.
                                                              preferred a change in Monroe rather than the way I
21 Q.
                Did you save a copy of that draft?
                                                           21 did it in Escambia.
                                                           22
22 A.
                No.
                                                                           So they were each -- not every district.
23 0.
                After that, when was the next draft
                                                           23 But a number of districts had these little minor
                                                           24 things that we talked through at that point.
24 using official data completed?
25 A.
                After my round of calls in September.
                                                           25 Q.
                                                                           Beyond any minor changes -- and I assume
                                               Page 103
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 1 So probably mid -- mid to late September would have
                                                            1 this is more kind of a precinct-by-precinct type
 2 been the next draft. And then I did a round of
                                                            2 change that you're referring to there, correct?
 3 calls to go over those maps and make any last
                                                            3 A.
                                                                           Yes, sir.
 4 changes before the last week.
                                                            4 Q.
                                                                           Beyond that, were there any changes that
 5 0.
                A round of calls being the calls that
                                                            5 you made based on those calls that you would
                                                            6 consider to be significant changes?
 6 you discussed with the U.S. congress
 7 representatives?
                                                           7 A.
                                                                           No.
 8 A.
                                                           8
                                                             0.
                                                                           So once you had the draft completed in
                 Yes.
 9 0.
                Did you make any further changes to the
                                                             mid September and then had the calls with the
10 draft based on any feedback you received from those
                                                           10 various representatives to go over that, then you
                                                           11 made whatever minor changes you could based on that
11 calls?
12 A.
                Very minorly. Congresswoman Sewell, I
                                                           12 feedback.
13 had split a precinct in Montgomery County that she
                                                          13
                                                                           When did you have the next draft
14 did not want split. So I put it back together and
                                                          14 completed?
15 split in a different -- an adjacent precinct. But
                                                          15 A.
                                                                           Going into the last -- the next to last
                                                          16 week of October. And in some of these -- as you
16 very, very minorly.
17 Q.
                What precinct was that?
                                                           17 well know, with congressional schedules, it's not
18 A.
                 It was the Acadome precinct. I had
                                                          18 like I had seven congressmen lined up to talk to me
19 split the university into two different districts,
                                                           19 at 9:00 o'clock on a Monday morning. This took over
20 and she, I think wanted it all in her district. So
                                                           20 a course of weeks. I would, you know, schedule, and
                                                           21 move and change for voting schedules and all the
21 I put that back together.
22 0.
                Do you know why she wanted that all in
                                                           22 wonderful things that go on with dealing with
23 her district?
                                                           23 congressmen.
                 I don't. I mean, other than that was
                                                                           And in that same time frame, you were
25 one of her principles in this redistricting process.
                                                           25 also drawing three other maps?
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Page 106 Page 108 1 when you met with Senator McClendon and 1 A. Correct 2 0. And meeting with all of the 2 Representative Pringle about the draft map? 3 representatives and senators and all of that? MR. WALKER: I'm going to object to 4 A. Yes, sir. 4 attorney-client privilege to the extent that I was 5 Q. Was there any other drafts that you had 5 present in the room and we were having an 6 other than the first one that you made using the 6 attorney-client communication. If you had any 7 unofficial data in the summer of 2021, the next communications with them that I was not present, you 8 draft that you made using the official data in mid may answer the question. 9 September 2021, and then the draft that you had 9 Α. There were -- they just looked at the 10 based on the congressional representatives' feedback 10 map. There was nothing substantive in terms of a 11 that was completed the week before the special response. 12 Q. 12 session in October of 2021? Were there any other And are you going to refuse to answer 13 drafts that you made of the 2021 congressional map? 13 any questions that I were to ask you that would 14 A. 14 involve any discussions that you had where No. 15 Mr. Walker was present? 15 0. Between those last two drafts that we 16 discussed, between September 2021 and the special 16 MR. WALKER: I would instruct him not to 17 session, did you meet with anyone else to discuss 17 answer those questions if other conditions 18 the redrawing of the 2021 map, congressional map, 18 indicating it was an attorney-client privilege were 19 other than the seven representatives and Senator 19 present. 20 McClendon and Representative Pringle? 20 Let me -- let me clarify that for you. 21 A. And legal counsel. 21 If I believed we had a conversation that was an 22 Q. Anyone else? 22 attorney-client privilege, I would -- I would 23 A. No. 23 instruct him not to answer the question. I don't 24 think that all the conversations I had with him were 24 Q. At that time, did you consider 25 covered by the privilege. 25 Mr. Walker to be your attorney? Page 107 Page 109 1 A. I considered him to be the MR. THOMPSON: When you say you don't 2 reapportionment committee's attorney. 2 think that all of the conversations you had with 3 0. Did you consider him to represent you 3 him, do you mean nonsubstantive conversations like 4 lunch and dinner? 4 personally? 5 A. I don't know how to answer that. I MR. WALKER: Certainly that would be 6 didn't -- I didn't feel I needed representation at 6 included. What I'm saying is there -- I can think 7 that point personally. 7 of times when he and I were speaking, although I may Did you have any sort of retention 8 not know exactly what we were talking about, when 8 Q. 9 agreement with Mr. Walker or his office? 9 there were other people in the room who were not 10 A. 10 within the privilege. And we may have been talking 11 0. Once you had the draft completed of the 11 about the map. I just don't know. 12 2021 congressional map the week before the special But there were certain times when I 13 session, who did you provide it to? 13 reviewed with him specifically the map. And I would Well, obviously, all of the members saw 14 contend that that's covered by the attorney-client 14 A. 15 their districts. But they didn't really see the 15 privilege. 16 rest of the map. The members of congress saw their MR. THOMPSON: Understood. And you 17 district, but they didn't really -- and adjacent 17 would instruct him not to answer on those. 18 districts. But they didn't really see the rest of 18 MR. WALKER: Yeah. 19 the map. 19 0. And would you follow that instruction? 20 I think at that last week, I went 20 A. Yes. So walk me through the timeline, then, 21 through that map with Representative Pringle and 21 Q. 22 Senator McClendon and Dorman Walker. Obviously, 22 once you provided the draft to Senator McClendon and 23 Donna Loftin, who runs the office, was in the 23 Representative Pringle. What happened with the map 24 background during most of this. 24 at that point? 25 0. What sort of feedback did you receive 25 A. I mean, once it was finalized and they

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1	Page 110 made no changes to it, it was submitted to be drawn	1	Page 112 have preferred sort of a whole county map with
2	up into a bill and prepared to be presented at the	2	two I would call them influence districts.
3	be sent out to the members of the reapportionment	3	THE REPORTER: What districts?
4	committee the following Monday and then voted on in	4	A. Influence districts
5	committee on Tuesday.	5	Q. Would that be the same as I've heard
6	Q. Were there any changes made to the map	6	"opportunity district." Would "influence district"
7	by the reapportionment committee?	7	and "opportunity district" be about the same?
8	A. No.	8	A. Yes, sir.
9	Q. Were there any changes made to the map	9	Q. And what's your understanding of what an
10	after it was submitted to the legislature?	10	influence district or opportunity district is?
11	A. No.	11	A. It would be a district that would be
12	Q. So the version of the map that you	12	less than a majority of BVAP, but still have a
13	completed the week before the special session is	13	substantial population of minorities that could
14	identical to the version of the map that was	14	potentially impact the election of a candidate of
15	ultimately enacted that we've marked as Exhibit 5,	15	their choice.
16	Plaintiff's Exhibit 5, correct?	16	Q. And when we say "minorities" here
17	A. Correct.	17	specifically, are we referring to the black voting
18	Q. Did you save any drafts of the 2021	18	age population?
19	congressional map?	19	A. Primarily here in Alabama, you would be
20	A. No, sir. The way Maptitude works is it	20	referring to the black voting age population.
21	just every time you make a change, it saves it	21	Q. So if in this case the court were to
22	saves the map at that point. So previous iterations	22	find that the maps do not comply with the Voting
23	don't don't really exist.	23	Rights Act or the 14th Amendment and they needed to
24	Q. Did you print out any copies of any	24	be modified, do you expect that you would be the one
25	drafts?	25	that would be asked to make those modifications?
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December 09, 2021 Page 114 Page 116 1 she wanted that in her district not split. So we 1 did you receive any specific instructions from her 2 about how to draw District 7? 2 talked about things like that. 3 A. No, not specifically. Again, it was 3 0. Do you remember the name of that 4 more of -- our initial meetings were more of here is 4 university in Montgomery? 5 what the estimates show, here is -- you're Yeah, I do. I'm blanking on it at the 6 obviously -- the district is going to be moment. Alabama -- is it State? 7 underpopulated. Let's talk about areas where you MR. WALKER: Alabama State, ASU. 8 may -- may pick up population to get closer to the 8 A. ASU. ASU. Sorry. 9 ideal. 9 Q. Other than those things that you just 10 As I said earlier, she was interested in 10 discussed, did you receive any other instructions or 11 facilities and universities and some companies and 11 feedback from Congressman Sewell about how to draw 12 military, like Maxwell, and so forth. So she was 12 District 7? 13 A No, not at that time. We did -- in the 13 interested in things above and beyond just picking 14 next round of those talks after we had real numbers, 14 up additional voters or citizens. So we talked 15 we did talk about some of the changes in Jefferson. 15 about that briefly. 16 And then we just went through the most 16 In this -- in the 2011 map, some of the 17 likely areas where she could pick up additional 17 precincts of Homewood -- I think there were three or 18 population. And the most likely in my mind, again, 18 four Homewood precincts. Some were in her district, 19 to present to her as options were counties that were and some were in 6. She thought that maybe it might 20 split. 20 make sense for all of them to be in one district. 21 For example, Clarke County was -- under 21 She would be happy if they were hers, which I did. 22 this map, the 2011 map, was split between 7 and 1. 22 So we talked about a few things like 23 We know 1 is going to be over. We knew -- at the 23 that in the next round of discussions. 24 beginning, we didn't know how much. But we knew 1 Did you discuss anything else with her

Page 115 So a logical thing, in my mind anyway, 2 would be let's put Clarke County back together. And 3 whatever population that is, let's put that into 7. And also we talked about some of the 5 changes that would happen that would cascade to her 6 from north Alabama. As we knew, District 5 would be 7 over. The only place District 5 can go to is to 8 District 4 because it's the only district adjacent 9 to it. And that would then put District 4 over. 10 And one of the options was for her to pick up some 11 more of District 4 in Tuscaloosa. So we talked 12 about that. 13 And then we talked about potential 14 changes in Jefferson, another area where she could 15 pick up additional population.

You mentioned that she wanted

She wanted to make sure that whatever

As I discussed earlier, I had split a

17 universities in her district. What were the names

20 changes we made in Tuscaloosa, we kept the

23 Montgomery, if that was a possibility.

21 University of Alabama in her district. She was 22 interested in picking up Maxwell Air Force Base in

25 precinct that had a university in Montgomery. And

18 of the universities she wanted?

16 Q.

19 A.

25 would be over, and we knew 7 would be under.

6 requests about a certain black voting age population 7 percentage that she wanted in District 7? 8 A. She did not, other than I think there 9 was -- we both assumed, and I think she would 10 confirm, that she wanted a majority -- a majority 11 black district for her district. And she also, I should add -- there was 13 one other thing. When we initially asked every 14 member for their home addresses so we made sure we 15 had them inside their own districts, she actually 16 sent in two addresses, knowing that only one of them 17 was her official home address. 18 One of them was also her home -- her 19 mother's home or whatever in Dallas County. And she 20 wanted -- would prefer that both of those addresses 21 be inside her district. So that was one request she 22 made. 23 Q. Was that an accommodation you had to 24 change the map to --25 A. No. They were -- it was already

Did you discuss race at all with

Did she give you any instructions or

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25 about how to draw her map?

3 Congressman Sewell?

No.

No.

1 A.

2 Q.

4 A.

5 Q.

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1	Page 118 happening. They both were they both under this	1	Page 120 Alabama legislators or their staff about the 2021
2	map were in her district, and they both under this	2	congressional maps?
3	map were in her district.	3	A. No. Maybe maybe right before we went
4	Q. Going back to your prior statement, you	4	to the floor, I think I probably had a conversation
5	said that you didn't discuss race with Congressman	5	with the pro tem and speaker just briefly to say
6	Sewell; is that correct?	6	that the members of congress were reasonably in
7	A. Not at that point.	7	agreement on this map. But it was just sort of a
8	Q. Did you at some point?	8	pro forma discussion, not about the details of the
9	A. In the last week, she did ask what was	9	map.
10	the BVAP of my her district.	10	Q. Did you speak with anyone else?
	Q. And what did you tell her?	11	A. No.
12	A. I told her it was 54.22.	12	Q. Did you correspond with anyone by email
13	Q. And what did she say?	13	regarding the redistricting process?
l	A. She didn't I mean, she was		A. No.
15	comfortable with that, I guess. She didn't comment	15	Q. Did you make any recommendations to the
16	further. She didn't ask me to make any changes, I	16	committee, the reapportionment committee, about how
17	quess, if that's what you're asking me.	17	the map should be drawn beyond just providing them a
18	Q. You said before then that you both	18	copy of the map?
19	assumed that she wanted a majority black population.	19	A. No.
20	What are you basing that off of?	20	Q. Did the reapportionment committee make
21	A. I don't even know if it's an assumption.	21	any requests or recommendations to you about how the
22	I think she I think she did say that, that she	22	map should be drawn or changed?
23	would prefer to continue to have a majority black	23	A. None other than the guidelines they
24	district.	24	passed.
25		25	
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                                                           1 in District 2.
                                                                           Well, we talked again about making
 2 lunch break, then.
                 MR. WALKER: All right.
                                                           3 Montgomery County only split between 7 and 2 and
3
                THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're off the record.
                                                           4 getting the 3rd District out of Montgomery County,
5 The time is 11:42 a.m.
                                                           5 which was good because 2 was under anyway. So they
6
                (Lunch break was taken.)
                                                           6 needed to pick up some people.
                THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
                                                                           Initially I said, well, depending on
 8 record. The time is 12:57 p.m.
                                                             what the numbers are, we might need to split off a
9 Q.
                                                           9 little bit of Elmore to balance out 3 if we're not
                Mr. Hinaman, before we broke for lunch,
10 we had discussed some of the conversations that you
                                                          10 splitting Montgomery. But as it turned out, we
                                                          11 didn't have to do that. We did -- we did make some
11 had with the seven U.S. congressmen. Do you recall
12 that?
                                                          12 changes to 3 in Coosa and Chilton, but we made no
13 A.
                                                          13 further changes in the 2nd.
                Yes.
14 0.
                                                          14
                                                                           We talked a little bit about the
                And we went into some specifics about
                                                          15 Escambia and Monroe thing. Again, he would have
15 your discussions with Congressman Sewell. Or
16 Congresswoman Sewell. Excuse me. I would like to
                                                          16 preferred not to have picked up another county. But
17 discuss some of the specifics with the other
                                                          17 unfortunately, that was not in the cards by 739
18 representatives. So I just kind of want to go down
                                                          18 people. So he needed to -- he did end up picking up
                                                             Escambia.
19 the line.
20
                So starting with Representative Carl in
                                                                           And we talked about just geographically
21 District 1, can you tell me what specifics you
                                                          21 making the 7th District a little more compact in
22 recall from your discussions with him?
                                                          22 Montgomery from where the 2011 lines were versus to
                Yes. But just to be clear, are we --
                                                          23 what they are now in the 2021 plan.
24 you just want -- over the whole time frame, just
                                                                           And at the end of it -- I mean, we had
25 capsulize it? Or are you talking about a specific
                                                          25 some discussions about Maxwell going into the 7th,
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1 time frame?
                                                           1 which surprisingly he wasn't too excited about
 2 0.
                At any point in the discussions you had
                                                           2 initially, but at the end was comfortable with I
3 with them in drawing the 2021 congressional map.
                                                           3 think primarily because there was some talk of
                                                           4 another BRAC, base closing commission.
 4 A.
                Okay. So essentially from May to
5 October?
                                                                           And Congressman Moore probably thought
 6 0.
                Correct.
                                                           6 it would be helpful to have Terri representing part
 7 A.
                Okay. Yeah. So we talked about Clarke
                                                           7 -- that part of Maxwell that she would have, and he
8 County which was split, of course, between 7 and
                                                           8 represents another part of Maxwell, the annex, in
9 District 1. And we talked that the 1st District
                                                           9 his district. So two congresspeople fighting that
10 would likely be over or was over after we got the
                                                          10 was maybe better than one.
11 real numbers, and that one of the solutions to that
                                                          11 0.
                                                                           Where is Maxwell?
12 would be putting Clarke County back together and be
                                                                           Maxwell is in the northern little part
13 putting it in 7.
                                                          13 of Montgomery County here that was -- in 2011 was in
                                                          14 the 2nd, but is now in the 7th.
14
                And then whatever else the overage was,
15 which turned out to be 739 people, that we would
                                                          15 0.
                                                                           With Congressman Sewell, especially in
16 take those out of either -- initially we said Monroe
                                                          16 the area you were just discussing there, it had
17 or Escambia. And as it turned out, we fine tuned it
                                                              gotten as granular was this college or whatnot. Did
18 to Escambia. And that's where we made that change.
                                                          18 you have discussions to that detail with either of
19
                And those are basically the discussions
                                                          19 the two representatives in District 1 or 2?
20 with the 1st District congressman.
                                                                          No, other than the Maxwell, Maxwell
21 Q.
                Did he have any objections to putting
                                                          21 annex thing we just talked about with Congressman
22 all of Clarke County in District 7?
                                                          22 Moore. He wanted to make sure he still had one of
23 A.
                He did not.
                                                          23 them. And he has the annex one, which is further
                All right. Tell me what specifics you
                                                          24 west in Montgomery, but not the actual base itself.
25 recall from your discussions with Congressman Moore
                                                                           Do you know why he wanted that in his
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Page 126 Page 128 1 district? 1 congressional districts. 2 A. Again, so they had two voices on base Did you have any discussions with him 3 closing issues rather than one. 3 about which specific areas of Tuscaloosa to include 4 0. Do you recall anything else specifically 4 or not include? 5 from your discussions with Congressman Moore? A little bit. I mean, we talked about 6 the precincts, the next most likely geographical 6 A. 7 0. How about Congressman Rogers in District 7 precincts to add into 7. We talked about them. It 8 3? 8 was sort of obvious geographically where he had to 9 A. 9 go next. So there wasn't much discussion about it. Well, we talked briefly. There was a 10 little piece of Cherokee County that was split off 10 0. How did you choose the precincts you 11 in the last redistricting, which was really somewhat 11 chose other than geography? Well, that's -- population and geography 12 needless. So we talked about putting that back 12 A. 13 together. 13 were the only two ways to choose them. 14 We talked about again him getting out of 14 0. Do you recall anything else, specifics 15 Montgomery County so that it would only be split two 15 about your conversations with Congressman Adderholt? 16 ways instead of three. And then we talked about No. And then at the end -- as I said, I 16 A. 17 what that might mean in terms of where he would pick 17 had splint a precinct in Lauderdale to get to zero 18 deviation in District 5, and he referred a different 18 up. 19 Coosa had been in the 3rd in some 19 precinct split. So I changed it to the one he 20 earlier maps, meaning 2001 or sometime back in the 20 preferred. So that was -- that was one of the final 21 past. So he was fine picking up Coosa County from 21 changes at the end that we made. 22 6. And then for population -- obviously, population 22 Q. Moving on to Congressman Brooks in 23 reasons, he needed a little more than that. So we 23 District 5. What do you recall from those 24 took, I think, like 12,000 people from Chilton and 24 conversations? 25 put it into 3 to get his population to where it 25 A. Well, there weren't any because Page 127 Page 129 1 needed to be. 1 Congressman Brooks decided not to meet -- this is my 2 Q. Anything else you recall? 2 presumption -- because he was running for the senate 3 A. 3 and had less interest in how this was going to come 4 Q. What about Congressman Adderholt in 5 District 4? I did meet the first time with his chief 6 A. Yeah, I talked to him numerous times. 6 of staff just to talk about keeping Morgan and 7 Part of it is, obviously, he was going to pick up a 7 Madison together. But that was -- that was about 8 lot of folks from the 5th district. And there was 8 it. 9 initial discussion on which end of the 5th, should What was the discussion there about 10 keeping Morgan and Madison together? 10 we take them from Jackson County or should we take 11 them from Lauderdale, and how was the best way to do The community of interest. And a number 12 that. 12 of people that, obviously, live in northern Morgan 13 And we had a couple of different 13 work in Huntsville, in Madison County, and so forth, 14 discussions about that, and finally decided that 14 and thought it was a good combination to keep them 15 putting the Shoals -- Muscle Shoals area back whole and together. 16 together as much as possible in Lauderdale was the Other than that first meeting -- and I 17 preferable way to do that. And that's what we 17 guess that would have been back in May --18 talked about. 18 A. May. 19 19 0. -- of 2021 with the chief of staff for And then, obviously, that required him 20 to lose some of Tuscaloosa, a few precincts in 20 Congressman Brooks, did you meet with anybody else 21 on behalf of Congressman Brooks or his office? 21 Tuscaloosa, to make up for -- to get the population 22 to equal out. No. I called his chief of staff back 23 And also he had a little chunk of Blount 23 once we had, you know, roughed out a -- gotten the 24 County, as well, from 6. And we talked about making 24 math from the real data. And he -- he didn't call

25 Blount whole again and not splitting it between two

25 me back. I called him a couple of times. And I

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 1 assumed that meant he was less interested in how
                                                           1 was relevant to what I was doing.
                                                                           Jefferson County, the way it's split in
 2 this was going to go.
                                                           3 the 2021 congressional map, is not exactly a
3 0.
                And then finally, what about Congressman
 4 Palmer in District 6? What do you recall about
                                                           4 straight line. How did you decide which areas of
                                                           5 Jefferson County would move from District 6 to
 5 those conversations?
                                                           6 District 7?
 6 A.
                Well, I talked to him about again
 7 putting Blount back together and giving that all to
                                                                           I was looking geographically to widen
 8 him. I talked to him -- in the meantime, he had --
                                                           8 the face of the protrusion into Jefferson -- if you
9 he had initially, I thought, lived in Jefferson
                                                           9 want to call it that, into Jefferson County. I was
10 County. And then he had moved to Shelby.
                                                          10 looking to not split precincts. Those are all,
11
                So I talked a little bit about making
                                                          11 except for one that's split for deviation -- well,
12 sure I had the right home address for him. Because
                                                          12 two, technically. One Congressman Sewell --
13 I initially thought he still lived in Jefferson, but
                                                          13 Congresswoman Sewell lives in and another one.
14 he didn't. So we did have the right address in
                                                          14
                                                                           But I was trying not to split precincts.
15 Shelby. So that was fine.
                                                          15 I was picking whole precincts. And I was trying to
                I talked about he may loose Coosa to the
16
                                                          16 make the district more compact, meaning widen it as
17 3rd and a little part of Chilton. He was
                                                          17 it goes into Jefferson County and eliminate some of
18 comfortable with that. And I talked to him about
                                                          18 the longer, further-away ones at the northern part
19 some of the changes in Jefferson in the 7th District
                                                          19 of the county.
20 where geographically I was trying to make the 7th
                                                          20 0.
                                                                           So how does that process work when
21 District's footprint in Jefferson more compact by
                                                          21 you're choosing which precincts to pick up? Are you
22 adding western Jefferson and shortening the district
                                                          22 just kind of choosing at random geographically as
23 on the top. And I wanted him to be aware of that.
                                                          23 you move up and seeing what works? Or are there
                But as I said earlier, we had initial
                                                          24 other factors at play that you're considering?
25 meetings and even a follow-up call. But when the
                                                          25 A.
                                                                          No, that's exactly it, seeing what works
                                              Page 131
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1 final map was done, meaning that last week of
                                                           1 numerically and making something, in my mind, look
 2 October, he -- he allowed as how he didn't really
                                                           2 more compact geographically.
3 want to -- his chief of staff told me that the
                                                                           Are there any other factors or data that
 4 congressman did not really want to talk about it,
                                                           4 you're considering when you're choosing which
                                                           5 precincts to include?
 5 that he was convinced we were going to go to court,
                                                           6 A.
 6 and he didn't really see a need to discuss it.
                                                                           No. I mean, other than -- we had that
7 Q.
                Who was that that told you that?
                                                           7 discussion about Homewood where she allowed that --
                Congressman Palmer's chief of staff.
                                                           8 we had split a couple of Homewood precincts, some on
 8 A.
9 0.
                And when was that discussion?
                                                           9 one side of her line in 7 and some on the other side
10 A.
                That was in mid October.
                                                          10 in 6, and thought it might be good to group them all
11 0.
                And why did he say that he was convinced
                                                          11 together.
12 that this was going to go to court?
                                                                           You mentioned that there were two
13 A.
                I don't know. He was -- the chief of
                                                          13 precincts that were split for deviation purposes,
14 staff said that -- the chief of staff said that he
                                                          14 one of which Congressman Sewell lives in you said.
15 had been told, I think, by the NRCC that this map
                                                          15 What were those two precincts?
16 was going to go to court, and that Congressman
                                                          16 A.
                                                                           The names?
17 Palmer had decided to not discuss it further.
                                                          17 0.
                                                                           Do you recall?
                Did you ask him why he thought it was
                                                          18 A.
18 0.
                                                                           I do not.
19 going to court?
                                                          19 0.
                                                                           This isn't a memory test. I just --
20 A.
                                                          20 A.
                                                                           I do not.
                No. I accepted his answer.
21 Q.
                Did you have any idea about why this
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           Okay.
22 would go to court based on that discussion?
                                                          22 A.
                                                                           And the reason it's not one -- I was
23 A.
                                                          23 trying to make the split just solely in one
24 Q.
                And you didn't care to ask?
                                                          24 precinct. But unfortunately the census blocks
25 A.
                It was his opinion. I didn't think it
                                                          25 didn't cooperate very much. And when I got to where
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                                                           1 A.
 1 I got to geographically in the one -- the precinct
                                                                           ob T
 2 she lived in, I was hoping I could pick up the right
                                                           2 0.
                                                                           What is this document?
3 number of populations.
                                                                           These are the quidelines that were
                                                           3 A.
                But unfortunately I hit a situation
                                                           4 approved by the reapportionment committee for
5 where there was like a 550 block next to it, and
                                                           5 drawing the four maps.
 6 that was too many. So that was not going to work.
                                                                           Were you provided a copy of these
 7 So I had to split another precinct to get to zero
                                                              redistricting guidelines before you drafted the 2021
8 deviation.
                                                             congressional map?
9 Q.
                                                           9 A.
                Do you recall anything else specifically
                                                                           I was.
10 from your discussions with Congressman Palmer or his
                                                          10 Q.
                                                                           Who provided it to you?
11 chief of staff in furtherance of drawing the 2021
                                                                           The two co-chairs, probably with Dorman
                                                          11 A.
12 congressional map?
                                                          12 Walker, as well. I'm not sure who handed it to me.
13 A.
                                                          13 0.
                                                                           And when was that?
14 0.
                And I think we discussed this earlier.
                                                          14 A.
                                                                           It would have been around the time it
                                                          15 was passed, May 5th.
15 But in any of those discussions with any of those
16 congressmen, Congressmen Carl, Moore, Rogers,
                                                          16 0.
                                                                           What --
17 Adderholt, Brooks, Palmer, did race ever come up in
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           Which very importantly happens to be my
18 your discussions with any of them or their staff?
                                                          18 birthday.
19 A.
                                                                           That is an important note. Thank you
                                                          19
                                                             Q.
20
                I mean, I'll amend that slightly. I do
                                                              for letting me know. Happy belated birthday.
                                                          20
21 think in the final when I went through with
                                                          21 A.
                                                                           Thank you.
22 everybody, I think maybe Congressman Moore's
                                                          22 Q.
                                                                           What were you told when you were
23 district director, Bill Harris, who I was talking
                                                          23 provided these guidelines?
24 to, may have asked, "Can you tell me what the BVAP
                                                          24 A.
                                                                           I was told these were the guidelines for
25 of the 2nd District is now?" I think I probably
                                                          25 drawing the four maps that you've been contracted to
                                               Page 135
                                                                                                          Page 137
1 gave him that number.
                                                           1 draw, and to follow them to the best of my
 2 0.
                And when was that?
                                                           2 abilities.
                In the last -- that last week when we
3 A.
                                                           3 0.
                                                                           Anything else that you recall?
 4 turned race on.
                                                           4 A.
                                                                           No.
5 Q.
                You gave him the --
                                                           5 0.
                                                                           And did you, in fact, follow these
                He asked --
                                                           6 guidelines in drawing the 2021 congressional map?
 6 A.
                -- black voting age population?
 7 0.
                                                           7 A.
                                                                           I did.
                Yeah. He asked what the BVAP for that
                                                                           Let's take a look at the criteria that's
 8 A.
                                                           8 0.
9 district was, and I gave him that number.
                                                           9 listed here. So starting on Page 1, you see Line 10
                Was there any further discussion about
10 Q.
                                                          10 there. It says Section II, Criteria for
11 it?
                                                          11 Redistricting.
12 A.
                                                          12 A.
                No.
                                                                           Yes. sir.
13
                                                          13 Q.
                                                                           I want to talk through these with you.
               (Plaintiff's Exhibit 7 was
                                                          14 So Sections II a and b both state that the
14
15
               marked for identification.)
                                                          15 congressional district should equalize total
16
                                                          16 population and have minimal population deviation.
                I'm handing you what's been marked as
17 Q.
                                                          17
                                                                           Do you see that?
18 Plaintiff's Exhibit 7. This is a copy of the
                                                          18 A.
                                                                           I do.
19 reapportionment committee redistricting guidelines
                                                          19 0.
                                                                           What does minimal population deviation
20 that was produced in this lawsuit. The Bates number
                                                          20 mean to you?
21 at the bottom is RC 043723, and it's dated May 5th
                                                                           I took that to mean for the
                                                          21 A.
22 2021.
                                                          22 congressional districts, that that was -- they
23
                Do you see that?
                                                          23 should be zero for six of the districts and plus one
24 A.
                I do.
                                                          24 for the remaining district because the population
25 0.
                Do you recognize this document?
                                                          25 was not divisible by seven. So six were to zero
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 1 deviation, and one should be plus one.
                                                           1 Q.
                                                                           So that goes back to the population
                Which district did you choose to be the
                                                           2 deviation?
                                                           3 A.
3 plus one deviation?
                                                                           Correct.
 4 A.
                I knew you would ask me that. I don't
                                                           4 0.
                                                                           And where does that understanding come
 5 -- I would have to look. I think it was the 6th
                                                           5 from?
 6 maybe. I would have to look at a map. I don't have
                                                           6 A.
                                                                           Where does my understanding come from?
 7 numbers. I'm sorry.
                                                           7 I'm sure if I had any questions about it, I asked
8 Q.
                Was it District 7?
                                                           8 legal counsel.
                No, I don't think so. I think it was 2
9 A.
                                                           9 Q.
                                                                           So other than what you just discussed
10 or 6, but I can't remember which.
                                                          10 doing for Sections II a and b in adjusting for the
                And what did you do to make sure that
                                                          11 population, did you do anything else to make sure
11 Q.
12 your map complied with that zero deviation for six
                                                          12 that your plan complies with the one person, one
13 of the districts and plus or minus one for the
                                                          13 vote principle?
14 other?
                                                          14 A.
15 A.
                I moved -- I split seven precincts down
                                                          15 0.
                                                                           Section II e looks like it just states
16 to the census block level to get to zero deviation
                                                          16 that a plan that does not comply with the population
17 for six of the districts and plus one for the
                                                          17 requirements above will not be approved.
                                                                           Is there anything additional you needed
18 seventh one.
19 0.
                Did anyone tell you that zero percent
                                                             to consider here for this section e beyond what
20 deviation was required or that there was a certain
                                                          20 we've already discussed?
21 cutoff that you had to reach to satisfy this
                                                          21 A.
                                                                           I don't believe so.
                                                                           Section II f states, "Districts shall be
22 criteria?
                                                          22 Q.
23
                MR. WALKER: Objection to form. You can
                                                          23 drawn in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of
                                                          24 1965 as amended. A redistricting plan shall have
24 answer.
25 A.
                I was told that it was literally zero
                                                          25 neither the purpose nor the effect of diluting
                                                                                                         Page 141
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 1 deviation, meaning zero -- not percent, but zero
                                                           1 minority voting strength, and shall comply with
                                                           2 Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the United
 2 people except for the one that had to be plus one.
                                                           3 States Constitution."
 3 0.
                Is that plus one person?
                                                                           Are you familiar with the Voting Rights
 4 A.
                Yes.
 5 Q.
                Understood.
                                                           5 Act of 1965?
                Sorry. Plus one person.
 6 A.
                                                           6 A.
                                                                           I'm not a lawyer, but I'm familiar with
7 Q.
                And who told you --
                                                           7 it.
 8 A.
                Dorman Walker, legal counsel.
                                                           8 0.
                                                                           What is your understanding?
9 0.
                Section II c looks like it's about
                                                           9 A.
                                                                           Well, that the -- a plan should not have
10 legislative and board of education districts. So I
                                                          10 the intent or purpose of discriminating against any
11 don't think that would apply to the congressional
                                                          11 minority population.
12 map. Is that correct?
                                                          12 0.
                                                                           Where does that understanding come from?
13 A.
                Correct.
                                                          13 A.
                                                                           Just conversations with legal counsel
                Section II d says that the plan must
14 Q.
                                                          14 and others during the process.
15 comply with the one person, one vote principle of
                                                          15 Q.
                                                                           Are you familiar with Section 2 of the
16 the Equal Protection Clause of the 14th Amendment of
                                                          16 Voting Rights Act?
17 the United States Constitution.
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           Again, I'm not a lawyer. But vaguely.
                                                          18 0.
18
                Do you understand what the one person,
                                                                           Have you ever read Section 2 of the
19 one vote principle is?
                                                          19 Voting Rights Act?
20 A.
                I think I do.
                                                          20 A.
                                                                           I'm not sure I have.
21 Q.
                What's your understanding?
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           What is your understanding of what
                Again, that's so no -- so people have
22 A.
                                                          22 Section 2 requires?
23 equal representation, the representatives in those,
                                                                           Where there -- I guess my understanding
24 in the congressional case, should be representing
                                                          24 of it, a layman's understanding of it, would be
25 the same number of people.
                                                          25 where there's a sufficient and compact enough
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Page 142 Page 144 1 population of -- minority population to create a 1 numbers related to the map. 2 district, a congressional district in this case, Did you have anyone other than 3 that a district should be drawn if it's compact and 3 Mr. Walker or someone with his firm analyze your map 4 sort of meets the Gingles, I guess, requirements, 4 at any point to confirm that it complies with 5 Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act? 5 compact, contiguous population. 6 0. Where there would be a majority black I did not. 7 district? Do you know if anyone reviewed the map 8 A. Right, and would have the opportunity to to determine whether it complies with Section 2 of 9 elect a candidate of their choice. the Voting Rights Act, other than potentially 10 Q. And does that understanding come from 10 Mr. Walker and his firm? 11 the same sources, conversations with counsel? 11 A. I do not, no. And other than what we've discussed 12 A. Yes, sir. 12 0. 13 0. 13 already, did you do anything else to make sure that What did you do to make sure that your 14 plan complies with Section 2 of the Voting Rights 14 your plan complies with Section 2 of the Voting 15 Act? 15 Rights Act? 16 A. Again, once it was done and we turned on 16 A. I did not. 17 race, we talked about it. No one asked me to make Moving on to the next criteria, Section 18 any other changes. And I talked to legal counsel II q. This one is a little longer. 19 and, I guess, concluded that it satisfies Section 2 It states, "No district will be drawn in 20 of the Voting Rights Act. 20 a manner that subordinates race-neutral districting 21 Q. Anything else? 21 criteria to considerations of race, color, or 22 A. 22 membership in a language-minority group, except that No. 23 0. Did you personally make a determination 23 race, color, or membership in a language-minority 24 that your plan does not have the purpose or effect 24 group may predominate over race-neutral districting 25 of diluting minority voting strength? 25 criteria to comply with Section 2 of the Voting Page 143 Page 145 I'm -- I'm not a lawyer, so I don't know 1 Rights Act, provided there is a strong basis in 2 that I can make that -- I don't know that it's my 2 evidence in support of such a race-based choice. A 3 job to make that distinction. But I don't believe 3 strong basis in evidence exists when there is good 4 reason to believe that race must be used in order to 4 it discriminated against anyone. 5 Q. 5 satisfy the Voting Rights Act." Did you do anything to make that 6 determination yourself? 6 Do you see that? 7 A. Other than talk to legal counsel, no. 7 A. I do. Other than potentially legal counsel, 8 0. 8 0. What is your understanding of what that 9 did you have discussions with anyone else about 9 section requires? 10 whether your plan complied with Section II of the 10 A. My understanding of what that section 11 Voting Rights Act? 11 requires is that's why -- when we made all of our 12 A. 12 changes to the districts by adding or subtracting 13 Q. In making the determination, whether 13 population, that's why race was not on. We did it 14 that's through conversation with legal counsel or 14 based on total population. And then at the end of 15 not, about whether your plan complies with this 15 the process, we did turn race on to look at various 16 districts. 16 policy, did that require you to review the racial 17 makeup of the districts? 17 And because we were doing a number of 18 A. Well, yeah. I mean, race -- at that 18 these maps at the same time, there were a couple of 19 point, we had turned race on. So the BVAPs and 19 instances in the other maps where we did look at 20 numbers were available. 20 race to add to a district. But that did not come 21 Q. And you say they were available. So 21 into play in congressional. 22 then you had to review them, as well, to make sure What, if anything, did you do to make 23 that everything was in compliance with this policy? sure that specific congressional districts complied Well, we -- the numbers were then 24 with this policy?

I made sure that when I added -- I used

25 A.

25 revealed or available, and we discussed the various

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 1 traditional redistricting principles of total pop
                                                           1 already basically been covered in other things we've
2 and geography considerations to add and subtract to
                                                           2 discussed.
3 these districts, and that that was not based on
                                                           3 0.
                                                                           Anything else that you had to take into
 4 race.
                                                           4 account to comply with this policy?
                Flip the page to Page 2. The next
5 Q.
                                                           5 A.
                                                                           I don't think so.
 6 section is Section 2 h, and it states that districts
                                                           6 0.
                                                                           Section II j starting at Line 21 there.
 7 must be composed of contiguous and reasonably
                                                           7 Section II j lists six redistricting policies. Do
8 compact geography.
                                                           8 you see that?
9
                                                           9 A.
                What is your understanding of what this
                                                                           Uh-huh.
10 section requires?
                                                          10 Q.
                                                                           Sorry. Can you answer verbally?
11 A.
                Yeah, obviously contiguous counties
                                                                           Yes. Sorry.
                                                          11 A.
12 and/or precincts had to be adjacent, to be hooked
                                                          12 0.
                                                                           That's fine.
13 together, to form a district. You couldn't have
                                                          13
                                                                           Did you consider these redistricting
14 part of Madison County tied to Mobile or something
                                                          14 policies when drawing your map?
                                                          15 A.
                                                                           I did.
15 crazy like that.
16
                And to the extent possible, I was trying
                                                          16 0.
                                                                           How?
17 to, when changing things inside a county as
                                                                           Well, I wanted to make sure that no --
18 Jefferson, I was trying to make -- or Montgomery,
                                                          18 to the extent possible that no incumbents were put
19 for that matter, tried to make districts more
                                                          19 together, which they were not, in the congressional
20 geographically compact so they were not as spread
                                                          20 map. While continuity by water was allowed, I was
21 out.
                                                          21 trying to not use that. Which I don't think we did.
                                                          22
22 Q.
                                                                           I don't know how far down your --
                Beyond what you just mentioned with
23 Montgomery -- sorry. Was that Jefferson County?
                                                          23 0.
                                                                           I can walk through them with you. That
24 A.
                And Montgomery, too.
                                                          24 might make more sense.
25 Q.
                                                          25
                And Montgomery County. Beyond that,
                                                                           First off, did anyone explain to you
                                                                                                         Page 149
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 1 what did you do to make sure that your plan complies
                                                           1 what these policies mean?
 2 with this policy?
                                                                           No. I'm sure if I had a question, I
3 A.
                That's about it.
                                                           3 would have asked legal counsel. But I don't
 4 Q.
                Moving on to the next section, Section
                                                           4 remember asking.
5 II i. It lists several requirements of the Alabama
                                                           5 Q.
                                                                           Similarly, did anyone explain to you how
6 Constitution. I'm not going to read all of them
                                                           6 to apply these policies in drawing the map?
7 here.
                                                           7 A.
                                                                           No.
                \operatorname{Did} you consider these factors in
                                                                           What is your understanding of the
8
                                                           8
                                                             0.
9 drawing your map?
                                                             priority amongst these various policies?
10 A.
                I did.
                                                                           I think the only two that are paramount
11 0.
                It appears, just by looking at them,
                                                          11 to the rest of them would be one person, one vote
12 that most of them do not apply to the congressional
                                                          12 and the Voting Rights Act.
13 map. Rather, they talk about Alabama senate and
                                                          13
                                                                           The rest of them are somewhat -- can
14 Alabama house. Is that right?
                                                          14 occasionally be in conflict. And it depends on the
15 A.
                                                          15 various situations where one might trump the other
                Correct.
                                                          16 or vice versa.
                How did you consider these factors here
16 0.
17 under Section II i in drawing the congressional map?
                                                                           You may have two incumbents that live
18 A.
                Well, I don't know how far down this
                                                          18 very close to one another. Maybe they need to be
19 list -- I don't know how far down this list you're
                                                          19 split apart. That may make the districts not quite
20 counting.
                                                          20 as compact as you would like. But one of those --
                It looks likes II i. It's from Line 3
21 Q.
                                                          21 you know, you couldn't put the two incumbents
22 down to Line 20 on Page 2 of Exhibit 7.
                                                          22 together. So sometimes they are in conflict, and
                As you say, most of them don't really
                                                          23 you have to resolve that.
24 apply. They are all -- all districts will be
                                                                           Other than the two you just mentioned,
25 single-member districts, they're contiguous. That's
                                                          25 one person, one vote and the Voting Rights Act, did
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 1 you place any greater importance on one of these
                                                            1 A.
                                                                           No.
 2 policies over the other?
                                                                           Did you have to make any modifications
                                                            2 Q.
 3 A.
                No.
                                                            3 to your map to comply with this policy?
 4 0.
                Let's walk through these. So the first
                                                            4 A.
                                                                           I did not.
                                                                           The third one -- the third policy, which
 5 policy under Section J starting on Line 25 there
 6 states, "Contests between incumbents will be avoided
                                                            6 is Section II j(iii,) states, "Districts shall
 7 whenever possible."
                                                            7 respect communities of interest, neighborhoods, and
                 What's your understanding of what this
                                                           8 political subdivisions to the extent practicable and
                                                              in compliance with paragraphs a through i."
 9 requires?
10 A.
                That when -- certainly when possible, I
                                                          10
                                                                           What is your understanding of what this
11 would not put incumbents in the same district.
                                                          11 policy requires?
                                                          12 A.
12 Q.
                What did you do to make sure that you
                                                                           It requires -- like I said earlier, in
                                                          13 areas; for example, Mobile and Baldwin which wanted
13 complied with that?
14 A.
                 Retrieved -- made sure that we retrieved
                                                          14 to stay together or Madison and Morgan that had
15 all of the home addresses and looked to where they
                                                          15 specific communities of interest, it was to keep
16 were and made sure two of them were not in the same
                                                           16 areas together that have similar -- and, obviously,
                                                          17 there are lots of different communities of interest.
17 district.
                You might have answered this earlier.
                                                           18 So I tried to keep areas, to the extent possible,
18 Q.
19 But did you have to make any modifications to your
                                                          19 together.
20 map to comply with this?
                                                           20
                                                                           Obviously, this comes into conflict with
21 A.
                Not the congressional map.
                                                           21 county lines, precinct lines, other things. So it's
                                                           22 not always -- and everybody has -- a number of
22 Q.
                This factor applies equally to both
23 parties, correct?
                                                           23 people have different views of what communities of
                                                           24 interest are. So it's certainly not always possible
24 A.
                Certainly, yes.
25 Q.
                                                           25 to keep all of them together.
                So you applied it equally to all
                                                                                                          Page 153
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 1 incumbents, both the republicans and to the
                                                            1 Q.
                                                                           What is your definition of a community
 2 democrat, correct?
                                                            2 of interest?
 3 A.
                 Correct.
                                                                           My definition of community of interest,
 4 Q.
                The second policy there, Section II
                                                           4 it can be geographic, it can be economic, where
 5 j(ii) starting on Line 26, states -- I don't know
                                                           5 people work, it can be racial, it could be
 6 why I'm having trouble pronouncing the word.
                                                            6 geography, it could be people on the bay, for
 7 "Contiguity by water is allowed, but point-to-point
                                                           7 example, for Mobile and Baldwin counties. A host
 8 contiguity and long-lasso contiguity is not."
                                                           8 of -- a host of communities of interest.
                 What is your understanding of what that
                                                                           What do you consider to be communities
                                                           10 of interest in Alabama?
10 policy requires?
11 A.
                I'm not sure I even know what long-lasso
                                                          11 A.
                                                                           All those things I just listed.
12 contiguity is, to be honest with you.
                                                                           Is there any sort of particular
13
                But point-to-point, occasionally you can
                                                             communities of interest that are well established or
14 have a precinct or a census block that connects to
                                                           14 a list of any of these? Or is this just something
15 the next one just by one point in space. And that's
                                                             that is subjectively known but doesn't really exist
16 not -- under their guidelines, not allowable in
                                                          16 in writing anywhere?
17 terms of connecting them together.
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           I don't know of a definitive list of all
                 Again, on the congressional map, it
                                                          18 the communities of interest in Alabama.
18
19 didn't come into play very much because I tried not
                                                          19 0.
                                                                           Are there any specific communities of
20 to split -- I only split seven precincts and tried
                                                          20 interest that come to mind for you right now?
21 not to have situations where census blocks were --
                                                                           No, other than the ones I listed. I
                                                           21 A.
22 weren't any -- weren't close to any of those options
                                                           22 mean, precincts can be -- counties are, I guess,
23 there.
                                                           23 communities of interest sometimes. I mean, it's --
                Did you have to do anything else to make
                                                          24 there are a whole host of things.
25 sure your plan complied with this policy?
                                                           25 0.
                                                                           It sounds like communities of interest
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 1 can be somewhat fluid. Is that fair to say?
                                                           1 for example, the Muscle Shoals area together in
 2 A.
                It is fair to say.
                                                           2 the -- in the 4th District when we split Lauderdale.
                                                           3 Not that it was at issue, but the people in Mobile
3 0.
                One area, say, where we're sitting right
 4 now in Montgomery, could be part of three, four,
                                                           4 and Baldwin very much wanted to be together because
                                                           5 they share the bay. But that didn't require a
 5 five, six different communities of interest
 6 depending on what factors you're looking at?
                                                           6 change. It just is a . . .
                Yeah, whether they're economic or racial
                                                                           Other than the modification for the
 8 or social or everybody roots for the same football
                                                           8 Muscle Shoals community, are there any other
                                                           9 specific modifications that you felt like you made
9 team, I suppose.
10 Q.
                Do they?
                                                          10 in drawing the 2021 map?
11 A.
                                                          11 A.
                                                                           No, not specifically.
                No.
12 Q.
                I see. I see. That would be a
                                                          12 0.
                                                                           Does your map split any communities of
13 community of interest perhaps.
                                                          13 interest?
14
                Are you familiar with the black belt?
                                                          14 A.
                                                                           Oh, I'm sure it does. I mean, all maps
15 You mentioned that earlier.
                                                          15 split some communities of interest.
16 A.
                I am.
                                                          16 0.
                                                                           And part of that is because of what we
                What is the black belt?
                                                             just discussed, that communities of interest can
17 0.
                                                             mean lots of different things?
18 A.
                It's a group of mostly rural counties
19 that have a -- for the most part have a majority
                                                          19
                                                                           To different people, I'm sure.
20 black population.
                                                                           Looking at the bottom of Section II
21 Q.
                Do you know what counties are in the
                                                          21 j(iii,) that third policy, it gives a definition.
22 black belt?
                                                          22 It says, "The term communities of interest" --
23 A.
                I'm not sure I can list every one. But
                                                          23 excuse me.
24 yeah, in general, I do.
                                                                           It says, "A community of interest is
25 Q.
                What counties would you say are in the
                                                          25 defined as an area with recognized similarities of
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1 black belt?
                                                           1 interests, including but not limited to ethnic,
 2 A.
                                                           2 racial, economic, tribal, social, geographic, or
                I would say Sumpter, Greene, Choctaw,
                                                           3 historical identities. The term communities of
3 Marengo, Hale, Perry, Dallas, Wilcox, Lowndes, I
                                                           4 interest may in certain circumstances include
 4 guess Macon and Bullock. Some would say Montgomery.
 5 Q.
                Do you consider the black belt to be a
                                                           5 political subdivisions such as counties, voting
 6 community of interest?
                                                           6 precincts, municipalities, tribal lands and
7 A.
                I do.
                                                           7 reservations, or school districts."
                                                                           Did you review any ethnic, racial,
8 0.
                So in drawing your map, what did you do
9 to make sure that your plan complies with this
                                                           9 tribal, or other similar data to identify
                                                          10 communities of interest?
10 policy, that it respected communities of interest?
                Again, I mean, because there are so many
                                                          11 A.
                                                                           I did not.
12 different communities of interest, they're not -- I
                                                                           Moving to the next policy, the fourth
13 mean, no plan is going to respect all of them. So
                                                          13 policy, Section II j(iv.) It states, "The
14 there are trade-offs.
                                                          14 legislature shall try to minimize the number of
15
                                                          15 counties in each district."
                There are also -- you know, the entire
16 black belt I imagine if you made into a
                                                                           I think that's pretty self-explanatory.
17 congressional district would accomplish -- would hit
                                                          17 But what is your understanding of what that policy
18 up against other one person, one vote issues and
                                                          18 requires?
19 other issues in here, as well. So they are
                                                          19 A.
                                                                           Yeah, that's sort of a compactness
20 sometimes in conflict. So you can't -- you can't
                                                          20 thing. I was trying to keep the fewest number of
                                                          21 counties necessary to -- and it's not always --
21 satisfy all communities of interest.
                Did you have to make any specific
                                                          22 there are other -- the next one down says
23 modifications to your map to make sure that you were
                                                          23 "preserving cores of existing districts."
24 respecting communities of interest?
                                                                           I mean, some of these things come into
25 A.
                No. Although, again, I tried to keep,
                                                          25 conflict. But to where possible, I tried to deal in
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 1 whole counties, keeping counties whole, and the
                                                           1 district is?
 2 minimum number to reach the ideal population.
                                                           2 A.
                                                                           I did not.
                                                                           Does maintaining the core of districts
                Did you have to make any specific
                                                           3 0.
 4 modifications to your map to comply with that
                                                           4 require considerations of racial data?
 5 policy?
                                                                           I don't think it does, no.
 6 A.
                No. Although it does come into effect
                                                           6
 7 when people were talking about adding -- where you
                                                           7
                                                                          (Plaintiff's Exhibit 8 was
8 split a -- for example, the Escambia County split,
                                                                          marked for identification.)
9 you know, where does that go.
10
                I was trying to keep districts so that
                                                          10 0.
                                                                           I'm handing you what's been marked as
                                                          11 Plaintiff's Exhibit 8. This is a document that was
11 not all of the splits were in the same district and
12 the number of counties in a particular district
                                                          12 produced in this lawsuit. The Bates number in the
                                                          13 corner is RC 00056. It's a seven-page document.
13 didn't grow a lot. Because for a congressional
14 office, that takes on local governments and more
                                                          14 Each page has one of the seven congressional
15 work. So I tried to be mindful of that when looking
                                                          15 districts from the 2021 congressional map.
16 at it.
                                                          16
                                                                           Do you see that?
17 0.
                Other than trying to be mindful of that,
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           I do.
18 did you have to make any specific changes?
                                                          18 O.
                                                                           Have you seen this document before?
                                                          19 A.
19 A.
                                                                           I have not.
20 0.
                You referenced it just now. The next
                                                                           And you can take a look through it if
21 policy, the fifth policy, Section II j(v) states,
                                                          21 you don't believe me. But these are the seven --
22 "The legislature shall try to preserve the cores of
                                                          22 these are maps of each of the seven congressional
23 existing districts."
                                                          23 districts in the 2021 map that you drew; is that
                What is your understanding of what that
                                                          24 correct?
                                                          25 A.
25 policy requires?
                                                                           Yes, sir.
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                That's basically the cores of the -- of
                                                                           Looking at page one here, District 1,
 2 existing districts or the counties that make up the
                                                           2 show me on here where the core of District 1 is.
3 majority of those districts, to keep them together
                                                                           Well, the core of District 1 to me would
 4 in the same district.
                                                           4 be Mobile and Baldwin counties.
                Obviously, incumbents have a preference
                                                           5 Q.
                                                                           Flipping over to -- and why do you
                                                           6 consider those two --
6 to not have to add folks they haven't represented
7 when they can continue to keep the folks they have
                                                           7 A.
                                                                           Well, that's --
                                                           8 0.
                                                                           -- to be the core?
 8 been representing.
9 0.
                What, in your mind, is the core of an
                                                           9 A.
                                                                           Those are the two predominant counties.
10 existing district?
                                                          10 They have the vast majority of the population in the
11 A.
                The core of an existing district is
                                                          11 district.
12 basically -- I view it as geography. It's the
                                                          12 0.
                                                                           Flipping the page to District 2. What
13 county -- the key counties that make up the current
                                                          13 do you consider to be the core of District 2?
14 district, current as in 2001.
                                                                           The core of District 2 is a little more
15 Q.
                Where --
                                                          15 complicated than that, I guess. You have the Wire
                                                          16 -- you have Dothan, which is Houston County, you
16 A.
                Or 2011 I mean.
                Where does that understanding come from?
17 0.
                                                          17 have the Wiregrass region, you have Montgomery, and
                I don't know. That understanding comes
                                                          18 then you have Autauga and Elmore on top -- of top of
18 A.
19 from what the cores of a district are.
                                                          19
                                                             them.
20 0.
                Your understanding of what a core of a
                                                          20 0.
                                                                           And why do you consider those counties
21 district is comes from --
                                                          21 to be the core of this district?
22 A.
                I mean, that's what the definition of
                                                                           Again, that's where the majority of the
23 those words are to me anyway.
                                                          23 population is. And they've been for the most part
                Did you have some sort of metric to use
                                                          24 consistently inside the 2nd District for a
25 when determining what the core of an existing
                                                          25 considerable period of time.
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	Q. Moving the page to District 3, the same	1	in that district for a long period of time.
	question. What do you consider to be the core of	2	Q. And going through each of these counties
3	District 3?	3	that you consider to be the core of each district,
4	A. The core of District 3 would be Calhoun	4	is that a determination that you made? Or is that
5	and St. Clair. And then obviously more down, Lee	5	something that you were told by someone else?
6	and Russell, which are very fast-growing counties,	6	A. That's a determination I made.
7	especially Lee County. That would be the core of	7	Q. Have you discussed what you consider to
8	the district to me.	8	be the core of each of these districts with anyone
9	Q. And why do you say that?	9	else?
10	A. Again, it's the vast majority of the	10	A. I may have discussed it with legal
11	population. It's also those areas have been	11	counsel. But I don't have a specific recollection
12	pretty much continuously in the 3rd District.	12	of the discussion.
13	Q. Turning the page to District 4, same	13	Q. Has anyone ever told you before what the
14	question. What do you consider to be the core of	14	core of each district is?
15	District 4?	15	A. No.
16	A. The core of District 4 would be sort of	16	Q. Looking back at the policy that we were
17	the Winston, Walker, Cullman area, and then northern	17	referencing here about preserving the cores of each
18	Tuscaloosa which was only added ten years ago but	18	of the districts, what did you do to make sure that
19	certainly plays a key role in the district now. And	19	your plan preserved the core of each of these
20	then sort of Marshall, Etowah, again large	20	districts?
21	population, have been in the district a considerable	21	A. I kept the areas we referenced by
22	amount of time.	22	district inside that district.
23	Q. Is your answer for why those are the	23	Q. Did you have to make any specific
24	core based on population again?	24	modifications to comply with this?
25	A. Population, yeah.		A. No.
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1	Q. Flipping the page to District 5, same	1	Page 165 Q. Where did this policy rank in comparison
1 2	Q. Flipping the page to District 5, same question. What's the core there?	1 2	Q. Where did this policy rank in comparison to the other policies?
1 2 3	Q. Flipping the page to District 5, same question. What's the core there? A. The core would be Madison and Morgan and		Q. Where did this policy rank in comparison to the other policies?
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1 2 3 4	Q. Flipping the page to District 5, same question. What's the core there? A. The core would be Madison and Morgan and	2 3	Q. Where did this policy rank in comparison to the other policies? A. It was equal to all except one person,
1 2 3 4 5	Q. Flipping the page to District 5, same question. What's the core there? A. The core would be Madison and Morgan and Limestone, which is now rapidly growing, as well.	2 3 4	Q. Where did this policy rank in comparison to the other policies? A. It was equal to all except one person, one vote and the Voting Rights Act.
1 2 3 4 5	Q. Flipping the page to District 5, same question. What's the core there? A. The core would be Madison and Morgan and Limestone, which is now rapidly growing, as well. Again, population, and they've been in that district	2 3 4 5	Q. Where did this policy rank in comparison to the other policies? A. It was equal to all except one person, one vote and the Voting Rights Act. Q. We're almost through the criteria here.
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 1 that level, I guess. You would have to ask me that
                                                           1 A.
                                                                           I'm not.
                                                                           What is your understanding of what a
 2 one again.
                                                           2 0.
                                                           3 racial polarization analysis entails?
 3 0.
                And did you run into any of those
 4 conflicts? Did you have to make any modifications
                                                           4 A.
                                                                           I think it -- I've never done one, and
                                                           5 I'm not an expert. But my understanding -- a
 5 based on any sort of conflict like that in drawing
                                                           6 layman's understanding of it, it is an analysis of
 6 the map?
 7 A.
                 Well, I mean, I didn't run into them.
                                                           7 performance of how a district would perform in terms
 8 But, I mean, I kept those in mind when we were doing
                                                           8 of electing a candidate of choice for a minority
9 our initial additions or subtractions to the plan.
                                                           9 candidate.
10 Q.
                 Same question. To your knowledge, was
                                                          10 0.
                                                                           Do you know why a racial polarization
11 there any conflict between those five policies we
                                                          11 analysis was not conducted?
12 just discussed and the requirements under the Voting
                                                          12 A.
                                                                           I do -- that was -- I do not.
13 Rights Act of 1965?
                                                          13 0.
                                                                           Did you ever suggest one?
14 A.
                No. As I stated, when I added
                                                          14 A.
                                                                           I did not.
15 population to the 7th district, for example, I was
                                                          15
                                                             Ο.
                                                                           Why not?
16 not looking at race. So there was no conflict with
                                                                           It wasn't under my purview.
                                                          16 A.
17 any of it to the Voting Rights Act.
                                                          17 0.
                                                                           What do you mean?
                 THE REPORTER: There was no conflict
                                                          18 A.
                                                                           It wasn't part of my -- I was asked to
                                                             draw four maps and submit them to the legislature.
19 what?
20 A.
                With any of those to the Voting Rights
                                                                           Did anyone ever talk to you about a
                                                          20
21 Act.
                                                          21 racial polarization analysis?
                                                                           Counsel. We talked -- we've talked
22 Q.
                I don't think it's another policy. But
                                                          22 A.
23 looking down here at the bottom, g, the last section
                                                          23 about --
24 under the criteria. Section g states that the six
                                                          24
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Objection to form.
                                                          25 Q.
25 policies we just discussed in paragraphs j(i)
                                                                           Without going into any discussion that
                                               Page 167
                                                                                                         Page 169
 1 through (vi) are not listed in order of precedence,
                                                           1 you had with Mr. Walker, did anyone else ever talk
 2 and in each instance where they conflict, the
                                                           2 to you about any racial polarization analysis being
 3 legislature shall at its discrimination determine
                                                           3 done for the 2021 congressional map?
 4 which takes priority.
                                                                           No.
                                                                           MR. THOMPSON: For the record, Counsel,
                 Were you given any instruction on which
 6 policy should take priority over the others?
                                                           6 I have a copy here of the joint stipulated facts
 7 A.
                No, other than section 6 that says
                                                           7 that were agreed to by counsel and filed this past
 8 clearly one person, one vote and the Voting Rights
                                                           8
                                                              Friday. I only have one copy.
9 Act. But other than that, no.
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Do you want me to get a
10 Q.
                 Is there anything else in Exhibit 8,
                                                          10 copy made, copies made?
11 which is the reapportionment committee redistricting
                                                                           MR. THOMPSON: We can. I just have a
12 guidelines, that you considered other than the
                                                          12 question about one of these. So if it works, I can
13 criteria we just discussed in Section II?
                                                          13 just read it into the record and show the witness.
14 A.
                                                          14
                                                                           MR. WALKER: That's fine.
15 0.
                                                          15 0.
                                                                           Paragraph 62 of -- for your knowledge,
                 In looking back at these criteria in
16 Exhibit 8, Section II, were these the main factors
                                                          16 sir, this is a document titled Joint Stipulated
17 that you considered when drawing the 2021
                                                          17 Facts for Preliminary Injunction Proceedings. And
18 congressional map?
                                                          18 this was a document of stipulated facts that the
19 A.
                                                          19 parties in the three lawsuits here have agreed to.
                They were.
20 0.
                Did you consider any other factors when
                                                          20 Does that make sense?
21 drawing the 2021 congressional map?
                                                          21 A.
                                                                           Yes.
22 A.
                I did not.
                                                                           MR. DAVIS: Actually, there are
23 Q.
                Are you aware of any racial polarization
                                                          23 differences. What one set of counsel agreed to with
24 analysis that was done on any of the districts on
                                                          24 us may not be exactly what another set of counsel
25 the 2021 congressional map?
                                                          25 agreed to with us. So you might want to clarify for
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 1 the record in which case those stipulations are.
                                                           1 Q.
                                                                           And you drew the original District 7
                MR. THOMPSON: This is the Milligan
                                                           2 back in 1992, we discussed, right?
3 plaintiffs versus Merrill stipulations.
                                                                           Correct.
 4 0.
                All right. Paragraph 62 in this -- and
                                                           4 0.
                                                                           So you drew that original, for lack of
5 I'll read it to you, and then I can show it to you.
                                                           5 better terms, finger that extends into District 6?
                It states, "In recent litigation,
                                                                           Yeah. And I'm not sure it looked
6
7 Secretary Merrill stated that CD 7," which is
                                                           7 exactly like that. But yes, I did.
8 Congressional District 7, "appears to be racially
                                                                           And why did you draw that long finger
9 gerrymandered, with a finger sticking up from the
                                                           9 extension into District 6?
10 black belt for the sole purpose of grabbing the
                                                          10 A.
                                                                           Well, it partially probably had to do
11 black population of Jefferson County. Defendant
                                                          11 with where the incumbent lived at that point. But
12 does not believe that the law would permit Alabama
                                                          12 also to create a majority black district.
13 to draw that district today if the finger into
                                                                           Moving ahead to the 2021 congressional
14 Jefferson County was for the predominant purpose of
                                                          14 map. Were you asked to do anything to District 7 so
15 drawing African American voters into the district."
                                                          15 that it does not appear to be racially
16 And that's from Secretary of State Merrill's
                                                          16 gerrymandered?
17 pretrial brief in Chestnut v. Merrill.
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           I wasn't asked to do anything. But when
                                                          18 I was looking at adding population to District 7, I
                And I'll show that to you. Just let me
19 know when you've had a chance to look at it.
                                                          19 was hoping -- my goal was to make it more compact
20 A.
                                                          20 and geographically comprehensible in terms of, for
                Okav.
21 Q.
                Do you agree with Secretary Merrill that
                                                          21 example, Jefferson County. So that's why I was
22 District 7 appears to be racially gerrymandered?
                                                          22 adding west Jefferson County and gaining population
23
                MR. DAVIS: Object to the form.
                                                          23 there.
                MR. WALKER: Object to the form.
24
                                                          24 Q.
                                                                           Did you do anything specifically in
25
                MR. DAVIS: Which District 7? What
                                                          25 drawing the 2021 congressional map to modify it so
                                              Page 171
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1 year?
                                                           1 that District 7 does not appear to be racially
 2
                MR. THOMPSON: I believe this was in
                                                           2 gerrymandered?
3 reference to the 2011 --
                                                                           I don't know how to answer that other
                 MR. WALKER: Right.
                                                           4 than I tried to make it more geographically compact
                 MR. THOMPSON: -- congressional map.
                                                           5 in shape.
 5
                                                           6 0.
                                                                           Other than that, did you make --
 6 Correct?
                MR. DAVIS: I just want to make sure
                                                           7 A.
                                                                          And not -- and not split precincts.
8 it's clear if, in fact, you're asking him about the
                                                           8 Which I think a number of precincts were split in
9 2011 district, that y'all are on the same page.
                                                           9 this version.
10
                MR. THOMPSON: Thank you.
                                                          10 Q.
                                                                           Other than trying to make it
11 0.
                So do you agree with Secretary Merrill
                                                          11 geographically compact and not splitting precincts,
12 that District 7 in the 2011 Alabama congressional
                                                          12 did you make any other changes for that purpose?
13 map appears to be racially gerrymandered?
                                                          13 A.
                                                                           No.
                Well, again, I'm not a lawyer nor an
                                                          14
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Just so the record is
14 A.
                                                          15 clear, the witness' reference to "this version" was
15 expert. But I think it's clear there is a racial
16 component to the finger that goes into Jefferson
                                                          16 to the 2011 version.
17 County.
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           When I said they were split. Is that
18 Q.
                                                          18 what you're talking -- yeah.
                And why do you say that?
                                                                           MR. THOMPSON: Thank you.
19 A.
                Well, I think because of shape and size
                                                          19
20 and what have you. And, again, I haven't done -- I
                                                                          And I'm referring to when you were
                                                          20 O.
                                                          21 drawing the 2021 map now. So thank you for the
21 haven't looked at it specifically. But I imagine,
22 obviously, the majority of the folks inside that
                                                          22 clarification.
23 finger, for lack of a better word, are probably
                                                          23
                                                                           Did you specifically make any changes in
24 African American and the majority of folks on the
                                                          24 drawing the 2021 map to ensure that District 7 does
25 outside probably aren't.
                                                          25 not appear to be racially gerrymandered?
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	A. No, other than other than making the	1	A. No.
2	district more compact and more geographically	2	Q. Educational level?
3	contiguous.	3	A. No.
4	Q. Anything else?	4	Q. Favorite football team?
5	A. And not split precincts.	5	A. No.
6	Q. Anything beyond that?	6	Q. Voter turnout?
7	A. No.	7	A. No, sir.
8	Q. Do you know if District 7 would still be	8	Q. Election results to assess party
9	majority black without that finger sticking up into	9	affiliation?
10	Jefferson County?	10	A. No.
11	A. I do not.	11	Q. Were you asked to consider anything
12	Q. Have you looked at that?	12	about race when drawing any of the other districts?
13	A. No. But, of course, it's not really a	13	A. I was not.
14	finger anymore. It was basically the southwestern	14	Q. Did you consider anything about race
15	part of the county.	15	when drawing Districts 1 through 6?
16	Q. In drawing the 2021 congressional map,	16	A. I did not.
17	were you asked to consider anything about race when	17	Q. Did you consider whether it would be
18	drawing District 7?	18	possible to create a second black majority district
19	A. No.	19	when drawing the 2021 congressional map?
20	Q. Did you consider anything about race	20	A. I did.
21	when drawing District 7?	21	Q. When did you make that when did you
22	A. No.	22	consider that?
23	Q. And you say "No." That was before the	23	MR. WALKER: I'm going to asset the
24	week before you submitted this to the special	24	attorney-client privilege.
25	session, correct?	25	THE REPORTER: I'm sorry?
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1	Page 175 A. Correct. But even once we turned race	1	Page 177 MR. WALKER: I'm asserting the
1 -	iii derrete. Zub even enee we turneu ruce		
2	on, nobody asked me to make any changes to District	2	_
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 1 did you discuss with anyone else the possibility of
                                                           1 A.
                                                                           I don't think I have
 2 creating a second majority black district?
                                                           2 0.
                                                                           Does this appear to be a list of the
                                                           3 congressional plans that were introduced in the 2021
 3 A.
                I did not.
                Do you agree that it would be possible
                                                           4 special session?
 5 to create a second majority black district in
                                                           5 A.
                                                                           It does.
 6 Alabama?
                                                             0.
                                                                           Did you review any of these maps?
 7
                MR. DAVIS: Object to the form.
                                                                           I looked at most all of them, yes.
                                                             Α.
8
                MR. WALKER: Same objection.
                                                             Q.
                                                                           Earlier today you made a distinction
9
                THE WITNESS: Does that mean I'm not
                                                           9
                                                             between looking at and reviewing.
10 supposed to answer?
                                                          10 A.
                                                                           Well, because a couple of these plans I
11
                MR. WALKER: It's an objection to the
                                                          11 know were put into the system very, very late in the
12 form of the question.
                                                          12 process. So my quote, unquote review of them may
                I think it would be possible. It's a
                                                          13 have been ten minutes.
13 A.
14 question of whether -- how many counties and
                                                          14 0.
                                                                           Which plans were those?
15 precincts you feel comfortable splitting to do so
                                                                           Well, Senator Coleman's plan. Senator
16 and how -- what the shape and size and scope of it
                                                          16 Hatcher's plan, I think, came in very late. A
17 would be.
                                                          17 couple of these others which are full plans,
                Would it be possible to create a second
                                                          18 obviously, but they were more amendments. Like
18 Q.
19 majority black district and still comply with the
                                                          19 Waggoner and Barfoot were done on the last day. So
20 reapportionment committee redistricting guidelines?
                                                          20 I looked at them, but I didn't have very long to
21 A.
                I would not think so.
                                                          21 look at them.
                                                          22 Q.
22 Q.
                Why not?
                                                                           Did you have an opportunity to review
23 A.
                Well, I can't say every -- some of the
                                                          23 the Holmes congressional plan?
24 plans that were submitted that did that either
                                                                           Yeah. Again, that was basically a
25 paired incumbents or disallowed cores of districts
                                                          25 change for Congressman Moore when we were discussing
                                                                                                         Page 181
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1 or made an inordinate number of splits or had 20
                                                           1 the whole Escambia versus Monroe thing. So it
 2 counties in a congressional district or some other
                                                           2 was -- it was not really a whole -- it was a whole
3 thing that was not positive in our guidelines.
                                                           3 plan. But the changes were very specific to
                You said some of the other plans that
                                                           4 Congressman Moore. So yes, I'm familiar with it.
 5 were submitted. I know we referenced this way back
                                                                           Did you have an opportunity to review
 6 earlier there morning --
                                                           6 the Faulkner congressional plan two?
7 A.
                                                           7 A.
                                                                           I did. Those were changes that were
                Yes.
                                                           8 primarily in Jefferson County. Again, the vast
 8 0.
                -- that there were, you said,
9 approximately 41 plans that were offered at some
                                                           9 majority of the plan was the same this as the
10 point in the special --
                                                          10 Pringle plan. So I was familiar with those changes.
11 A.
                Not congressional. All the -- all the
                                                                           You may or may not know the answer to
12 whole. That was all. That was legislative, that
                                                          12 this. There's only one Faulkner plan listed here,
13 was everything.
                                                          13 but it's numbered two. Do you know if there was a
                Understood. This may help.
                                                          14 Faulkner plan one?
14 Q.
15
                                                          15 A.
                                                                           I don't know. I don't know.
               (Plaintiff's Exhibit 9 was
16
                                                          16 Q.
                                                                           It seems to be like the school prank
17
               marked for identification.)
                                                          17 where you number the pigs one, two, and four.
18
                                                          18 A.
                                                                           One would guess there would be a one.
19 0.
                I'm marking Plaintiff's Exhibit 9. This
                                                             But I don't -- I don't know that.
                                                          19
20 is another document that was produced in this
                                                                           MR. WALKER: I think that's the best
21 lawsuit. It's Bates number RC 000007. And I will
                                                          21 extraneous comment in a deposition I've ever heard.
22 represent to you that the file name for this
                                                          22 0.
                                                                           Understood.
23 document is Congressional Plans Introduced in 2021
                                                                           Then did you review the Singleton
24 Special Session.
                                                          24 congressional plans? And there's three of those
25
                Have you seen this document before?
                                                          25 here.
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 1 A.
                The first one, the whole county plan, I
                                                           1 Q.
                                                                           Was that the only reason you didn't make
 2 did because that was a plan that was submitted to
                                                           2 those changes?
3 public hearings along the way and had been in the
                                                           3 A.
                                                                           Primarily. I didn't think it was a good
 4 office for quite a while. So yes, I did. I did
                                                           4 -- first of all, it's 739 people. It's not really
 5 have more time to look at that one, yes.
                                                           5 -- you couldn't make a case that Congressman Moore
 6 0.
                And that's plan one, the --
                                                           6 was going to lose re-election over gaining 739
 7
                Plan one, yeah, SB-10. Yes, sir.
                                                           7 republicans in Escambia County.
   Α.
 8
                I'm sorry. Go ahead.
                                                                           So I was not concerned about what it did
   0.
                                                             to his district. I was concerned about the fairness
9 A.
                Yes, plan one, SB-10.
10 Q.
                And are you aware that that one was
                                                          10 issue of putting all of the splits in one
11 submitted by the League of Women Voters?
                                                          11 congressional district.
12 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                          12 0.
                                                                           Were there any other reasons why you
13 0.
                And there is also two other plans, plan
                                                          13 didn't incorporate those changes in the Holmes plan
14 two and plan three. Did you have an opportunity to
                                                          14 into your map?
15 review those?
                                                          15
                                                             Α.
                                                                           That was -- that was the primary reason.
                                                                           Were you asked by anybody to review the
16 A.
                                                          16 0.
                Much more quickly. I mean, they were
17 offshoots of the initial plan that just changed
                                                          17 Holmes congressional plan?
                                                                           Well, when it was offered on the
18 deviation for the most part.
                I want to walk through those, the Holmes
                                                             floor -- I'm not sure where it was offered. The
19 0.
20 plan, the Faulkner plan, and the Singleton plan.
                                                              house floor maybe. This doesn't say on here.
21
                Starting with the Holmes plan, why did
                                                                           But whatever chair where that was being
                                                          22 offered asked me to, I'm sure, tell him what I knew
22 you review that one?
23 A.
                I reviewed that because that was put in
                                                          23 about the Holmes plan.
24 essentially for Congressman Moore because he did not
                                                          24
                                                                           What did you tell him?
                                                          25
                                                                           MR. WALKER: You can tell him.
25 want to pick up another county. And instead of
                                               Page 183
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 1 splitting Escambia between 1 and 2, he wanted to
                                                                           THE WITNESS: I thought you didn't want
 2 split Monroe between 1 and 7 so that District 7
                                                           2 me to --
3 would pick up an additional county and he would not,
                                                           3
                                                                           MR. WALKER: You can tell him.
                                                                           I told him that I didn't -- I didn't
 4 and then make the corresponding change in Montgomery
                                                           4 A.
 5 to offset the 739 people that were needed to get 1
                                                           5 think that was a good change to our map because,
                                                           6 again, it put all of -- not all. But put another
 6 to zero deviation. To my knowledge, those were the
7 only changes.
                                                           7 split into the 7th District. Which I didn't think
                                                           8 it was equitable to put most of the splits in one
8 0.
                You had had conversations with
9 Congressman Moore when you were creating your map,
                                                           9 congressional district.
10 correct?
                                                          10 Q.
                                                                           Did you tell him anything else?
11 A.
                Correct.
                                                          11 A.
                                                                           That's basically it.
12 0.
                Were these changes in the Moore --
                                                          12
                                                                           Did you provide any evaluations or
13 excuse me.
                                                          13 recommendations regarding that map?
                                                                           Other than voting it down, no. I
14
                Were these changes in the Holmes plan
                                                          14 A.
15 changes that you did not want to or did not for some
                                                             suggested they not vote for it.
16 reason make in the 2021 map that you drew?
                                                          16
                                                                           Moving to the Faulkner congressional
                                                             Q.
                That's correct.
17 A.
                                                          17 plan two.
18 0.
                                                          18 A.
                And why did you not make those changes?
                                                                           Yes.
                Because I didn't think it was fair to
                                                          19 0.
19 A.
                                                                           Why did you review that map?
20 put the majority of split counties into the 7th
                                                                           That was the change where I had put
                                                          20 A.
21 District.
                                                          21 Homewood back together that made a few people in
22 0.
                Why not?
                                                          22 Jefferson County, I guess, unhappy.
                I just didn't think any one district
                                                          23
                                                                           So representative Faulkner, who is from
24 should have to have four split counties when other
                                                          24 Jefferson County, had a map that took the three
25 districts only had one.
                                                          25 Homewood precincts out of District 7 and put them
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 1 into District 6, and took four precincts in the
                                                           1 A.
                                                                           Not that comes to mind, no.
2 Center Point area, which is the northern end of
                                                                           Were you asked by anybody to review the
                                                           2 Q.
3 District 7, and put those back into District 7. So
                                                           3 Singleton plan?
 4 I reviewed those changes.
                                                           4 A.
                                                                           Again, I was when it was offered in the
5 Q.
                Similar to before, were you asked by
                                                           5 house or senate -- I guess it was offered on the
 6 anybody to review that plan?
                                                           6 senate floor maybe first. Whichever chair of
                I was. And whatever -- again, I think
                                                           7 wherever it was offered, I was asked to comment on
8 these were offered in the house. So I think it
9 probably would have been Representative Pringle that
                                                           9 Q.
                                                                          And what did you tell that chairperson?
10 asked me for a quick analysis of what the plan
                                                          10 A.
                                                                           Well, the initial Singleton plan was not
                                                          11 a zero deviation plan. So it really didn't meet our
11 changes were.
12 Q.
                And what did you tell him?
                                                          12 guidelines. I also think it paired a couple of
13 A.
                I told him that it moved the Homewood
                                                          13 incumbents, if I'm remembering the plan correctly,
14 area into District 6, and it took those four
                                                          14 in the 3rd District. I think it put in -- put maybe
                                                          15 Shelby County in the 3rd. So it would have paired
15 precincts at the northern end of district -- who
16 were in District 7 and added them back into District
                                                          16 Gary Palmer and Mike Rogers. And it wasn't to zero
17 7.
                                                          17 deviation. Also, it didn't have a majority black
18
                And I allowed as how I didn't think that
                                                          18 district in it.
19 was really a good thing to do because it eliminated
                                                          19 0.
                                                                           Was that an issue to you, that there's
20 some of my geographical compactness of what I was
                                                          20 not a majority black district?
21 trying to do when we were adding in western
                                                          21 A.
                                                                           Yeah. Well, it -- it was an observation
22 Jefferson and not extending the quote, unquote
                                                          22 that it did not have a majority black district.
23 finger further north into Jefferson County.
                                                          23 0.
                                                                           Does that matter for any particular
                To your knowledge, did any of the
                                                          24 reason to you?
25 changes from your plan to the Faulkner plan have to
                                                          25 A.
                                                                           Well, it matters -- again, I'm not a
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1 do with any racial factors?
                                                           1 lawyer. But I suppose there would be some question
 2 A.
                I don't know -- I mean, I don't know
                                                           2 to how well it comported with Section 2 of the
3 about the motivations of who drew the Faulkner plan.
                                                           3 Voting Rights Act. But, again, that wasn't my major
                                                           4 concern with it.
                Are you aware of any racial
 5 considerations that were taken in account in drawing
                                                           5 Q.
                                                                           There were two subsequent Singleton
 6 the Faulkner plan?
                                                           6 plans, plan two and three.
7 A.
                I'm not.
                                                           7 A.
                                                                           Yeah.
                MR. WALKER: Objection to form. You may
 8
                                                           8 0.
                                                                           Both of which you stated -- and it
9 answer.
                                                           9 describes here in Exhibit 9 as having adjustments
                                                          10 for population deviation.
10 Q.
                What about the Singleton plan? Why did
11 you review that plan?
                                                                           Were there any other changes in
                Well, that was one that -- the initial
                                                          12 Singleton plan two and three other than changes to
13 Singleton plan was one that was offered at a number
                                                          13 deviation, to your knowledge?
14 of public -- virtually every public hearing, I
                                                                           Not to my knowledge. And, again, I
15 believe. It had been in existence for quite a
                                                          15 looked at -- I didn't look at these plans
16 while.
                                                          16 extensively. But to my knowledge, it was just a
17
                                                          17 change in deviation.
                So I looked at it for what it -- you
18 know, for what it was doing. And I had a little
                                                          18 0.
                                                                           Were those other observations that you
19 more time to look at it, actually, than some of
                                                          19 made to Singleton plan one regarding incumbents
20 these other ones that came in at the last minute.
                                                          20 being paired up against each other, a lack of a
                                                          21 black majority district, any other observations you
21 Q.
                Do you know what feedback there was from
22 the public hearings on the Singleton plan?
                                                          22 made, were any of those addressed with Singleton
23 A.
                Not specifically. I really don't.
                                                          23 plan two or three?
                Did you ever hear of any public feedback
                                                          24 A.
                                                                          Not that I'm aware of.
25 on the Singleton plan?
                                                          25 0.
                                                                           Were you asked by anybody to review
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Page 190 Page 192 1 Singleton plan two and three? 1 plan, is it a similar response as you had to the 2 other ones, that you were asked to look at those by Again, in whatever body they were 3 offered in, the chair would have asked me about 3 whoever was presenting them on the floor? 4 them, yes. 4 A. Whoever was managing the time, the time 5 Q. Do you recall what recommendations or 5 on the floor. 6 observations you provided? 6 0. And as to each of those, do you recall 7 A. Basically the same ones. The narrow 7 what your feedback was? 8 deviation, again while a more narrow deviation, was Yeah. I mean, obviously, the Waggoner 9 not to zero deviation. And I think it still paired 9 plan was the same as the Faulkner plan. So I didn't 10 the incumbents. And as I remember, the BVAPs on the 10 think it was a good change. And the Barfoot plan 11 districts were very similar between -- among the 11 was essentially the same as the Holmes plan. So I 12 three. So I don't think it changed any of those 12 didn't think that was a good change. And the 13 things. 13 Waggoner three was just a compilation of the two of 14 0. 14 them added together, which didn't do anything to You also mentioned that you looked at 15 briefly the Coleman plan, Hatcher plan, Waggoner 15 move the bar. 16 plan, and Barfoot --16 0. What about the Coleman plan? 17 A. Yeah. 17 A. The Coleman plan, again, I didn't look 18 Q. 18 -- didn't have a chance to look at very much. I -- plan. 19 believe it paired two incumbents in 1, in District 19 A. Yes, sir. 20 0. Did you make any observations from your 20 1, Carl and Moore. And it certainly didn't respect 21 looking at or review of those? 21 the cores of districts because I think it had 22 District -- District 7 went from Mobile to 22 A. No. Well, the Barfoot plan was sort of 23 just the senate version of the Holmes plan making 23 Tuscaloosa maybe. 24 the change for Representative Moore. Anyway, again, I didn't spend a lot of 25 25 time on either of those, looking at either of those The Wagner plan was basically Faulkner Page 193 Page 191 1 and Barfoot put together or Barfoot and Holmes put 1 plans. 2 together. It also made the Moore change, but made 2 Q. What about the Hatcher plan? 3 the Faulkner change in Jefferson County. So they The Hatcher plan I think was obviously a 3 A. 4 were just sort of different versions or compilations 4 two black district plan. 5 of those two things. 5 THE REPORTER: Two? 6 0. I'm going to stop you right there Two black district plan. I do think it 6 A. 7 because I think there's -- it looks like there's two 7 -- I think it paired incumbents, but maybe I'm 8 Waggoner plans here. Which one are you referring 8 wrong. Again, geographically it was not very 9 to, three or one? 9 compact. I think it went from Mobile to Russell Three was the combination. One -- one 10 essentially on one of the black districts. 10 A. 11 was essentially the Faulkner version of the plan, So I didn't think it -- I didn't think 12 only in a -- drawn up by a senator or offered by a 12 it followed our guidelines very well in terms of 13 senator. 13 compactness. 14 Q. 14 Q. And I interrupted you there. I think Other than compactness --15 the only other plan we haven't discussed yet is the 15 A. And splits. I think it also had like 13 16 Hatcher plan. 16 county splits, where the Pringle plan had six. I 17 A. 17 think it split a lot more precincts. Right. And, again, that came in, if I 18 remember correctly, the night before it was offered 18 0. Other than compactness and splitting 19 on the floor. So I really looked at it for 19 precincts, was there any other reason that you felt 20 literally ten minutes before whoever -- wherever it 20 that the Hatcher plan did not comply with the 21 quidelines? 21 was offered. I guess on the senate side. So I 22 didn't do a very deep analysis of the Hatcher plan. 22 A. Those were the main issues. For each of these plans that you said 23 0. Were there any other issues? 24 you just looked at briefly, the Coleman plan, the 24 A. I don't think so. 25 Waggoner plans, the Barfoot plan, and the Hatcher 25 0. And with the Singleton plan, were there

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                                                                           I think if it had come back under 50
 1 any reasons why you felt that the Singleton plan did
                                                           1 A.
 2 not comply with the redistricting guidelines?
                                                           2 percent, in consultation with legal counsel, I
                Yeah. Well, the initial Singleton plan
                                                           3 assume we would have, under the guidelines, looked
3 A.
 4 was not to zero deviation. It did pair incumbents
                                                           4 for a basis and evidence to see if one existed to
                                                           5 add African Americans to the district.
 5 again in the 6th -- in the 3rd District, it had two
 6 incumbents together, Moore and -- not Moore. Palmer
                                                           6 Q.
                                                                           Did you draw any other maps other than
 7 and Mike Rogers.
                                                           7 -- let me take a step back.
8 Q.
                Any other reasons?
                                                                           Did you draw any other congressional
                                                           9 maps other than the HB-1 Pringle congressional plan \,
                And, again, it didn't have a majority
9 A.
10 black district.
                                                          10 that was ultimately enacted?
                                                                           This cycle -- I don't know what time
                Speaking of that, when you drew your
                                                          11 A.
11 0.
12 map -- which on this table, I would assume that's
                                                          12 frame we're talking about.
13 the Pringle congressional plan. Correct?
                                                          13 Q.
                                                                           I'll try again. Sorry.
14 A.
                                                          14
                Yes. sir.
                                                                           In drawing the 2021 congressional maps,
15 0.
                When you drew the 2021 congressional
                                                          15 through that process you drew the map that was
16 map -- remind me. Did you start with drawing
                                                          16 ultimately enacted, correct?
17 District 7?
                                                          17 A.
                                                                           Yes, sir.
                                                                           Did you draw any other maps in that
                No. Actually, I started -- I started
                                                          18 Q.
19 with District 5 because I knew it had to spill into
                                                          19
                                                             cycle --
20 4. And I had to do that before I could do much else
                                                          20
                                                                           MR. WALKER: I'm going to --
21 there.
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           -- for the congressional plan?
22 Q.
                                                                           MR. WALKER: -- object to the extent
                                                          22
                What order did you go in for drawing the
23 districts after that?
                                                          23 that -- and you may not be intending to. You're
                I basically moved down -- moved down the
                                                          24 asking him whether he tried to draw a two majority
                                                          25 black district --
25 state. I did 5 to 4. And then the changes that 4
                                               Page 195
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 1 -- putting Cherokee back together in 3, putting
                                                           1 Q.
                                                                           I'm just asking if you drew any other
 2 Blount back together in 6, corresponding changes in
                                                           2 maps at all.
3 Tuscaloosa in 7. I basically worked down the map
                                                                           MR. WALKER: And my instruction to you
 4 from there.
                                                           4 is if you did anything at the instruction of me
5 Q.
                And you stated that you did not look at
                                                           5 alone, then that would not be part of your answer.
 6 the racial data in drawing the 2021 map until the
                                                           6 A.
                                                                           Other than that, no.
 7 week before the special session, correct?
                                                           7 0.
                                                                           I've gone a little over an hour there,
                                                           8 but I wanted to finish up. I think I'm done with my
8 A.
                Correct.
9 0.
                When you did review the racial data, if
                                                           9 questions for now. So I think we'll take a break
10 it had shown that District 7 was below 50 percent
                                                          10 and then allow some other folks to ask you some
11 black voting age population, what would you have
                                                          11 questions. Is that fair?
12 done?
                                                          12 A.
                                                                           That's fair.
13 A.
                I would have talked to legal counsel
                                                                           THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are off the
                                                          14 record. The time is 2:28 p.m.
14 about what steps to take at that point.
                                                          15
15 0.
                Do you believe that you would have
                                                                              (Recess was taken.)
16 needed to make modifications to make the black
                                                                           THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
                                                          17 record. The time is now 2:47 p.m.
17 voting age population percentage higher than 50
18 percent?
                                                          18
                                                                           MR. THOMPSON: At this time, I'm going
19
                MR. WALKER: Object to the form, calls
                                                          19 to pass the questions to Mr. Blacksher.
                                                             EXAMINATION BY MR. BLACKSHER:
20 for speculation.
21 Q.
                You can answer.
                                                          21 Q.
                                                                           Good afternoon, Mr. Hinaman.
22 A.
                I'm sorry. Say that again.
                                                          22 A.
                                                                           Good afternoon.
23
                 MR. THOMPSON: Can I have the question
                                                                           So it was Dorman Walker who told you you
24 read back?
                                                          24 were required to achieve zero population deviation;
25
                     (Record read.)
                                                          25 is that right?
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                MR. WALKER: Object to the form.
                                                                           Okay. So if you read the West v. Hunt
 1
                                                           1 Q.
                You know, I'm having -- I've had trouble
                                                           2 opinion -- let me ask this question -- do you recall
2 Q.
3 hearing you throughout. So I'm going to have to ask
                                                           3 the court saying that it felt compelled, because it
 4 you to speak up a little louder.
                                                           4 was a court-ordered plan, to use zero deviation?
 5
                What was your last response?
                                                                           I do not. As I said, I probably read it
 6
                MR. WALKER: Are you talking to me, Jim?
                                                           6 30 years ago. I certainly don't remember what it
 7
                MR. BLACKSHER: The witness didn't
                                                           7 said today.
 8 respond? That was you?
                                                                           Were you advised to use zero deviation
                                                           9 by anybody -- any lawyers in Washington, say,
9
                MR. WALKER: That was I who said "Object
10 to the form." He doesn't make objections.
                                                          10 connected with the republican party, the RNC or --
11
                 MR. BLACKSHER: Oh, you said objection?
                                                          11 what was that other organization that you used
12
                 MR. WALKER: Yes.
                                                          12 letters for? NRRC or something?
13 Q.
                Okay. I'm going back to what you said
                                                          13 A.
                                                                           No. In terms of the -- are you talking
14 in your examination, your direct examination, I
                                                          14 about the 2021 plan?
15 guess we call it, where you said you were advised
                                                          15 0.
                                                                           The 2021 plan, yes.
16 that you needed to use zero deviation in your plan.
                                                                           No, I did not speak to anybody at the
                                                          16 A.
                                                          17 NRCC or the RNC or anybody in Washington other than
17 Is that right?
                That's correct. Under two criteria for
                                                          18 members of congress and their staffs.
19 redistricting, B, "Congressional districts shall
                                                          19 0.
                                                                           Okay. NRCC, what does that stand for?
20 have minimal population deviation."
                                                          20 A.
                                                                           National Republican Congressional
                I was told by counsel that that was zero
                                                          21 Committee.
22 for six districts and plus one for one district.
                                                          22 Q.
                                                                           Okay. But they didn't give you any
                And when you say "by counsel," you mean
                                                          23 instructions or any advice about zero deviation?
24 -- well, I didn't ask you. Were you advised by
                                                          24 A.
                                                                           No, sir.
                                                                           What about the members of congress in
25 lawyers other than Dorman Walker?
                                                          25 Q.
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                                                                                                         Page 201
1 A.
                No.
                                                           1 the Alabama delegation? Did they give you any
 2 0.
                                                           2 instructions to use zero deviation?
                So it was Dorman who told you that
                                                           3 A.
3 minimal deviation means zero deviation?
                                                                           No, sir.
                That's correct.
                                                                           MR. BLACKSHER: Eli, did I print out a
 4 A.
5 Q.
                Okay. So you also drew the plan in
                                                           5 copy of the passage from State of Alabama versus
6 1992. And did you read the opinion of the court in
                                                           6 U.S. Department of Commerce that you can show him?
7 West v. Hunt, the 1992 opinion that adopted your
                                                           7
                                                                           MR. HARE: Let me see here.
                                                                           MR. BLACKSHER: It's got a highlighted
8 plan?
                                                           8
9 A.
                I'm sure I did in 1992 or '93. But I
                                                           9 section in it.
                                                          10
10 sure don't remember it today.
                                                                           MR. HARE: Yes.
11 Q.
                You don't recall -- well, let me ask you
                                                                          MR. BLACKSHER: Okay. Can you mark that
12 this: Did counsel tell you or remind you that in
                                                          12 as -- what did you say, PX 10?
13 that decision, the three-judge court said that
                                                          13
                                                                           MR. HARE: Right. It's PX 10.
14 because it was a court-approved plan, a
                                                          14
15 court-ordered plan, it felt constrained to have
                                                          15
                                                                          (Plaintiff's Exhibit 10 was
16 perfect or zero deviation. But that if the
                                                                          marked for identification.)
                                                          16
17 legislature had drawn the plan itself, it would have
                                                          17
18 had greater leeway with respect to deviation?
                                                          18
                                                                           MR. BLACKSHER: And show that to
19
                 MR. WALKER: Objection.
                                                          19 Mr. Hinaman
20 0.
                Do you recall reading that?
                                                                           That, Randy, is the document that was
                                                          21 filed by the State of Alabama, as you can see, in
21
                MR. WALKER: Jim, you've asked that
22 question several ways. And one -- it could be
                                                          22 Montgomery's federal court against the census bureau
23 interpreted in one way to be whether or not I gave
                                                          23 and styled 21-211.
24 him advice on that. If that's what you're asking, I
                                                                           And would you please read the
25 object to that.
                                                          25 highlighted part in Paragraph 116 of the State's
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 1 complaint?
                                                           1 read into that into the record, please?
 2 A.
                                                                           MR. WALKER: You haven't highlighted the
                 The part --
 3 0.
                                                           3 whole statement. You've highlighted Lines 5 through
                 Read it into the record.
 4 A.
                 I must admit highlighting in it in blue
                                                           4 16. Is that what you want him to read?
 5 makes it rather hard to read. But nevertheless.
                                                                           MR. BLACKSHER: Yes, the highlighted
 6
                 "Even at the higher census geography of
                                                           6 lines, please.
 7 Alabama's congressional districts, the November 2020
                                                                           "Most of Jackson County, particularly
 8 demonstration data indicated that the differential
                                                           8 all of Jackson County -- practically all of Jackson
 9 privacy algorithm skewed the data enough to create
                                                           9 County is in Congressional District 5. But there is
10 population deviation on a level that courts have
                                                           10 a tiny little sliver of southern Jackson County
11 found in other contexts to violate the supreme
                                                           11 that's in 4. And I understand about trying to get
12 court's equal population jurisprudence."
                                                           12 everything equalized in terms of population. But
13 Q.
                Thank you.
                                                           13 the very few people who live there very frequently
                 And under that language is a table that
14
                                                          14 think they're in District 5 and do not know who to
15 shows what the State thought were errors caused by
                                                          15 vote for. And I would ask that you consider that
16 differential privacy in the demonstration. And they
                                                          16 when you are redistricting so that you don't have
17 were congressional districts.
                                                              that tiny little sliver out of that county. It is
                Did counsel tell you that the State of
                                                              in a section called Macedonia. Senator Livingston
19 Alabama thought that the zero deviation requirement
                                                              would know where I'm talking about, I'm sure."
20 was using flawed data, in their opinion?
                                                           20
                                                                           Thank you.
21
                MR. WALKER: Objection to form. And I
                                                           21
                                                                           So did anyone on the reapportionment
22 instruct the witness not to answer.
                                                           22 committee, the chairs or counsel, show you or tell
23 0.
                Okay. Are you going to follow counsel's
                                                           23 you about that testimony?
24 advice not to answer my question, Mr. Hinaman?
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Objection as to what he may
25 A.
                T am.
                                                           25 have been told my counsel. Otherwise, he may answer
                                                                                                         Page 205
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                 So aside from what counsel told you,
                                                           1 the question.
 2 were you aware that the State of Alabama took the
                                                                           I was not familiar with that testimony.
 3 position in federal court that the -- that the 2020
                                                           3 But I did, of course, put Jackson County back
 4 census, because of differential privacy, would not
                                                           4 together.
 5 be reliable enough to use for zero -- for separating
                                                           5 Q.
                                                                           You sure did. And who paid the price
 6 people at that level?
                                                           6 for that? Lauderdale County?
 7 A.
                I was not.
                                                                           Well, you're comparing 17 people to
                MR. BLACKSHER: Eli, if you can find
                                                             43,000 or something. I'm not sure that's a fair
 8
9 that passage from the public hearing at Northeast
                                                           9 comparison. But yes.
10 Alabama Community College.
                                                           10 Q.
                                                                           Was it 17 people in Jackson County?
11
                MR. HARE: I've got it right here.
                                                                           I'm making up that number. You're
12
                 MR. BLACKSHER: And mark that as Exhibit
                                                          12 comparing a few people to many tens of thousands.
13 11, please.
                                                           13 But nevertheless.
14
                                                          14 Q.
                                                                           In most of the cases on the 2021 plan,
15
                (Plaintiff's Exhibit 11 was
                                                          15 the enacted plan, for example, down in Escambia
16
               marked for identification.)
                                                          16 County where you had to put the eastern slice of
17
                                                          17 Escambia into 2?
18
                                                          18 A.
                                                                           Yeah, 739 people.
                MR. BLACKSHER: And show that to Randy,
19 to Mr. Hinaman.
                                                                           739 people. Do you think that they're
                                                           19 0.
20 0.
                As you can see, this is a transcript of
                                                          20 going to share the sentiment of Mr. Toni McGriff in
                                                          21 Jackson County?
21 the reapportionment committee's hearing on September
22 1 at Northeast Alabama Community College. And I've
                                                           22 A.
                                                                           They may very well.
23 printed out Page 12 and highlighted it.
                                                           23 Q.
                                                                           And what I'm saying, what I'm trying to
                 Would you read the highlighted statement
                                                          24 point out, can't we agree that most of these tiny
25 of one Toni McGriff who lives in Dutton? Would you
                                                           25 splits to achieve zero population result in people
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 1 being basically separated from their home county and
                                                           1 answers were very accurate on what Maptitude had for
 2 put in a district where they really don't have much
                                                           2 estimates.
3 influence at all over the member of congress, right?
                                                                           So I didn't -- I didn't -- I lumped some
                                                           3
 4 A.
                In the Escambia County case, I would
                                                           4 counties together and I split some larger counties
5 agree with that. Although looking at the map, there
                                                           5 based on precincts, knowing that those numbers were
 6 aren't many examples of that. Because most of the
                                                           6 not going to be very accurate, and then waited until
 7 other splits in the enacted map are much larger
                                                           7 we got the real numbers.
8 segments of folks.
                                                                           Okay. And when you got the real
                                                           9 numbers, did you attempt to draw a whole county
9 Q.
                Okay. Now, you said that you began
10 working on the congressional plan in May at some
                                                          10 plan?
11 point; is that correct, when you found out that
                                                          11 A.
                                                                           I did not.
                                                          12 Q.
12 Alabama would have seven seats in congress
                                                                           And why did you not attempt to do that?
13 apportioned to it?
                                                          13 A.
                                                                           No one asked me to do that. And, again,
14 A.
                                                          14 my understanding of our guidelines would be that
                Yes, once we found out seven. And also
15 the guidelines were passed on May 5th. I started
                                                          15 that would not have followed the proper deviation.
16 work thereafter.
                                                          16 0.
                                                                           Take a look at our whole county --
17 0.
                And you were using estimated census data
                                                          17
                                                                            MR. BLACKSHER: Can you mark a copy -- I
18 to sort of rough out what that plan might look like;
                                                           18 don't think it's been passed around yet -- just so
19 is that correct?
                                                              we can be talking from something, the same thing?
20 A.
                That's correct.
                                                           20
                                                                           MR. HARE: This will be Plaintiff's
21 Q.
                And those estimated census data were
                                                           21 Exhibit 12.
                                                          22
22 only available for whole counties, right?
23 A.
                I believe that's the case, yes.
                                                          23
                                                                          (Plaintiff's Exhibit 12 was
                                                                          marked for identification.)
24 Q.
                So you were having to work with whole
                                                          24
25 counties. And when the final census data came out,
                                                          25
                                                                                                          Page 209
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 1 you simply had to adjust with the correct 2020
                                                                           So think along with me, Mr. Hinaman,
 2 legacy data; is that correct?
                                                           2 about how you might have attempted to reproduce your
3 A.
                That's correct. Although while the
                                                           3 starting point of the plan, which was the 2011 plan,
 4 estimates captured the flavor of the changes that
                                                           4 right?
                                                           5 A.
 5 happened over the last ten years, meaning four
                                                                           Yes, sir.
6 districts were over and three districts were under
                                                           6 0.
                                                                           And if you were going to attempt to take
7 and the estimates properly identified those
                                                           7 the 2011 plan and create whole districts and you
8 districts, they didn't really capture the magnitude
                                                           8 start with Congressional District 7, then you would
9 of it.
                                                           9 try to make Jefferson, Tuscaloosa, and Montgomery
10
                Because I think the estimates had the
                                                           10 whole. And that's what this plan does, doesn't it?
11 7th District being 30,000 and some odd number under
                                                           11 A.
                                                                           It does.
12 when it ended up being 54, and it had the 5th
                                                           12 0.
                                                                           You would have attempted to keep as much
13 District being something like 23,000 over when it
                                                           13 of the black belt together as you could. And that's
14 was really 43.
                                                          14 what this plan does, doesn't it?
15
                                                          15
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Objection. I'm not sure,
                So while it captured the over/under
16 nature of the districts, it didn't -- it didn't do a
                                                          16 Jim, the way you're phrasing your questions, what
17 particularly good job of capturing the ultimate
                                                           17 you're asking him. You seem to be telling him what
18 numbers.
                                                           18 he would have been doing and then -- I'm just
19 0.
                Did you attempt drawing a whole county
                                                          19 confused.
20 plan at that point in May of 2021?
                                                           20
                                                                           MR. BLACKSHER: I'm asking leading
21 A.
                No. I just -- no.
                                                           21 questions, Counsel. Is that all right?
22 0.
                Why not?
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Well, you're allowed to ask
                Well, I don't even consider it a plan.
                                                           23 leading questions. I just didn't understand what
24 I mean, I was just lumping together -- and I do
                                                           24 you were doing. So go ahead, if that's what you
25 think I was able to split. I just don't think the
                                                           25 want to do.
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                 \ensuremath{\mathsf{MR}}. BLACKSHER: Can you read the
 1
                                                           1 population in Montgomery -- in Tuscaloosa County,
                                                           2 north Tuscaloosa County, with a population that
 2 question back, please, Court Reporter? I'm sorry.
                                                           3 extends into Montgomery County?
3
                     (Record read.)
 4
                MR. WALKER: Objection to form.
                                                           4 A.
                                                                           I didn't offer that.
5 A.
                It does, I guess. Hale and Perry I
                                                                           What did -- you said something in your
                                                           6 earlier examination about considering that option.
6 think would be considered part of the black belt,
 7 and that's in a different district. But by and
                                                                           If I did, I didn't mean to. I did not
8 large, you're correct, yes.
                                                             consider that option.
                                                             Q.
                                                                           You did not consider that option?
9 Q.
                Switching gears for a minute. When you
                                                           9
10 met with Congresswoman Sewell, do I understand you
                                                           10 A.
                                                                           No, I did not.
11 to say that she -- your testimony was that
                                                                           Why not?
                                                          11 0.
12 Congresswoman Sewell wanted to keep her district the
                                                          12 A.
                                                                           Because I started with her existing
13 way it is, adjusted for the population deviation
                                                          13 cores of districts and I looked at what she needed
14 known; is that correct?
                                                           14 to gain, and I suggested areas that she may wish to
15 A.
                I would phrase it this way: I met with
                                                          15 gain in. And we worked through the map and made
16 Congresswoman Sewell and told her her district was
                                                          16 those changes.
17 54,000 under. And I gave her some options of where
                                                          17 0.
                                                                           Well, I mean, was the -- is the little
                                                             -- the extension of District 7 that goes into
18 it made, in my opinion anyway, sense to gain folks
19 to make up that 54,000 difference. And then we
                                                          19 Montgomery County part of the core of that
20 worked through that on the map. That's how I would
                                                           20 district, in your opinion?
21 phrase it.
                                                                           It may be now. It probably wasn't at
22 Q.
                Did Congresswoman Sewell tell you she
                                                          22 the -- obviously, I don't think it existed at the
23 was opposed to attempting to draw two districts in
                                                           23 beginning. It's a lot of people. I mean, I don't
24 which blacks could elect candidates of their choice?
                                                           24 know the exact number. We can obviously look it
25 A.
                She did not. She didn't offer an
                                                           25 up. But it's --
                                                                                                          Page 213
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 1 opinion, to my knowledge, on that issue.
                                                                           Well, I can tell you that based on the
 2 Q.
                                                           2 data that Dorman Walker and the reapportionment
                Say again.
3 A.
                She didn't offer an opinion on that, to
                                                           3 committee provided to us, the population of
                                                           4 District 7 in Montgomery County is 62,519.
 4 my knowledge.
5 Q.
                                                           5 A.
                And you didn't ask her about it?
                                                                           Okay.
 6 A.
                I did not.
                                                                           And the population of the portion of
7 Q.
                Were you aware of all of the
                                                           7 Tuscaloosa County that's in District 4, the
8 nongovernmental organizations and grass roots
                                                           8 northern part of Tuscaloosa County, is 42,770. So
9 organizations in Alabama who have been urging the
                                                           9 there's about a 20,000 difference between those two
                                                           10 split counties making them whole in District 7.
10 legislature to draw two districts from which blacks
                                                                            MR. BLACKSHER: So I'm going to ask
11 can elect candidates of their choice?
                I'm not sure that I was that aware of it
                                                          12 Eli, if he would, to mark up those two documents
13 in our initial meetings in May. Obviously, once
                                                           13 that show -- that are labeled Plan Tuscaloosa and
14 public hearings were held and your whole county plan
                                                          14 Montgomery Whole and show it to Mr. Hinaman.
15 came out and so forth and so on, I was obviously
                                                                           MR. HARE: I'm going to mark them as
                                                              -- the map as Plaintiff's 13, and then the chart or
16 more aware of it at that point.
                                                             the data sheet as Plaintiff's 14, Jim.
17 Q.
                Okay. So what you're saying is that you
                                                          17
18 simply sat down with Ms. Sewell and made suggestions
                                                          18
19 on how to increase -- get 53,000 and some odd
                                                          19
                                                                         (Plaintiff's Exhibits 13&14
20 additional population in District 7, correct?
                                                          20
                                                                        were marked for identification.)
21 A.
                That's correct, and keeping her existing
                                                          21
22 -- the core of her existing district together.
                                                                           I'll tell you, Mr. Hinaman, that I did
                And didn't I hear you say you suggested
                                                           23 this with Dave's Redistricting app. Are you
24 that one option might be to making Tuscaloosa County
                                                           24 familiar with Dave's Redistricting app?
25 and Montgomery County whole; that is, swapping the
                                                                           I've heard of it. I've never used it.
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                Okay. And I did exactly what I just
 1 Q.
                                                           1 didn't -- this is drawn with precincts. So you're
 2 suggested. I made -- took Montgomery County
                                                           2 going to have to split some precincts, right?
 3 completely out of District 7, and I put all of
                                                                          Yes, sir.
 4 Tuscaloosa County into District 7. And that 20,000
                                                                           But that usually can be done after you
 5 difference I got out of Jefferson County.
                                                           5 have achieved the goal you set out to in broader
                                                           6 terms in your districting scheme, right?
                Otherwise, it looks pretty close to
 7 the map that you ended up drawing and that was
                                                                           Sure.
 8 enacted. But, of course, would you -- would agree
                                                           8 Q.
                                                                           There are a lot of ways that you can
9 that it otherwise (inaudible) the one that you
                                                           9 split precincts or counties in order to achieve
10 drew?
                                                          10 this -- this sacred zero deviation objective. And
11 A.
                Yeah. Obviously, there's a split in
                                                          11 yet you didn't consider this option at all when you
12 Blount and a split in Etowah that I don't have.
                                                          12 were going over the plan with Congresswoman Sewell;
                                                          13 is that correct?
13 But yeah.
14 0.
                Well, this is a good point. When you
                                                          14 A.
                                                                           That's correct.
15 talk about making changes in District 7 like I just
                                                                          She did not -- she did not have an
16 did with Dave's, you end up requiring changes in
                                                          16 option to consider this arrangement, right?
                                                          17
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Objection to form.
17 several of the surrounding districts.
                I mean, for example, because District
                                                                           Obviously, she could have said how
                                                          18 A.
19 6 lost population to District 7, I elected to get
                                                          19 about if I get all of Tuscaloosa County and come
20 some population out of Blount. And that ended up
                                                          20 out of Montgomery? Which she said neither.
21 splitting Blount.
                                                                           Well, I wonder if the reason she said
22 A.
                                                          22 neither is because it turns out that doing that
                Right.
23 0.
                And because Montgomery County went
                                                          23 reduces the BVAP, the black voting age population,
24 into District 2, I ended up having to do a little
                                                          24 to 49.79 percent?
                                                          25
25 split of Elmore County, right?
                                                                           MR. WALKER: For CD 7?
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1 A.
                Yes, sir.
                                                           1
                                                                            THE REPORTER: For what?
 2 0.
                                                           2
                And on up the line, if you will. But,
                                                                           MR. WALKER: CD 7.
 3 of course, I didn't have to interfere with the
                                                           3 0.
                                                                           Do you see that in the statistical
 4 split you made in Lauderdale County. And these are
                                                           4 table?
 5 -- and this is not zero deviation.
                                                           5 A.
                                                                           Yes, sir, I do.
                If you look to the left in that table,
                                                           6 0.
                                                                           So would that have been a problem for
 7 you will see that there are as many as 471 people
                                                           7 Terri Sewell based on what she was telling you were
 8 in District 2 who are going to have to be -- I'm
                                                           8 her objectives?
9 sorry. District 3 who are going to have to be
                                                                           I don't know specifically. I don't
                                                          10 think she considered this map. So I can't -- I
10 taken out, right?
                Yeah. I'll take -- I can't find that
                                                          11 don't really know how to answer your question.
12 number on this sheet. But I'll take your word for
                                                                           Okay. Did you and Congresswoman
13 it.
                                                          13 Sewell discuss the whole county plan, the League of
14 Q.
                Well, it's on the map.
                                                          14 Women Voters' whole county plan?
15 A.
                Oh, I'm sorry. Yeah, I see it. Thank
                                                          15 A.
                                                                           We did not. I don't think it -- in
                                                          16 our initial meetings, I don't think it existed. Or
16 you. I was looking on the corresponding number
                                                          17 at least I was not aware of it. I don't think she
17 sheet. Sorry.
18 0.
                                                          18 was. So we really did not.
                The point I want to make here is isn't
                                                          19 0.
                                                                           It didn't exist in May, but it did
19 it true when you're drawing maps and you get to 471
20 people who have to be moved in order to get to zero
                                                          20 exist before you finalized the plan that became
                                                          21 HB-1, right?
21 deviation, you go down to the block level, right?
                Most times, yeah. Precincts aren't
                                                          22 A.
                                                                           Correct.
23 going to have an exact number or that small a
                                                          23 Q.
                                                                           And September 1, 2021, was the first
24 number.
                                                          24 public hearing of the reapportionment committee.
25 0.
                And I'll represent to you that I
                                                          25 And the League of Women Voters was the first
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 1 witness at the first hearing offering that plan;
                                                           1 Terri Sewell doesn't even live in District 7 under
 2 isn't that correct?
                                                           2 your whole county plan. She lives in District 6.
3 A.
                I wasn't at that hearing. But I'll
                                                                           I'm sorry. I'm not being clear, and
 4 take your word for it.
                                                           4 my question was not understood by you.
5 Q.
                So you're telling us that the
                                                                           I'm just asking if the court wanted to
                                                           6 change the array -- if it was drawing a
 6 whole county plan offered by the League of Women
 7 Voters was never discussed at all when you were
                                                           7 court-ordered plan and it wanted to make the whole
8 communicating with Congresswoman Sewell?
                                                           8 county plan 5 and 4 look more like the whole --
                I don't believe it -- maybe it was
                                                           9 like the 5 and 4 districts in the enacted plan, it
9 A.
10 discussed at the very end about what other plans
                                                          10 would simply be a matter of balancing out the
11 are out there. We may have had a minor discussion
                                                          11 populations between 4 and 5, correct, splitting
12 about -- frankly, I think at that point in time
                                                          12 some counties as needed?
                                                          13 A.
                                                                          Yeah. Obviously, 4 has changes in
13 yours would have been the only other publicly
14 acknowledged congressional plan. So she may have
                                                          14 Tuscaloosa and St. Clair that are different than
                                                          15 the enacted plan.
15 mentioned it. But we didn't have a very healthy
                                                                           Every -- every change has a ripple
16 discussion about it. Let's put it that way.
                                                          16 0.
17 0.
                What do you mean not healthy?
                                                          17 effect, right?
                Very long, very detailed. She was
                                                          18 A.
18 A.
                                                                           Yes, sir.
19 asking what other plans have you heard about. And
                                                                           All right. But there would be no
20 I think at that point, yours was the only one that
                                                          20 problem in putting Lauderdale, Colbert, and
21 was public at that point in time.
                                                          21 Franklin in CD 4 and moving Morgan County back up
22 Q.
                Did she tell you she would object to
                                                          22 into CD 5 if the court wanted to do that and made
23 that plan?
                                                          23 the splits necessary to bring it into population
24 A.
                We didn't have that detailed a
                                                          24 equality; isn't that correct?
25 discussion about it.
                                                          25 A.
                                                                           Yeah. These hypothetical the court
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                So we don't know -- we don't know
                                                           1 wants to change things are hard for me. But yes, I
 2 whether Congresswoman Sewell would be happy with
                                                           2 guess that's correct.
3 the whole county plan or not; is that correct?
                                                                           I'm looking at the map of the plan you
 4 A.
                I do not know, no. You may know.
                                                           4 drew in 1992 that was adopted by the three-judge
5 0.
                Sir?
                                                           5 court in West versus Hunt. Did that map ever get
 6 A.
                I don't know. I mean, you may have
                                                           6 shown to you today, or not?
7 talked to her about it. I don't have any knowledge
                                                           7 A.
                                                                           It has not been shown to me today.
8 of it directly.
                                                                           MR. BLACKSHER: Okay. I'm looking at
                                                           8
9 0.
                I understand.
                                                           9 it in the amended complaint. I don't know if
10
                Can you take another look at the
                                                          10 anyone has a copy there that they can show
                                                          11 Mr. Hinaman or not.
11 whole county plan map, please?
12 A.
                                                                           But do you recall, Mr. Hinaman, that
                Yes, sir.
13 Q.
                And compare it -- and compare it with
                                                          13 the plan you drew in 1992 included all of the same
14 the map of the 55 -- 555 plan, HB-1, the enacted
                                                          14 counties that are in the plan you drew in 2021?
                                                          15 A.
15 plan.
                                                                           I'm not sure I -- I'm not sure I know
16 A.
                Yes, sir. Exhibit 5.
                                                          16 what that -- I'm not sure I know what you mean by
17 Q.
                If the court wanted to -- was drawing
                                                          17 that.
18 a remedial plan in this case, just for the sake of
                                                          18 0.
                                                                           The plan that you drew in 1992 had
19 argument, it had reached the point where it was
                                                          19 Clarke split, it had Pickens split, Tuscaloosa and
20 going to draw its own plan, and it wanted to change
                                                          20 Jefferson split, and Montgomery County split.
21 the whole county plan to look more like the plan
                                                          21
                                                                          Now, your plan in 2021 leaves Pickens
22 that the legislature enacted, that would simply be
                                                          22 whole, correct?
23 a matter of changing the array between Districts 5
                                                          23 A.
                                                                           Correct, and Clarke whole.
24 and 4, correct?
                                                                          And Clarke whole. But Tuscaloosa,
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25 Jefferson, and Montgomery are still split?

25 A.

No. I mean -- well, first of all,

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Page 222 Page 224 1 A. Yes, sir. 1 into the plan. But they chose to allow the members 2 Q. So your 2021 plan, the plan you drew 2 of congress to talk about what areas they wanted to 3 gain and lose underneath the guidelines that they 3 and that was enacted by the legislature in 2021, 4 preserves the core of the 1992 plan that you drew; 4 had already passed. 5 is that correct? 5 Q. And, in fact, in 19 -- let's see. 6 A. It's -- it's correct. But you've 6 Excuse me. 7 missed a few steps along the way, obviously. In 2011, that's what the legislature 8 Because as we discussed earlier in the deposition 8 did, as well. They simply deferred to what the 9 testimony, it more preserves the cores of the 2011 9 congressional delegation wanted in redrawing that 10 districts, which I guess by chain preserve some of 10 plan, right? 11 the 2001 districts, which the legislature preserved 11 A. No, that's not -- that was the goal I 12 some of the 1992 districts, if that made any sense. 12 had. But that's not what happened. When we got --13 as you may remember, when we got to the senate 13 In other words, I did not use the 1992 14 map as the starting point for my 2021 map. 14 floor, there were some members of the senate who 15 Q. 15 may have wanted to run in one district or another No. You used the 2011 plan, correct? 16 A. Correct. 16 who moved some things around. 17 0. And isn't it true that the 2002 plan 17 My map -- my initial map in 2011 18 didn't even have the 4th District in Tuscaloosa. 18 and the 2011 plan preserved the cores -- the core 19 of the 1992 plan? 19 It had the 6th District in Tuscaloosa. 20 A. For the most part. 20 So there were numerous changes made on 21 Q. Can we sum up your testimony about how 21 the senate floor and probably subsequently the 22 you went about drawing the 2021 enacted plan by 22 house floor from the map that the members and I 23 saying that you drew the plan so that it satisfied 23 worked on, members of congress and I worked on. 24 what each incumbent member of the Alabama 24 Q. But that didn't happen in 2021? 25 A. 25 congressional delegation wanted? That was your It did not happen in 2021. The map Page 223 Page 225 1 primary guideline, right? 1 that came out of -- the map that I gave to the 2 A. Well, that was a part of it. My 2 chairs that was offered at the reapportionment 3 primary guidelines were the guidelines given to me 3 committee was not amended through the process. So 4 it was identical to what was passed into law and 4 by the reapportionment committee, and then based 5 off of the subsequent population shifts over the 5 signed by the governor. 6 last ten years to repopulate or take away from, Okay. So let me just go over -- I 7 depending on the over/under of each district, 7 think I'm about finished here. I want to make sure 8 population, and geography to reach the required 8 I understand what your testimony is. 9 guidelines of zero deviation and preserving the You considered no other plans that did 10 cores of districts. 10 not have a zero deviation; is that correct? You 11 never considered drawing a plan that did not have a And, of course, where possible -- and 12 we've had a couple of minor cases where it wasn't, 12 zero deviation? 13 as we discussed with Representative Moore and so 13 A. That's correct. My understanding and 14 forth. But preserving what the incumbents would 14 -- my understanding of the guidelines required us 15 have -- would like to accomplish, as well. 15 to be at zero deviation. 16 Q. But your testimony is that nobody else 16 Q. And you understood, didn't you, that 17 but the members of the Alabama congressional 17 Jefferson County was now at a population level that 18 delegation had any input into the decisions you 18 was smaller than an ideal congressional district 19 made about how to draw that plan; isn't that 19 and, therefore, no longer needed to be split? You 20 correct? 20 were aware of that, weren't you? 21 A. That's pretty much correct, yes, sir. 21 A. I'm aware of it. I'm not sure I No member of the Alabama legislature's 22 focused on it. But what you say is true. 23 reapportionment committee, including its chairs, 23 Q. It wasn't -- it wasn't a priority for

25 what you're saying?

24 you to try to make Jefferson County whole? That's

24 had any input into that plan; isn't that correct?

They had all the input they wanted

25 A.

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 1 A.
                That's correct.
                                                           1 perfectly comfortable. But I've -- I've seen in
 2
                And, frankly, when I started the
                                                           2 other races where, you know, the fact that somebody
3 meetings, I didn't even -- at the time I started
                                                           3 doesn't reside in their district is not a positive
 4 the meetings -- subsequently I realized it. But at
                                                           4 when you get around to campaigning.
 5 the time I started the meetings, I actually thought
                                                                           Okay. I think I'm about done here. I
 6 that both Representative -- Congresswoman Sewell
                                                           6 need one more look at my notes.
 7 and Congressman Palmer both lived in Jefferson
                                                                           That's it. Thank you very much,
8 County. As I turned out, he had -- Representative
                                                           8 Mr. Hinaman.
                                                           9 A.
9 Palmer had moved over the last few years into
                                                                           Thank you.
10 Shelby.
                                                          10
                                                                           MS. MADDURI: This is Lali Madduri for
11
                But at the time, I would have thought
                                                          11 the Caster plaintiffs. We don't have any
12 that that wasn't possible under our guidelines.
                                                          12 questions.
                                                          13
13 Because when I started the process, I thought they
                                                                           MR. THOMPSON: I think that's all the
14 both lived in Jefferson County.
                                                          14 questions that I have at this time, too. So on
                But, in fact, you found out that
15 Q.
                                                          15 behalf of all the plaintiffs, I'll pass the witness
16 Congressman Gary Palmer lives about three blocks
                                                          16 at this time.
17 south of the Jefferson County line in Shelby
                                                          17
                                                                           MR. WALKER: Let us have a few
18 County, and Congresswoman Sewell lives about a mile
                                                          18 minutes.
19 away from where Palmer lives. But she's on the
                                                          19
                                                                           THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're off the
20 Jefferson side of the line in Lake Cyrus, right?
                                                          20 record. The time is 3:34 p.m.
21 A.
                That's correct, yeah.
                                                          21
                                                                              (Recess was taken.)
                                                                           THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
22 Q.
                                                          22
                But I also understood you to say that
23 Congresswoman Sewell considered making her
                                                          23 record. The time is 3:39 p.m.
24 residence, for purpose of redistricting, Dallas
                                                                           MR. WALKER: We have nothing to ask
25 County. Am I correct?
                                                          25 Mr. Hinaman. So I guess we're done. Thank you
                                               Page 227
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 1 A.
                I'm not sure I would phrase it that
                                                           1 very much, everyone.
 2 way.
                                                                           THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This ends the
3
                When asked what residence -- when
                                                           3 deposition of Randy Hinaman. The time is now
 4 asked for her residence address so it could be put
                                                           4 3:40 p.m.
                                                           5
 5 in the computer so that we would make sure she was
 6 inside her district, she gave us both her address
                                                           6
                                                                        (DEPOSITION ENDED AT 3:40 P.M.)
7 where she votes at, which is obviously Jefferson
 8 County, and her ancestral home. I don't know the
                                                           8
9 right way to phrase it. Where she grew up in
10 Dallas County.
                                                          10
11 0.
                She grew up in Selma, right?
                                                          11
12 A.
                Yes. Yes, sir.
                                                          12
                Okay. And you're aware, aren't you,
                                                          13
14 that there is no residency requirement for members
                                                          14
15 of congress, aren't you?
                                                          15
                I am aware. I'm also aware it's
                                                          16
16 A.
17 exceedingly difficult to get elected when you're
                                                          17
18 outside of your district. It makes a rather good
                                                          18
19 TV spot.
                                                          19
20 0.
                So even though congress -- Congressman
                                                          20
21 Palmer still lives in the city of Birmingham, he's
                                                          21
22 in that part that extends into Shelby County, he
                                                          22
23 would not feel comfortable representing the
                                                          23
24 Birmingham area again; is that right?
                                                          24
25 A.
                I don't know that. He may feel
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

EVAN MILLIGAN, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

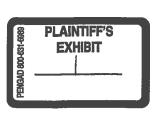
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JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,

Defendants.

PLAINTIFFS' AMENDED NOTICE OF DEPOSITION FOR RANDY HINAMAN

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Rule 30(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiffs Evan Milligan, Khadidah Stone, Adia Winfrey, Letetia Jackson, Shalela Dowdy, Greater Birmingham Ministries, and the Alabama State Conference of the NAACP, (collectively, "Plaintiffs") will take the deposition of Mr. Randy Hinaman. The deposition will commence on December 9, 2021, at 9:00 am CDT, at 105 Tallapoosa Street, Suite 200, Montgomery, AL 36104 (or at such other time and place as the parties may mutually agree upon). The deposition will be recorded stenographically by a certified court reporter, and may be recorded by video and audio by a certified videographer. The deposition will take place in-person and/or by videoconference and will continue from day to day, or according to a schedule mutually agreed upon by the parties, until completed.



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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT Northern District of Alabama EVAN MILLIGAN, et al., Plaintiff Civil Action No. 2:21-cv-01530-AMM V. JOHN H. MERRILL, et al. Defendant SUBPOENA TO TESTIFY AT A DEPOSITION IN A CIVIL ACTION To: Randy Hinaman (Name of person to whom this subpoena is directed) Testimony: YOU ARE COMMANDED to appear at the time, date, and place set forth below to testify at a deposition to be taken in this civil action. If you are an organization, you must promptly confer in good faith with the party serving this subpoena about the following matters, or those set forth in an attachment, and you must designate one or more officers, directors, or managing agents, or designate other persons who consent to testify on your behalf about these matters: Date and Time: Place: 105 Tallapoosa Street, Suite 200 12/09/2021 9:00 am Montgomery, AL 36104 The deposition will be recorded by this method: court reporter/videographer D Production: You, or your representatives, must also bring with you to the deposition the following documents, electronically stored information, or objects, and must permit inspection, copying, testing, or sampling of the material: The following provisions of Fed. R. Civ. P. 45 are attached = Rule 45(c), relating to the place of compliance; Rule 45(d), relating to your protection as a person subject to a subpoena; and Rule 45(e) and (g), relating to your duty to respond to this subpoena and the potential consequences of not doing so. 12/03/2021 Date: **CLERK OF COURT** OR Auorney's signature Signature of Clerk or Deputy Clerk **Plaintiffs** The name, address, e-mail address, and telephone number of the attorney representing (name of party) Evan Milligan, et al., , who issues or requests this subpoena, are:

Sidney Jackson, Esq.; 301 19th St. N., Birmingham, AL 35203; sjackson@wigginschilds.com; 205-314-0500

Notice to the person who issues or requests this subpoena

If this subpoena commands the production of documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things before trial, a notice and a copy of the subpoena must be served on each party in this case before it is served on the person to whom it is directed. Fed. R. Civ. P. 45(a)(4).

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Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 45 (c), (d), (e), and (g) (Effective 12/1/13)

(c) Place of Compliance.

(1) For a Trial, Hearing, or Deposition. A subpocna may command a person to attend a trial, hearing, or deposition only as follows:

(A) within 100 miles of where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person; or

(B) within the state where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person, if the person

(i) is a party or a party's officer; or

(ii) is commanded to attend a trial and would not incur substantial expense.

(2) For Other Discovery. A subpoena may command:

(A) production of documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things at a place within 100 miles of where the person resides, is employed, or regularly transacts business in person; and

(B) inspection of premises at the premises to be inspected.

(d) Protecting a Person Subject to a Subpoena; Enforcement.

(1) Avoiding Undue Burden or Expense; Sanctions. A party or attorney responsible for issuing and serving a subpoena must take reasonable steps to avoid imposing undue burden or expense on a person subject to the subpoena. The court for the district where compliance is required must enforce this duty and impose an appropriate sanction—which may include lost carnings and reasonable attorney's fees—on a party or attorney who fails to comply.

(2) Command to Produce Materials or Permit Inspection.

- (A) Appearance Not Required. A person commanded to produce documents, electronically stored information, or tangible things, or to permit the inspection of premises, need not appear in person at the place of production or inspection unless also commanded to appear for a deposition, hearing, or trial.
- (B) Objections. A person commanded to produce documents or tangible things or to permit inspection may serve on the party or attorney designated in the subpoena a written objection to inspecting, copying, testing, or sampling any or all of the materials or to inspecting the premises or to producing electronically stored information in the form or forms requested. The objection must be served before the earlier of the time specified for compliance or 14 days after the subpoena is served. If an objection is made, the following rules apply:
- (i) At any time, on notice to the commanded person, the serving party may move the court for the district where compliance is required for an order compelling production or inspection.
- (ii) These acts may be required only as directed in the order, and the order must protect a person who is neither a party nor a party's officer from significant expense resulting from compliance.

(3) Quashing or Modifying a Subpoena.

- (A) When Required. On timely motion, the court for the district where compliance is required must quash or modify a subpoena that:
 - (i) fails to allow a reasonable time to comply;
- (ii) requires a person to comply beyond the geographical limits specified in Rule 45(c);
- (III) requires disclosure of privileged or other protected matter, if no exception or waiver applies; or

(iv) subjects a person to undue burden.

(B) When Permitted. To protect a person subject to or affected by a subpoena, the court for the district where compliance is required may, on motion, quash or modify the subpoena if it requires:

- (i) disclosing a trade secret or other confidential research, development, or commercial information; or
- (ii) disclosing an unretained expert's opinion or information that does not describe specific occurrences in dispute and results from the expert's study that was not requested by a party.
- (C) Specifying Conditions as an Alternative. In the circumstances described in Rule 45(d)(3)(B), the court may, instead of quashing or modifying a subpoena, order appearance or production under specified conditions if the serving party:
- (i) shows a substantial need for the testimony or material that cannot be otherwise met without undue hardship; and
 - (ii) ensures that the subpoenaed person will be reasonably compensated.

(e) Duties in Responding to a Subpoena.

- (1) Producing Documents or Electronically Stored Information. These procedures apply to producing documents or electronically stored information:
- (A) Documents. A person responding to a subpoena to produce documents must produce them as they are kept in the ordinary course of business or must organize and label them to correspond to the categories in the demand.
- (B) Form for Producing Electronically Stored Information Not Specified. If a subpoena does not specify a form for producing electronically stored information, the person responding must produce it in a form or forms in which it is ordinarily maintained or in a reasonably usable form or forms.
- (C) Electronically Stored Information Produced in Only One Form. The person responding need not produce the same electronically stored information in more than one form.
- (D) Inaccessible Electronically Stored Information. The person responding need not provide discovery of electronically stored information from sources that the person identifies as not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost. On motion to compel discovery or for a protective order, the person responding must show that the information is not reasonably accessible because of undue burden or cost. If that showing is made, the court may nonetheless order discovery from such sources if the requesting party shows good cause, considering the limitations of Rule 26(b)(2)(C). The court may specify conditions for the discovery.

- (2) Claiming Privilege or Protection.
 (A) Information Withheld. A person withholding subpoenaed information under a claim that it is privileged or subject to protection as trial-preparation material must:
 - (i) expressly make the claim; and
- (ii) describe the nature of the withheld documents, communications, or tangible things in a manner that, without revealing information itself privileged or protected, will enable the parties to assess the claim.
- (B) Information Produced. If information produced in response to a subpoena is subject to a claim of privilege or of protection as trial-preparation material, the person making the claim may notify any party that received the information of the claim and the basis for it. After being notified, a party must promptly return, sequester, or destroy the specified information and any copies it has; must not use or disclose the information until the claim is resolved; must take reasonable steps to retrieve the information if the party disclosed it before being notified; and may promptly present the information under seal to the court for the district where compliance is required for a determination of the claim. The person who produced the information must preserve the information until the claim is resolved.

(g) Contempt.

The court for the district where compliance is required—and also, after a motion is transferred, the issuing court—may hold in contempt a person who, having been served, fails without adequate excuse to obey the subpocna or an order related to it.

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1979 – 1980	National Field Director - Youth Campaign, Reagan for President
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, NORTHERN DIVISION

ALABAMA LEGISLATIVE)
BLACK CAUCUS, et al.,	(
Plaintiffs,)) Case No. 2:12-cv-691) WKW-MHT-WHP
THE STATE OF ALABAMA, et al.,)
Defendants.)
)
DEMETRIUS NEWTON, et al.,)
Plaintiffs,)
)
v.) Case No. 2:12-cv-1081
THE STATE OF ALABAMA, et al.,) WKW-MHT-WHP)
Defendants.)

DECLARATION OF RANDY HINAMAN

- 1. My name is Randy Hinaman. I am over the age of 21 years, have personal knowledge of the facts set forth, and am competent to testify regarding them.
- 2. I have substantial experience in drafting redistricting plans in Alabama, including drawing the congressional plan adopted by the three-



- 4. In drawing the lines for all the new districts, I used information conveyed to me by Senator Dial, Representative McClendon, and individual legislators to try to make sure we accommodated the legislators' wishes to the extent possible. I did make recommendations, including the recommendations to move HD 53 from Birmingham to Huntsville and to make HD 85 a majority-black district thereby increasing the total number of black-majority districts under the House plan to 28, but the decision to follow those recommendations was made by Representative McClendon, not by me.
- 5. Senator Dial gave me a map of the Birmingham-area black-majority Senate districts (SDs 18, 19, and 20) that I understood came from Senator Rodger Smitherman. That map did not include any demographic information with it, but when I looked at the neighborhoods included in the new district boundaries, I saw that the black population in the proposed new districts was about the same percentage as in the old districts. That map also split a number of precincts, which I input into the draft Senate plan as they came to me. I estimate that I used 90-95% of that map in drawing the lines for the Senate plan, with the changes coming around the edges of the districts. The decision to follow these recommendations was made by Senator Dial.

Even so, I estimate that I used a great deal of the map that I received from Representative McClendon. HD 73 was moved to Shelby County, the fastest growing county in Alabama and one whose existing House districts were all over-populated. Again the decision to follow these recommendations, including the recommendation to move HD 73 to Shelby County, was made by Representative McClendon, not by me.

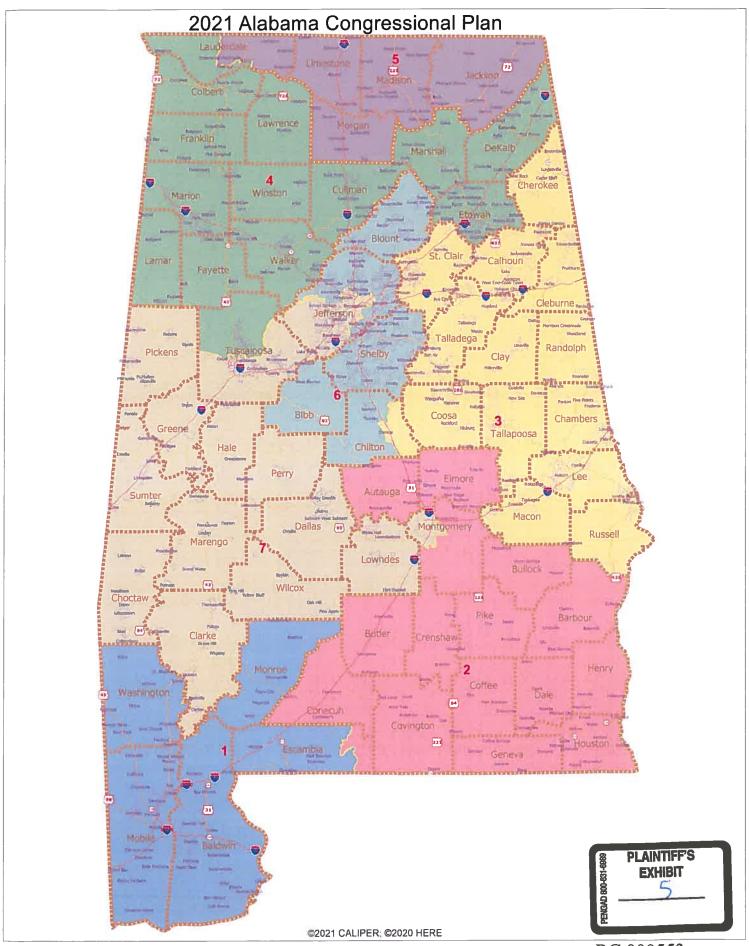
8. I recommended that HD 53 be moved from Birmingham to
Huntsville because all of the black-majority districts in Jefferson County
were significantly under-populated, while there was a compact, contiguous
group of black voters in the Huntsville area that was large enough to be a
majority in a Shaw-compliant House district. While the black-majority
districts in Jefferson County needed to gain population, adding white voters
from the rest of Jefferson County posed a serious problem with
retrogression. Something had to be done, and the solution was to move the
population from one of the black-majority districts into the adjoining
districts and ripple it through to the other black-majority districts. I was told
that Representative Demetrius Newton was retiring, so I suggested rolling up
HD 53, which he represented. Again, the decision to move HD 53 to
Madison County, where it became a new black-majority House district with

majority districts, and the best place to get the additional population was by pushing south into SD 22 and east into SD 30. That would cause less disruption to other districts than pushing north and east toward Tuscaloosa. This also kept the African-American percentages nearly identical to what they had been. Pushing south had the additional benefit of putting the extra 19,000 people in SD 32 in Baldwin County into a district that met the allowable population deviation. As a result, the changes I proposed included pushing SD 22 further into Baldwin County. Senator Dial made the decision on how to fit these districts into the Senate plan, not me.

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1746, I affirm that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

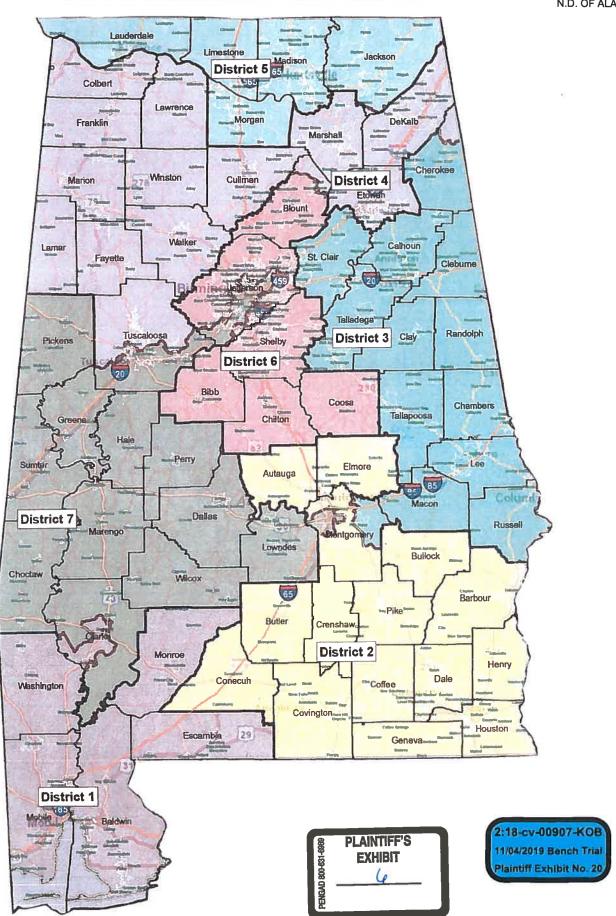
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REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES

2 May 5, 2021

I. POPULATION

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- The total Alabama state population, and the population of defined subunits 4
- thereof, as reported by the 2020 Census, shall be the permissible data base used 5
- for the development, evaluation, and analysis of proposed redistricting plans. It is 6
- the intention of this provision to exclude from use any census data, for the purpose
- of determining compliance with the one person, one vote requirement, other than 8
- 9 that provided by the United States Census Bureau.

II. CRITERIA FOR REDISTRICTING 10

- 11 Districts shall comply with the United States Constitution, including the
- requirement that they equalize total population. 12
- 13 b. Congressional districts shall have minimal population deviation.
- 14 Legislative and state board of education districts shall be drawn to achieve
- substantial equality of population among the districts and shall not exceed an 15
- overall population deviation range of $\pm 5\%$. 16
- 17 A redistricting plan considered by the Reapportionment Committee shall
- comply with the one person, one vote principle of the Equal Protection Clause of 18
- 19 the 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution.
- The Reapportionment Committee shall not approve a redistricting plan that 20
- does not comply with these population requirements. 21
- Districts shall be drawn in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as 22 f.
- amended. A redistricting plan shall have neither the purpose nor the effect of 23
- diluting minority voting strength, and shall comply with Section 2 of the Voting 24
- 25 Rights Act and the United States Constitution.
- 26 No district will be drawn in a manner that subordinates race-neutral
- districting criteria to considerations of race, color, or membership in a language-27
- minority group, except that race, color, or membership in a language-minority 28
- group may predominate over race-neutral districting criteria to comply with 29
- Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, provided there is a strong basis in evidence in 30
- support of such a race-based choice. A strong basis in evidence exists when there 31
- is good reason to believe that race must be used in order to satisfy the Voting Rights 32

33 Act. PLAINTIFF'S **EXHIBIT**

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- 1 precincts, municipalities, tribal lands and reservations, or school districts. The
- 2 discernment, weighing, and balancing of the varied factors that contribute to
- 3 communities of interest is an intensely political process best carried out by elected
- 4 representatives of the people.
- 5 (iv) The Legislature shall try to minimize the number of counties in each district.
- 6 (v) The Legislature shall try to preserve the cores of existing districts.
- 7 (vi) In establishing legislative districts, the Reapportionment Committee shall
- 8 give due consideration to all the criteria herein. However, priority is to be given to
- 9 the compelling State interests requiring equality of population among districts and
- 10 compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, should the
- 11 requirements of those criteria conflict with any other criteria.
- 12 g. The criteria identified in paragraphs j(i)-(vi) are not listed in order of
- precedence, and in each instance where they conflict, the Legislature shall at its
- 14 discretion determine which takes priority.

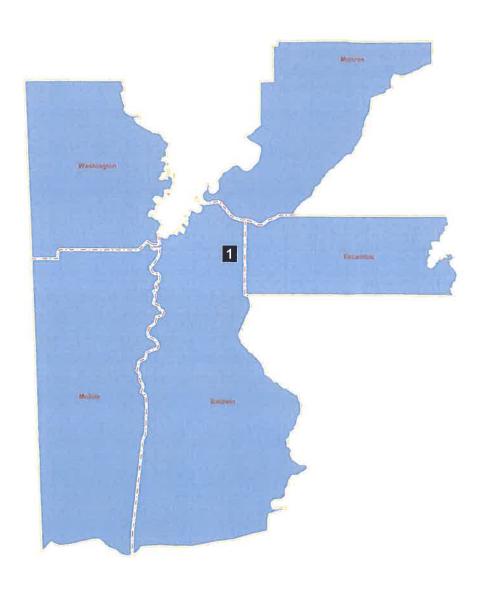
15 III. PLANS PRODUCED BY LEGISLATORS

- 16 1. The confidentiality of any Legislator developing plans or portions thereof
- 17 will be respected. The Reapportionment Office staff will not release any
- information on any Legislator's work without written permission of the Legislator
- developing the plan, subject to paragraph two below.
- 20 2. A proposed redistricting plan will become public information upon its
- 21 introduction as a bill in the legislative process, or upon presentation for
- 22 consideration by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 23 3. Access to the Legislative Reapportionment Office Computer System, census
- 24 population data, and redistricting work maps will be available to all members of
- 25 the Legislature upon request. Reapportionment Office staff will provide technical
- 26 assistance to all Legislators who wish to develop proposals.
- 27 4. In accordance with Rule 23 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature
- 28 "[a]ll amendments or revisions to redistricting plans, following introduction as a
- 29 bill, shall be drafted by the Reapportionment Office." Amendments or revisions
- must be part of a whole plan. Partial plans are not allowed.
- 31 5. In accordance with Rule 24 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature,
- 32 "[d]rafts of all redistricting plans which are for introduction at any session of the
- 33 Legislature, and which are not prepared by the Reapportionment Office, shall be
- 34 presented to the Reapportionment Office for review of proper form and for entry
- into the Legislative Data System at least ten (10) days prior to introduction."

- 1 3. Any proposed redistricting plan drafted into legislation must be offered by a
- 2 member of the Legislature for introduction into the legislative process.
- 3 4. A redistricting plan developed outside the Legislature or a redistricting plan
- 4 developed without Reapportionment Office assistance which is to be presented for
- 5 consideration by the Reapportionment Committee must:
- 6 a. Be clearly depicted on maps which follow 2020 Census geographic
- 7 boundaries;
- 8 b. Be accompanied by a statistical sheet listing total population for each district
- 9 and listing the census geography making up each proposed district;
- 10 c. Stand as a complete statewide plan for redistricting.
- 11 d. Comply with the guidelines adopted by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 12 5. Electronic Submissions
- 13 a. Electronic submissions of redistricting plans will be accepted by the
- 14 Reapportionment Committee.
- 15 b. Plans submitted electronically must also be accompanied by the paper
- 16 materials referenced in this section.
- 17 c. See the Appendix for the technical documentation for the electronic
- submission of redistricting plans.
- 19 6. Census Data and Redistricting Materials
- 20 a. Census population data and census maps will be made available through the
- 21 Reapportionment Office at a cost determined by the Permanent Legislative
- 22 Committee on Reapportionment.
- 23 b. Summary population data at the precinct level and a statewide work maps
- 24 will be made available to the public through the Reapportionment Office at a cost
- 25 determined by the Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.
- 26 c. All such fees shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the
- 27 general fund and shall be used to cover the expenses of the Legislature.
- 28 Appendix.
- 29 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF REDISTRICTING PLANS
- 30 **REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE STATE OF ALABAMA**

- 1 For questions relating to reapportionment and redistricting, please contact:
- 2 Donna Overton Loftin, Supervisor
- 3 Legislative Reapportionment Office
- 4 donna.overton@alsenate.gov
- 5 Please Note: The above e-mail address is to be used only for the purposes of
- 6 obtaining information regarding redistricting. Political messages, including those
- 7 relative to specific legislation or other political matters, cannot be answered or
- 8 disseminated via this email to members of the Legislature. Members of the
- 9 Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment may be contacted through
- information contained on their Member pages of the Official Website of the
- 11 Alabama Legislature, legislature.state.al.us/aliswww/default.aspx.

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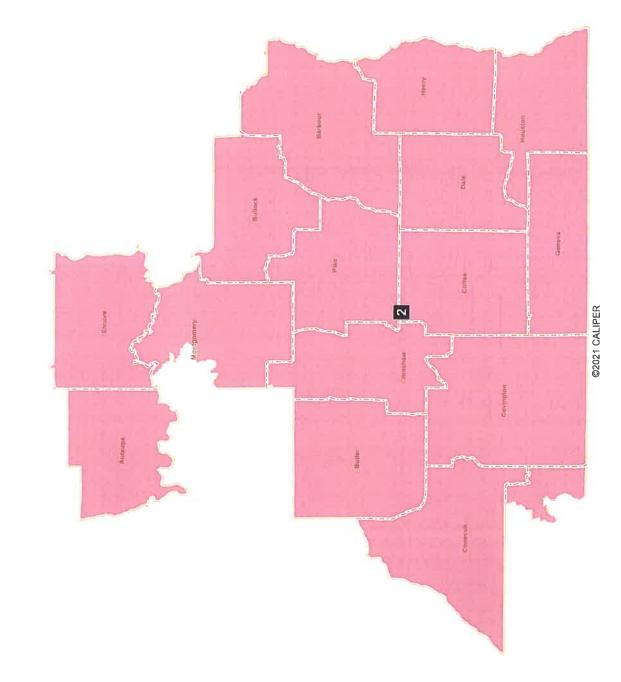
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District	1
Population	717754
Deviation	0
% Deviation	0%
White	461324
% White	64.27%
Black	186921
% Black	26.04%
18+_Pop	557535
% 18+_Pop	77.68%
18+_Wht	371902
% 18+_Wht	66.7%
18+_Blk	138128
% 18+_Blk	24.77%
18+_Ind	6381
% 18+_Ind	1.14%
18+_Asn	8395
% 18+_Asn	1.51%
18+_Hwn	290
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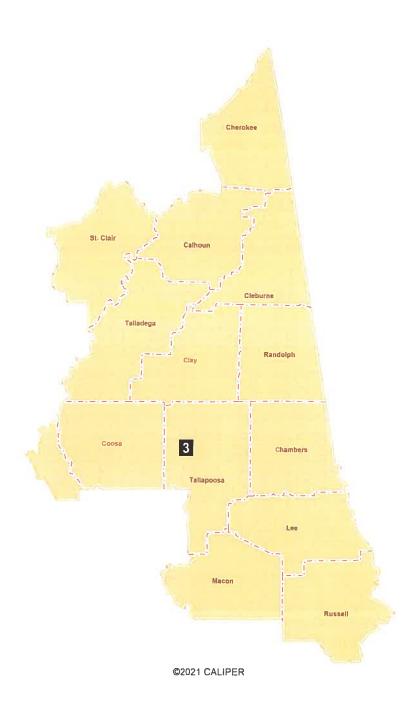
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Field	Value 2
Population	717755
Deviation	1
% Deviation	%0
White	433244
% White	60.36%
Black	217392
% Black	30.29%
18+_Pop	257677
% 18+_Pop	77.7%
18+_Wht	350279
% 18+_Wht	62.81%
18+_Blk	162714
% 18+_Blk	29.18%
18+_Ind	2628
% 18+_Ind	0.47%
	10399
% 18+_Asn	1.86%
18+_Hwn	307
% 18+_Hwn	%90.0
18+_Oth	2086
% 18+_Oth	1.76%
AP_Wht	464682
% AP_Wht	64.74%
AP_BIK	228648
% AP_Bik	31.86%
18+_AP_Wht	369833
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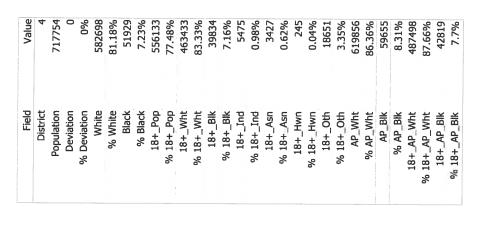
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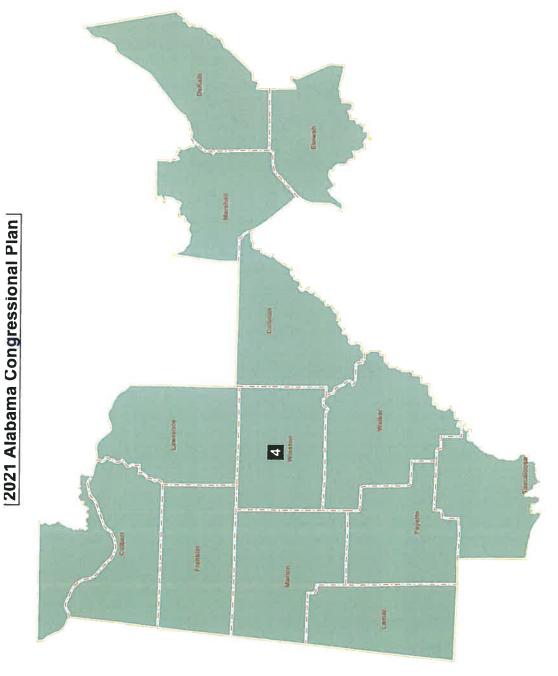


Value	Field
3	District
717754	Population
0	Deviation
0%	% Deviation
479432	White
66.8%	% White
176953	Black
24.65%	% Black
564281	18+_Pop
78.62%	% 18+_Pop
386048	18+_Wht
68.41%	% 18+_Wht
136382	18+_Blk
24.17%	% 18+_Blk
2048	18+_Ind
0.36%	% 18+_Ind
9869	18+_Asn
1.75%	% 18+_Asn
340	18+_Hwn
0.06%	% 18+_Hwn
8505	18+_Oth
1.51%	% 18+_Oth
509986	AP_Wht
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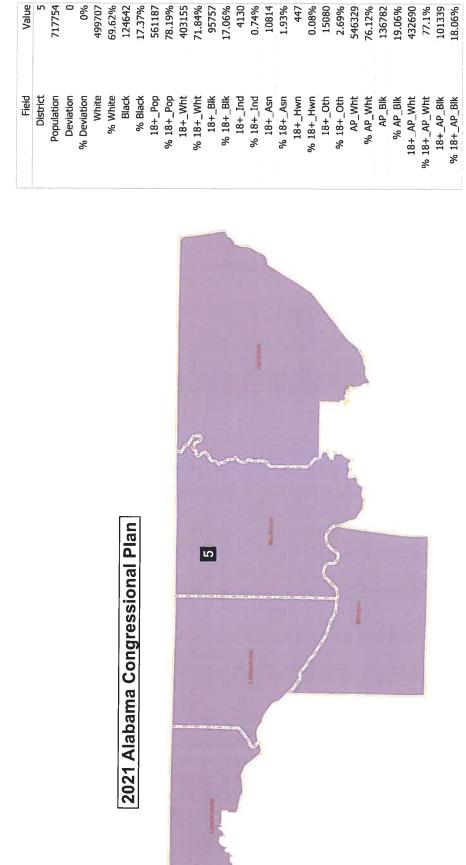
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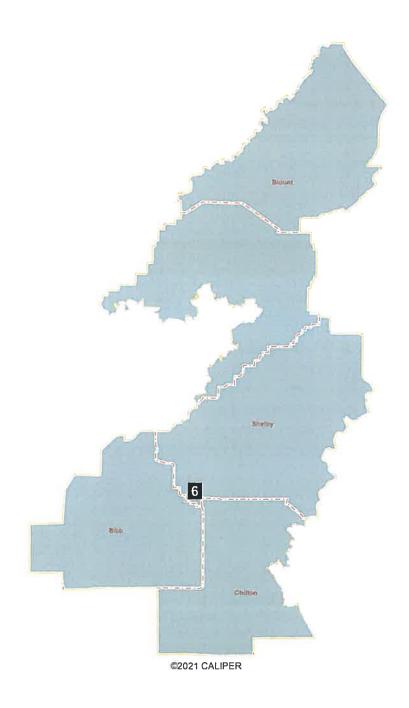
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717754	Population
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498843	White
69.5%	% White
138019	Black
19.23%	% Black
552286	18+_Pop
76.95%	% 18+_Pop
397498	18+_Wht
71.97%	% 18+_Wht
100878	18+_Blk
18.27%	% 18+_Blk
2183	18+_Ind
0.4%	% 18+_Ind
10568	18+_Asn
1.91%	% 18+_Asn
254	18+_Hwn
0.05%	% 18+_Hwn
16611	18+_Oth
3.01%	% 18+_Oth
534271	AP_Wht
74.44%	% AP_Wht
145897	AP_Blk
20.33%	% AP_Blk
420311	18+_AP_Wht
76.1%	% 18+_AP_Wht
104551	18+_AP_Blk
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7	District
717754	Population
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265204	White
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400306	Black
55.77%	% Black
568067	18+_Pop
79.15%	% 18+_Pop
222731	18+_Wht
39.21%	% 18+_Wht
308030	18+_Blk
54.22%	% 18+_Blk
1707	18+_Ind
0.3%	% 18+_Ind
7036	18+_Asn
1.24%	% 18+_Asn
232	18+_Hwn
0.04%	% 18+_Hwn
10629	18+_Oth
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409643	AP_Blk
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HOLMES CONGRESSIONAL PLAN 1	REP HOLMES		FLOOR	215458-2	SAME AS BARFOOT CONGR PLAN 1
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SINGLETON CONGRESSIONAL PLAN 3	SEN SINGLETON		FLOOR	215489-1	**ZERO DEVIATION PLAN
HATCHER CONGRESSIONAL PLAN 1	SEN HATCHER		FLOOR	215601-1	
WAGGONER CONGRESSIONAL PLAN 3	SEN WAGGONER		FLOOR	215614-1	
BARFOOT CONGRESSIONAL PLAN 1	SEN BARFOOT		FLOOR	215598-1	**SAME AS MOORE AND HOLMES PLANS
					**OFFERED IN F&T COMMITTEE NOV 2
WAGGONER CONGRESSIONAL PLAN 1	SEN WAGGONER		COMMITTEE	215560-1	same as Faulkner Plan





THE STATE OF ALABAMA; ROBERT ADERHOLT: Representative for Alabama's 4th Congressional District, in his official and individual capacities; WILLIAM GREEN; and CAMARAN WILLIAMS,

Plaintiffs,

V.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; GINA RAIMONDO, in her official capacity as Secretary of Commerce; UNITED STATES BUREAU OF THE CENSUS, an agency within the United States Department of Commerce; and RON JARMIN, in his official capacity as Acting Director of the U.S. Census Bureau,

Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:21-cv-211-RAH

COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

THREE-JUDGE COURT REQUESTED PURSUANT TO 28 U.S.C. § 2284

INTRODUCTION

- 1. This suit challenges two unlawful actions by the U.S. Commerce Department and Census Bureau in relation to the 2020 decennial census—(1) Defendants' decision to produce manipulated redistricting data to the States, and (2) Defendants' refusal to produce redistricting data on time.
- 2. First, the skewed numbers. Congress has ordered the Secretary of Commerce to work with the States to learn what they need for redistricting and then report to each State accurate "[t]abulations of population" for subparts of each State for purposes of "legislative apportionment or districting of such State." 13 U.S.C. § 141(c). But the Secretary, through the Census Bureau, has announced that she will instead provide the States purposefully flawed population tabulations.

116. Even at the higher census geography of Alabama's Congressional districts, the November 2020 demonstration data indicated that the differential privacy algorithm skewed the data enough to create population deviation on a level that courts have found, in other contexts, to violate the Supreme Court's equal population jurisprudence;²⁷

Congressional District	2010 Actual Population	2010 Actual Population Deviation	Differential Privacy Population (Demonstration Data)	Differential Privacy Deviation (Demonstration Data)
1	682820	+1	682747	-73
2	682820	+1	682791	-29
3	682819		682844	+25
4	682819	-1	682820	+1
5	682819	₅ 1	682820	+1
6	682819	-1	682688	-131
7	682820	+1	683026	+206

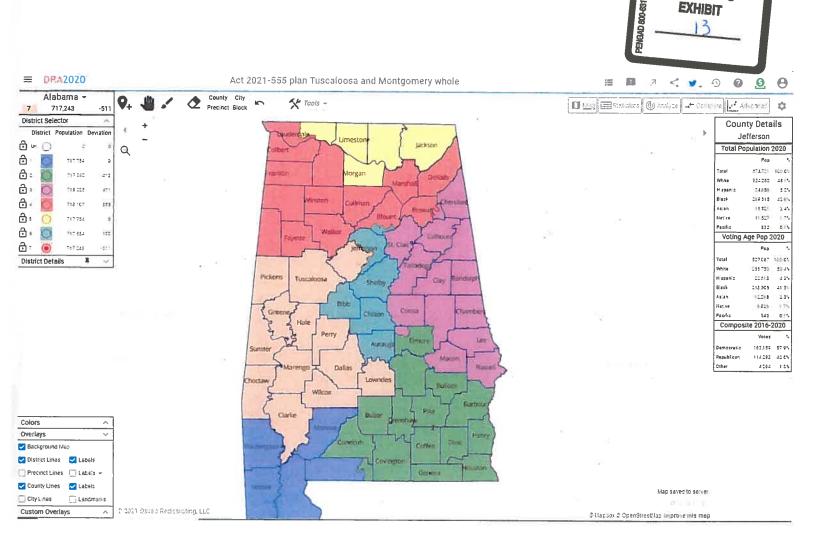
- 117. Notably, the only reason that these errors are knowable is because the Census Bureau provided both the differential privacy data and the actual Census data.
- 118. Because the Bureau will *not* provide the actual data for the 2020 census, if the application of differential privacy to the 2020 census data is not stopped, these differences from reality will never be discernable from the official federal government data.
- 119. Nor will the Bureau simply be able to provide the true numbers (with the 2010 disclosure avoidance methods in place) at a later time if turns out that the differential privacy numbers cannot be used. Doing so would throw a wrench in the redistricting process, forcing States

²⁷ See, e.g., Vieth v. Pennsylvania, 195 F. Supp. 2d 672 (M.D. Pa. 2002) (three-judge court).

Page 1 PLAINTIFF'S 1 PERMANENT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON 2 3 REAPPORTIONMENT PUBLIC HEARINGS 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 NORTHEAST ALABAMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE 13 REDISTRICTING PUBLIC HEARING 14 15 September 1, 2021 16 17 18 19 20 21 REPORTED BY: 22 Jan A. Mann, CSR 23 Veritext Legal Solutions 2.4 260 North Joachim Street 25 Mobile, Alabama 36603

Page 12 1 MR. MCGRIFF: Hi. Good afternoon. name is Toni McGriff and I live in Dutton which is 2 Senate District 8 and House District 23 but my question 3 4 is about the congressional District Number 4. 5 Most of Jackson County, practically all of Jackson County is in congressional District 5 but there is a tiny little sliver of southern Jackson County that's in 4. And I understand about trying to get 9 everything equalized in terms of population but the very 10 few people who live there very frequently think they're 11 in District 5 and do not know who to vote for. 12 And I would ask that you consider that when you are redistricting so that you don't have that 14 tiny little sliver out of the county. It's in a section called Macedonia. Senator Livingston would know where 15 16 'm talking about I'm sure'. 17 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you. Thank you. 18 That's very helpful. Anything else? 19 MS. MCGRIFF: I don't think so. Not at 20 this time. 21 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you very much. 22 Very helpful. 23 MS. MCGRIFF: Thank you. 24 HEARING OFFICER: Is there anyone else 25 that would like to speak? Okay. Senator Livingston has





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Notes

- The 0.14% population deviation is within the 0.75% threshold tolerated by the courts
- Six districts lean Republican, one leans Democratic, and none fall in the 45-55% competitive range.
- There is one majority-minority district.

In The Matter Of:

Evan Milligan, et al v. John H. Merrill, et al.

Chris Pringle

December 17, 2021

US Legal

Evan Milligan, et al v. John H.Merrill, et al.

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2	FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA	2	
3		3	FOR THE MILLIGAN PLAINTIFFS:
4		4	MICHAEL L. TURRILL
5		5	Attorney at Law
6	EVAN MILLIGAN, et al.,)	6	Hogan Lovells US LLP
1 7) CIVIL CASE NO.	1 7	1999 Avenue of the Stars, Ste. 1400
8	Plaintiffs,) 2:2021-CV-01530-AMM	8	Los Angeles, California 90067
1	VS.) VIDEO DEPOSITION OF:	9	michael.turrill@hoganlovells.com
-	JOHN MERRILL, et al.,) CHRIS PRINGLE	10	
11)	11	KATHRYN SADASIVAN
12	Defendants.	12	Attorney at Law
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16	STIPULATIONS	16	ksadasivan@naacpldf.org
17	IT IS STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between	17	
1	the parties through their respective counsel, that	18	DEUEL ROSS (Via Zoom)
1	the deposition of:	19	Attorney at Law
20	CHRIS PRINGLE,	20	NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund
21	may be taken before LeAnn Maroney, Notary Public,	21	700 14th Street N.W., Ste. 600
22	State at Large, at the law offices of Balch &	22	Washington, DC 20005
23	Bingham, 105 Tallapoosa Street, Montgomery, Alabama,	23	dross@naacpldf.org
24	36104, on December 17, 2021, commencing at 9:14 a.m.	24	
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1	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that the	1	JULIE A. EBENSTEIN
2	signature to and reading of the deposition by the	2	DAVIN M. ROSBOROUGH
3	witness is waived, the deposition to have the same	3	Attorneys at Law
1	force and effect as if full compliance had been had	4	American Civil Liberties Union Foundation
5	with all laws and rules of Court relating to the	5	125 Broad Street
6	taking of depositions.	6	New York, New York 10004
7		7	drosborough@aclu.org
8	IT IS FURTHER STIPULATED AND AGREED that it	8	
`	shall not be necessary for any objections to be made	9	KAITLIN WELBORN
1	by counsel to any questions, except as to form or	10	Latisha Gotell Faulks
1	leading questions, and that counsel for the parties	11	
1	may make objections and assign grounds at the time	12	
1	of the trial, or at the time said deposition is	13	P.O. Box 6179
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1 Milligan plaintiffs.	1 A. 2003.
2 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Court reporter, will	2 Q. And what was the case?
3 you please swear in the witness.	3 A. Mr. Blacksher, redistricting.
4 CHRIS PRINGLE,	4 Q. Okay. And what was it it was about
5 having been duly sworn, was examined and testified	5 redistricting. Do you know what the result of that
6 as follows:	6 case was?
7 THE REPORTER: Usual stipulations?	7 A. No.
8 MS. WELBORN: Yes.	8 Q. So I'll just go over some key rules of
9 MR. WALKER: Yeah. Kaitlin, that means	9 the road as a refresher. I'll ask the questions.
10 okay.	10 And if you don't understand a question, let me know,
11 MS. WELBORN: Yes, I understand.	11 just like you did just now. And if you answer a
12 EXAMINATION BY MS. WELBORN:	12 question, I will assume that you understood that
13 Q. Representative Pringle, my name is	13 question. Is that fair?
14 Kaitlin Welborn from the ACLU of Alabama. I	14 A. Yes.
15 represent the Milligan plaintiffs.	15 Q. The court reporter is here, and she's
16 Could you please state your full name	16 typing everything you and I say and everybody else
17 for the record?	17 says. And she'll type everything said by anyone in
18 A. Christopher Paul Pringle.	18 the room or on Zoom.
19 Q. And do you understand that you're	19 It's really important that only one
20 testifying under oath right now?	20 person speaks at a time. So if you could just allow
21 A. I do.	21 me to finish my questions and sentences, and I'll do
22 Q. Is there anything that might prevent you	22 my best to allow you to finish your answers before
23 from understanding my questions or answering	23 jumping on to the next question. Okay?
24 truthfully today?	24 I'd like to introduce my first exhibit,
25 A. No.	25 which is the deposition notice.
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1 Q. Are you represented by a lawyer today?	1 -
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2 A. Yes.	1 MR. WALKER: Are you are you 2 numbering these sequentially from the last
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1	MS. WELBORN: I'm sorry. I don't know	1	government,	I couldn't even tell you.
2	if you're an attorney or not.	2	Q.	And that's your legislative
3	MR. McCLENDON: No.	3	A.	Yes.
4	MS. WELBORN: I'm from DC. I just	4	Q.	email address?
5	assume everybody is an attorney.	5		Do you have any other email accounts?
6	MR. WALKER: He's an eye doctor, if you	6	A.	No.
7	have any issues there. But he's not an attorney.	7	Q.	Do you have an email account for any
8	MS. WELBORN: Well, clearly, I do.	8	PAC, for exa	mple?
9	Q. Okay. And did you review any documents	9	A.	No.
10	for today?	10	Q.	So everything goes to either your
11	A. No.	11	legislative	account or your personal account?
12	Q. Okay. You didn't review the complaint	12	A.	Yes.
13	for this case?	13	Q.	Okay. Do you have any personal social
14	A. No.	14	media accoun	ts?
15	Q. And have you discussed this case with	15	A.	I have a Facebook page.
16	anyone other than your attorney, Mr. Davis, and	16	Q.	So Twitter, anything like that, for
17	Senator McClendon?	17	personal use	?
18	A. No.	18	A.	Not for me, no.
19	Q. And have you discussed your deposition	19	Q.	Okay.
20	with anyone?	20	A.	I mean, there there are Twitter
21	A. I told people I was being deposed. But	21	accounts for	me, but I didn't use them. I didn't
22	that was the extent of it.	22	they had my	name on them, but I never used them.
23	Q. Okay. And who first told you that this	23	Q.	Okay. And on your personal Facebook
24	lawsuit had been filed?	24	account, it'	s just your name on the account; is that
25	A. Was this the one that was filed before	1	correct?	
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2 A. I don't fight fires.	2 term.
3 Q. Well, no fires. I hope there's not a 4 fire in my apartment.	3 Q. Okay.
	4 A. So about 15 years.
5 So what do you do for a living other	5 Q. And currently are you on any committees'
6 than burn things?	6 A. Yes.
7 A. I actually quit doing that. I am a real	7 Q. Which ones?
8 estate agent with Southern Timberlands. We	8 A. I chair the committee on state
9 specialize in timberland sales and acquisitions.	9 government. I am cochairman of the house
10 And I am a licensed homebuilder and a licensed	10 cochairman of the reapportionment committee. I
11 general contractor. I build houses, hunting camps,	11 serve on constitution, campaigns, and elections;
12 and I do commercial remodeling work.	12 internal affairs; the oversight committee of public
13 Q. Who so is your employer? I'm sorry.	13 examiners; contract review. I believe that's all.
14 A. Southern Timberlands.	14 Q. Okay. And during your first stint in
15 Q. Okay. And so all of those, the realtor	15 the legislature so that's your first two terms.
16 and being a contractor, et cetera, that's all for	16 I'll just refer to it as your first stint. Is that
17 that company, correct?	17 okay?
18 A. No.	18 A. That's fine.
19 Q. No?	19 Q. Or is there a different term that you
20 A. My real estate license is held at	20 A. That works.
21 Southern Timberlands, a division of Cooper &	21 Q prefer?
22 Company, Incorporated.	22 Okay. And what district did you
23 Q. Okay.	23 represent at that time?
24 A. My contracting license are held under	24 A. 101.
25 Chris Pringle, Incorporated.	25 Q. Okay. So the same district?
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2 A. Alabama House of Representatives.	2 Q. And were you on any committees then?
3 Q. Right. And at Southern Timberlands,	3 A. Yes.
4 what's your title?	4 Q. Do you remember which ones?
5 A. Realtor, agent.	5 A. I know I served on reapportionment. I
6 Q. Right. Okay. And how long have you	
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2	on the reapportionment committee during your	2	Q. So the 2002 congressional map, can you
3	first	3	be a little more specific about what your
4	A. Yes.	4	involvement was in helping to draw that map?
5	Q stint in the legislature. So you	5	A. Virtually none.
6	were involved in the redistricting process, correct?	6	Q. Okay.
7	A. Yes.	7	A. Those maps were drawn off what we
8	Q. And what role did you have in the	8	call off campus. They were not drawn in the state
9	redistricting process?	9	house.
10	A. I was the ranking minority party member	10	Q. Can you explain more about what that
11	in the house, not the senate.	11	means?
12	Q. Okay. For the republicans, the minority	12	A. They were drawn by somebody off they
13	party, correct?	13	were not drawn in the reapportionment office in the
14	A. Yes.	14	state house.
15	Q. And why did you become involved in	15	Q. Okay. So they were drawn by somebody
16	redistricting?	16	other than someone in the legislature?
17		l	A. Yes.
	previously worked for in Washington, wanted me to	l	Q. Do you know who that was?
1	serve on the committee because they were trying to	l	A. No.
1	draw him out of his district. He believed they were	l	Q. Did you work with anyone to change the
1	trying to draw him out of his district. Let me	l	map at all?
22		l	A. Yes.
23		l	Q. Who was that?
24		l	A. Randy Hinaman.
1	in 2001; is that correct?	l	Q. Okay. And what did you do with him?
25	Page 21	45	Page 23
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                                                                            Now, we're talking just the
 2 A.
               No. ma'am.
                                                             2 congressional plan, correct?
               So the 1992 congressional map created
 3 0.
                                                                            Yes. That's right. And that's
 4 the first majority black congressional district in
                                                             4 throughout this -- throughout the deposition we're
 5 Alabama history. That's District 7. Do you know if
                                                             5 referring to the congressional plans. If we refer
 6 that map served as the starting point for the 2002
                                                             6 to any other plans, I'll make sure to be more
                                                             7 specific.
 7 congressional map?
               You are -- that is the Reed Buskey plan,
                                                                             MR. OSHER: I'm sorry to interrupt.
9 correct?
                                                             9 Would it be possible to move the microphone a little
               To be honest, I don't know. I don't
                                                            10 closer to the witness?
11 know the answer to that question.
                                                            11
                                                                        (Discussion held off the record.)
               I'm pretty sure that's what we refer to
                                                            12 0.
                                                                            Okay. So for the 2001 congressional
                                                            13 map, do you know the -- did you know the racial
13 as the Reed Buskey plan.
                Okay.
                                                            14 makeup of districts other than District 7?
14 0.
                That was -- that was the first time that
                                                            15 A.
16 a map was drawn where a majority minority
                                                            16 Q.
                                                                            Did you know the racial makeup of
17 congressional district was created.
                                                            17 District 7?
               And so --
                                                                            No. I mean, after the maps were passed,
18 0.
                                                            18 A.
19 A.
               And I know that the guidelines in 2002
                                                            19 yes, we knew it.
20 said we shall use the core of existing districts and
                                                            20 0.
                                                                            Okav.
21 not -- use the core of existing districts.
                                                            21 A.
                                                                            But going into it --
               Okay. So is it fair to say that Reed --
                                                                           Do you recall what they were?
22 0.
                                                            22 0.
23 well, who drew the 1992 map? You don't know?
                                                            23 A.
                                                                            No.
               I just know it's referred as the Reed
                                                            24 Q.
                                                                            And do you know if the legislature
                                                            25 considered race in drawing any districts other than
25 Buskey plan because Representative Buskey and I
                                                                                                                Page 27
                                                             1 District 7?
1 served together, and he's a personal friend of mine.
               Okay. So you said that it was in the
                                                             2 A.
                                                                            In 2001?
 3 legislative guidelines to maintain the cores of
                                                             3 0.
                                                                            That's right.
 4 prior districts?
                                                                            Those maps were drawn off campus.
               If I remember the 2002 guidelines
                                                             5 That's the reason that ten-day rule comes into --
 6 correctly, that's been a longstanding tradition of
                                                             6 into play. If you draw a map outside of the
 7 the Alabama legislature.
                                                             7 legislature reapportionment office, you have to
                Okay. Do you know if it was -- and
                                                             8 submit it ten days before it can be introduced into
 9 we're talking still about the 2002 redistricting
                                                             9 the legislature so it can be put into the computer
10 process -- if it was a primary goal of the
                                                            10 and analyzed.
11 legislature to keep the racial demographics of each
                                                            11
                                                                            And those maps were drawn exactly ten
12 district the same?
                                                            12 days out at the last minute before the special
13 A.
                I couldn't answer that. I don't know.
                                                            13 session in 2020 -- in 2002.
               Okay. So you wouldn't know if it was a
                                                                           And when did that rule come into play?
15 primary goal to keep about a 60 percent black
                                                            15 A.
                                                                            It was there in 2002. Now, when it came
16 population in District 7?
                                                            16 into the guidelines, I don't know.
17 A.
                                                            17 Q.
                                                                            Okay. Do you know if in -- during the
               I don't remember. I have no -- no
18 recollection of that.
                                                            18 2001-2002 process if any legislators advocated for
                Do you know if the legislature took into
                                                            19 two majority black districts?
20 account any other characteristics other than keeping
                                                            20 A.
                                                                            Not to my recollection.
21 the core of each district the same?
                                                                            And if the 2000 -- well, did you vote
                                                            21 Q.
               In 2002?
                                                            22 for the 2002 congressional map? Did you vote to
22 A.
23 Q.
               Yes.
                                                            23 approve it?
24 A.
               No, ma'am.
                                                            24 A.
                                                                            Yes.
25 Q.
               Okay.
                                                            25 Q.
                                                                            And if --
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1	A. To the best of my recollection, I did.	1	A. We adopted the guidelines. If you read
2	It protected Congressman Sonny Callahan and his	2	the guidelines, they lay out what we expect the
3	district, so I'm assuming I voted for it.	3	committee and the plans to look like, to respect
4	Q. Okay. And all of this is to the best of	4	communities of interest, not to pit incumbents
5	your	5	against each other. There's a whole list of things
6	A. Yes.	6	that we put into the guidelines that we wanted to
7	Q recollection.	7	see in our plans.
8	A. Yes.	8	And Mr. Hinaman was given those
9	Q. If the 2002 map had contained two	9	guidelines and instructed to draw those plans in a
10	majority black districts, would you have voted for	10	race-neutral manner following the guidelines and
11	it?	11	work with members of congress in how they wanted
12	A. I can't answer that.	12	their districts drawn.
13	Q. Why not?	13	Q. And as a member of the reapportionment
14	A. Because I didn't look at how they would	14	committee, do you have any input on how the
l	have drawn it.	l	congressional maps are drawn?
l	Q. Okay.	16	
l	A. It was never presented to me. So I	17	-
l	can't tell you how I would vote on something I've	18	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
l	never seen.	l	guidelines and told him to follow those guidelines
l	Q. Do you think that the legislature as a	l	and to draw those those maps in a race-neutral
'	whole would have approved a congressional map like	l	manner.
l		l	
l	that?	22	
l	A. I'm not going to speak to that.	l	the reapportionment committee are involved in
l	Q. Did you play a role in the 2011	l	drawing the congressional map?
25	congressional redistricting process? Page 29	25	A. Once they were finished, we looked at Page 31
1	A. No.	1	them in committee.
2	Q. Okay. And do you happen to know, even	2	Q. Okay. And anything else?
3	though you weren't there, if the 2001 congressional	3	A. Not that I can remember right now.
4	map or 2002 congressional map was considered as the	4	Q. Okay. And what are your
5	starting point for the 2011 congressional map?	5	responsibilities as the cochair of the
6	A. No.	6	reapportionment committee?
7	Q. So you are the cochair of the	7	A. We we set we oversaw the public
8	reapportionment committee for this year's	8	hearings, the 28 public hearings we had dealing with
9	congressional redistricting process. What does it	9	congressional, state board of education, state
10	mean to be the cochair of the reapportionment	10	senate, and state house maps and districts.
11	committee?	11	And I worked with members of the Alabama
12	A. I work with members of the Alabama house	12	house to work on their districts and what they
13	on drawing their districts, their legislative	13	wanted and how we could address communities of
14	districts.	14	interest.
15	Q. And for congress, as well?	15	But on congressional, I allowed
16	A. No.	16	Mr. Hinaman to meet with members of congress and
17	Q. So who works on the congressional map?	l	take the information we gathered in the public
18	A. Mr. Hinaman worked with members of	l	hearings that was available to him and the
l	congress to help for them to draw the maps.	l	guidelines.
l	Q. Okay.	20	
l	A. To have input from the members of	l	A. Not that I can think of right now.
l	congress on their districts, what they wanted.	22	
l	Q. So what is the role of the	l	drawing the 2021 congressional map?
l	reapportionment committee with respect to	24	
l	congressional maps or the congressional map?	l	our guidelines are preserve the core of the existing
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1 districts and not pit incumbents against each other.
                                                                             Probably 2019. You know, we were
                And so is it fair to say that the 2011
                                                             2 working on trying to come up with some type of
 3 congressional map served as the starting point for
                                                             3 schedule. But with the census being delayed and
 4 the 2021 congressional map?
                                                             4 getting the numbers so late, we were working on a
                I would assume it would. But I wasn't
                                                             5 schedule of public hearings and working on the
 6 there when Mr. Hinaman started drawing them.
                                                             6 quidelines.
                Did you instruct him to use the 2011 map
                                                             7 0.
                                                                            Do you remember when in 2019 you
 8 as a starting point?
                                                             8 started?
                I mean, the guidelines say preserve the
                                                             9 A.
                                                                            No, ma'am.
10 core of the existing districts. So I would assume
                                                                            So what was your first step?
                                                            10 0.
11 that if the committee told him to start with the
                                                            11 A.
                                                                            We had a -- the first step was actually
                                                            12 getting me reelected house chairman after the 2018
12 core of the existing districts, he would start with
13 the core of the existing districts.
                                                            13 election. Because I was -- I assumed -- I came on
                Which is the 2011 congressional map,
                                                            14 the committee in 2000 and, I want to tell you, 17
15 correct?
                                                            15 when Mr. Davis stepped down. And then after the
16 A.
                Yes, ma'am.
                                                            16 election, I had to be reelected by my colleagues to
                                                            17 serve as the house -- the house cochairman.
17 0.
                And just really quickly going back to
18 the 2001, 2002 redistricting process. You mentioned
                                                                            Then we began the process of updating
                                                            18
19 that it was a priority to protect Senator Callahan's
                                                            19 the guidelines to conform with what we considered to
20 district, correct?
                                                            20 be the law dealing with reapportionment and
21 A.
                For Sonny Callahan, yes, and me.
                                                            21 redistricting to make sure our guidelines complied
               And for you?
                                                            22 with the law.
22 0.
23 A.
                Yes.
                                                                            Then we had extensive conversations.
24 0.
                Right. Did you have any other
                                                            24 Mr. Davis and Mr. Dorman and Senator McClendon and
25 priorities for the 2002 congressional map?
                                                            25 I, in the reapportionment office about public
                                                   Page 33
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                                                             {\bf 1} hearings and how we were going to address public
1 A.
                No. Just protect the congressman --
2 0.
                                                             2 hearings, which all changed because of COVID-19.
                Okay.
 3 A.
                -- who I worked for at one time.
                                                                             We began the process of laying out
                Right. So you were -- you worked for
                                                             4 those -- talking about those meetings and where we
 5 him before you were in the --
                                                             5 were going to have them and how we were going to
                                                             6 publicize them and conduct them.
 6 A.
                Yes.
                -- Alabama legislature. So when you
 7 0.
                                                                            Okay. So do you recall when you first
 8 were in the Alabama legislature, you wanted to
                                                             8 started thinking about updating the reapportionment
 9 protect his seat, correct?
                                                             9 guidelines?
10 A.
                Yes.
                                                            10 A.
                                                                            2019, 2000. I can't remember the exact
11 0.
                Okay. So that was really your
                                                            11 date. But that was one of the first things we
12 motivation?
                                                            12 addressed, making sure our guidelines were updated
13 A.
                                                            13 based on the current reapportionment law and court
                Yes.
14 0.
                Anything else?
15 A.
                I was trying to see if we could draw
                                                            15 0.
                                                                            Is it required to update the guidelines
16 legislative districts. But that's not the point
                                                            16 every redistricting cycle?
                                                                            Well, the law changes. So yes, you have
17 today.
                                                            17 A.
18 Q.
                I'm sorry?
                                                            18 to update your guidelines. I mean, the courts are
19 A.
                State legislative districts, also.
                                                            19 constantly telling us -- handing down their rulings.
20 Q.
                Right.
                                                            20 And we have to update based on those rulings.
21 A.
                But that was a different story.
                                                            21 Q.
                                                                            But it's not required by Alabama law or
                Okay. Thank you.
22 0.
                                                            22 by any legislative rule to update the guidelines
                So now back to today's redistricting
                                                            23 every -- you know, every cycle?
24 process. When did you first start planning for the
                                                                            I can't imagine not updating the
25 2021 redistricting process?
                                                            25 guidelines going into this process if you know the
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1 law has changed. You have to.	1 Q. And then what happened after that point?
2 Q. If you could just give a broad overview	2 A. We worked right up to the last possible
3 or a timeline of the 2021 redistricting process for	3 minute drawing those meeting with members, trying
4 me.	4 to adjust the districts to make sure the members
5 A. We were supposed to receive our initial	5 were happy with them.
6 numbers at the end of January. Then they then we	6 But I'm talking about the state
7 were going to get our finals in April.	7 legislature.
8 Q. I'm sorry?	8 Q. Right. Right.
9 A. We were supposed to get our initial	9 A. The congressional, Mr. Hinaman met with
10 if I remember this correctly, we were supposed to	10 the members of congress, and he worked on that. He
11 get our initial census numbers in, I think, January.	11 I didn't. I was busy working on the state house.
12 Yeah, January. And then we would get our final	12 Q. Okay. For the congressional districts,
13 numbers in April.	13 what happened for you in between the public hearings
14 That all got bumped to we didn't get	14 and the reapportionment committee meeting at the end
15 any numbers until the middle of the August. And we	15 of October?
16 were trying to work out a schedule of public	16 A. Mr. Hinaman met with the members of
17 hearings from the spring and the summer. But we	17 congress. I did not.
18 couldn't we couldn't engage in those public	18 Q. Did you do anything else during that
19 hearings because we had no numbers.	19 time with respect to the congressional map?
20 And when we finally got our numbers in	20 A. No, ma'am. The closest I came, I walked
21 the middle of August, we immediately we laid out	21 in the room and he was on a team call with a member
22 a series of public hearings, sent a notice to all	22 of congress. I picked up my paper and walked out of
23 the members of the committee. I think it was 22	23 the room. I wasn't there but just a minute.
24 public hearings we had we proposed.	24 Q. Okay.
25 Representative Hall sent us a letter	25 A. I didn't participate in any of those
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1 requesting six additional public hearings in various	1 meetings.
2 parts of the state. We accepted her request and	2 Q. And what happened I'm just trying to
3 added the six additional public hearings Ms. Hall	3 get like a timeline of events rather than the
4 asked for, then published a list to everybody in the	4 specifics.
5 media and advertised that those are the public	5 So after the reapportionment committee
6 hearings we would be holding all over the state. As	6 met on, I think, October 26th of 2020, what happened
7 soon as we could get it to, we got it to.	7 after that point?
8 And as soon as those meetings were over,	8 A. We adopted the plans. And we were in
9 we took that information and began drawing	9 special session dealing with the prisons. So we
10 districts. Because the secretary of state had given	10 went we went straight into special session
11 us a deadline of the 1st of November to have our	11 dealing with the prison system.
12 plans passed in order for all the work behind the	12 I was not there that week. I was only
13 scenes that has to be done to get ready for the next	13 there one day. I had a prior contractual obligation
14 election to occur.	14 to finish a construction project that I had to stay
15 Q. So you started drawing the maps after	15 on. So I came one day that week, and that was it.
16 the public hearings; is that correct?	16 Q. Okay. And regarding redistricting, what
17 A. Yes, ma'am.	17 was the first thing that happened for redistricting
18 Q. Okay. And when you said "we," who do	18 after the reapportionment committee on October 26th?
19 you mean?	19 A. I don't understand the question.
20 A. Well, Randy Hinaman. And we began	20 Q. Well, what happened next? How
21 meeting with the individual house members about	21 eventually the maps were passed and signed by the
	22 governor, including the congressional map. So they
	122 dovernor, incruaring the conditional map. So they
22 their their individual districts.	
22 their their individual districts. 23 Q. Okay. But for the congressional map,	23 made it out of the reapportionment committee. Then
22 their their individual districts.	

1 became public. And when we went into the special	1 A. I can't answer that. That's
2 session for redistricting, they were introduced in	2 speculation. I don't know.
3 bill form.	3 Q. Okay. When you said that you were
4 Q. Okay. And can you explain in sort of a	4 protecting Representative Callahan's seat, what does
5 Schoolhouse Rock way how that bill became a law?	5 that mean?
6 A. It was brought up it was introduced	6 A. There was a plan produced that used the
7 into the house. It passed. It was assigned to the	7 Mobile ship channel to come up. They turned and
8 state government committee where it passed. It was	8 used the Dog River channel. And they hit
9 given a second reading on the floor. It was put on	9 Congressman Callahan's property line, and they came
10 the calendar. It was brought up on the floor, and	10 down his property line to the road and went up the
11 it was passed by the members of the Alabama house of	11 road to the other side and back down his property
12 representatives.	12 line and back out into the Dog River ship channel
13 Q. And then what happened?	13 and back out into the Mobile ship channel. They
14 A. It was sent to the senate	14 carved just his house into the 1st congressional
15 Q. Okay.	15 district and sent it all the way to Dothan.
16 A where it went to committee, went to	16 Q. So what was your what was your
17 the floor, and passed, was signed by the governor.	17 response to that?
18 Q. So I just wanted to make sure that I had	18 A. It's quicker to drive to Huntsville,
19 the full the full process.	19 Alabama, from Mobile than it is to drive to Dothan.
20 A. All nine steps occurred.	20 Think about that. It's quicker for us to get in a
21 Q. Okay. Well, I'm glad that I paid	21 car and drive to Huntsville, Alabama, than it is to
22 attention to Schoolhouse Rock, then.	22 drive to Dothan or Henry County. The congressman
23 I'm sorry to keep jumping back and	23 was adamant that we would not do that to him.
24 forth, but I'm just going to go back to the 2001,	24 Q. So what was the ideal outcome of the
25 2002 process really quickly.	25 of that situation?
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1	send one lot in Mobile County and share it with	l		And was anybody in was anybody else
1	Dothan in Houston and Henry County.	l		other than Mr. Walker, Mr. Davis, and
1	Q. Do you mean were there any other ways	`	Senator McCler	ndon?
1	that you wanted to protect Representative Callahan's	'		Not to my recollection, no.
7	seat?	7		MS. SADASIVAN: The audio has stopped
8	A. Well, of course. He was elected by the	8	again.	
9	people in that district, and they he wanted to	9	ľ	MS. WELBORN: Can you hear me, Kathryn?
10	continue to represent those people. That's why he	10	1	MS. SADASIVAN: I can hear you now. But
11	won reelection so overwhelmingly every time he ran.	11	the audio keep	ps coming in and out.
12	Q. Is it fair to say that you wanted to	12	Q. I	Did you was that your only meeting to
13	make sure that Representative Callahan remained in	13	talk about rev	vising the reapportionment committee
14	the 1st District so that he could win reelection?	14	redistricting	guidelines?
15	A. I wanted to make sure he continued to	15	A. 1	No.
16	represent the people that had elected him, yes. And	16	Q. I	How many other meetings did you have, if
17	they continued to reelect him overwhelmingly for	17	you recall?	
18	years.	18	A	I don't recall.
19	Q. So you mentioned that one of the first	19	Q. I	Do you have a sense of how many meetings
20	steps of the 2021 redistricting cycle were updating	20	you had?	
21	the reapportionment committee redistricting	21	A. 3	I would hate to put a number on it. But
22	guidelines; is that correct?	22	it was several	1.
23	A. (Witness nods head).	23	Q. I	Five, let's say?
24	Q. When did that happen?	24	A	It was several meetings.
25	A. I'm going to yield to the attorneys.	25	Q. (Okay. But less than ten?
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1	But I remember sitting at a table with Mr. Davis,	1	A. 1	I would I would say that, yes.
2	Representative McClendon, and Mr. Walker, and we	2	Q.	Okay. And who was at those meetings?
3	began the process of working on those guidelines to	3	A. 1	I remember Mr. Davis, Senator McClendon,
4	update.	4	Mr. Walker, an	nd myself.
5	MR. OSHER: We can't hear you.	5	Q. A	Anybody else?
6	A. I remember sitting at a table in the	6	A	I'm going to say maybe a member of the
7	reapportionment office with Mr. Davis, Senator	7	reapportionmen	nt staff was there.
8	McClendon, Mr. Walker, and myself, and we began	8	Q. I	From the reapportionment office?
9	reviewing the guidelines from the past	9	A. 3	Yes.
10	redistricting. And the discussion to update them	10	Q. A	And do you know who that was?
11	based on new the current law and court rulings.	11	A. 7	To err on the safe side, I would say
12	I think the Gingles test came into play	12	Ms. Overton.	
13	first. Because I don't think Gingles was in effect	13	Q. A	And what's her role?
14	in 2011. But I'm not an attorney.	14	A. S	She is the director of the
15	MR. WALKER: I'm going to instruct you,	15	reapportionmen	nt staff.
16	given that Mr. Davis and I were there, not to	16	Q. A	And do you remember when that meeting
17	discuss what we discussed at that meeting because it	17	occurred?	
18	was an attorney-client meeting.	18	A. 1	No, ma'am.
19	THE WITNESS: Okay.	19	Q. A	And what was the goal of these meetings?
20	Q. When did that meeting occur?	20	A. 5	To write committee guidelines that we
21	A. 2019 or '20.	21	thought would	conform with the existing
	Q. Do you have any sense of what time of	l	reapportionmen	
22		l		
1	the year?	23	Q. S	So on May 5th 2001 there was a meeting
1		l		So on May 5th 2001 there was a meeting rtionment committee; is that right?
23 24		l	of the reappoi	

1 Q. Okay. Well, when were there meetings of	1 committee meetings in 2021 except for the May 5th
2 the reapportionment committee since 2019?	2 and the October 26th meetings.
3 A. I I couldn't answer that. I just	3 MS. WELBORN: Okay. Thank you. I just
4 don't remember.	4 wanted to double-check.
5 Q. Do you remember any	5 Q. So for the May 5th meeting, do you
6 MR. ROSBOROUGH: I'm sorry. Everyone's	6 did you do anything to prepare for the meeting that
7 audio has completely dropped out again.	7 you recall?
8 MS. FAULKS: We should take a break.	8 A. Nothing out of the that's that's
9 MS. SADASIVAN: I think we should break	9 the day we voted on the guidelines.
10 possibly to resolve the audio issues quickly because	10 Q. That's correct.
11 we keep going in and out.	11 A. Yes. I mean, I read the proposed
12 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are off the	12 guidelines and went over them with the attorney.
13 record. The time is 10:03 a.m.	13 Q. Okay. Did you do anything else to
14 (Recess was taken.)	14 prepare?
15 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the	15 A. No, ma'am.
16 record. The time is 10:22 a.m.	16 Q. And other than the meetings with the
17 THE WITNESS: Can they hear me now? Is	17 attorneys and Senator McClendon to talk about the
18 this better?	18 revised guidelines, did you talk to anyone else
19 MS. SADASIVAN: Right. Thank you so	19 about the May 5th meeting ahead of time?
20 much.	20 A. I may have talked to the committee
21 Q. So before the break, we were talking	21 members in the house, but I don't recall any
22 about the reapportionment committee. How many times	22 specific conversations.
23 has the reapportionment committee met in 2021, if	23 Q. So at the May 5th meeting, what
24 you can recall?	24 happened?
25 A. I don't remember. 20	25 A. The guidelines were sent to the members
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18 laws, are there any other reasons why you have the 18 A. Yes, ma'am.
19 guidelines? 19 Q. Did you have any role in drafting this
20 A. Just a road map for everybody to follow 20 document?
21 when we're drawing lines. It's agreed to by the 21 A. No, ma'am, other than it was reviewed
22 committee and the members of the committee and what 22 with me prior to that.
23 we prioritize as what we need to do. 23 Q. Okay. But you did discuss revisions to
23 we prioritize as what we need to do. 24 Q. And do you recall what updates there 25 were to the law that needed to be put into the 23 Q. Okay. But you did discuss revisions to 24 the guidelines prior to this document 25 A. Yes, ma'am.

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1 Q.	being drafted?	l	
2 A.	Yes, ma'am.	l	Q. Okay.
3 Q.	Do you know if any of your discussions the creation of this document?	1	A. And they were they were drawn fairly closely alined with the committee guidelines at that
5 A.	I couldn't answer that question.	-	time.
6 Q.	Okay. Do you know if any of the updates		Q. And so you believe that the 2010
	anted to make to the guidelines made it	'	guidelines, then, were based on the 2002 guidelines
8 into this		l	for that reason?
9 A.	I know I was in favor of the 5 percent		A. What I remember from 2002, when they
10 deviation.	I Know I was in lavor of the 5 percent	-	brought the 2010, I saw similarities that I
11 Q.	And that's for the state	'	remembered from both of them to the to the 2020
12 A.	Yes.	l	guidelines, yes.
13 Q.	legislative maps, correct?	l	Q. Okay. So one of the reasons that the
14	Anything else?	l	2021 guidelines are based on the 2010 guidelines is
15 A.	Not that I recall.	l	because you believe that they would be they would
16 Q.	Okay. Do you know what the process was	ı	have complied with Section 5 of the Voting Rights
1	ng this document?	1	Act had that if that were still in effect?
18 A.	Our attorney met with us and we went	18	
	ld guidelines, some proposed changes, and	-"	Voting Rights Act. I mean Section 2. I'm sorry.
1	ought we needed to update to comply with	ı	Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act. But they were
21 the law.			precleared under Section 5.
22 Q.	And did you suggest any changes?	22	Q. Right.
23 A.	The 5 percent.	23	A. And I also thought they would comply
24 Q.	Anything else?	24	with the 14th Amendment, one man, one vote.
25 A.	Not that I recall.	25	Q. Okay. Is there any other reason why you
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1 Q.	And just to make sure, other than	l	based the 2021 guidelines off of the 2010 guidelines
1	, Mr. Davis, and Senator McClendon, and	l	other than that you think that it would that they
1	e member of the reapportionment committee,	l	would have complied with federal law?
1	eak to anyone else about revising the	l	A. Well, when I read the 2010, they were
	prior to the May 5th meeting?	l	very similar to what I remember the 2002 guidelines.
6 A.	I can't recall.	l	I remember specifically the ten-day rule was there
7 Q.	Were the so on this document there	'	in 2002.
1	10 guidelines. Would you say that it's	'	Q. Is it a principle that the committee
1	it fair to say that those were the basis	l	follows to generally use what has come before, use
10 for the 20	21 guidelines? I would say that, yes.	11	materials that have come before? A. Yes.
12 Q.	Why did you choose to rely on the 2010	12	
	rather than starting from scratch?	l	or because the you know, because you believe that
14 A.	Because the 2010 were based off the 2002	l	they comply with the law? What what is the
	, I would assume. I wasn't there.	l	reason for reusing?
16 Q.	Right.	16	
17 A.	But I would just assume that they used	17	
	s the basis for the 2010, and we used them	l	more important than the other?
19 for the 20		19	
20 Q.	Is there a reason why you would want to	20	
	e past documents?	21	
22 A.	Because we had passed plans that were	22	
	y the justice department under Section 5.	23	And do you know how the 2010 guidelines
	emember our plan our congressional plan	l	were created
25 was precle	ared by the United States Department of	25	
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1 Q other than being based off of the	Q. Who would know why?	
2 2002?	A. I would suggest you ta	alk to my attorney.
3 A. No, ma'am.	Q. Okay.	
4 Q. Who would know how the 2010 guidelines	A. When you get into lega	al definitions
5 were created?	Q. I understand that lawy	rers are pretty
6 A. I would say Mr. Walker.	fond of legal definitions.	
7 Q. Okay. Anybody else?	So in the May 5th meet	ing, you mentioned
8 A. I wasn't there.	that Mr. Walker discussed these pro	posed changes.
9 Q. Okay.	Do you know if there were any other	changes made at
10 A. I take that back. I said Senator	that meeting other than the ones pr	coposed by
11 McClendon was there in 2010. I wasn't.	Mr. Walker?	
12 Q. Let's see. If you could flip to Pages 7	MR. WALKER: I think t	he way that
13 and 8. Let's start with 7. And as you'll see, that	question is asked, I need to assert	the
14 third box is entirely striked out in the middle with	attorney-client privilege.	
15 the proposed changes.	Q. I guess what I'm sayir	ng is did any
16 A. Uh-huh.	are there any differences between t	hese proposed
17 Q. That's the section on communities of	changes that were presented in the	meeting and the
18 interest. If you'd like to read through those boxes	final version in Exhibit 2, the fir	nal guidelines?
19 on Pages 7 and 8, it might be helpful.	Did anybody suggest any other chang	jes?
20 A. Okay.	A. Not that I recall.	
21 Q. So it looks to me like this subsection	Q. So the version that is	here of these
22 was entirely rewritten. Do you know why?	proposed changes, they were accepte	ed in whole and no
23 A. I can't answer with certainty. But I	other changes were made?	
24 believe it goes back and I'm just supposing to	A. No changes were made a	after the committee
25 the Gingles test.	adopted them.	
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1 them in 2010. I know we did them in 2002.	1 there were people that liked their members of
2 Q. And what's the purpose of the public	2 congress and wanted the maps to stay the way they
3 meetings?	3 were.
4 A. To take input from the community at	4 Q. Was there a draft of the congressional
5 large, the people that live in the communities and	5 map prepared before the public meetings occurred?
6 what they like or dislike about the existing plan	6 A. No, ma'am.
7 and what they would like to see changed.	7 Q. And when did the public meetings occur?
8 Q. Was there a draft when you say	8 Not every single one, but in general.
9 "existing plan," what do you what do you mean by	9 A. As soon as we had numbers from the
10 that?	10 census bureau and we could tell the people whether
11 A. The plan that we were currently	11 their congressional district was overpopulated or
12 operating under.	12 underpopulated and how many people they had to gain
13 Q. So you mean the 2011 map?	13 or lose based on the new we didn't know what the
14 A. Yes.	14 number was going to be to get to zero deviation on
15 Q. So the purpose of the public meetings is	15 the congressional map until we had the census
16 for people to express what they like or do not like	16 numbers.
17 about the current setup?	17 So we couldn't go out and talk to people
18 A. Yes.	18 about how they wanted to see their congressional
19 Q. Is there any other reason why public	19 district change in order to comply with one man, one
20 meetings are held?	20 vote.
21 A. Well, we go to the public and show them	21 Q. Why is it why was it necessary to
22 the existing plans and where the population has	22 have the census numbers if you don't have a map yet?
23 shifted and how they would like to see the lines	23 I guess I'm curious why the why the census
24 drawn.	24 numbers are necessary to hold the public hearings.
25 Q. So you mentioned that there were public Page 65	25 A. We had a map. Page 67
1 meetings that were also held in 2001 when you were	1 Q. The 2010?
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1 went into a district and how many people were in the
                                                                            Well, there are people -- so the map
 2 current district.
                                                             2 changed between 2010 and today, right?
               Well, I guess people have concerns about
                                                             3 A.
                                                                            Yes.
 4 -- well, did people have concerns about districts
                                                             4 0.
                                                                            And there are members who have kept
 5 other than, you know, the pure numbers? Did they
                                                             5 their -- there are citizens who have kept their
 6 have opinions about how maps should be drawn period
                                                             6 representatives even though the lines of the
 7 regardless of the census numbers? Do you understand
                                                             7 districts have changed, right?
 8 what I'm saying?
                                                             8 A.
                                                                           Correct.
                If you are referring to the League of
                                                             9 Q.
                                                                            So you could keep your representative
10 Women Voters who sent somebody to virtually every --
                                                            10 even though the line of the district changes,
11 0.
               I'm talking in general.
                                                            11 correct?
12 A.
               There were people there every -- every
                                                            12 A.
                                                                            Correct.
13 meeting that had their talking points that basically
                                                            13 0.
                                                                            So when people are saying "I'm happy
14 read them that all said the same thing. They wanted
                                                            14 with my representative," are they just saying that
15 to adopt another plan that created two majority
                                                            15 they don't want the district to change at all? Or
16 minority districts.
                                                            16 what -- what do you think that they're saying?
17 0.
               Well, I assume that there were people at
                                                            17 A.
                                                                            I would hate to interpret what they
18 the meetings who didn't share that view.
                                                            18 would mean by that. They said they were happy with
                Yeah.
                                                            19 their representative.
               Do you think -- I guess wouldn't it be
                                                            20 0.
                                                                            Okay. And how many of the public
21 possible to have that opinion before the census
                                                            21 hearings did you participate in?
22 numbers were even out?
                                                                            All 28.
                                                            22 A.
               Well, they did have the opinion before
                                                            23 0.
                                                                            Did you go in person --
24 the numbers were out.
                                                            24 A.
                                                                            Yes.
               Okay. I guess I'm just not really
                                                                            -- to all 28?
                                                            25 Q.
                                                                                                               Page 71
1 understanding why the -- why you had to wait to hold
                                                                            Yes. I want to say I -- I don't
2 the public hearings until the census numbers were
                                                             2 remember missing any of them, no.
 3 out.
                                                             3 Q.
                                                                            Okay. And how were the public meetings
               Accuracy.
                                                             4 held?
 4 A.
               Okay. So you had mentioned that at the
 5 Q.
                                                             5 A.
                                                                            Virtually, just like this meeting. We
 6 public meetings, public hearings, some people liked
                                                             6 were -- we were in COVID and we had to get as many
 7 their members of congress and wanted to keep them.
                                                             7 locations as we could to get as much input as we
 8 What did you mean by that?
                                                             8 could in a very compressed time period. So we did
               They were happy with the representation
                                                             9 it remotely.
10 they were receiving from their elected
                                                            10 Q.
                                                                            And in person?
11 representatives.
                                                            11 A.
                                                                            Yes. We had one in the state house.
                                                                            But 27 out of 28 were only held
               So what does that mean for those
                                                            12 0.
13 representatives' districts? Would they want to keep
                                                            13 virtually; is that right?
14 them the same or --
                                                                           Just like this meeting, yes, ma'am.
               Our guidelines say we try to protect the
                                                            15 0.
                                                                            Okay. And what was your role in the
16 core of the existing districts, yes.
                                                            16 public meetings?
               Well, I guess if you're happy with your
                                                            17 A.
                                                                            I was to go over the -- to listen to the
18 representative, that doesn't mean that -- you could
                                                            18 house, when they talked about the state house
19 still live in the district and have the rest of the
                                                            19 districts. And I listened to all the house,
20 district change and still keep your representative
                                                            20 congressional, senate, state school board, yes.
21 if like, you know, they're on the margins. The rest
                                                                           And were you just there to listen? Or
                                                            21 Q.
22 of the district could change. If you live in the
                                                            22 did you do anything else?
23 center of the district, you're still going to keep
                                                            23 A.
                                                                            I listened.
24 your representative, right?
                                                            24 0.
                                                                            And did you answer any questions from
               I couldn't answer that question.
                                                            25 the public?
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1 A. I believe I answered one.	1 in order to get to zero deviation.
2 Q. And what was that question?	2 Q. And who created that document?
3 A. I don't remember.	3 A. I'm not sure.
4 Q. Was it about the congressional map?	4 Q. Do you know sorry.
5 A. I don't remember.	5 Did you take any notes during any of the
6 Q. And was Mr. Walker present at these	6 public meetings?
7 public meetings?	7 A. Any notes I took, I turned over in my
8 A. He was our moderator. Yes, ma'am.	8 evidence. They were handwritten on those those
9 Q. Okay. And what does that mean?	9 documents.
10 A. He conducted the meeting.	10 Q. But you did take some
11 Q. Okay. And is it fair to say that	11 A. Very few.
12 Mr. Walker primarily addressed or answered audience	12 Q notes? Okay.
13 questions during the hearings?	13 Did you take any notes after any of the
14 A. There was a time when people could	14 public meetings?
15 either ask a question or submit a question	15 A. No, ma'am.
16 electronically.	16 Q. And did you talk to anyone about the
17 Q. Okay.	17 what happened in the public hearings?
18 A. And he would address those questions.	18 A. I'm sure I did. But I don't recall
19 Q. And he addressed most of I'm sorry.	19 specifics.
20 Of the questions that were answered, Mr. Walker was	20 Q. Did you talk to Mr. Hinaman about what
21 the one who answered most of them?	21 happened in the public meetings?
22 A. Yes, ma'am.	22 A. Yes, ma'am.
23 Q. Okay. And did audience members ever	23 Q. And what did you tell him?
24 direct questions to you specifically?	24 A. Most of the conversations at the public
25 A. I can't remember.	25 hearings were dealing with state legislative races,
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1 Q. And do you know if they directed	1 if I remember correctly.
2 questions to Senator McClendon specifically?	2 Q. But occasionally people talked about
3 A. I don't remember.	3 congress, right?
4 Q. Did you prepare for any of the public	4 A. Yes. But we had not seen I had not
5 meetings?	5 seen the numbers on any plans until after they were
6 A. We had the maps in front of us and the	6 submitted to reapportionment.
7 demographic shifts in front of us. And we would	7 So until I saw the you know, that
8 I would read those as we went through the meetings.	8 ten-day rule kicked in and these plans that had been
9 Q. And by "the maps," you mean the 2011	9 drawn off campus were submitted to the
10 A. Yes.	10 reapportionment office. Then and only then could we
11 Q maps? Because you didn't have draft	11 look at the demographics, the population changes,
12 maps of the 2021	12 and the deviations in those districts.
13 A. No.	13 Q. Well, you had the demographic shift
14 Q at that time. Okay.	14 numbers to get to zero deviation during the public
15 And what demographic figures are you	15 meetings, right?
16 talking about?	16 A. I had the number that we needed to get
17 A. The over and underpopulations, whether	17 to, correct.
18 they had too many or too few people in them to stay	1
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                                                             1 doing other things that aren't work related during
               Did you relay any specific concerns that
                                                             2 the work hours. Do you think that that would have
 3 someone had at a public meeting about the
                                                             3 had an impact at all on --
 4 congressional map to Mr. Hinaman?
                                                                            Well, the schedule of the public
               I was concerned about the deviations in
                                                             5 hearings was public. It was released. The links
 6 any other proposed plans.
                                                             6 were public. You might not have been able to make
               Well, the public, though, I'm talking
                                                             7 one specific meeting, but you could have logged into
 8 about, what they brought up at the public hearings.
                                                             8 any of the other 28 at any given time on any given
 9 Did you relay any of those specifics to Mr. Hinaman?
                                                             9 day that we held them and listened and interjected
               I don't remember.
                                                            10 into the congressional plan.
11 Q.
               Do you recall discussing any of those
                                                            11 0.
                                                                            Well --
12 kinds of specifics that the public had about
                                                            12 A.
                                                                           I mean, you had 28 opportunities to log
13 congress to anyone else?
                                                            13 on over a three-week period that you could have come
               I'm sure we did. I mean, it was the
                                                            14 in and watched. It's not like you had to drive to a
15 same talking points at every public hearing on the
                                                            15 location like in the old days when you had to drive
16 congressional plan.
                                                            16 somewhere during the daytime to come hear us. You
17 0.
                                                            17 were able to listen at any time.
               I mean, that suggests that there was
18 really only one view about the congressional map
                                                                           But even so, if you work at McDonald's
19 coming up at the public hearings.
                                                            19 from 9:00 to 5:00 and you're at the cash register,
               Well, it was the plan produced by the
                                                            20 how are you going to attend one of those meetings?
21 League of Women Voters. Every -- if I remember
                                                                            There are 28 different meetings at all
22 correctly, almost every single public hearing we
                                                            22 different times of the day.
                                                                            Well, not -- they're all between 9:00
23 had, somebody stood up with their talking points and
24 read them to us and entered them into the record.
                                                            24 and 5:00 except for one.
                                                                            Then you could have logged in that night
               But not everybody who attended the
                                                            25 A.
                                                             1 and watched.
1 public hearings would have known about the League of
2 Women Voters' map, right?
                                                             2 0.
                                                                            For that one meeting?
               Somebody was there at virtually every
                                                                            Exactly. And you could have spoken your
 4 meeting that I remember to talk about it.
                                                             4 mind or emailed in your questions or your concerns
               Did anyone discuss anything about the
                                                             5 at that time.
 6 congressional map that wasn't related to the League
                                                             6 0.
                                                                           Okay. But you and others from the
 7 of Women Voters' map that you recall?
                                                             7 reapportionment committee set the times of those
 8 A.
               I don't recall.
                                                             8 meetings, correct?
               Do you know how many of the 28 meetings
                                                                            Yes, ma'am.
10 were held on weekdays during working hours, 9:00 to
                                                            10 Q.
                                                                            Primarily you and Senator McClendon; is
11 5:00?
                                                            11 that right?
12 A.
               Like this one here, all but one of them.
                                                            12 A.
                                                                            In conjunction with the other members.
                Okay. And most people are working on
                                                            13 Like I said, we produced a list of 22. And Ms. Hall
14 weekdays during working hours from 9:00 to 5:00,
                                                            14 asked us to add six meetings in communities she
15 right?
                                                            15 thought did not have enough representation or enough
                                                            16 opportunities. So we added those additional six
16
               That's a yes?
17 A.
               That's -- I know a lot of people that
                                                            17 meetings and included them in our press releases so
18 work different hours.
                                                            18 anybody could log in.
                But most people work on weekdays from
                                                            19 0.
                                                                            Did you consider holding more meetings
20 the hours of around 9:00 to 5:00, would you say?
                                                            20 in the evening other than just the one?
               I would say it's very common, yes.
21 A.
                                                            21 A.
                                                                            I couldn't answer that question.
               Okay. Do you think that that had an
22 0.
                                                                            Before the public hearings happened,
23 impact on who could attend the public meetings?
                                                            23 Senator McClendon told the press that the new maps
24 A.
               I don't know.
                                                            24 wouldn't cause, quote, any surprises for the
               I mean, if I'm at work, I tend to not be
25 Q.
                                                            25 candidates or for the voters. I'll just represent
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1 to you that that happened.	1 Q. Would you agree that the black belt is a
2 Do you know what the basis was for that	2 community of interest?
3 statement?	3 A. It's a very broad area that stretches
4 A. You'll have to ask Senator McClendon.	4 from one side of the state to the other. I believe
5 Q. Do you agree with that statement, that	5 it has some communities of interest in it, yes.
6 even before the public hearings would have happened,	6 Q. But as a whole, is the black belt a
7 that there wouldn't be surprises for candidates or	7 community of interest?
8 for the voters?	8 A. I couldn't answer that.
9 A. I think every time you change the lines,	9 Q. Why not?
10 you surprise people.	10 A. Because while I work in Wilcox and
11 Q. But on the whole, would you say that	11 Marengo and Perry, I don't go to Macon or the
12 that statement was true?	12 counties on the other side. So I don't really know
13 A. Well, when your guidelines are to keep	13 much about them.
14 the core of the existing districts intact as much as	14 Q. But that's true for other communities of
15 practicable, it shouldn't be too earth shattering,	15 interest in other parts of the state, right?
16 some of the changes around the edges.	16 A. Explain that one to me.
17 Q. And do you know if any work had been	17 Q. I guess if the legislature if the
18 conducted on drafting the congressional map prior to	18 reapportionment committee is tasked with approving a
19 the public hearings?	19 congressional map that keeps, you know, communities
20 A. No, ma'am.	20 of interest together, you don't personally know
21 Q. Do you know if any decisions on the	21 about every community of interest in the same way
22 lines for the congressional maps had been made	22 that you do know about those particular counties,
23 before holding the public hearings?	23 right?
24 A. No, ma'am.	24 A. I mean, you know, I'm from Mobile. And
25 Q. Are you familiar with the black belt Page 81	25 we run up and it's the river system. So many of Page 83
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1	interest?		2	committee meeting had somebody standing up and
3	A.	I don't know what your definition of a	3	reading the talking points on the League of Women
4	community of	interest is.	4	Voters' plan. So if you read the record, it's all
5	Q.	Well, the reapportionment committee has	5	in there. They all talked about that specific plan
6	a definition	of community of interest, right?	6	on their talking points.
7	A.	Yes.	7	Q. But the
8	Q.	So looking at that definition, would you	8	A. I don't remember the general public
9	consider the	black belt to be a community of	9	being dissatisfied with the members of congress.
10	interest?		10	Q. Meaning other people at the at the
11	Α.	Our definition of community of interest	11	public meetings
12	is in certain	n circumstances to include political	12	A. Yes.
13	subdivisions	such as counties, voting precincts,	13	Q were not
14	municipalitie	es, tribal lands, reservations, or	14	A. I don't remember them being
15	school distr	icts. Those counties the counties	15	dissatisfied, no, ma'am.
16	are a commun	ity of interest.	16	Q. Okay. So how but you still took away
1	Q.	Well, it also includes ethnic, racial,	'	the idea that the general public was happy with
		ibal, social, geographic, and historical	l	their current representation?
1	identities.	,, JJ <u>-</u> ,	19	
1	Α.	Yes.	20	
1	0.	Under any of those aspects, does the	'	information?
	~ .	onstitute a community of interest?	22	
1	A.	I know it's it is predominantly	l	record. I remembered it because I listened to all
	African Amer		l	of it.
		And the black belt is a historical term,	l	
25	Q.	Page 85	25	Q. Right. Page 87
1	right?		1	A. We put it in the record. It's all
2	A.	Based on the soil, yes, ma'am.	2	there.
3	Q.	Okay. And that term goes back quite a	3	Q. After after the meetings, what did
4	long time?		Ι _Δ	you do with that information?
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6	soil in that		5	
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1 Women Voters' talking points?	
2 A. Not that I can recall.	2 A. I don't remember the number of times.
3 Q. And how much weight did you give to	3 But it came up a few.
4 those the sentiment that the general public was	4 Q. A few. But not at every meeting?
5 happy with their representation in terms of its	5 A. I don't remember it coming up at every
6 importance in drawing the map?	6 meeting, no.
7 A. We listened to the people. I was	7 Q. What was your response to the suggestion
8 anxious to see what the League of Women Voters' map	8 that there should be two majority black
9 turned out to be.	9 congressional districts?
10 Q. Did you did you consider it to be	10 A. If somebody could show me a plan that
11 more important when the congressional map was being	11 met the guidelines, I would be interested in looking
12 drawn that the general public was satisfied with	12 at it.
13 their representation compared to what was said about	13 Q. And what do you mean by "interested in
14 the League of Women Voters' map?	14 looking at it"?
15 A. You know, when every meeting somebody	15 A. I mean I would give it due consideration
16 stands up and reads the same talking points and you	16 if it met the guidelines.
17 could tell they've been prompted just to go say that	17 Q. If you have competing maps that all meet
18 to get it into the record, I put more weight on the	18 the guidelines, how do you choose one over the
19 people who came out of a true sense of wanting to	19 other?
20 express their opinion, not the opinion that was	20 A. I would go with the one that's most in
21 written down on a piece of paper form them by an	21 line with the guidelines.
22 attorney. What I assume was an attorney. I'm	22 Q. How do you determine what is most in
23 sorry.	23 line with the guidelines?
24 Q. So you gave less weight to those League	24 A. The number of county splits, the
25 of Women Voter talking points than you did the	25 deviations.
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1 people who were discussing on their own that they	1 Q. Okay. Is something is one of those
2 were happy with their representation?	2 factors more important than the other?
3 A. Somebody that was put in the room to put	3 A. Deviations.
4 statements into the record is not, in my opinion,	4 Q. That's the most important factor, in
5 the same as somebody who comes on their own free	5 your opinion?
6 will and their own fruition to express their	6 A. Yes, ma'am.
7 personal opinion about their representation.	7 Q. And how important are the county splits?
8 Q. So did you give any instructions to	8 A. Well, we tried to split as the few
9 Mr. Hinaman to change anything about the	9 counties as possible in order to achieve the zero
10 congressional map because of the public hearings?	10 deviation.
11 A. Not that I recall.	11 Q. Just quickly going back to talking about
12 Q. Did you give instructions to anyone else	12 this sentiment that people were happy with their
13 about changing the map because of the public	13 representation. How did you know or how did you
14 hearings?	14 determine who was there with their talking points
15 A. Not that I recall.	15 and who was there, you know, coming of their own
16 Q. At the public hearings, do you recall	16 volition?
17 anyone discussing the need to have two majority	17 A. If they're reading a piece of paper and
18 black districts for congress?	18 it's the same talking points you've heard, I would
19 A. Two majority black congressional	19 assume they were sent there to read it. If they're
20 districts, yes, ma'am.	20 talking extemporaneously and they don't line up with
21 Q. Yes. Who mentioned that?	21 the talking points you've heard before, I would
22 A. I don't recall specifically.	22 assume they were talking of their own fruition.
23 Q. Was it mentioned often, would you say?	23 Q. Did you ask anyone at any of the public
24 A. I don't remember.	24 meetings if they were part of a particular group?
25 Q. Was it something that only came up once	25 A. They were instructed by Mr. Dorman to
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2 Q.		l	2 A. Until it until it reaches that bill
	ent there by somebody else?	l	3 form and we can analyze it based on the population
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4 A.		l	and the deviations, I don't consider it a plan.
1	peak, they were to state their name and who they	l	5 Q. Okay. What all information could you
	epresented.	l	5 look at from any plan at that point?
7 Q.		l	7 A. At that point?
8	- if someone came there, you know, with a prepared	8	3 Q. Uh-huh.
9 se	et of talking points, did you consider their	9	A. After it's introduced from the outside
10 or	pinion to be less less important to drawing the	10) source?
11 ma	ap than someone who came there to speak	11	Q. Yes.
12 ex	xtemporaneously, like you said?	12	A. Then we look at the population, we look
13 A.	. I believe I answered that question	13	at the deviations, we look at the county splits, and
14 al	lready, didn't I?	14	we look at the BVAP, we look at the racial makeup of
15 Q.	. Do you know if a map with two majority	15	the district.
16 mi	inority districts was proposed at any point?	16	Q. And when you say "BVAP," just for the
17 A.	. During the legislative process when we	17	7 record, what do you mean?
18 we	ere in session, yes, ma'am.	18	A. Black voting age population.
19 Q.	. Do you know if any were proposed before	19	Q. And is that all black or any part black?
20 th	he special session?	20) Do you know?
21 A.	. We have a rule that any plan drawn off	21	A. No, I couldn't answer that. I've seen
22 ca	ampus, outside the reapportionment office, has to	22	both columns, but I don't know.
23 be	e turned over ten days before it can be introduced	23	3 Q. So just to clarify, you did not see a
24 as	s a bill.	24	l map for two majority minority or majority black
25	So after they were turned over, at Page 93	25	congressional districts prior to the ten-day mark? Page 95
1 wh	hatever point they were turned over and they were	1	A. I did not see a plan that had the
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1 and deviation information, until after that ten-day
                                                                            I'm afraid we would run afoul of Section
 2 mark?
                                                             2 2 of the Voting Rights Act.
 3 A.
               Until after it was analyzed and I could
                                                             3 0.
                                                                            Okav.
 4 get the numbers, yes.
                                                                            MR. DAVIS: Can I ask how we're doing on
                                                             4
                                                             5 time? This was -- I know we had a break, a long
               Okay.
 6 A.
               Then we looked at it to see what the
                                                             6 break, for audio. This was a two-hour deposition
 7 deviation was, the overall deviation of the plan,
                                                             7 that was noticed. We've got three PI motions we
 8 and how many splits there were in counties and what
                                                             8 need to get back to work on. This seems to be
 9 counties were split.
                                                             9 really dragging.
               Okay. And at that point, were there any
                                                                           MS. WELBORN: Well, I mean, we have up
                                                            10
11 maps that were -- had two majority black districts?
                                                            11 to 7 hours under the Rules of Federal Procedure.
12 A.
               I don't remember seeing two majority
                                                            12
                                                                           MR. DAVIS: You're going to take 14?
13 black districts. I remember seeing one -- two of
                                                                           MS. WELBORN: I would hope -- I would
                                                            13
14 what they call opportunity districts, what they were
                                                            14 really like to not do that. But it certainly is our
15 calling -- the districts were not 50 percent
                                                            15 right to do that. I can't really tell you at this
16 minority.
                                                            16 point exactly how much longer. But I'm happy to
17 0.
               Could you define your understanding of
                                                            17 take a break right now to help confer --
                                                                           MR. DAVIS: I'm hearing a lot of
18 an opportunity district?
                                                            18
                That's what they were calling them.
                                                            19 repetition and a lot of arguing with the witness.
20 They called them opportunity districts, and they
                                                            20 If you're going to do this discovery before the
21 were both under 50 percent minority.
                                                            21 preliminary injunction hearing, it needs to get
                THE REPORTER: Under 50 percent what?
                                                            22 pretty focused and be a little sensitive and
2.2
23 A.
               Minority population.
                                                            23 courteous towards everything that we've got to do on
24 0.
               And who is "they"?
                                                            24 the defense side to get ready to respond to your
               The people who introduced them, the
25 A.
                                                            25 motions.
                                                                                                               Page 99
1 League of Women Voters and -- I can't remember who
                                                             1
                                                                             MS. WELBORN: I understand what you're
2 introduced the bill in the house.
                                                             2 saying.
 3 0.
               Okay. And -- sorry. One second.
                                                                            MR. ROSBOROUGH: Counsel, I thought we
               If a district has under a 50 percent
                                                             4 were going to refrain from speaking objections.
 5 minority population, what is the importance of that
                                                                            MR. DAVIS: What did he say?
 6 number, I guess? Why was that number important?
                                                             6
                                                                            THE REPORTER: Refrain from speaking
               Under Section 2 of the Voting Rights
                                                             7 objections.
 8 Act, we can't do anything to diminish the ability or
                                                                            MS. WELBORN: Let's take a break. Let's
 9 protect a class of minority citizens from electing
                                                             9 go off the record. And we'll come back and talk
10 or defeating a candidate of their choice.
                                                            10 after that.
               So if a district has under 50 percent
11 0.
                                                            11
                                                                           THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are off the
12 voting age population -- sorry. Under 50 percent
                                                            12 record. The time is 11:26 a.m.
13 minority population, does that automatically
                                                            13
                                                                               (Recess was taken.)
14 diminish their ability to choose a candidate of
                                                                           THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
15 their choice under Section 2?
                                                            15 record. The time is 12:06 p.m.
16 A.
               You're asking an attorney question.
                                                                            So I'd like to talk about the October
                                                            16 0.
17 0.
               Well, I mean, ultimately it's your
                                                            17 26th reapportionment committee meeting. Do you
18 responsibility to --
                                                            18 remember if you did anything to prepare for that
                It would -- it would -- I would give
                                                            19 meeting?
20 great caution in order to draw a district that was
                                                            20 A.
                                                                            Yes. We sent the proposed maps to all
21 less than 50 percent, yes.
                                                            21 the members for their review prior to the meeting.
                                                                           And by "we," who do you mean?
22 0.
               Under 50 percent minority population?
                                                            22 0.
23 A.
               Yes. I would be very cautious.
                                                            23 A.
                                                                           The staff at the reapportionment
               Okay. And by "very cautious," does that
                                                            24 committee.
                                                                            Okay. And do you remember how far in
25 mean you are -- what does that mean?
                                                            25 Q.
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1 advance you sent them out?	1 Q. Who decides whether a racial	
2 A. As fast as we could. Remember this	2 polarization analysis should be done for a	
3 whole process was very condensed, very condensed.	3 particular district?	
4 Q. I think it was the day before the	4 A. Not me.	
5 meeting. Is that right?	5 Q. Do you know who does decide?	
6 A. Yes, ma'am, which is standard operat	ing 6 A. I would I would assume it would be	.
7 procedure. We get bills usually about a day before	re. 7 our attorney.	
8 Q. Okay.	8 Q. Why that assumption?	
9 A. Usually. Not all the time.	9 A. Because he's an attorney and he	
10 Q. And did you talk to anyone about thi	10 understands Section 2.	
11 meeting beforehand?	11 Q. But the actual analysis itself is mat	h,
12 A. I approached the members of my th	12 right?	
13 house members of the committee to make sure they	13 A. I would assume. But I've never ne	ver
14 read their information and make sure they came to	14 done it.	
15 the meeting.	15 Q. Okay. Would anyone other than your	
16 Q. And other than the maps themselves,		
17 you provide any materials to the members of the	17 polarization analysis done for a particular	
18 committee?	18 district?	
19 A. Whatever the committee sent with the	19 A. Not that I'm aware of. I'm sure if I	.
20 notice.	20 asked for one, I could get it.	
21 Q. With the I'm sorry. What do you		
22 by the notes?	22 A. I don't know the answer to that	
24 of the meeting. Whatever was contained in that	24 Q. Well, could a member of the	_
25 notification of the meeting.	ge 101 25 reapportionment committee ask for it and have it b	ge 103
1 1 0 and do a love the next that smaller		
1 Q. And do you know who sent that email?	1 performed?	
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2	Q. I'd like to introduce Exhibit 4. This	2	that means?
3	is a transcript of the reapportionment committee	3	A. You would have to ask Mr Senator
4	meeting from October 26th.	4	McClendon.
5	MS. WELBORN: And we will provide	5	Q. Okay. Did you encounter any possible
6	electronic copies.	6	racial racial issues over the course of the
7	MR. WALKER: I understand. My only	7	redistricting process?
8	caveat is while I don't have any reason to believe	8	MR. WALKER: Objection to form. I'm
9	that these are inaccurate, we haven't had a chance	9	just not sure what you mean.
10	to check it.	10	Q. When did you take race into account in
11	MS. WELBORN: Of course.	11	the redistricting process?
12	Q. I'll get to that in a second.	12	A. Mr. Hinaman was directed by the
13	But do you know when a racial	13	committee to follow the guidelines and to draw those
14	polarization analysis is conducted? At what point	14	plans race neutral, without looking at race until
15	in the process, I mean.	15	after he had developed a plan. That's my
16	A. I was under the assumption that after we	16	understanding. The plan was developed, and race was
17	passed the bills, that a racial polarization	17	not looked at until after it was drawn.
18	analysis would be done for the lawsuits.	18	Q. And then how was it was looked at
19	Q. Okay. So after they are already	19	after the plan was drawn?
20	enacted, right?	20	A. After the plan was drawn, yes, ma'am, in
21	A. Well, given the timeline.	21	conjunction with the members of congress.
22	Q. Okay.	22	Q. And do you know how it was looked at?
23	A. We didn't have time to.	23	A. No. He met with members of congress to
24	Q. If you could turn to Page 20. I'm	24	go over it.
25	sorry. It's Page 18. And at the very bottom, $$\operatorname{\textsc{Page}}$ 105$	25	Q. And do you know what data was looked at? Page 107
1	Senator McClendon says, "Can I ask something? The	1	A. No, ma'am.
2	question you're asking, the answer is our attorney,	2	MR. WALKER: Did you say date?
3	mine and your attorney, set that data off for	3	MS. WELBORN: Data.
4	districts that it looked like there might possibly	4	Q. And do you know anything that would have
5	be a racial issue."	5	changed because race was taken into account in the
6	And this is referring to a racial	6	congressional map?
7	polarization analysis. That is, that racial	7	A. No, ma'am.
8	polarization is done analysis is done for	8	Q. And when you said the committee gave
1	districts where it looked like there might possibly	ı	instructions to Mr. Hinaman, who are you referring
10	be a racial issue.	10	to specifically?
11	Is that your understanding of when	11	A. I would say Chairman McClendon and I
1	racial polarization that that is why a racial	l	told Mr. Hinaman to follow the guidelines in drawing
1	polarization analysis is done, is because there	l	these maps.
1	might possibly be a racial issue?	14	
15		l	race-neutral approach to drawing the first map; is
1	make that determination.	l	that right?
17		17	
1	looking like there might possibly be a racial issue	l	ma'am.
	is the criteria for determining whether a racial	19	
1	polarization analysis should be conducted for a particular district?	'	Mr. Hinaman?
21		21	
1	attorney to determine, what we would have to prepare	22	
1	for court cases.	l	guidelines.
	Q. So talking about might possibly be a	25	
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1 +	Mr. Hinaman?		1	analyzaia waa dono hagayga tha mana had almoady
١ - ١		I would see him in the reapportionment		analysis was done because the maps had already
l	A.			passed, right?
l		on the telephone.	`	A. Yes.
l	Q.	Okay. Did you ever email with him?		Q. Sorry. I'm not trying to trick you.
'	Α.	No, ma'am. I'm not a big email person.	`	A. No. I had to think about it. Yes,
l	Q.	I suppose that means you didn't text him		we we passed the maps.
`	either.		7	Q. Okay. Did you ever suggest having a
8	A.	Nothing of substance.	8	racial polarization analysis done before the maps
9	Q.	Okay.	9	were passed?
10	A.	And I'll be glad to show you the texts.	10	A. I didn't consider it an option. We were
11	Q.	So are you aware of any racial	11	under such a tight timeline. We knew we would have
12	polarization	analysis that was done for any district	12	to do it because of the lawsuit that had already
13	in the 2001	or 2021 congressional map prior to	13	been filed before we ever filed a bill, and we knew
14	this meeting	on October 26th?	14	it would be done. We just didn't have time to
15	A.	No, ma'am.	15	Q. To get it done?
16	Q.	So not for District 7?	16	A. To get it done.
17	A.	No, ma'am.	17	Q. Do you know how long it takes to perform
18	Q.	Had a racial polarization analysis been	18	a racial polarization analysis?
19	done for som	e state legislative districts?	19	A. No, ma'am.
20	A.	No, ma'am.	20	Q. Do you know if anyone suggested doing a
21	Q.	Was any racial polarization analysis	21	racial polarization analysis prior to the bill's
22	conducted for	r any of the maps at any point before	22	passing?
23	October 26th	?	23	A. It came up in the committee meeting.
24	A.	No, ma'am.	24	And we assured them that we were going to perform
25	Q.	So a racial polarization analysis	25	them, the ones that our attorneys deemed necessary,
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1	couldn't be	taken into account for drawing the	1	and we would get that to them when we had the
2	initial map?		2	information.
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2	general, why isn't it done for all of the districts	2	Q. Do you know what the relationship is
3	just because?	3	between having a BVAP of 54 percent and the decision
4	A. I don't see a need for some of the	4	to do a racial polarization analysis?
5	districts. They're not being challenged in court,	5	A. No, ma'am.
6	are they?	6	Q. Do you know at what percent of BVAP a
7	Q. Well, Districts 1, 2, and 3 are also	7	district would have that you would need to do a
8	being challenged.	8	racial polarization analysis?
9	A. Okay.	9	A. No, ma'am.
10	Q. And when you say you don't see a need,	10	Q. So would you agree with the statement
11	why is that?	11	that if a black district has a BVAP of under 54
12	A. If you're not challenging them in court,	12	percent, that requires a racial polarization
13	I mean, I don't see the need to do an analysis on	13	analysis?
14	them.	14	A. I can't agree or disagree with that
15	Q. Okay. But four of seven districts are	15	statement. I think it depends on the district. But
16	being challenged in this lawsuit.	16	I don't know.
17	A. Okay.	17	Q. What would what do you mean by
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24	that a racial polarization analysis be done. And	24	A. All right.
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11 Mr. Hinaman and myself.
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                                                                           marked for identification.)
15 Q.
               Yes.
                                                            15
16 A.
                I was going -- I was using my talking
                                                            16 Q.
                                                                           And District 7 is the one in brown.
17 points. And remember this was rapid fire, as fast
                                                            17 Would you agree that District 7 appears to be
18 as -- and I was -- this was late into the session.
                                                            18 racially jerrymandered?
               And Mr. England is a very skilled
                                                            19 A.
                                                                            I think just District 7 is in large part
20 attorney and chairman of the democratic party. So
                                                            20 the same district that was drawn under the Reed
21 he is quite, quite gifted in the way he can ask
                                                            21 Buskey, just adjusted for population increases.
22 questions and get people that are not attorneys to
                                                                            And how would you describe the shape of
                                                            22 0.
23 answer them.
                                                            23 District 7?
24 0.
               And so when you said that they cut it
                                                            24 A.
                                                                            Again, we try and maintain the core of
25 off at 51 percent, do you know who the "they" is?
                                                            25 existing districts. And this district was created
                I would assume I was referring to
                                                             {\tt l} in 1992 by the Reed Buskey plan.
1 A.
2 Mr. Walker and Mr. Hinaman.
                                                                           MS. WELBORN: I would like to take just
               And how was that 51 percent number
                                                             3 a short break. We might be finished. I just want
                                                             4 to double-check.
 4 chosen?
 5 A.
               I'm sure I was just reading the talking
                                                                            MR. WALKER: Would you like for us to
                                                             6 leave the room?
 6 point.
 7 Q.
                                                             7
                                                                            MS. WELBORN: Let's go off the record.
               And who prepared those talking points?
 8 A.
                Mr. Walker and, I believe, Mr. Hinaman.
                                                             8
                                                                            THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are off the
               And did you discuss those talking points
                                                             9 record. The time is 12:33 p.m.
10 with either Mr. Walker or Mr. Hinaman?
                                                            10
                                                                               (Recess was taken.)
                                                                           THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
11 A.
                They were getting them to me as fast as
                                                            11
12 they could. This was rapid fire.
                                                            12 record. The time is 12:40 p.m.
               What is your understanding of how you
                                                            13
                                                                            MS. WELBORN: The Milligan plaintiffs
14 can tell whether minorities can elect their
                                                            14 are finished asking questions. I'm not sure if the
15 candidate of choice?
                                                            15 Singleton or Caster plaintiffs have any questions
16 A.
               In the congressional maps?
                                                            16 for you. But after that, we can break for lunch and
17 Q.
                                                            17 you'll be done.
               Yes.
               I don't really understand that question.
                                                            18
                                                                            MR. WALKER: Yay.
19 Would you repeat it, please?
                                                            19
                                                                            MS. WELBORN: Yay.
               How can you tell whether minorities can
                                                            20
                                                                            MS. FAULKS: Do the Caster plaintiffs
21 elect their candidate of choice in a particular
                                                            21 have any questions?
22 district?
                                                            22
                                                                            MR. OSHER: Can you hear me?
23 A.
               In a particular congressional district?
                                                            23
                                                                        (Discussion held off the record.)
               Well, any district. But in this case,
                                                            24 EXAMINATION BY MR. OSHER:
25 yes, we're talking about a congressional district.
                                                            25 Q.
                                                                            I only have a few questions. So this
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1 should be -- this should be very quick.
                                                                            I'm assuming that I've had numerous
                                                             2 conversations with both republicans and democrats,
 2 Representative, thank you for your time. My name is
 3 Daniel Osher. I am an attorney for the plaintiffs
                                                             3 ves.
 4 in the Caster litigation.
                                                                            And do you have a general sense of how
               You might have said this before. And I
                                                             5 one party views a major issue in Alabama as opposed
 6 apologize if you did, Representative. How long have
                                                             6 to another party?
 7 you served in the Alabama legislature?
                                                             7 A.
                                                                            I'm sure we differ on specific issues,
               I was first elected in 1994. I served
                                                             8 yes.
 9 two terms. I left in 2002. And I was reelected in
                                                             9 Q.
                                                                            Okay. So based on your 16 years serving
10 2014 and '18.
                                                            10 in the legislature, do the views of members of the
11 0.
                Okay. So that's roughly how many years?
                                                            11 democratic party in Alabama generally differ from
               12. How many years total? I'll be 16
12 A.
                                                            12 the members of the republican party in Alabama
13 years in the legislature with a 12-year gap.
                                                            13 generally when it comes to affirmative action?
               Great. Thank you.
                                                                            Again, your definition of affirmative
               And have you been a member of the
                                                            15 action I don't know.
16 republican party that whole time?
                                                            16 Q.
                                                                            Policies implementing a preference for
                                                            17 individuals while considering their race.
17 A.
               I've been an elected republican
18 official. But I've never been an official member of
                                                                            I think given my history of being in the
                                                            18 A.
19 the Alabama Republican Party.
                                                            19 Alabama legislature when the democrats were in
               I understand. Have you always
                                                            20 supermajority, it's a pretty wide spectrum across
21 considered yourself a republican?
                                                            21 political lines.
               Yes, sir.
22 A.
                                                            22 0.
                                                                            So you're saying that the two major
23 0.
               Based on your 16 years serving in the
                                                            23 parties in Alabama do not have the -- have the same
24 legislature, in your view, do the views of members
                                                            24 view when it comes to affirmative action?
25 of the democratic party in Alabama differ from the
                                                            25 A.
                                                                            I couldn't answer that. I've run across
1 members of the republican party in Alabama when it
                                                             1 varying opinions in different members.
2 comes to removing confederate monuments from public
                                                                            Okay. Based on your 16 years in the
 3 spaces?
                                                             3 legislature, do the views of members of the
                I mean, you're asking me to suppose what
                                                             4 democratic party in Alabama generally differ from
 5 other people are thinking. But I would say yes.
                                                             5 members of the republican party in Alabama generally
                                                             6 when it comes to criminal justice reform?
               And based -- based on your 16 years in
                                                                            I think -- I think there's a divide,
 7 the legislature, do the views of members of the
 8 democratic party in Alabama differ from the members
                                                             8 yes. But I know some -- some conservatives that are
 9 of the republican party in Alabama when it comes to
                                                             9 in favor of criminal justice reform themselves.
10 affirmative action?
                                                            10 0.
                                                                            And just to clarify, you're saying that
11
               MR. WALKER: Objection to form. Dan,
                                                            11 there is a difference between the general views of
                                                            12 the democratic party -- members of the democratic
12 I'm not sure that we have a clear understanding of
13 what affirmative action is these days.
                                                            13 party and members of the republican party when it
               MR. OSHER: I didn't catch that, Dorman.
                                                            14 comes to criminal justice reform?
15 Can you say that again?
                                                            15 A.
                                                                            There could be, yes.
               MR. WALKER: Yeah. I'm not sure that I
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16
                                                            16 0.
17 would have a clear understanding of what affirmative
                                                            17 between the members of the party or not?
18 action is these days.
                                                            18 A.
                                                                            I think some members hold different
19
                MR. OSHER: Sure.
                                                            19 opinions, yes.
20 Q.
               Representative, in your 16 years of
                                                            20 Q.
                                                                            And the same question. Based on your
21 service in the legislature, have you had an
                                                            21 experience in serving in the legislature, do the
                                                            22 views of the members of the democratic party
22 opportunity to view what the general views of each
23 of the major parties in the state are?
                                                            23 generally in Alabama differ from the members of the
24 A.
               On which issue?
                                                            24 republican party generally in Alabama when it comes
25 Q.
                On various issues.
                                                            25 to the view of whether there's a significant amount
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	of discrimination against black individuals in the	1	A. You were asking for a plan that had all
1	state?	l	whole counties that created two opportunity
	A. Yes.	l	districts.
4	MR. OSHER: Okay. That's all I have.		Q. Did he tell you that the lawsuit
1	Thank you very much for your time, Representative.	l	contended that the plan that was enacted in 2011 was
6	MR. WALKER: Thank you. Thank you,	l	racially jerrymandered?
1	Daniel.	7	MR. WALKER: I'm going to I'm going
8	MS. FAULKS: Singleton plaintiffs, do	l '	to assert privilege. You might be able to ask that
'	you have any questions?	ı	question a different way, Jim. But I think the way
10	MR. BLACKSHER: Did I get called?	l	you've asked it, it calls or could call for an
11	MR. WALKER: You did. You did, Jim.	l	attorney-client communication.
12	MR. BLACKSHER: Well, thank you.	l	Q. Okay. I lost you. All I see is a
1	EXAMINATION BY MR. BLACKSHER:	l	-
'		l	telephone screen now. Oh, there you are up in the corner.
14		l	
1	it back to Mobile before the night is over. A. Thank you. So do I.	15	Let me ask it this way, Representative
16	Q. I wouldn't want to stay in Montgomery	l	Pringle. Were you aware and are you aware now that the Singleton complaint alleged, when it was filed
1		l	
1	overnight if I could get back to Mobile on a Friday night.	ı	September 27th, that the plan enacted in 2011 was unconstitutional because it was racially
1		l	ierrymandered?
-*	A. See, we have a lot in common, Mr. Blacksher.	'	A. Not specifically.
22		l	Q. Okay. Were you aware that the state
1	A. I'm not	l	attorney general's office had said in a lawsuit in
24		l	
25	MR. WALKER: Go ahead.	l	Birmingham in 2019 that the 2011 plan was racially jerrymandered?
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 1 there was no effort made by the reapportionment
 2 committee to remedy any racial jerrymandering in the
                                                             2 Mr. Walker, by the way, advise you that he had
 3 2011 claim; isn't that correct?
                                                             3 consulted other lawyers to reach this opinion?
                I testified that Mr. Hinaman was
                                                                            MR. WALKER: Jim, I'm going to object on
 5 directed to draw those seven congressional districts
                                                             5 the grounds of privilege to that. You can ask it
 6 based on the guidelines of the committee.
                                                             6 some other way.
                Yeah. And no one informed you, and you
                                                                            \ensuremath{\text{I'm}} just trying to get everything you
8 -- excuse me.
                                                             8 knew or did not know about the requirement of zero
                The committee never attempted to remedy
                                                             9 deviation.
10 a racial jerrymandering; is that correct?
                                                                            And what I've heard you say,
                                                            10
11 A.
                I did not know there was a --
                                                            11 Representative Pringle, is that you were aware,
12 0.
               Racial jerrymandering?
                                                            12 since you've been involved in one way or the other
                                                            13 with redistricting, that it had been going on for
13 A.
                Yes.
14 Q.
                                                            14 several decades, right?
                Okay. Now, my understanding from your
15 testimony is that Mr. Walker advised you as chair of
                                                                            Zero deviation in congressional races?
16 the reapportionment committee that the congressional
                                                            16 Q.
                                                                            Yes
17 redistricting plan had to have zero deviation; is
                                                            17 A.
                                                                            Yes.
18 that correct?
                                                            18 0.
                                                                            Okay. And when it came to drawing the
                                                            19 2020 plan, you were advised that that needed to
                Yes.
               So did anyone else give you that advice,
                                                            20 continue, zero deviation needed to continue. And
21 zero deviation?
                                                            21 that advice came from Mr. Walker and Mr. Hinaman; is
                                                            22 that correct?
22 A.
               Mr. Hinaman.
               So Mr. Hinaman advised you that the plan
                                                                            MR. WALKER: Objection to form to the
24 had to be zero deviation?
                                                            24 extent it calls for an attorney-client
                Well, Mr. Blacksher, was not the 2011
                                                            25 communication.
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1 and the 2002 plans all zero deviations, and the 1992
                                                             1 0.
                                                                            But you can answer, I think.
2 plan?
                                                             2
                                                                            MR. BLACKSHER: Counsel, can he answer?
 3 0.
                Well, what I asked -- the question was
                                                             3 Q.
                                                                            Okay. Let me ask another question.
 4 did Mr. Hinaman advise you that it needed to be zero
                                                                            Did Mr. Walker also advise you that in
                                                             5 order to comply with the Voting Rights Act, the
 5 deviation.
                                                             6 congressional redistricting plan had to have a
               Again, Mr. Hinaman has been part of this
 7 for years. And I think every plan has been drawn to
                                                             7 majority black district? Is that correct?
 8 zero deviation.
                                                             8
                                                                            MR. WALKER: Objection, attorney-client
                Okay. Does that mean that he did advise
                                                             9 privilege.
10 you to keep it at zero deviation?
                                                            10 0.
                                                                            Well, that's in the talking points,
                                                            11 isn't it? Isn't that -- isn't the requirement of a
                Yes. Because all the other plans had
12 been drawn to zero deviation.
                                                            12 majority black district one of the things that's in
13 0.
                Okay. That's fine.
                                                            13 the talking points that you've exchanged with us
               And did anyone besides Mr. Walker and
                                                            14 that you -- that you read from on the floor of the
15 Mr. Hinaman advise the committee that the plan had
                                                            15 legislature?
16 to keep a zero deviation?
                                                            16 A.
                                                                            I don't have any direct recollection of
17 A.
               Not to my knowledge.
                                                            17 that at this time.
18 0.
               Did the -- did you as chair or did
                                                                            So did anyone advise you, as chair of
19 anyone on the committee seek the advice of the
                                                            19 the reapportionment committee, that in order to
20 Alabama attorney general's office on whether it
                                                            20 comply with the Voting Rights Act, the plan had to
21 needed to have zero deviation?
                                                            21 have one majority black district, at least one
22 A.
               I did not.
                                                            22 majority black district?
23 0.
               Are you aware of anyone on the
                                                                            MR. WALKER: Object to the question to
24 committee who did?
                                                            24 the extent it calls for an attorney-client
                                                            25 communication. Otherwise, you can answer.
25 A.
                No, sir.
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We instructed Mr. Hinaman, quoting the
                                                             1 understand that you needed to have a majority black
 2 guidelines, to protect the core of the existing
                                                             2 district.
 3 districts to the extent possible and to draw it to
                                                             3 A.
                                                                            I understood that we needed to draw
 4 zero deviation.
                                                             4 districts to help protect the incumbent, yes.
                Okay. Representative Pringle, there's
                                                                            And to you, that meant a majority black
 6 absolutely no mention of majority black in the
                                                             6 district, protecting the incumbent. Is that your
 7 quidelines.
                                                             7 answer?
                                                             8 A.
               So the question is: In complying -- the
                                                                            Well, I acquiesced to Mr. Hinaman who
9 guidelines say that you had to comply with the
                                                             9 met with the members of the congress and talked to
10 Voting Rights Act, right?
                                                            10 them about their districts and what they wanted and
                                                            11 how they wanted them drawn. And he presented a plan
11 A.
               Yes, sir.
                                                            12 to me that he said the members of congress agreed to
12 0.
               Okay. But it doesn't say majority
13 black, right?
                                                            13 that were seeking reelection, that they had agreed
               The guidelines, I don't recall them
                                                            14 to.
15 saving that.
                                                            15 0.
                                                                            Okay. Let's talk for just a second
               Right. So the question is: Were you
                                                            16 about the League of Women Voters' whole county plan.
                                                            17
17 advised that to comply with the Voting Rights Act,
                                                                            According to the talking points, you
18 there had to be a majority black district?
                                                            18 were advised that that plan would be
               MR. WALKER: Objection that I've made
                                                            19 unconstitutional because its deviation was too
20 before to the extent it calls for attorney-client
                                                            20 large; isn't that correct?
21 communication. Otherwise, he can answer.
                                                                            That was in my -- the analysis I
22 A.
               Again, those plans are drawn in a
                                                            22 received, yes.
23 race-neutral manner based on the guidelines to
                                                                            And that information came from whoever
24 preserve the core of the existing congressional
                                                            24 wrote the talking points?
25 districts.
                                                            25 A.
                                                                            Yes. That would be Mr. Hinaman and
                                                  Page 133
                                                                                                               Page 135
               Yes, sir. I've heard that testimony.
                                                             1 Mr. Walker.
1 0.
               My question, though, is were you advised
                                                                            Okay. And the talking points also
                                                             2 0.
 3 that the Voting Rights Act required there to be a
                                                             3 advised, didn't they, that the League of Women
 4 majority black district?
                                                             4 Voters' plan would violate the Voting Rights Act
               MR. WALKER: Same objection.
                                                             5 because it did not have a majority black district;
                The Voting Rights Act requires that we
                                                             6 isn't that correct?
 7 in no way intentionally nor unintentionally diminish
                                                                            It could potentially violate Section 2
 8 the ability of a protected class of minority
                                                             8 by diminishing the ability of a protected class of
 9 citizens from electing or defeating a candidate of
                                                             9 citizens from electing or defeating a candidate of
10 their choosing.
                                                            10 their choosing, yes.
11 0.
               And did that mean a majority black
                                                                            I'm just asking if the talking points
                                                            11 0.
                                                            12 said -- you know, I don't have them in front of me.
12 district?
                It means we had -- we drew a district
                                                            13 You've probably been looking at them all morning.
14 that would allow -- that maintained the core of an
                                                                           Actually, I haven't.
15 existing minority district. But we did it in a
                                                            15 0.
                                                                            The talking points actually said, didn't
16 race-neutral wav.
                                                            16 it -- the talking points actually said that the
               Your understanding of the requirement of
                                                            17 League of Women Voters' whole county plan would
18 maintaining the cores and drawing a race-neutral
                                                            18 violate the Voting Rights Act because it did not
19 plan meant that you needed to end up with a majority
                                                            19 have a majority black district.
20 black district. Am I hearing you correctly?
                                                            20
                                                                            Now, did you -- did anyone else give you
               We -- we made every opportunity to
                                                            21 that advice other than what was in the talking
22 protect the incumbents who were seeking reelection.
                                                            22 points?
               That's not the question I asked you
                                                            23
                                                                            MR. DAVIS: Object to the form.
24 about the incumbent.
                                                            24
                                                                            MR. WALKER: Object to the form.
               I asked if you were advised and did you
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                                                                            THE WITNESS: Can I answer?
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1 MR. WALKER: You can answer to the	1 "minimal deviation," you interpreted that on your
2 extent that you do not discuss any communication you	2 own as meaning zero deviation; is that correct?
3 may have received from an attorney, in particular	3 A. Based on my knowledge and history of
4 one from the AG's office.	4 reapportionment, congressional reapportionment, and
5 A. I was reading the talking points that	5 the fact that we have drawn zero deviation
6 you have before you.	6 districts, yes, sir.
7 Q. Actually, I don't have them before me.	7 Q. Okay. So that would and you reached
8 I'm sorry.	8 that conclusion independently of anybody's advice,
9 But in any event, let me let me wrap	9 right?
10 this up this way. Was the was the committee ever	10 A. Well, Mr. Walker and Mr. Hinaman and I
11 presented in writing a statement that the League of	11 all concurred that minimum deviation means zero.
12 Women Voters' whole county plan violated the Voting	12 And based on my readings, I would concur with that,
13 Rights Act?	13 what I read.
14 A. If my memory serves me correctly, we did	14 Q. Thank you, Representative Pringle.
15 not yet have the official League of Women Voters'	15 Those are the only questions that I have.
16 plan in the computer at the time of the committee	16 A. Mr. Blacksher, it's always a pleasure.
17 meeting. I think it was introduced later.	17 Q. I hope to see you again soon.
18 Q. Okay. You're going to have to listen to	18 A. I'm sure you will.
19 the question again.	19 MR. WALKER: I think that can be
20 MR. BLACKSHER: Could I ask the court	20 arranged.
21 reporter to read the question back, please?	21 MS. FAULKS: Dorman, with that, I think
22 (Record read.)	22 that we are done. For lunch, how long do we want to
23 A. Was the committee ever presented	23 break?
24 MR. WALKER: Was the committee ever	24 MR. WALKER: Wait. Can we have 30
25 presented in writing.	25 seconds to confer?
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PLAINTIFFS' NOTICE OF DEPOSITION FOR DEFENDANT CHRIS PRINGLE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to Rule 30(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Counsel for Plaintiffs Evan Milligan, Khadidah Stone, Letetia Jackson, Shalela Dowdy, Greater Birmingham Ministries, and the Alabama State Conference of the NAACP, (collectively, "Plaintiffs") will take the deposition of Defendant Chris Pringle, in his official capacity as the Co-Chair of the Alabama Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment. The deposition will commence on December 17, 2021, at 9:00 am CDT, at the law offices of Balch & Bingham, 105 Tallapoosa Street, Montgomery, AL 36104 (or at such other time and place as the parties may mutually agree upon), pursuant to the Court's December 14, 2021, Order on Motion for Protective Order (ECF No. 59) and Order on Discovery Disputes (ECF No. 64). The deposition will be recorded stenographically by a certified court reporter and by video by a certified videographer. The deposition will take place in-person and by videoconference, or according to a schedule mutually agreed upon by the parties, until completed.

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REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES

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3 I. POPULATION

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- 4 The total Alabama state population, and the population of defined subunits
- 5 thereof, as reported by the 2020 Census, shall be the permissible data base used
- 6 for the development, evaluation, and analysis of proposed redistricting plans. It is
- 7 the intention of this provision to exclude from use any census data, for the purpose
- 8 of determining compliance with the one person, one vote requirement, other than
- 9 that provided by the United States Census Bureau.

II. CRITERIA FOR REDISTRICTING

- 11 a. Districts shall comply with the United States Constitution, including the
- 12 requirement that they equalize total population.
- b. Congressional districts shall have minimal population deviation.
- 14 c. Legislative and state board of education districts shall be drawn to achieve
- substantial equality of population among the districts and shall not exceed an
- overall population deviation range of $\pm 5\%$.
- d. A redistricting plan considered by the Reapportionment Committee shall
- comply with the one person, one vote principle of the Equal Protection Clause of
- 19 the 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution.
- 20 e. The Reapportionment Committee shall not approve a redistricting plan that
- 21 does not comply with these population requirements.
- 22 f. Districts shall be drawn in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
- 23 amended. A redistricting plan shall have neither the purpose nor the effect of
- 24 diluting minority voting strength, and shall comply with Section 2 of the Voting
- 25 Rights Act and the United States Constitution.
- 26 g. No district will be drawn in a manner that subordinates race-neutral
- 27 districting criteria to considerations of race, color, or membership in a language-
- 28 minority group, except that race, color, or membership in a language-minority
- 29 group may predominate over race-neutral districting criteria to comply with
- 30 Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, provided there is a strong basis in evidence in
- 31 support of such a race-based choice. A strong basis in evidence exists when there
- 32 is good reason to believe that race must be used in order to satisfy the Voting Rights
- 33 Act.

- 1 h. Districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact
- 2 geography.
- 3 i. The following requirements of the Alabama Constitution shall be complied
- 4 with:
- 5 (i) Sovereignty resides in the people of Alabama, and all districts should be
- 6 drawn to reflect the democratic will of all the people concerning how their
- 7 governments should be restructured.
- 8 (ii) Districts shall be drawn on the basis of total population, except that voting
- 9 age population may be considered, as necessary to comply with Section 2 of the
- 10 Voting Rights Act or other federal or state law.
- 11 (iii) The number of Alabama Senate districts is set by statute at 35 and, under
- the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 35.
- 13 (iv) The number of Alabama Senate districts shall be not less than one-fourth or
- more than one-third of the number of House districts.
- 15 (v) The number of Alabama House districts is set by statute at 105 and, under
- the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 106.
- 17 (vi) The number of Alabama House districts shall not be less than 67.
- 18 (vii) All districts will be single-member districts.
- 19 (viii) Every part of every district shall be contiguous with every other part of the
- 20 district.
- 21 j. The following redistricting policies are embedded in the political values,
- traditions, customs, and usages of the State of Alabama and shall be observed to
- 23 the extent that they do not violate or subordinate the foregoing policies prescribed
- by the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Alabama:
- 25 (i) Contests between incumbents will be avoided whenever possible.
- 26 (ii) Contiguity by water is allowed, but point-to-point contiguity and long-lasso
- 27 contiguity is not.
- 28 (iii) Districts shall respect communities of interest, neighborhoods, and political
- 29 subdivisions to the extent practicable and in compliance with paragraphs a
- 30 through i. A community of interest is defined as an area with recognized
- 31 similarities of interests, including but not limited to ethnic, racial, economic, tribal,
- 32 social, geographic, or historical identities. The term communities of interest may,
- 33 in certain circumstances, include political subdivisions such as counties, voting

- 1 precincts, municipalities, tribal lands and reservations, or school districts. The
- 2 discernment, weighing, and balancing of the varied factors that contribute to
- 3 communities of interest is an intensely political process best carried out by elected
- 4 representatives of the people.
- 5 (iv) The Legislature shall try to minimize the number of counties in each district.
- 6 (v) The Legislature shall try to preserve the cores of existing districts.
- 7 (vi) In establishing legislative districts, the Reapportionment Committee shall
- 8 give due consideration to all the criteria herein. However, priority is to be given to
- 9 the compelling State interests requiring equality of population among districts and
- 10 compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, should the
- 11 requirements of those criteria conflict with any other criteria.
- 12 g. The criteria identified in paragraphs j(i)-(vi) are not listed in order of
- 13 precedence, and in each instance where they conflict, the Legislature shall at its
- 14 discretion determine which takes priority.

15 III. PLANS PRODUCED BY LEGISLATORS

- 16 1. The confidentiality of any Legislator developing plans or portions thereof
- 17 will be respected. The Reapportionment Office staff will not release any
- information on any Legislator's work without written permission of the Legislator
- 19 developing the plan, subject to paragraph two below.
- 20 2. A proposed redistricting plan will become public information upon its
- 21 introduction as a bill in the legislative process, or upon presentation for
- 22 consideration by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 23 3. Access to the Legislative Reapportionment Office Computer System, census
- 24 population data, and redistricting work maps will be available to all members of
- 25 the Legislature upon request. Reapportionment Office staff will provide technical
- assistance to all Legislators who wish to develop proposals.
- 27 4. In accordance with Rule 23 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature
- 28 "[a]ll amendments or revisions to redistricting plans, following introduction as a
- 29 bill, shall be drafted by the Reapportionment Office." Amendments or revisions
- must be part of a whole plan. Partial plans are not allowed.
- 31 5. In accordance with Rule 24 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature,
- 32 "[d]rafts of all redistricting plans which are for introduction at any session of the
- Legislature, and which are not prepared by the Reapportionment Office, shall be
- 34 presented to the Reapportionment Office for review of proper form and for entry
- into the Legislative Data System at least ten (10) days prior to introduction."

1 IV. REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 3 1. All meetings of the Reapportionment Committee and its sub-committees
- 4 will be open to the public and all plans presented at committee meetings will be
- 5 made available to the public.
- 6 2. Minutes of all Reapportionment Committee meetings shall be taken and
- 7 maintained as part of the public record. Copies of all minutes shall be made
- 8 available to the public.
- 9 3. Transcripts of any public hearings shall be made and maintained as part of the public record, and shall be available to the public.
- 11 4. All interested persons are encouraged to appear before the
- 12 Reapportionment Committee and to give their comments and input regarding
- 13 legislative redistricting. Reasonable opportunity will be given to such persons,
- 14 consistent with the criteria herein established, to present plans or amendments
- 15 redistricting plans to the Reapportionment Committee, if desired, unless such
- plans or amendments fail to meet the minimal criteria herein established.
- 17 5. Notice of all Reapportionment Committee meetings will be posted on
- monitors throughout the Alabama State House, the Reapportionment Committee's
- 19 website, and on the Secretary of State's website. Individual notice of
- 20 Reapportionment Committee meetings will be sent by email to any citizen or
- organization who requests individual notice and provides the necessary
- 22 information to the Reapportionment Committee staff. Persons or organizations
- 23 who want to receive this information should contact the Reapportionment Office.

24 V. PUBLIC ACCESS

- 25 1. The Reapportionment Committee seeks active and informed public
- 26 participation in all activities of the Committee and the widest range of public
- 27 information and citizen input into its deliberations. Public access to the
- 28 Reapportionment Office computer system is available every Friday from 8:30 a.m.
- 29 to 4:30 p.m. Please contact the Reapportionment Office to schedule an
- 30 appointment.
- 31 2. A redistricting plan may be presented to the Reapportionment Committee
- 32 by any individual citizen or organization by written presentation at a public
- meeting or by submission in writing to the Committee. All plans submitted to the
- 34 Reapportionment Committee will be made part of the public record and made
- available in the same manner as other public records of the Committee.

- 1 3. Any proposed redistricting plan drafted into legislation must be offered by a
- 2 member of the Legislature for introduction into the legislative process.
- 3 4. A redistricting plan developed outside the Legislature or a redistricting plan
- 4 developed without Reapportionment Office assistance which is to be presented for
- 5 consideration by the Reapportionment Committee must:
- 6 a. Be clearly depicted on maps which follow 2020 Census geographic
- 7 boundaries;
- 8 b. Be accompanied by a statistical sheet listing total population for each district
- and listing the census geography making up each proposed district;
- 10 c. Stand as a complete statewide plan for redistricting.
- 11 d. Comply with the guidelines adopted by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 12 5. Electronic Submissions
- 13 a. Electronic submissions of redistricting plans will be accepted by the
- 14 Reapportionment Committee.
- 15 b. Plans submitted electronically must also be accompanied by the paper
- materials referenced in this section.
- 17 c. See the Appendix for the technical documentation for the electronic
- submission of redistricting plans.
- 19 6. Census Data and Redistricting Materials
- 20 a. Census population data and census maps will be made available through the
- 21 Reapportionment Office at a cost determined by the Permanent Legislative
- 22 Committee on Reapportionment.
- 23 b. Summary population data at the precinct level and a statewide work maps
- 24 will be made available to the public through the Reapportionment Office at a cost
- 25 determined by the Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.
- 26 c. All such fees shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the
- 27 general fund and shall be used to cover the expenses of the Legislature.
- 28 Appendix.
- 29 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF REDISTRICTING PLANS
- 30 **REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE STATE OF ALABAMA**

The Legislative Reapportionment Computer System supports the electronic submission of redistricting plans. The electronic submission of these plans must be via email or a flash drive. The software used by the Reapportionment Office is Maptitude.

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The electronic file should be in DOJ format (Block, district # or district #, Block). This should be a two column, comma delimited file containing the FIPS code for each block, and the district number. Maptitude has an automated plan import that creates a new plan from the block/district assignment list.

Web services that can be accessed directly with a URL and ArcView Shapefiles can be viewed as overlays. A new plan would have to be built using this overlay as a guide to assign units into a blank Maptitude plan. In order to analyze the plans with our attribute data, edit, and report on, a new plan will have to be built in Maptitude.

- In order for plans to be analyzed with our attribute data, to be able to edit, report on, and produce maps in the most efficient, accurate and time saving procedure, electronic submissions are REQUIRED to be in DOJ format.
- 18 Example: (DOJ FORMAT BLOCK, DISTRICT #)
- 19 SSCCCTTTTTTBBBBDDDD

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- 20 SS is the 2 digit state FIPS code
- 21 CCC is the 3 digit county FIPS code
- 22 TTTTTT is the 6 digit census tract code
- 23 BBBB is the 4 digit census block code
- 24 DDDD is the district number, right adjusted
- 25 **Contact Information:**
- 26 Legislative Reapportionment Office
- 27 Room 317, State House
- 28 11 South Union Street
- 29 Montgomery, Alabama 36130
- 30 (334) 261-0706

- 1 For questions relating to reapportionment and redistricting, please contact:
- 2 Donna Overton Loftin, Supervisor
- 3 Legislative Reapportionment Office
- 4 donna.overton@alsenate.gov
- 5 Please Note: The above e-mail address is to be used only for the purposes of
- 6 obtaining information regarding redistricting. Political messages, including those
- 7 relative to specific legislation or other political matters, cannot be answered or
- 8 disseminated via this email to members of the Legislature. Members of the
- 9 Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment may be contacted through
- information contained on their Member pages of the Official Website of the
- Alabama Legislature, legislature.state.al.us/aliswww/default.aspx.

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b. Contiguity by water is allowed, but point-to-point contiguity and long-lasso contiguity is not.	allowed, but point-to-point contiguity and long-lasso contiguity is not.	(ii) Contiguity by water is allowed, but point-to-point contiguity and long-lasso contiguity is not.
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	plans are not allowed.	must be part of a whole plan.
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		public.

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give their comments and input	give their comments and input	to give their comments and input
regarding legislative redistricting.	regarding legislative redistricting.	regarding legislative redistricting.
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given to such persons, consistent	given to such persons, consistent	given to such persons, consistent
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records of the Committee.	records of the Committee.	same manner as other public
		records of the Committee.
3. Any proposed redistricting	3. Any proposed redistricting	3. Any proposed
plan drafted into legislation must be	plan drafted into legislation must be	redistricting plan drafted into
offered by a member of the	offered by a member of the	legislation must be offered by a
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legislative process.	legislative process.	introduction into the legislative
		process.
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reapportionment and redistricting,	reapportionment and redistricting,	For questions relating to
please contact:	please contact:	reapportionment and
Donna Shanholtzer	Donna Overton Loftin	redistricting, please contact:
Supervisor	Supervisor	Donna Overton Loftin
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donna@al-legislature.gov	donna.overton@alsenate.gov	Reapportionment Office
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TRANSCRIPT OF REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OCTOBER 26, 2021

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen? Senator Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Yes

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Ms. Smitherman? Senator Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyd?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Clouse? Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn?

MALE 1: He's on his way. He's in traffic.

FEMALE 1: Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative South? Representative Wood?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Here.

FEMALE 1: We have 19 present. We have a quorum.

MALE 2: Thank you, members, if you would, please, you will see a copy of the Minutes from the last meeting, May 5th of this year. I would ask you to quickly look over those. We have a motion to approve and let's have a roll call on that please.

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen? Senator Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Smitherman? Senator Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyd?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Clouse? Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall? Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn? Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative South? Representative Wood?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: We have 17 yes. The motion passed.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you. I'd like to make just a preliminary statement about the workings of this committee. This time around has been rather unique because of the compactness of the time. Federal Law requires Census Bureau to provide the states with the data no later than March and the year after Census is conducted. In 2011, we received it in mid-February, about six weeks before their deadline. This time, the Census Bureau seriously lied. Instead of getting the data in February or March, we did not receive the data until August 12, actually became usable to us closer to the 17th or 18th of August. It took some amount of time to convert that data to match up our software. August 17 was the first time this committee and our staff, who I'm forever grateful for, for all their hard work was the first time that we actually hadn't data that we could work with and dealing with the Congressional plan, State Board plan, the Senate plan and the House plan.

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Since that time, since August 17, we have met with seven Congressional Representatives, our staff, eight Board of Education members and all the members of the Senate and the House that are running for reelection. In most cases, there was not just one meeting with any particular office holder. There were repeated meetings with individual officeholders and often with groups of officeholders, these meetings continued right up to the close of business last Friday. It took an enormous effort to prepare these plans in the short amount of time available. And unlike after the 2010 census, when we were able to split the redistricting over a two-year period, we did Congressional and State Board in 2011, and then we did the two legislative plans in 2012. This time, not only did we get the data late, but we had to prepare all four plans at the same time. And I will -- you those of us who worked in this room in this office have seen the dedication of our redistricting staff, of our attorney advising us, of our demographer drawing the maps, they have literally worked day and night and over the weekends in order to reach this point. And I think you'll soon see that they have done a heroic job. I am very grateful to their dedication. At this point, we are going to now go into consideration of these four maps I mentioned. We'll do them in this order for committee members. You'll see, you have an agenda in front of you that shows the order. We'll do this and we're going to start off with congressional districts. Representative Pringle will handle that in the House. Then we'll go to State Board districts. I'll handle that for introduction into the Senate. Then we'll go to the state Senate districts that will first be introduced into the Senate. And once it comes out of this committee, and finally, we'll do the committee plan for the State House, which Representative Pringle, of course, will handle and will introduce on Thursday into the House of Representatives. Let me recognize the House Chair for Redistricting Representative Chris Pringle turn your mic go.

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Thank you, Senator. Again, I am Chris Pringle, State Representative from House District 1 of Automobile. The members of the committee

would go to the congressional plan and open your folder. You'll see the proposed map that we're going to discuss here from this committee. You'll have it. If you'll note, this is a zero-deviation plan with a minimum number of split counties. There's a one-person difference between all seven districts. Som the deviations on this plan are zero. In developing this plan, all Congressional Representatives were met with in person and then subsequently over the phone our Microsoft teams until their concerns have been addressed. An exception in the Representative Mo Brooks was running for another office. He did not want to meet in person instead of staff member instead. All representatives have had input into this plan. This plan meets the Committee guidelines. It complies a Section 2 the Voting Rights Act and Equal Protection Clause. There's a minimal population deviation between the District 6.

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Between the District 6 are districts who had ideal population of 717,754 and the second district is one person over. In respects to counties that extend possibly given the requirement for equal population. I'll repeat, it respects counties to the extent possible given the requirements for equal population. It does not require any incumbents to run against each other. All districts are contiguous and reasonably compact. It respects communities of interests. It preserves the cores of existing districts. It splits a minimum number of counties and precincts. Six counties are split and seven are split to get to zero deviation an improvement over the current law which splits seven counties. Splits are, Lauderdale County is split between District 4 and 5. Tuscaloosa County is split between Districts 4 and 7. Lefferson County, between Districts 6 and 7. Chilton County between Districts 3 and 6. Montgomery County between Districts 2 and 7. Escambia County between Districts 1 and 2. This plan contains one majority black district with a black voting age population of 54.22%, thank you.

MALE 2: Motion to adopt.

MALE 3: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to speak to the motion.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I would too.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. England.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: First of, thank you for recognition. I'm pretty sure Ms. Overton probably would doesn't like me very much right now because I harassed her for days on end. Because as a member of this committee, I did not see these maps until yesterday. I think we're undertaking a pretty massive task to be told to come in here with the amount of information presented to us to come here and say, "I need you to vote today." Personally, I may be just speaking for myself, but I think this is doing a disservice to the process and also to the people that we represent because they haven't seen this map either, unless you were following me on Twitter. So, I think it needs to be said that this process itself, there's got to be a better way to do this. I think it's flawed and I don't really think this is the best way for us to walk into this process without any information and to come in here today look at it and say, "I want you to approve it." With that being said, I'm not diminishing the fact this was probably a very difficult task. It's a lot of information to process, but I think it probably would have been better for all of

us have we all seen the whole entire map and not be drawn into short meetings individually where we can only see our district? For me, that's how the process worked. I was only told I could see the district. My district game me immediate area around my district, and I think it would have been better for the public and all of us to digest the information in front of us by just seeing the whole map so we could see how our district worked relative to the districts around us. And with that being said in your initial statement, you mentioned that this map complies with the Voting Rights Act. Several questions that I have about that. First, I'd like to know who drew the map. Was it drawn in-house or did somebody else draw it? Also, I'd like to know how it complies with the Voting Rights Act. Was there a racial polarization study done to figure out exactly how we comply with the Voting Rights Act? And I'd also like to know since I wasn't afforded an opportunity to see the entire map, I would like to know if anybody else was, whether it be staff, whether it be other members, or whether it be someone hired as a consultant to take a look at these maps. Those are my three initial questions. One, who drew it? Two, can you explain to all of us how it satisfies the Voting Rights Act and how this map was drawn? So, I just like to start there, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: You're not going to answer those question?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I've done listened to it, and we're going to get back with him, okay.

FEMALE 1: Oh Jesus.

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REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Point of order, so we're not answering questions today?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm going to answer your questions. We're just trying to get all the questions asked.

MALE 4: Ms. Chairman, point of order. The point is that I think that we opened ourselves up for confusion of responses and questions and confusions of focusing in on the specific points. So, we're going to take all these varying questions. And then after we take all the various questions, I think that the questions' point of order are to be in relationship to the questions. The answer should be in relationship to the questions as answered and they should be addressed. Questions that [INDISCERNIBLE 00:15:45] may have over there, I saw his hand, and I have is may be totally relevant, but maybe totally different at the same time in parts. So, I think in order to understand that -- and I'm going to make a special request that we put these maps on the board. We have a big old board up there, put the whole maps. Each one of these things we talk, it relates to a map. It needs to be sitting up there in large, of the map.

[OVERLAY]

FEMALE 2: --so we can it.

MALE 4: Yeah, we can see it. Not the small one where we don't know what it's touching and what it's doing, but actually a large one that deals which shows the precincts.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The map is on the board, ladies and gentlemen, I'm hoping the people online can see it. Can they see the map online?

MALE 5: Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: These maps are drawn in this room using the staff here and our lawyer that we've hired has done redistricting for 25 years, has worked with us and told us that he thinks these maps comply with section to the Voting Rights Act and the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Can you explain it now?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm not the attorney, but Dorman Walker sat here and went through every one of this our attorney. You know Dorman, he's done this for 25 years.

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REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Again, can I say that I was appointed to this committee.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: You stated that it complies with the Voting Rights Act. You also stated that it complies with the Fourteenth Amendment Equal Protection, so I'm asking you how. I just want to make this -- that's obviously -

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay, representative. That's fine, let's do this.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: That's a very component of this.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I understand that and I see where you're going and let's do this. You tell me where it doesn't, how's that?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: First and foremost, if we didn't do a racial polarization study you don't know how it applies. I'll ask you this question, you and the attorney that you consulted, have you all done a racial polarization study?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, the guy in Georgia did one. It was sent to him Friday and he came back.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, who's the guy in Georgia? Can we see the results of that study?

MR. CHAIRMAN: The attorney has hired a consultant out of Georgia and he's looked at it.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Can we—

MR. CHAIRMAN: There's nothing that's going to be hidden. We're getting it to you as fast as we have it of course.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We don't have it. You understand, I had to do 28 public hearings. I had to meet with 105 house members, 35 senators, seven members of congress and eight members of the schoolboard and many of these people we met with multiple, multiple times to try and work this out, all in a very short period of time. We didn't have the luxury they had a couple of years ago, having two years to do this. We had about three months.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I could understand your frustration, but as the Chair, you're in charge with the responsibility of answering these questions.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, I sympathize with the smaller shortened timeframe, but I do still get as a response -- as part of my responsibility as being a member of this committee is to ask these questions and to get answers because I'm not just asking for me. Because remember, the entire State of Alabama, the first time they lay my eyes on this map was yesterday. I think it's pretty legitimate for us to have these questions since we could not get access to this information before. One of the ways --

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MR. CHAIRMAN: The first time I saw it was yesterday too.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: That makes me feel worse, but to be quite honest with you. So, you ask me, I'll point out just that one thing. I need you to help me understand if a racial polarization study was done. I need to know who did it. I need to know what the results are, so I can tell you if I believe that one that matches up with the standards that have been set by federal courts in the Supreme Court, because very recently we had issues with the Supreme Court. We just lost the lawsuit behind some of this stuff, so I need to have something so I can draw some comparative analysis between the two. So, on record, you're telling me that a racial polarization study has been done?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Our attorney looked at it and assured us that we are incompliance with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: The question I asked you, you're assuring me right now that a racial polarization study has been done?

MR. CHAIRMAN: According to my attorney, yes.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: According to the committee's attorney.

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It's the attorney that's done reapportionment for 25 years.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay. And you can provide that information to us so we can draw an analysis between the maps, the numbers and the study?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have no problem when you look at all of our reports.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right. You said also that this map was prepared here inhouse?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, it was drawn right here in this room.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I mean, you sat here with us, and I know several times why we drew these maps.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No. Actually, I've only seen my district up until yesterday when I got the maps.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. I sat here when you're on a call.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No. On that call, we looked at my district.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Period. I haven't seen a map. This is the first time I've actually seen a physical copy of the map since yesterday. Now, that I've answered your question, can you answer mine? What other ways does this map --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Let me report. On district seven, there was not a functional analysis done on it simply because it was drawn blind, the race was turned off on the drawing, and after the district was drawn and we looked at the black voting age population, it was determined there was no reason to do an analysis on it.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, you have not done analysis on that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I just found out seven because of the BVAP, no analysis was deemed necessary.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, we don't know if it complies with the Voting Rights Act just based on an attorney's opinion?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah. I mean, it complies.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: We don't know that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, the attorney that his committee hired says it does.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: But he also didn't do what's necessary to figure that out. Interestingly enough, the only district –

MR. CHAIRMAN: The BVAP of that district is 54.2%.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: But again, the study demonstrates how much of that actual percentage is a voting percentage. So, there's a difference between just throwing out a percentage and actually knowing if that's functional or not. And also, interestingly enough, the Seventh Congressional District is the only district that splits counties. Is there a particular reason for that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's not true. I just told you, I just run off of the county to split.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: There's one in District One, you have one in the Escambia County?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. Lauderdale is split between four and five, Tuscaloosa is split between four and seven, Jefferson is split between six and seven, Chilton is split between three and six, Montgomery is split between two and seven, Escambia is split between one and two.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'm sorry.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Every district has at least one split.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'll rephrase. Seven has the most splits. That correct?

MR. CHAIRMAN: One, two, three. Yes, sir.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right. Is there any particular reason why seven has the most splits?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. Because four has got two, two has two, three has one, and one has one.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Is there any particular reason why seven has the most split districts? Including in Jefferson --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Trying to get the zero deviation, I'm assuming. We tried to respect -- we had to get to zero deviation.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Do you think it has anything to do with making sure that each split holds a particular percentage of African-Americans into it?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have no knowledge of that now.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay.

MALE 3: Senator, I was hoping that we wouldn't be so contentious in here today, and I think I've been here with you gentlemen over the period of time trying to ask that we can get to this point. We sit around this table and I know that this is probably one of the most contentious sessions that we can have because everybody's for themselves. Everybody's looking out for what they got and it's all about territory. But I just wanted to ask a question about the map, and I guess go down the same line that Chris was representing England in terms of District Seven. In the last redistributing, we saw and heard from the United States Supreme Court that basically said that District Seven was the most gerrymandered district in the State of Alabama, and when you look at that, it almost looks like a salamander and the way it shaped, I see where you tried to come into your county boundaries to do that this time. But however, the Supreme Court has basically already ruled that, and so I just want this body to know that I will be introducing another map because when you look at the State School Board, it is representative of 26% of the African-American community giving it two districts. The house and the Senate also. The congressional district is the only district, the only map that we would draw as a body that does not represent the 26% of African-Americans. It only represents 13% of those African-American population. We believe that based on whole county, and what you can draw based on zero percentage, we can get two majority districts out of this, and I think that this body or the chairman has not tried to do that, just stay with what they were used to doing, and it's like we just drew over the same lines and didn't even try to come up with anything else different.

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And that's what you get when you don't get input from everybody else, and when everything is kind of hidden and indoor. And so, with that, I know this is not the proper time to introduce the map, but I would do it officially when we have the next meeting, I will introduce a map even if it gets voted down and we will introduce them again on the floor. It will be on the map to concept, and I just want to let you know that I think that we can get two districts out of here that will show favorably for African-Americans across the state outside of just gerrymandering in this district with the unnecessary splits that we've gotten. Thank you very much.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Senator. Did you say you have a map that has two majority black districts in it?

MALE 3: Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. All right. Senator Smithman.

SENATOR SMITHMAN: Thank you very much Mr. Chairman. Chairman's, let me say this first, I noticed the Senator mentioned a level of frustration, a level of uncomfortableness or whatever words you want to use is coming from our leader. Let me say this, that's what you get paid the big bucks for. You asked to be chairman, you asked. Now, you accepted it. So, get all that comes with it, so, relax and take a deep breath because it's coming. Questions coming, they're coming, they're coming. So, just relax and I understand, but you're the leader, so, that what comes with the territory. Let me piggyback first on starting with this map. In whether or not, -- let me just say this; I asked for a map that shows the precincts, I know we got them. And the reason I'm saying that to everybody in here to do that, yes. It's going to take more time. It's going to be detailed, because you're asking questions about this or that. But as a committee, and thank you for putting me on the committee. Whoever appointed me, I know who did; so thank you. But as a committee, we have to go through this mundane process if members have the question. We are in a committee meeting now; and in here, any of those questions that we have. the means of being able to provide, we have a right to get that information. Let's not vote it all up and down by memos, each member has that right to get that particular information. So, with that in mind, that's the first thing because I like to see what Senator was saying about the drawing to see what it brings in and what it doesn't. I can't tell a lick about Jefferson County, where the line cut off from this map. I don't know if it cut off on south side, if it cut off on far apart. I don't know if it cut off above Fire Park above Center Point. I don't know where it cuts off by looking at this, and along with being here, I'm a citizen in that particular district as well. So, I would like to see that number one. Number two, I think if that information is available that the representative requested, I think that it should be provided immediately if we operated off of it and didn't have the actual information here, then I think that needs to be known. But I think that any information in this meeting not a week later, not two days, not a month later, but should be provided in here. If it's on a computer, push a button, push print, print it out, and then give it to whoever else have requested it. So, I said that to say that it may not happen, but to count all these things right here, you might want to pipe in dinner[PH 00:29:00] because we need to go through these and to ask questions, is going to seem whatever you want to call it, but that's why I say get the frustration down because we have questions, I have questions, and I like to get answers as a committee member. Nobody else may not be concerned about these things, and I understand. But if one member is, we need to address that. The other thing I want to say is this is that there's two other things, and I'll move near the mic. Number one is that the Senator mentioned correctly about the 26% African-Americans. But we we're actually talking about 30 something percent of minorities. One third of them as it relates to minority population itself should be represented. We're talking about that it should be two as it relates to African-American population as a minority because it's a super population of minorities.

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But there are other minorities, Asians, there are Latinos, there are all these people in this State and men of my registered voters that make that percentage goes up to 30 something percent. The third thing is that I've had opportunities to see the map that Senator Singleton is talking about, and that map does not split one count, one county, the congressional map that he's talking about.

It keeps every county whole for all the congressional districts that exist on that map. So, I would think that as a committee, whether the committee ultimately votes it up that as he said, I think that as a committee, that we should consider any of those plans in this meeting if it made those 10 days, I think the requirement that you made that that would be submitted. If they were submitted there in the committee, should take those up -- that was committee rules, that's committee adopted and last, but not least, I'll say this is that I think that the process itself has not addressed the area of compromise, and I'm not talking about somebody's individual districts. I'm talking about the issues that's before you it relates to minorities. I know nobody sat down and talked about the concerns that I split and when we get to that area in the [INDISCERNIBLE 00:31:28] plans, I expressed that I had a concern about that area and no other conversation has been had about it. So, that kind of disappoints me because it's kind of saying that "I don't give a heck what you think or say. So, take me to court." That's what it says to me. I don't give a rip what you think, I don't want to talk to you. I don't want to compromise; this is what I'm going to do. So, take me, so I hope that isn't what it's saying, because I'm not saying anything but anything. I think past involvement says that that has happened. So, I would hope if we are trying to get around and work together in this situation, that we'll find some way to compromise with both sides. I know you've been working hard on your side because I've talked to some of my colleagues and I know some of those concerns, but I'm talking about all of us as a whole. Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Senator. Ms. Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and Chairman. I want to reiterate the comment that was made earlier in terms of the response when questions are raised. That we are all in here because we want to do what is right. So, I would hope that we would be considerate of that in light of the fact of the response that I've heard with the comments that have been made up to this point, I'd like to make a motion. I am going to make a motion. My motion is that we postpone the votes on these proposed maps until members of this committee and the public has had adequate time to review and consider the details as well as provide the ratio polarization data study that you said was done.

FEMALE 2: Mr. Chairman, I second the motion.

MALE 2: Mr. Chairman, I think that motion is inappropriate. We have business to tend to at this meeting. Everyone knows it and if it would be --

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MALE 2: Would you mind if I get to my comment, please without interrupting? I have not interrupted you and I don't want to be interrupted.

FEMALE 2: I appreciate that, but when you make a comment like that, I'm sorry. I should have held my --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Move to table. We have a motion to table. All in favor. Say, aye.

MALE 2: Aye.

FEMALE 2: I oppose.

[OVERLAY]

FEMALE 2: Roll call. I will ask that each vote just as you did on the minutes that you would have the roll call vote on each action, thank you. And I would ask that you reconsider at this time.

MR. CHAIRMAN: So, you have a motion to reconsider?

FEMALE 2: Yes, sir.

MALE 3: Second.

MALE 2: I second it.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All in favor, say, aye.

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Nay?

[OVERLAY]

FEMALE 2: I did request a roll call on each motion hereon and that you didn't.

[OVERLAY]

FEMALE 2: No, you didn't, because you'd reconsider.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Oh, now we have a motion to give this plan a favorable report in a second.

MALE 4: Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Roll call, please.

MALE 4: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN: Yes, sir?

MALE 4: I'm ready. I'd like to be recognized.

CHAIRMAN: Okay, sure.

MALE 4: So, are we saying that, it doesn't matter what we think at all?

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We just come in here to go through the functions. We're not going to consider anything whatsoever that if we have a concern or anything, you're saying it don't matter that we're in here because that's what we're saying. I didn't say what the final vote after we go through the process of consideration. But we're not going to consider anything that we got to say?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

MALE 4: I mean, is this a segregated movement or something? Because you haven't considered nothing we're saying over here. So, I'm just asking you as a chairman, is that where we're going with this?

MR. CHAIRMAN: And I'm allowing each of you to speak. Ms. Boyd.

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: Thank you so much, Mr. Chairman. We've sat around this table many times. It's disgusting when you walk into a room for me and somebody approach me. "May I help you?" That was the first thing; but being as old as I am, and I haven't taught school 45 years and 6 months I've been here, I've learned a lot. At our very first meeting, I asked, "Is this one going to be better than any of those in the past that we do it fairly and collectively?" We know the process, we know who has the vote, all we want, Mr. Chairmans, is the opportunity to be heard fairly and from the way we are starting off here, it doesn't seem that way. Only God Almighty can change hearts. We can sit here forever and look at each other and do what we're told to do when it comes to voting. I would hope not. But we're speaking, I have people at home who are very much concerned about the senatorial. What is shown and as it relates to congressional seats. If that shoe was on the other foot, that's all I'm going to ask you to do when I close. Just think about if the shoe was on the other foot and you were sitting in my seat and my place, oh, our places here, would you act in the same manner? Thank you so much for the opportunity.

MALE 2: Roll call?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Another roll call vote on approving the congressional plan. Mr. Jones, [INDISCERNIBLE 00:38:05]

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: Thank you for the recognition, Mr. Chairman. I think on my visit here last week, I mentioned that this would be the way this process would turn out. It is not logical to think that we can digest the data that's here in the period of time that we received it. Nor is it logical to think that we would vote on something that we actually have no knowledge about and can't even talk to anyone in our district about because we don't know. How do you vote and then go back home and explain when someone asks, "Well, why did you vote for this?" and start asking the questions that's being asked here? What do we do with that? I understand the time. I understand how hard people have worked. I've been up here a couple of times, and I've seen the work that's taking place up here, and that's admirable. I've seen a lot of people working hard. The bottom line, though, we cannot disregard transparency based on urgency, especially in

this process. I know that there are some time periods we have to meet. To me, the questions that's been asked are logical questions. If someone is really interested in what they're doing and the people they represent, they are logical questions. Now maybe because this is my first time in this process, someone told, I think the attorney mentioned to me, "Well, they've been doing it like this a long time" and let me respond to what I told him. "That does not mean that that's right or fair regardless of whether Democrats did it or Republicans did it, the right way is the right way regardless to who's doing it."

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And I just think that we ought to give some concern for some of the questions that's being asked here, because those same questions are going to be asked to me as soon as I get back to mobile account and I have no answers. You give me a lot of data here, but it probably takes me a few days to read through it, but it's over then. I've already voted. So that's really my statement and I just want you to consider some of those things as I go forward.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Ladies and gentlemen, let me point out. What we have before today is simply a recommendation. It will be put in Bill Form. It will be introduced into both chambers of the house. It will be assigned to committee in both chambers, and then it will be debated fully on the floor of both chambers. We're just trying to get to the point where we've been called into extraordinary session. That deadline is set. We have to have something to put into a bill by 04:00 Thursday afternoon, and we need to get something out of here so LSA can put it into Bill Form so we can give it to everybody because it's not in Bill Form until it comes out of here. You will have the time in both the House Standing Committee and the Senate Standing Committee and the floor of the house and the floor of the senate to fully vet and look at these bills. But there's not a bill yet. I don't have a bill because I can't say anything to LSA until I get something from this committee. This is simply a recommendation to send to LSA for us to begin the full-scale debate on the floor. Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Are you saying, I said you go to the chairman and you're speaking. Are you saying that we can't vet it here wherein the committee itself that we denied the opportunity to vet it? I'm just asking a question. I didn't say you said it or not. You answer, we answer that. Are you telling me that what you just see, all that's going to happen out there are you saying that we -- but however, in this committee, we are denied that opportunity to do the same thing in our committee work on reapportionment?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: No.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well, if we did that like for it to be done. That's all I'm at right now. I like this [INDISCERNIBLE 00:42:09].

SENATOR MCCLENDON: You got the populations, the deviations of black age voting population in every different. You have all the information that I have.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: And I like to vet it in here. Me vet in at, we leave out here means nothing because the vote is going to be taken.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I don't have a bill before you because I can't get a bill draft until after it comes out to LSA, and I can't see anything to LSA until it comes out of here.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Unless I'm going to be on what -- we vote now. Whether we vote now today. I would like for it to be vetted the same way that you said that it could be vetted in those committees. Why? One of the main reasons we are supposed to have the experts in here. Our reapportionment director will not be on the floor. If it's not a public hearing, she cannot come on the senate floor. This lawyer cannot come on the senate floor itself. This is where the work has to be done to answer those questions in this committee. Not out there. You all know the rules. I don't have to even speak them. The people can't come out there. They are going to be out there. It's going to be somebody at the mic going to be saying the same thing. Well, they did it. And the answer is goes they did it. I would like to know how you came about it. Whatever the process to get to what you said that they say, "Okay to." And this is the place that it should be done right in here, and that's all that I'm asking. The exposure of the process and information be brought out in here so questions and follow up questions can be addressed to that information.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes, Ms. Hall.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I needed to go back to make sure I have the correct information as relates to what you said about the racially polarized voting study that was done. Did you say it was done?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Because of the black age voting population in Congressional District 7, there was not one needed because it was over 54% black voting age population.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So you're saying that we don't have a black, we don't have a polarization, racially polarization study?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: None. Because the voting age is 54. What is it? I got it right here.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And you use District 7 as the basis for not having such a study done?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The black voting age population of the district is sufficient enough to where you don't need a study done on it.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Are you saying that would not be a part or should not have been a part of this process?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Once we drew the process, once we drew the plan with no race on the computer --

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-- then after the plan was drawn, we turned on the race and we looked at District 7 and saw that it had a black voting age population that was sufficient enough to not require an analysis. And we put any more African-Americans on the race. We're afraid we'd be sued for packing.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So that was just District 7. What about the other districts? If we did those on these, I really would like -- I was trying to get that information. I'd like to have that information. I'm requesting that information.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The demographics of the district. Yeah. It's right here, it's in your folder.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So you're saying the data that we have makes of the --?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yeah. Here's the data right here. It's in your folder. It shows you the percentage of African-Americans of whites, the 18 plus populations, everything. It tells you to give you all that information.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I just want to make sure what you're saying that the data that we're receiving here today on each one of the districts provides us the data that we would have received or that would be received as a part of a racial polarization voting study.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I'm being told that at 54 plus percent of the African-American vote, it was high enough not to warrant a polarization study. It was a majority-minority district.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And that came from our attorney or the committee's attorney?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes. That came from the committee's attorney. Yes, ma'am.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And so, at this point, we do not have that.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Not on District 7. No, ma'am. Yes. Chris. The representative of England, I'm sorry.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right. You're referring to that -- as if the District 7 was the only district that you did not do that on. So did you do that on other districts?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We have the breakdown of black and white population.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No, not that. I'm talking about you mentioning that racial - that you didn't do the study on seven. Did you do it on any other district?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Can I ask something? The question you're asking, the answer is our attorney, mine and your attorney set that data off for districts that it looked like there might possibly be a racial issue. And we did that on all of these maps that we've done today. So he received the information on those districts where it looked like it could possibly be questionable, and wherever it was questionable, if necessary, we made adjustments. So the answer to your

question would be a general statement that in any districts where it looked like it possibly was an issue, we had those districts analyzed. And if necessary to make changes in those districts to try to stay in compliance with the Voting Rights Act, then we made those moves. So you can ask that question about any one district and I will answer that by saying any district that looked like it needed to be done, we did it.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: It would appear that District 7 would look like that would need to be done if the methodology that you said you used was, we didn't think about race and then we drew the map, and then we said, "Okay, well, this is a result." So it appears to me that if we're doing this in the logical way, that District 7 just -- as it appears on a map, would produce a certain percentage. Now, according to what you've been telling me, that the percentage is not the decision that you made looking at it on the paper and saying that 54% is enough, you actually consulted with an attorney to make sure. So it would appear to me that if you're applying the logic that you just gave me that if we just looked at the district to see if it was in compliance, we would actually do District 7 before we did the others. So I would like to request that study be done on District 7. And what is the relationship between the 54% that you're citing and the actual results or potential results of a racial polarization study? What is the relationship between those two?

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: I got no clue.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: And that's the point.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: That's, that's the reason why we have the expert.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Again, but hold on. That's point. If you can't explain to me why the 54% that you're telling us satisfies the threshold that you have not created or satisfied yet, that would probably make it necessary for you to conduct a study to see if that 54% actually represent, which represents what you think it does. So for -- I would like to request as a member of the committee that that study be done on the Congressional District 7. I would also like to request because the way you keep describing the map itself, is that Districts 1 through 6 may have caused the question or may not have caused to question so there is a situation where that same study may have been done on the other districts. I would also like to see that information as well. Can I get that? First, can I get the study done on Congressional District 7 to make sure that the 54% represents what you think you're saying? And then also, can I get this, the results of the studies that they've been done on other district? Because Senator McClendon, you represented that they had been. So I would like to see that data as well. Is that possible?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Is there a particular percentage you'd be interested in seeing in District 7?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: That's the whole point. I want the study done so I'll know. I'm not going to -- I can't just blindly tell you what are percentage I would need in an area to make sure that it complies with the Voting Rights Act, one, but two, it is a -- I guess what you

would consider a safe majority-minority district. That's the whole point of the study. So I would like the study to be done on Congressional District 7 and I would also like for you to give me the results of the other studies on the other districts that you mentioned may or may not have caused to you some consternation.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay, Mr. England, here's what I'll do. I'll request a study on District 7 for you, and I'll request the study be done on Senator Singleton's bill that he introduced also. How's that?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Yes.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: It's possible to do it. I mean, we're going to talk about it. Okay. I'll do on both of them.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: To also kind of take a step back, this process isn't resultoriented. Meaning, that we're not collected here to go over the data and the maps just to meet the deadline. We are actually supposed to do some qualitative work on the information that you provided us so we don't send maps or information to LRS to be drawn up into something that can't pass. I mean, and I get it. I mean, we work with deadlines all the time, but this committee structure was set up especially for this component because it's actually a joint committee for the house and the senate that goes over all four maps. So we can actually take a deep dive in that information, in the data and actually produce a map that actually satisfies all the things that you've been mentioning since the very beginning about keeping counties whole, about not splitting precincts, about making sure that equal protection is valid and making sure that the Voting Right Act is complied with. That's what this process is for, is to vet the information that we're getting. Because we may go through this process and discover that some of the is corrupted and it's not reliable or, we may actually if we had done a racial polarization study, we may actually find out that that 54% that you're talking about doesn't actually represent the information that you're giving us, and that you have made an assumption that could jeopardize an entire map. So again, not trying to diminish the effort, the herculean effort that you had to undertake to get us to this point, the point here isn't just to get it done so we can get a bill prepared. The point here is to actually vet the information so we know what we're actually doing in this process.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I understand, and I tell you we're going to spend a lot of time on this differential privacy, and that's going to come up sooner or later. Senator Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I would just -- if you all, I would like to know first on any of the congressional districts, did you all receive a written report regarding the study that he is requesting on 7? We say it that on some of them, it was done. All right. So whatever ones that were done, do we have a written report from that attorney, from whoever it is that we had to do it. We are saying that it was done on A B, C, or D. Do we have anything in writing that was sent to this committee to you all or sent to the community itself that would suggest that that is actually a fact? That's the first question. Do we have anything?

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: When we saw that 54% plus in the Seventh District majority-minority, we didn't think it needed a racial polarization analyzation and a lot to be analyzed and we didn't request racial voting polarization study on the majority of white districts.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. So we don't have that, that's the correct answer. We don't have anything in writing that's been sent to you all regarding that you should --

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I have not seen anything.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. All right. So we can't hold out then that that has been done. Okay. So that's the first thing. The second thing is this. We have an attorney that as you say very capable of being able to do what's necessary. I cannot understand the most important, the most important and really the only opportunity we as a committee member while we are going through these maps. I cannot understand for the love of life why he is not even sitting over there or he is not on Zoom. That doesn't make any sense. We are asking questions and we can't, you all cannot give the detail. I didn't say it to generalization, but you cannot give the detailed answer -- we keep telling them whether attorney need, an attorney and that's fine. Because if that's the answer. But then, that attorney need to be over there to answer what you just said that he did. I mean, that's an attorney for the committee and that is the most important meeting that he could ever be at being able to get him on there to give those responses as to the things that you all don't have first of all, documentation and secondly, that he in fact was the person who created, who suggested it and it was adopted to present to us by you all. So I'm asking to get him on here. I don't care if the phone.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: [INDISCERNIBLE 00:57:18]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah. I don't care if you get the phone or we can't Zoom, we deserve to have those people in here where we can ask those questions to get answers. Thank you.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes, Ms. Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Thank you. You indicated in your report about meeting with all of the members of congress, except for one. Are you able to tell me that once the maps were drawn, did they have an opportunity to view this map? And, what was their impression?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: They all saw. The one that we didn't meet was Mo Brooks because he's no longer running. But they've all had the opportunity to look at them and make suggestions, make requests in what they would like to see in their district, yes.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And did they indicate that they felt that what you've presented is fair and --?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: To the best of my knowledge, yes. I was not in the meetings.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Thank you.

MALE 1: Mr. Chairman, our renewed motion for roll call vote.

M SENATOR MCCLENDON: We have a motion before us to adopt the congressional plan.

Clerk, recall the roll.

CLERK: Senator Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Allen?

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Levison?

SENATOR LEVISON: Aye.

CLERK: Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

CLERK: Senator Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No.

CLERK: Senator Williams?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah.

CLERK: Representative Boyd?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: No.

CLERK: Representative Clouse?

REPRESENTATIVE CLOUSE: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye.

CLERK: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No.

CLERK: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: No.

CLERK: Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: No.

CLERK: Representative Lovvorn?

REPRESENTATIVE LOVVORN: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE PRINGLE: Aye.

CLERK: Representative South?

REPRESENTATIVE SOUTH: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Wood?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Aye.

CLERK: Fifteen yeses, six nos. The motion passed.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Thank you committee members. Coming forth now is the State Board of Education in development of this plan. All state board members were met with in person or by phone, follow up meetings were held, sometimes by phone, some on Microsoft Team until all of their concerns were addressed. All board members had inputs. This plan meets our committee guidelines, complies with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and Equal Protection clause. There is a minimum population deviation between the districts, all population state board is 628,035 plus or minus five.

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Respects counties to the extent possible of taking into consideration requirements for equal population does not require incumbents to run against each other. District continuous and reasonably compact, respects communities of interest, preserves the course of existing districts, the precinct splits, five counties are splits, five counties with zero splits. It's an improvement over the current law with 12 versus 5 splits. Tuscaloosa County, Jefferson, Talladega, Montgomery and Mobile each have our split. Contains two majority-black, Districts 4 and 5. The BVAP for 4 is 51.2 1%. BVAP for 5 is 51.2 7% and the functionality studies that we've talked about indicate that Section 2 requires no further adjustment to these BVAPs in order to fulfill our obligation under the Voting Rights Act. With that introduction, I move adoption of the plan as you have received. I have a second on that, a motion and adoption and I recognize my good friend Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you Senator. I can't speak for anybody that's in here, but I have no knowledge of which changes had to be made in here. Is that I would like to go through the changes in each district adjustments. What is the adjustment that you had to make in drawing some out? We can start with warning going all the way to the last one there.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The changes are detailed. You've got a folder Senator.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I would have to read.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: That's the changes in it and from -- let me tell you this.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Mr. Chairman, do you want me to -- if you recognize me, I'll take this folder and then read them out. But tell me, I got, so Smitherman is that last vote. I don't like them. I am not even seen none of these until I just walked in at one o'clock. So I don't understand. But I'm requesting either that we go over or I'm requesting the opportunity to -- if I got to read it, let me read it out loud and everybody sit here and we read and then we have discussions about it. I don't mind doing whatever you tell me to do. But I do want to go over these. I mean just to ram them down my throat, that is not right. If I can't go over them, then you're ramming it down my throat because I just got this. I mean, I came down here and you

meet you and nobody said nothing about change, anything, it was about this. Nobody gave me anything. I am not saying nothing until I got this right now. So I'm asking, please tell me whether we change in one? What we change in two, that's reasonable.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Would you like a little five-minute break to read over that thing Senator?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: It'd take more than five minutes to read because I still got questions. Reading don't eliminate the questions because I need a big old map up there. I need a map, I need the overlay. Since you all know what I need, I will need to overlay and then I could see where that is and I could say, "Well, what area is that and then what's the result of that? What impact did it have on initial?" So that I've been asking for the maps and I know that they have it because I saw overlay when I came in here. So I know we have the capability and that's all I'm asking.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I wish you'd let us know ahead of time. Well Senator, if you want to talk about this, this is your opportunity to go ahead and do that. Now, I will tell you as far as asking me a lot of details on the BOA map, I was not involved and I was involved peripherally but not in detail. So if there's things you would like to discuss and ask and talk about on this thing that you have the floor and you're just welcome to do so.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I could do a decent job of that if I got the map up there, well I can ask. That doesn't tell me anything. I'm looking at the one, it didn't tell me anything. It just tell me that these are the new lines. They didn't tell me what's the overlay, what we're taking out, what we had to add in anything like that in terms of the precincts.

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: So do you have specific questions about parts of the map and I'll see what I can find out.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yes sir.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I narrow it down and help me out here and I'll see what I can do.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: The basic question I like to overlay, like to see the comparison and contrast, either way that it's set up that you got to set up in the machine -- presently and what changes this.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay I'll see what you want. I don't know if we're capable of doing that but why don't you talk about any parts of this that catches your attention and I'll check and see what our IT folks can do as far as complying with your request. We might be able to put them side-by-side with the new one. We might be able to do that. I don't know, but I'll be glad to check on that and see what we can do.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well specific questions, I can't give them to you because I don't know the overlay. That's why I got to have it. I mean, this is the finished product and I'm asking about the contrast between old product and the finished and I don't even have that before me in this where I can do that sitting in, you can think of anything. I don't have it. That's why I'm asking for it and I know we got it because like I said, I was here and I saw that we have overlaying capabilities.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We did have, and I think we put online. I'm not sure, but I think we put online today old map, new map. We'll see.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I did the first time, I've seen this.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: While he makes that request, is anybody else. We'll get back to you Senator.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I have questions.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Under the current map that we're looking at now, was this drawn based on the 5% deviation plus-minus?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Yes, sir.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Could you tell me in District 4 and District 5 what was the population gain or population loss for you to be able to -- because in order for you to do the 5% deviation, you had to look at the gain or loss in that. So therefore, you had to move around in precincts.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I don't have a -- it's 27,686 people under that deal. It's 228,659 whites, 319,828 blacks.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: So there's about 27,000 population loss in that district?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: It's under population idea by 27, has a deviation of minus 4.61%. It's 38.9% white, 53.27% black.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Where would you have made that part pull more citizens black there in Jefferson County to make up that deviation?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'm not sure where it came from Senator. I'm sorry.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: See, that's the kind of stuff we would need to know in order to be able to approve maps when you start making these kinds of adjustments. I definitely would like to know that because it's not detailed on these maps where your adjustments came in terms of making adjustment to make up that. If you look at the next one and which covers most of the black built, I'm certainly there was some loss there.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: District 5?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Which is 621,817 people which is a 6,218.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: How many?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: 6,218.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: 252,012 whites, 326,931 blacks. That's 40.53% white, 52.58 blacks. In fact, voting age population is 51.27%.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay. And again, you can't tell me where the makeup of that population, which direction you went to get the makeup in that population in your precincts?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I can't tell you right off the top of my head, no sir.

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: Thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Smitherman rest assured. We're over here chasing some electrons around trying to.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Representative Hall, did you have something to say in the event?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I do. I'd like to ask a question that I asked earlier as it relates to the school board plan. Did we do the ratio polarization polarized voting study on these districts?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. My answer would be the same as it was before. Any time there was any suspicion that there might be a racial issue, we did submit these to a political scientist to give us an analysis.

MALE 1: Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Just a minute.

MALE 1: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You're still up.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Okay. Yeah. So you're saying that when you felt that was not a given, that was not part of the process of drawing the maps. So I'm going to get the same response on each one of the --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, ma'am we didn't. I'm sorry, I didn't mean to interrupt you, Ms. Hall. We didn't automatically do every district on every map. We only sent the district's offer analysis where it looked like there might be an issue. If there's any suspicion of an issue, we had them analyzed, and then using that data, we tried to make them -- that wouldn't be an issue where we comply with the voting rights there. Does that answer your question?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Yeah. I'm just trying to make sure I was understanding correctly. So, we didn't do that for congressional and we didn't do it for school boards. I've done it for any of the others.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. I'm going back if you'll hang on just a minute. Senator Smitherman, have we got the map up done? Okay. There you go.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Now, what's the overlay? I'm okay side by side or whatever you want to call it.

MR. CHAIRMAN: According to my expert, the blue lines are the old and the colors are the new.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: So he said there's been a good bit of rearranging. But there always is when you have the population changes like we've had in Alabama this past decade.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: My first question would be, why is Jefferson County split three different ways? I mean, we just split Chow for every one of these maps we got. Why come into our county and split it three different ways?

MR. CHAIRMAN: You know, these maps were created pretty much in the same style that the senate maps which you participated in and house maps, and that we worked with each of the existing board members, and so many times these changes were made in consultation with the existing board members. Just like you had input into your senate map, they had input into this map.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I appreciate you giving them input but I will say this, after the input and everything is done. They don't vote for this. We do.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Right.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So, the input all right, but the input are not like ours, because we don't want going to vote. And so that's why it's important for us to understand. They may like something. I got constituents that don't like it. I got a lot of them that don't like the fact that we

split up three ways in here. I'm talking about seriously. They don't want to be split up like that. That's why I said what I said in that regard. What about the other ones? What was the rationalization for the other changes that exist in the other ones? And this one, too. What was the rationalization? Why was it split three ways?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That was probably the biggest part of it is dealing with the existing members. That's where the most input came from.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. So, we took in consideration what individual people won't, and I'm not saying you didn't take it at all but it seems to me that, and you correct me if it's not right. I don't mind being corrected. Well, we seem that we were focusing more on what they wanted than what the citizens wanted or what the better way to draw that map without splitting those counties.

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Because I'm telling you what citizens are concerned about, they telling you what individual they want and don't want and that takes us out of the game, because we're represent those same citizens and we vote. So I would ask that you all go back and look at where you don't have to split Jefferson County like that, and then provide a map that does not do that. But now what's the other deviations and the changes? In the other deviations, what did you all have to pick up and what did you lose?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, the deviations of course are in compliance with the guidelines that this committee adopted and every district within plus or minus 5% of the target. So we've stayed -- this map is inside the deviations that we established really is our own guidelines to how to do this and how to do it in a sense of fairness.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. In regards to follow up on Senator Sings question, I know he mentioned something about one of those districts. It was 26% population. Can you tell us what population each one of those? On each one of them.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think you've got that data.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I don't have it all in one though. I got what you say it is in the new district.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, because we know what the target. So we got that in this folder? Okay. It's in the back of your folder. You got it in writing.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: The old and under?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, you may have to add or subtract from the target to see what the difference is.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well in that case, I move a 30 minutes recess. I got to do some math. [INDISCERNIBLE 1:17:03] some math. Give me time to do. The figure is all over that low. I mean, I know they are. You all could tell me about my own district. You know about every district in every plan it is.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. I'm looking at the data that you've got in your folder, and I'm looking at district five. It gives the ideal population, gives the actual population then it gives the deviation. So, you've got all of that information in writing in your folder?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What's the ideal population? The actual population?

MR. CHAIRMAN: It's at the very back of your

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I see that part what you're saying right. I see it. Now, the other question there, where did we make of those numbers from? What precincts?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I was moved around to create the district.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't know the answer to that. Oh, no.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Do we have the answer in this room?

MR. CHAIRMAN: A lot of precincts. Well, it doesn't matter. What you know is what the old district is and now, before you, you have what the new district is. So now where some people came from, that is the overlay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: You said it don't matter, it does to me. I just wanted to say that it may not to nobody else, but it does. That's why I'm asking the question. I wouldn't ask the question being dealing --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are you asking me and listen Senator Smitherman, I'm trying to get what you want here, but you want to know where people came from or where they went. That's what your overlay map shows us, where the changes were made, which precincts were in a district before and which ones are in our district now. Does that answer your question?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: It answers 50%.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: But the other part is that it does not talk about what area. [INDISCERNIBLE 1:18:56] and put it over here. That's what I'm saying. We don't have any writing up there. I wouldn't have to ask, and we do have maps that is that detail. You all know that. I know you do, because you all the chairman's. You know we do, and that's what I was asking. I mean, do we have capabilities of doing that? Yes. And that's all I'm asking. In every

one of these things, we're going to do -- I would like to see that. So that at the, we can make a better understanding of what we vote on and taking places from people, because people ask us especially up in mayor. They don't want to be over here. They want the county to be whole. And so when you make the moves, and that tells me what people will move and what people will left and that has a basis too of the way I feel about this plan because all of us, we are here to represent the people in our district, and these are concerns of people in the district. Is there any way to know that?

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MALE 1: No, sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: It's not? You sure now? I mean, I was here when we did it, when we provided it.

MALE 1: Well, it could be that.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So even in man, I saw precincts. You remember you were in here when I came. I saw precincts. So I'm not making up some, you was in there with me when we saw those precincts.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Now we can bring that down and we can get that to you but as far as it's coming before this committee, what we have presented and this is what we've got before us today.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: And I have no problem with you presented and that's what before us. I just want some answers of what's before us. That's all I'm asking.

MALE 1: All right, sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So, can we get that information? Can we break it down? Let me just say this, I understand that we can, all we have to do, even out there is take number one and then put the details in and put it across there. That's all we got to do and then we'll see where it comes from. We should put that old, that blue line or whatever that line over there and that's like it is right there. The old and new and put the detail in there and it's over there in that computer right there. That's all we got to do. It's right there. I ain't asking for the man who ain't that available lawyer we got. I'm asking him about that computer right there.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay, where we're examining on the capability of this system that we have now to the extent that we can.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. There we go. That's what I'm talking about. That's I'm saying pop up there.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Is there any particular area that you would like to look at?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I like to --

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Do you want to look at your area and --

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: First all [INDISCERNIBLE 01:22:03], I like to look at the one above and I think that's six or whatever that is above that, every part, me particularly every one of those districts that Jefferson County, I like to see that part, that district that touches. It's three of them and I like to be told what I'm looking at, so I'll be sure of what I see. Yeah, you getting it. I was looking over that Tarrant and I'm looking at Inglenook, Brownsville. I'm looking at those.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yes, sir.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We're going to spend, if you want to spend, we're going to spend about 10 minutes with you.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That's fine, I'll take it here.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:23:10] on this and then we're going to get you back on business.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: 10 is better than zero. Take the 10.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: You're always a 10 Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you, Senator. Sun Valley, so that the blue is the new, right?

MALE 1: That's right.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: The blue is old. Blue is old and the colors are new. Okay. What district is that green? What number district? Four? It's number four? Blue, that y 'all call it blue. Okay. All right. So, it's the color is a change? Let me see. And it's four, four is the C5 and what six is the majority of the districts, five and; no, five and what? What number Mr. Chairman? I was just trying to speed up the process. Which one is five and what's the other one you say is a majority? African-American district, [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:42] voting population? It's five and it's four and five?

MALE 2: Five, four is 51.2. Five is 51. [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:57].

[01:25:00]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: How can we tighten it up that you don't have already splits in that county? Did y 'all look at that? Did you play with the map and look at it and see what it looked like?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We played with a map and you certainly will have an opportunity if you've got a better plan for us. You'll have an opportunity to like that proposal to the legislator when we meet.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So, that's four, that all the four right there? I see some more at the bottom, is that part of four? And above four is what, seven? That's at the top of Jefferson County?

MALE 2: Yes, sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What percentage of seven is in Jefferson County? Anybody can tell me that? So we got three in Jefferson County and we got four and we got seven. Now, those are three at [INDISCERNIBLE 01:26:13] Jefferson County?

MALE 2: Yes.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Three, four and seven. It's seven, four and three. So in four, we went straight up. We did like the old seven in congressional. We went straight up in the Jefferson County to pull those people out, is that correct? Why we could not make Jefferson County whole or Tuscaloosa whole and keep those whole and satisfy that population? Did y 'all try to do that? And if you did - -

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I'm sure that was looked at and considered.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: But you're not sure though. Okay, I was going to ask why. I'm not going to put you on the spot if you don't know, you know. Okay. All right, Mr. Chair, I see what's been done and I know what the people want. Thank you very much on that.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Senator Smitherman, thank you for your participation and your comments. As always, a pleasure. Call a question. Roll call vote. There's no more discussion and let me see, Senator Singleton, do you have a question before we call roll? Call roll, please.

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen?

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Holly?

SENATOR HOLLY: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:27:59].

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator McCLendon?

SENATOR MCLENDON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:28:20].

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyte?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYTE: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Clouse?

REPRESENTATIVE CLOUSE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn?

REPRESENTATIVE 1: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative South?

REPRESENTATIVE SOUTH: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Woolett?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOLETT: Aye.

FEMALE 1: 16 yes, 6 no. It's passed.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: BOE, bill to favorable report by this committee. We are now moving into the Senate bill. I'm going to take that bill. All senators were met with multiple times. Most of them wanted to. Sometimes we met on the phone, sometimes in person, sometime over Microsoft Team when there was a group. Senator Don, who is not running for re-election. We met with her representative speaking on her behalf. All senators had input into the plan. This plan follows our guidelines, compliance with Section 2. Minimal population deviation. Ideal pop is 143,551. All of the districts that are on this map that you have in your folder and which will get displayed are within plus or minus 5%.

[01:30:00]

We respect County Lowndes to the extent possible, given the requirement of equal population. We are not requiring any incumbents to run against each other; districts are continuous and they're not reasonably compact. We try to respect calamities of interest and we preserve the cores of the existing district. The existing plan, the one we're under right now splits 26 counties under the plan that is being proposed that you have on the Board now. We are split 19 counties. This plan contains eight majority black districts. These districts fulfill the state's obligation under the Voting Rights Act. I have a Motion for a favorable report and a second Senator Melson, are there any -- Senator Smitherman, it's about time you chimed in. Got involved in this.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: This is one that goes even deeper than that what I've been talking about. I got serious concerns about the fact -- let me say this first.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I'm going to make a personal comment; and then I'm going to get into this. I enjoy very much working with my delegation, let me make sure you understand that. We've done a lot of good things together; so by no means that I have any problem with any individual in my district, I mean, in my delegation. But let me say this to you, there's no reason under the earth why Jefferson County is split among seven senators. We have a population of 670,000 people. When you do the math, just divide it into that, that's 4.7 senators. That's what we should have in terms of our county. Whole county, keeping the county whole. Number one, let me say this; and I think -- that's why I wish the lawyer was here because he wouldn't have a choice but to say you were right. The Constitution in Section 199 and Section 200 states and I state that the counties are to be maintained to be kept whole in terms of drawing these districts. The only deviation that it talks about is simply this; is that where you have to provide a minority district; then you go outside of the counties to succeed to do that. In Jefferson County, that does not apply. All three minority districts are inside of the county. So, as a result of that, there is no reason that that county should have those splits, based on the constitution, not based on an opinion or how I feel. I've mentioned that when I was in here, I mentioned that my concern, when I was asked the question that you satisfied, not the word satisfied, but that's with the district, and my comment is that I was concerned about whole counties, and I say that even if the Supreme Court ruled that way that I had to have this district then I will live with it, that's what my comment so I don't want to be misconstrued or what I say it in there. I'm saying it officially here. But in terms of Jefferson County, there's no reason why we should be split seven ways and I mentioned that to it made that known, no effort was made to deal with that issue. No effort was made to deal with that issue based on the constitution. So, I want to make that known that I put it out there, nothing was done about it, so, that is my concern. If you remember, that last time that we went to the Supreme Court, they took up the house issue and they addressed it in the house and said that the house should be a certain way because of dealing with this issue. Now, we're looking at the senate district that the committee has made no changes whatsoever and as a result of that, as I said, we have seven senators who represent one county. So, I'm asking the committee to go back to address section 199 and section 200 of the constitution that talks about whole counties and has laid out the proper legal basis of why we should do that especially as it relates to Jefferson County where all three minority districts encompass inside of the county.

[01:35:00]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay, anyone else? Seeing no other discussion, I call for the roll call vote. Representative England, I missed you over there, hold that roll call vote. Representative England, you are recognized sir.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'm just trying to figure out almost the same lines that Senator Smitherman identified that's Lucy County for whatever reason has three senators and it is carved up. It's going to be 200,000 people total and it has three senators that come from -don't really represent the same sort of communities of interest and Senator Singleton is my friend. He is my senator, but his district goes from Tuscaloosa County all the way down to Choctaw. Senator Reed who is also a friend, his district goes from Tuscaloosa County all the way to the northern tip of Walker all the way to Lamar. These are not communities of interest. The City of Tuscaloosa proper only has average three-member senate delegation; only one of the senators live actually inside of Tuscaloosa County, there are people who have more influence or just as much influence of his own city in county business that live outside the county as members that who do. Now, we're not talking about the house delegation yet, but the house delegation is worse. So, I am just as many other senators and representatives, where you have a major city, it is often sacrificed in order to make up population for other districts. As a result, it sacrifices the amount of representation that we have. So, I just want to go on record once again to state that Tuscaloosa County is possible to draw a map without splitting it into three different districts, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you Representative England for your remarks. Senator Smitherman, back to you.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: At the proper time, I have a substitute motion.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Let's see, anyone else have anything else to say? Yes, sir, Mr. [PH 01:37:24] Myer. Did you want to get in on this?

MR. MYER: I'm just concerned about, I guess the Senate District 33 is now in Baldwin County but it's traditionally all in Mobile County and then some of the Baldwin County senators are now in Mobile County; I didn't quite understand that. The Baldwin County is the largest grove county around the state. How did we get a senator from Baldwin County in Mobile and then the senators from Mobile in Baldwin? Who are they coming to cross path like that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Is that a question?

MR. MYER: Yes, it is.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You know, the answer is pretty easy, isn't it? Just like in the house districts, we had to sit down and work with each of the incumbents to resolve their issues and that appears to be the resolution. Senator Smitherman, are you back?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yes sir, I'm back.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes sir, I recognize you. You're okay?

MALE 1: No, I'm not okay but -- Senator Smitherman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes sir, Senator Smitherman, you're recognized.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I like to make a substitute motion that we carry over this plan and the motion ask the committee to go back and to look at making the basis for drawing this plan to perseveration of this provision of the constitution which is Section 199, 200 deals with whole counties and that in particular, the counties who have an excess amount of representation as it relates to the population in reference I'm talking to primarily Jefferson County, but all other counties that we would not go forward with this until that issue is addressed and corrected to reflect out of the 678 -- 70 something thousand people that the proper number of representation in the senate honoring whole counties would be five senators, 4.7 or 5 senators, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you Senator Smitherman. Now, my commotion to table, I would ask that you all vote aye all in favor, say aye.

[01:40:00]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That's a rollcall, remember --

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Smitherman, you're recognized.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: A request was made for rollcall on all the votes from --

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, sir, the chairman decided to make that a voice vote.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So you're not honoring her request for -- she made a formal request.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's okay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay, what's the rule does a committee regarding? I know on the floor what you had two or three hands up. Is there any rules that we can -- as a committee be recognize so that we can have a roll call vote?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's a discretion of the chairman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So they go back to what I say. Okay. All right, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Singleton, did you decide you want to join in?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Obviously not now.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: You have time later, don't worry, you have time later. You have

some time.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Do you want the floor Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you. Let's roll call vote. Please call the room.

FEMALE 1: [PH 01:41:10] Barry Allen.

MALE 1: Let's make it a voice vote.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen.

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Holley.

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston.

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

FEMALE: Senator McClendon.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson.

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton.

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Smitherman

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Williams.

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyte.

REPRESENTATIVE BOYTE: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative [PH 01:41:45] Clouse.

REPRESENTATIVE CLOUSE: Aye

FEMALE 1: Representative Ellis.

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye

FEMALE 1: Representative England.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer.

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Jones.

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn.

REPRESENTATIVE LOVVORN: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Pringle.

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative South

REPRESENTATIVE SOUTH: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Wood.

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: 16 yeses, 6 nos. It's passed.

MALE 1: Thank you, senator. Ladies and gentlemen, now we move to the House of Representatives plan. In developing this plan, house members were met with in person. And subsequently over the phone on Microsoft teams and told many of their concerns have been addressed. All representatives had input into this plan. The exceptions are a handful of members who are not running for re-election and who chose not to meet with us. This plan meets our committee guidelines. It complies of section two of the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause for the Constitution. There is a minimal population deviation between the districts, ideal population for house district is 47,850. All districts are within plus or minus 5% of ideal population. It respects counties to the extent possible, given the requirements for population on the 14th Amendment of the Constitution. It is not required incumbents to run against each other however there are a few members who are not running who are in other districts. All districts are continuous and reasonably compact under the Gingles test. It respects communities of interest and preserves the course of existing districts. It splits a minimum number of counties in voting precincts, 39 counties for split and 57 voting precincts for split to get the deviation. This is improvement of the current law which split 46 counties. This plan contains 27 majority minority black districts including the creation of a new majority black district in Montgomery which is House District 74. In addition, House District 53 held by minority leader Daniels has a black voting population of 48.15% which he said he was comfortable having. Well that ladies and gentlemen, are there any questions?

MALE 2: Motion to adopt.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I have a question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay, Representative England.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Its seems like the whole county constitutional requirement applies everywhere but Tuscaloosa County. Again, there are 200% people inside the Tuscaloosa County and as it stands, there are seven members in that delegation. Of the seven, only four live

within the county. You mentioned in your discussions, you said we try to keep communities of interest together, representative Ralph Howards, district now draws all the way into Tuscaloosa - not only Tuscaloosa County but in the city limits. He goes into the west side of Tuscaloosa which is majority minority.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: And he is very happy with that by the way because he told me how excited he was.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I appreciate you offering editorial for me. Secondly, District 71 goes into downtown or to the west side of Tuscaloosa. It also encompasses Pickens, Sumter and Marengo counties. It also goes into the west of Tuscaloosa and it captures the other half of the black population on the west side of Tuscaloosa. I don't think that's by accident. As it stands, the City of Tuscaloosa also now has a seven-member delegation of which three do not live anywhere near the county. The minority majority area of the city is represented by representatives that live an hour and hour and a half away. It is carved up in the City of Tuscaloosa to the point where it is very difficult to say for us to suggest that people that live in the county that the people that live outside the county don't have as much influence on what we do as the people who live inside of the county, especially the city limits. You also mentioned that it [PH 01:46:35] complies with the Voting Rights Act. I would also like to request the same information that I have requested all day long. I would like the same results from the same studies that we're conducting and that there has not been a study done on my District, District 70, 71, 72 or any district within the city of Tuscaloosa, I would like to have the results of those studies but not only that, I would like to also know who conducted the study and I would like to see the results. As far as across the state, I get the whole concept of try to keep counties whole and whatnot. But it does not appear that that was a guiding principle whenever you got to areas that where districts were minority. It seems like you dove into cities just to capture the black population and to pack them into districts to re-establish a population but to make sure that their influence does not spread outside to potentially impact an election in what would be a traditionally white or republican district specifically, in Tuscaloosa. So as I said, I would love to see -- I'm requesting the same information I have requested about the congressional districts and also, if there's any districts out where there are racial polarization studies were done, I would also like to see those as well.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you and duly noted, we will get back to you. [PH 01:48:06] Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Two questions, one statement one question. I would request the same thing for all senator districts, okay. That study that they are trying to get, I would like for all senator districts. So I wanted to say that, I'm not saying you would but don't make a judgment [INDISCERNIBLE 01:48:28]. As a member, I am entitled to and I would ask for that. If we don't have it, spend the money and why we [PH 01:48:36] appropriate it. So any savings of money, either is about getting the necessary stuff that we need to get. The other question I would ask because I kind of heard you. Un your statement you said, you went on like you spoke to in your statement but I would like to know how many districts have been combined to where you

have now someone who is either waiting for a position that's open, that's obviously right now or who is -- or has been placed where two incumbents are now having to run against each other?

MR. CHAIRMAN: In the house plan, there is zero.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What about that [INDISCERNIBLE 01:49:20]?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: There is not?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. So he is not in the district with -- what's the other [PH 01:49:27] sister that's in Montgomery?

MR. CHAIRMAN: He passed away but the candidate -- there are no two candidates that I know off. I don't know if he is going to run but no.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Can she run? Ms. [PH 01:49:40] Morris and that's --

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't know the name of anybody.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No, I was just saying Ms. Morris, that's [INDISCERNIBLE 01:49:49] putting Ms. Morris' district. Not understanding. Is that right? Am I wrong or right? Correct me if I'm wrong because I try to make statements that's right.

[01:50:00]

MALE 2: Yeah, couple of house district.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Right. So, you know, what are we going to do to correct that? And I'll stop when you said it, I want to make a comment. All I want to say is this and the records speak for itself and if Senator [INDISCERNIBLE 01:50:16] was in here, he would, I think vouch for that. We made sure that no districts when we were in the majority ever, to republicans or to democrats that they had to run against each other. That's traditionally what we've done in here. All the time that I've been had the blessings and opportunity to be on Reapportionment and that since 1994. So now why are we doing that? And why are we doing it in a minority district? I mean, we got 105 seats out there now, why are we picking these minority district? They have two of them run against each other.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Not that I'm aware of in Montgomery County. And I know when I ran in 94, I defeated -- two incumbents were put in the same district and I beat two of them. Not to get two incumbents.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: There was a 94 run. Remember I said I've been here since 1994, it hasn't happened. He will vouch how much I folded in my [INDISCERNIBLE 01:51:10] and make sure that wouldn't happen.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We did not place any incumbents together.

MALE 2: Mr. Chairman, why you may say you didn't have any incumbents together, but you did have a candidate that was out there running in 76. That are currently running in 76. You have candidates that are currently running and 76 who would now not be in 76 because if they wanted them, they would not represent 76.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't believe that's the best the case anymore.

MALE 2: That is the case.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't believe it is anymore.

MALE 2: Explain the new district 74 if Represented [INDISCERNIBLE 01:51:50] was living today.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He would be in another district but--

MALE 2: It will be in another district, so he wouldn't be in 76.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah but the person running his district is in that district.

MALE 2: In what district in the new district?

MR. CHAIRMAN: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:52:01].

[BACKROUND CONVERSATION]

MALE 2: No but now, they are tagged with another incumbent, who lives in that area now.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm aware of what you believe, but I promise you the plan has been changed.

MALE 2: The plan has been changed?

MALE 1: Can you show us a change?

MALE 2: Could you explain the changes?

[OVERLAY]

MALE 1: We can't see it. It doesn't clearly show here. Yeah, help me out with that.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MALE 1: 76 is the new 74 that's been fixed.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. CHAIRMAN: While we're doing that, Mr. Clouse is there anything you would like to say? We are going to pull that.

MALE 2: Yeah, well you can be seen.

MR. CLOUSE: I just want to make a clarification on my friend Senator Smitherman. It might have been after 2000 census when the democrats were in the majority there were no republicans put together in the Senate.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That's what I'm talking about.

MR. CLOUSE: Right. But in the house, there were two districts, where two republican incumbents were put together.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah well let me come down and I'll [PH 01:53:45] refer it.

MR. CLOUSE: Yeah okay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Republican Senate did that they won. See, we'll be fair about this thing. That's what I'm talking about. They'll tell you, I'll hide them for them. There isn't anybody allowing for them right now, but us.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Is that a new district now?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's a new district.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That district?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That has been in the county though but that is?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is. That's whole precincts. So are there any more questions? Now we have a motion? Move to have a final approval to this.

FEMALE 1: Question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, I have done that once. Call roll.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: She had a question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right, let Ms. Hall ask her question.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I was just trying to follow up with what you were saying in terms of the counties. Are we clear and what you're saying in reference to the county that Singleton and Smitherman mentioned as it relates to the candidates, whether the candidate is alive or not does that --

[01:55:00]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Where is perfectly thought.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: All right, and so the -- this is the last activity that we are doing, right?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, ma'am.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I would also like to request precincts for each one of these proposals that you provided today. I'd like to have that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I will be more than happy to give you all breakdowns with all this stuff.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And then as we look at the rules, it says a legislator shall try to minimize the number of counties in each district. It seems like we're being a bit confused here with what we've heard today. We use the word "shall," it says that you must follow, trial indicates that you might not. And so, would you tell me based on what we have today and what instant would you not minimize the number of counties or the process that you've used here today?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Ma'am we did our very best to respect voting precincts and county lines and keep as many counties hold as possible but the overriding principle of reapportionment is one man one vote. When we went by whole counties in the State of Alabama -- in 1947 the United Supreme Court said the redistricting was a judicial ticket in which the court should not weighed and declared it non-despicable. Until the State of Alabama came and rentals [PH 01:56:37] via sims and our whole our whole county plan where they ruled that it was so egregious that denied people their constitutional right to fair representation. And that's the lawsuit just started all redistricting and the Fourteenth Amendment requires one man one vote and we respect county lines as much as we could but the overriding principle is to draw districts that each person in this room represents the [PH 01:56:59] apportionment the same number of people as every other person.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So it still appears that we've still dividing counties and it's just - and so you're saying that process was necessary.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We split counties and precincts solely for the purpose of population deviations.

MALE 3: Mr. Chairman?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: But we did not do the population study on all of these counties?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, well, we're going to do the voting studies on the ones we think are necessary, but you don't need a voting study on my district. It's just not needed.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: But I'm saying if we're being fair, when you do a study, you study all you don't study what you think.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No reason.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So help me to understand what the standard is.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Why would you study racial polarized voting in my district?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I don't know.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I mean, you just --

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Other than in fact you want a process --

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MR. CHAIRMAN: I mean the reason we do this to ensure we don't run up against a regression on law suit and violate section two of the Voting Rights Act.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I shouldn't have said I don't know. I would think you don't do it because you would --

MR. CHAIRMAN: We were doing everything we can to prevent a regression problem and violate section two of the Voting Rights Act. I mean we're trying to follow the law and we don't have a retrogression issue and violate section two.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So would you violate the law if you did all of this information --

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MR. CHAIRMAN: We asked for polarized voting analysis on districts that we were concerned about whether we whether intentionally or unintentionally diminish the ability of a protected class of minority citizens from electing or defeating the candidate of their choice. That's what

we're looking at. We are making sure a protected class minor and compact and cohesive but minority class is able to elect to defeat the candidates of their choosing.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And I want to make sure that the record is clear. I'm not asking you to violate the law but I would ask you to be consistent and fair and across the board in the process.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We have met with every member trying to make him happy. Yes, senator?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I would just add that you quoted [INDISCERNIBLE 01:59:12] but if you go further it addresses what I see it. You did say what you said but you see what I see it after they said all that bizarre stuff they said however, counties should be made whole where there's possibility except one of the criteria was when you were trying to create a minority district. Unless you're getting ready to give up four in Jefferson County instead of three then we got out inside the county and that does not apply.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm a humble contractor and you're a scholared attorney. Well, that we had a question before us, I believe we have a roll call vote, clerk call the roll.

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

FEMALE: Senator Holley.

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

FEMALE: Senator Livingston

SENATOR LEVISTON: Aye.

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REP. BARBARA BOYD: Right there, isn't that generally, the request that is made that on all district, a polarization study is done.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well, again, there are a lot of things I can do if I had time to do it, but in this horrifically compressed timeframe, if I look at a district that's 85% white, is it going to be racially polarized voting, that's going to show up in there.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: But that's your perception, that is not based on a study.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I'm trying to get you the information you need on the districts that are in question as fast as I can possibly get to you. We can play this game, but you could do more, couldn't you? You can, you can always do more.

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There's always somebody to come down this well, and tell me, "I can do more to appease them" but there's only so much I can do in the amount of time I've been given.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: And you know what, you are so right.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: But the other side of that, while we were talking about building prisons; to me, if I was doing this, this would have been the process that would have been in place. You would not have had that pressure, just think about that. If you're done, and we came into a special session dealing with building prisons, as opposed to dealing with -- and then you tell me about all of this pressure that you're under, because of such a slim timeline we have, you at least would have had an opportunity doing that, if that had been first, and then move to. You know, I said, "if you want my opinion." And I know that's not something that you would be asking for, but I thought I'd share it anyway. I mean, to me it's a self-inflicted crisis that we are in. We blame the Census Bureau. So, I plan the prison system in terms of [INDISCERNIBLE 00:02:06] And then you tell me, you're not going to do the polarization study, because you -- if a district based on your experience, and based on your information that is not necessary, because you are going to have a district that's 87% black, no white. Why would you do that?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I really don't know what my percentage is. It's just some of them are very high, so.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: Some of your percentage is what?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Some of the percentages are high. I don't even know what the percentages of my district.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: Yeah, and that's another question I have. How do you have such high percentages in a predominantly white district, and it's not stacked. But you do that, -- **[OVERLAY]**

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REP. BARBARA BOYD: --you look at some of the districts we have are the percentages are quite questionable. Good. I mean, that's my observation.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: We preserve the existing core of the districts to the extent possible, and I'm –

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REP. BARBARA BOYD: I am sorry; you do what?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: And I am not – you know, the bit of that prison special session, you know what I was? It gave us the opportunity to begin meeting with every single member of this body, because they were here, that we meet with you in person, and go over your district with you in person.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: No.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: You didn't even also at all.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: Yes. I met. No, I didn't meet with neither one of the chairs. I met with a man called [PH 00:03:22] Hannaman.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes. He was working for – he was working for the committee.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: Well, I'm just saying.

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REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: And you met with him, and you went over your district, and he showed you what was in your district.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: He did.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: And he showed you the numbers, and he asked you if that was okay,

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REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: -- and you agreed to it.

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REP. BARBARA BOYD: And you know what I said. No. You know what I said to him? I do not agree to anything until I get the following things: precinct centers in my districts, and I am able to sit, and look at the changes in the district, and how they are impacting what I had before.

And what have been – no, you didn't get an okay from me. No, sir. You got -- what I just told you, and that's fine.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: You know, as I look at this process and look at where we are, I did hear you say you were bringing, and admit a substitute?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: Did I hear that?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: All right. So obviously, some of the concerns that have been raised, those have gotten your attention since the committee met.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: I just want to know if that was the same opportunity that was provided for every other member?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: Every other member in here?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: 105 members had an opportunity.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: I didn't hear anything about that. When did you put that out?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Ma'am, they will come to me, and we will meet with them.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: Oh, you had to come see you.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Members that expressed concern with their districts were met with. And if you had a concern with your district, all you had to do is talk to me or anybody else in the reapportionment offers.

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REP. BARBARA BOYD: Really?

REP. RUSSELL BEDSOLE: Yeah.

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REP. BARBARA BOYD: Everybody had that opportunity. My colleagues, how many of the colleagues, well anyway, I didn't hear anybody else saying they had that opportunity. Now, remember, I did not hear those members that are in the cognizant I'm in had that opportunity. I did not hear that. And I will, when I finish my few minutes, I will certainly check to see how many of them had problems, and they spoked, because I think that is so important. So, would you tell me about the report from the hearings that were held? I made a request also for a report, the report, information that was gathered during the hearings that went around the State. Where is that report?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: They are in the Reapportionment Office. The testimony was – in the 28 public hearings we got all this State.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: Right. And so, from that report, how much of that information, and what part of that information was used in the process of joining the district.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: In fact, I personally went back and re-read some of the testimony given, personally I did.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: How much of that information?

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REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: All of it. We took notes.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: How much of the information that was done during the hearing, presented during the hearing was used to –

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REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: We looked at all of it, and our attorney was there doing the whole thing, the whole process, and I went back and actually re-read some of the transcripts, yeah.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: But you didn't say that. In what part of that that you read? What I am asking for a specific, what specific part in the hearing was used during the join of the districts?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Which part are you asking about?

REP. BARBARA BOYD: If we had here is all over the state, how many we did? 28, right?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: And I sat there, and the chairman sat there. The whole part, the whole thing.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: And you went through all of it? My question is still

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REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I sat through all of the public hearings, yes ma'am.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: My question still is, what part of that hearing? It sounds like, things in that going quite right, because they are about to tell you something. That, at what part of the hearing was used in the process of drawing the districts?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: The whole process, the whole part.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: The report? So, are we able to have a copy of that report?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am. Yes, ma'am.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: Well, is that available now?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: So, may I? Make sure we request that, that I get a copy of that report.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well, it's not a report. It's the whole series of court reporters. I mean you are more welcome to go down, and read the transcript from all 28 hearings.

REP. BARBARA BOYD: It is my understanding generally. And let me say this, I'm talking about a process, and I'm talking about a process by, which there creates a certain level of comfort. It doesn't mean that you agree or disagree with it. One, we had 28 hearings. It seems to me that at some point during that hearing, we would have received a report from the hearings. That's one thing. That to me is significant. Two, the polarization study. According to the Voting Rights Act, that is a statement that should, and is requested that should occur. You indicated that that is not the case, only if you thought that might be necessary. But that is not what the process says it should be. That concerns me. When we are talking about doing things that is right in there. I don't have to agree with it. And it doesn't have to be in my favor. But at least, the process by which it was done should help me to feel like, "Okay, I didn't get what I wanted, I don't like it. But at least, they were fair, and they followed the rules." Thank you.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Andy! And the Chair thanks the lady. The Chair now recognizes the gentleman from Elmore County, Representative Holmes.

REP. MIKE HOLMES: Thank you Mr. Speaker. I've been in this Body now, and working on the 8th year. And I want to say to everybody, and particularly the Chairman of this committee, and the Speaker, I have never seen this kind of confusion and frustration of anything we faced in the eight years I've been here. It's discouraging to me, because we're hurrying up every step, and

we really don't have adequate, accurate information to make the kind of the momentous decision that we are being asked to make.

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I think we need to slow this process down, and let's get the answers that we need. And then, let's move on and make a deliberate informed decision on these very, very important questions. And I know Mr. Chairman that, this mostly caused by the census, and the tardiness of the census, I understand that. But we have now, we're in what? Third or fourth day in this special session. We still got nine days to go. We could take that time, and use it for education in discussions over some of these very important decisions. One of the ones I want to talk about now is the one we're on now, as congressional races. One of our former colleagues Congressman Barrymore in District 2 has made some requests that the committee has already been through it, and considered them. I think they agreed there pretty much neutral. So, I brought a substitute that I would like to offer.

MR. SPEAKER: All right. Proceed to the substitute.

REP. MIKE HOLMES: Substitute House Bill No. 1, by Representative Holmes.

MR. SPEAKER: And Representative Holmes.

REP. MIKE HOLMES: As I said, it impacts Congressional District 2. This substitute impacts Congressional District 2, and that will make it, that the changes that have been proposed would make it the largest landmass in the State for one congressional district. It's going to be about 1/4 of the State's going to be in Congressional District 2. And I understand that a lot of this is pure arithmetic Mr. Chairman. I understand that, when you push with numbers, like we've had, the growth we've had in Huntsville. But essentially, what to we've come up with actually pushes the numbers around to reduce the geography a little bit. And come up with the same balances, the same numbers; all those things, pretty much stay the same. So, with that, unless there are questions, I would like to move the passage of this substitute.

MR. SPEAKER: And Chairman Pring will comment.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Ladies and gentlemen, this plan is identical to the plan that you see here with two changes. Now, let me go over them. The committee's plan more has a sliver of east Escambia County with a population of only 739 people. In Morris' plan that county split has moved to Monroe County where it gets through an additional 739 people. So, it's a person for person split. However, under Morris has two county splits, and Sewell has three currently. Under Morris plan, he has only one county split and Congresswoman Sewell now has four county splits. So, he's given one of his splits to her. That will make her have more county splits than any other member of congress in Alabama. The congressman's argument is that, he has 16 districts in this plan, and that's more districts than anybody else.

REP. MIKE HOLMES: 16 Districts?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: 16 counties, I'm sorry 16 counties. Ladies and gentlemen, Representative Terri Sewell is the only Democrat member of the United States Congress from the State of Alabama. That would give her more county splits than any other member of Congress. And it's going to be awfully hard to explain to a three-judge federal panel while we stuck the Democrat with all the splits, and not the Republicans. We have to be fair. We have to be equitable, and I think that's putting two new splits in her district. This 739 people that Congressman Moore would receive in this plan are very rural; there's no city, there's no elected officials. I mean, as far as a city councilor or mayor or anything. It's probably not more than 260 voters. Congressman Carl has no problem with this, and keeping it. And I think, it would give the Democrats a tremendous advantage, and argue in a racially-motivated plan that we adopt this plan over the committee plan. And I think, it's something that Democrats will have a strong argument against us, and against the plan we adopted. With that, Mr. Speaker, I move to table.

MR. SPEAKER: All right members, you've heard the motion before, there was a substitute offered on the floor by Representative Holmes and the sponsor of the bill Chairman Pringle has brought forth the tabling motion. If you are in favor of the tabling motion, your vote will be. "Aye", if you are opposed, your vote is "No".

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For the table motion your vote is "Aye", if you opposed your vote is "No."

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Please both Yes.

MR. SPEAKER: All right and the clerk will lock the machine, the members will vote.

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[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. SPEAKER: All the members are voting. -- All the member are voting. And the clerk will lock machine. Members are called to vote, and the tabling motion does prevail. And the Chair, thanks the gentleman. All right, let's move on who Chair recognizes the gentleman from Jefferson, Representative Faulkner.

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MR. SPEAKER: Representative Faulkner, you are recognized.

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REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Representative Pringle.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes Sir.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: How are you?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I'm wonderful my good friend, how are you?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: I'm good. We had talked about this, and before I make these comments, I want to make sure I tell you I understand how much work, and how much time you had put in on this process, and that is not been missed by me or anybody, I don't think. And I also know that your considerations of this whole process are bigger than looking at anyone district or congressional district. So, what I am asking for is to allow the status quo, and you're aware of this to allow the status quo members to two of my voting precincts. In my district, that have always been represented by the 6th Congressional District in Gary Palmer's district, had been proposed under this plan to be moved into Terri Sewell's district. The counter to that is, is that some voting precincts in Center Point that had been in the 7th Congressional District had been moved into Gary Palmer's district. Rolanda Hollis represents those boxes in Center Point. Rolanda is on her way here, and I've spoken to her. I've also gotten word from the Center Point mayor, that they would like to remain in Terri Sewell's district. This is a 700 -- and may be Representative Pringle, you can tell me. This is the 7th District has about how many 750,000?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: They're all the same.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Somewhere in that. It's over 700,000 people, right?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Yeah. So, these congressional districts over 700,000 people. And all I'm wanting to do is keep two districts, two voting precincts in the 6th Congressional District, and keep four precincts that are in the 7th Congressional District, where they are? And the people that live in those districts, the ones that have reached out to me want to keep it that way. So, we're talking about keeping things for two minor voting districts in a congressional district that's over 700,000 people keeping them the way that they were, and just by the Justice Department approved, the last go around. There's no way those two small precincts can mess anything up for this entire congressional district. And so, I am asking for those two small voting precincts to be kept where they were and the foreign Center Point to be kept where they are, where the people that live there would like. And that includes the mayor of Center Point that represents those boxes, that are being proposed to be switched to the 6th Congressional District. So, in the total scheme of that of over 700,000 people, we're talking about an equal population deviation to keep those four boxes in Center Point in the 7th, and keep the two in Homewood in the 6th —

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REP. DAVID FAULKNER:00where they'd been, and in that huge congressional district, that cannot be messing up anything that would violate the law. And with that, Mr. Speaker, I have a substitute, because they don't let you do amendments. Members, you have to do a substitute.

MR. SPEAKER: All right, and --

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: That accomplishes moving -- keeping those two boxes.

MR. SPEAKER: All right, and the clerk receive the substitute.

MR. CLERK: Substitute to House Bill No. 1 by Representative Faulkner.

MR. SPEAKER: And Representative Faulkner, any other comments.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Well, members, I think that sums up what we're trying to do, keep two boxes where they are that are in my district. And I want you to know, I didn't see this before. I've never saw the congressional district map. I'd had no idea that these two voting precincts in my district were coming out. I'm not talking about my State house district now. I'm talking about the congressional district.

MR. SPEAKER: Okay, and Chairman Frank or Representative Daniels, you, you -- okay.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Mr. Faulkner, I want to make certain that I heard you correctly. You're saying that the Mayor of Center Point, and some other member of politician is asking you to remove two precincts from congressional districts area?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: No. No. no. no.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: So, --

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Representative Daniels --

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: You want to remove two precincts?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: So, I am -- there are two precincts in my house district that are being proposed to be moved from the Sixth Congressional District to the Seventh.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Yes –

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REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Those were in my --

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: I'm sorry. They newly proposed lines, congressional lines, right?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Yes, the newly proposed lines would take two of my voting precincts in my house district, and move them from Congressional Six to Congressional Seven.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: So, what you're saying is –

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REP. DAVID FAULKNER: And then at the same time, it's moving some voting precincts that are in seven into six, and those are in Center Point. I don't represent Center Point. I'm representing Hollister.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: So, can you help me understand the reason that you are against moving those precincts, because they're in your districts, and what else?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Because the people in my district, they have been in the Sixth Congressional District, and they have reached out to me and they want to stay in the Sixth Congressional District. And the people who are in Center Point, this has come into me, I didn't speak with him directly, but I'm being told that the Mayor of Center Point would also like to stay in Terri Sewell's district. So –

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REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: So, are the people in the area saying they want this district, these lines to be moved or the politicians are saying that?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Now, the people are fine where they are. The people are fine staying where they are and what's been approved previously. The plan is to change that.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: But it appeared to me that, the politicians are the ones indicating that they want to move back to their original districts, proposed districts before the proposal.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: No, the people.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: So, the people, I guess we hadn't heard from many people that have mentioned. I have not received an email as a member of this Body. I don't know that the Reapportionment Committee members have --

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REP. DAVID FAULKNER: I don't think anybody knows about this change largely but the people who have found out about the change have been saying, "Wait a minute. I don't want to move. Why can't we stay exactly where we are," and the same goes for and I will let her speak for her district.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Have you have you explained to the people that, they're moving in a district where these members on the Appropriations Committee, which is the most powerful committee in Congress?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: I did not tell them that.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: I think these are important points for these folks to understand when you're talking about moving on because of an individual or because of party label versus

being taking advantage of resources in moving that district. So, I'm just trying to -- I think for me, and you referenced a couple of politicians. I think for me; it's -- we should be beyond the point of where we are allowing politician to choose their constituents instead of the politicians.

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REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Yeah, this is not politicians.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Well, you mentioned you referenced some politicians –

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REP. DAVID FAULKNER: As far as the people who have reached out to me, the district I serve, all of those are people who have reached out to me and said, "I want to remain in the Sixth Congressional District."

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Well, they can remain in the Sixth Congressional District by finding some type of residency somewhere else in that district. So, tell them they have options to move, and they move in the district that they want to be in or try to work with the current, the proposed, the representative, their new representative, to figure out how they can maintain the same quality of life that they've been enjoying up until this point. So, I'm just trying to understand the reasoning for that. I don't want to make any assumptions, all right? But I have looked at some of the data on the precincts that you're referencing, and it lands to some interpretation that is obvious that, I don't want to make the assumption about, but I'm just really disturbed that as diverse as we're trying to be as a state, and as a country and as inclusive as we're trying to be, that individual would be paying this close attention to two precincts will be paying that much closer attention.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: The people in those precincts do care. Yeah.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Yes, the two precincts to say they want to move, but they don't know what reason.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: No, they don't. One, they want to stay where they are, and the people in Center Point want to stay where they are.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: I understand that. So, the way the lines are drawn, I'd say that, I'm just trying to understand.

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REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Somebody, not the people, the people didn't draw these lines. Politicians drew the lines. The people are who are saying, "We didn't want to be moved."

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Demographer drew the line.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Who?

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Demographer. Demographer -- they are the team drawing the lines based upon not wanting to go to court, right? So, they're reasonable for drawing the lines --

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Yeah, but that's not the people.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: So, does these two precincts, are they contiguous to -- how close are they, these four precincts?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: So, Representative Daniels, I have a district that's like you that represents 50,000 people. And two of my voting precincts in that district, all the district -- all the precincts in my house district are under the Sixth Congressional District. Right now, currently, this proposes to take two of those and move them out of the sixth.

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REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: So, let me ask you this question. Did any precincts move out of your district this time in your new map in the house? Did you pick up any additional precincts?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: No, my district doesn't change, precinct wise.

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REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Your district doesn't change at all?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Correct.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: So, all of the other members that have had different precincts in their respective districts or add precincts or whole precincts as opposed to strict split precincts, right? So --

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: No, they said, we were not going to avoid that.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Yeah, well, my point is --

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: And it is --

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Well, my point is, have we -- do we know why these particular lines were drawn and the manner to change those four precincts out?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: I'm not a member of the Reapportionment Committee. What I'm saying is --

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REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: But you've been involved process.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: This does not split precincts. This does not split a county. This is putting two precincts back in the sixth where they were, keeping them there, and keeping four in the seventh where they were.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: I understand what you're saying, but I'm saying, there has to be some reasoning for them to draw those two particular precincts out of all of precincts that we're dealing with.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Well, no, there are words that as you know, that congressional district changed more than that.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: The guidelines for congressional maps are of slightly different than State maps. Right?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: And so, I didn't draw those –

[OVERLAY]

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Precincts in counties can be split in a congressional map. But it is very unlike -- they should not be as much as possible split in a house district, a State house district with State city district. But in congressional district there are guidelines that allow them, and they were to expand to that point.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: There were more changes made to the congressional districts in this particular congressional district, I'm sure. But taking two precincts out of the sixth, and putting them in the seventh, and taking four precincts that were in the seventh, and putting them in the sixth is not going to violate the law, and I don't know why they made them, but the ones I'm interested in, all the other changes made, the only ones I'm interested in, are the ones that are in my house district where my constituents have called me.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Well, I'm getting a call saying that, "If David Faulkner passes this, if this amendment passes, we're sure to go to court."

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: You're sure to go to court probably anyway because I understand lawsuits are already filed.

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But I mean, I think we know that, but I can assure you it won't be over this little change.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Are you willing to put the bill for the state going to court in these maps because of their change?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Let me tell you something, if I find out that putting -- keeping two districts that were already justice department approved back in the 6 and keeping 4 were at the 7 that that is the whole reason we go to court, then yes, I'd be happy to --

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: You'll be happy to --

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: If that is the only reason we go to court, yes. Because this isn't going to make it go to court [INDISCERNIBLE 00:30:40]. That's what --

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Members, you heard him. David Faulkner is putting the bill for all lawsuits moving forward to the State of Alabama.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: No. My good friend, no. I do hear these lawyers.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: But, David, I'll pray for you on that effort.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: The lawyers that are involved in this probably didn't make a good hourly rate, Representative Daniels, and I would love to make that, but no. What I'm saying is this little minor change to keep the status quo for these few boxes --

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: So ask this question. Is it an even swap in population?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Yes.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: Is it contiguous to --?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Yeah, it's keeping its just keeping two districts in the 6th congressional and it's keeping four in the 7th.

REP. ANTHONY DANIELS: And the two is the equal population of the four?

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Right. The two for the four. It's an equal population so there's no deviation. It's all within Jefferson County. It's keeping them where they were, where they've been justice department approved before. It's not splitting a precinct and this is none of that.

MR. SPEAKER: End of gentleman's time.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Oh, thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Alright, and now we're back on the motion and the substitute that's been introduced, Mr. Chairman.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Ladies and gentlemen, this is a substitute bill -- let me -- it does do exactly what he says. But remember when I told you earlier, we drew this plan with no race up on the board. It was turned off. And what we were attempting to do is take that finger that sticks up into Jefferson County, and make it rounder, and take more Jefferson County and put it into

the 7th Congressional District. Under this plan right here, if we do it, the Congressional District 7, it changes the black voting-age population in Congressional District 7 from 54.22%, to 57.58% African-American. Ladies and gentlemen, that won't draw an allegation of vote packing African-Americans into a district. If it was a neutral move, it'd be one thing. But if you take and we pull two districts out and put two district in, they're going to hang a racial packing charge against us and it violates Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act. In my opinion, it is a clear violation. That's the reason why we didn't do it. And with that Mr. Speaker, I move to table the substitute of Mr. Faulkner.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: Can I ask the Chairman a question?

MR. SPEAKER: Well, you've been talking for 20 minutes. You've had two times. I mean, really, we've had plenty of debate. I'll let you make one comment though.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: I just wanted to ask a question on those figures that you said it would change that percentage, and it's a 730,000-member congressional district and there -- I don't see how there's any possible way switching these boxes to keep them where they were, could make a change in the racial makeup as you've described in the entire congressional district.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Because you take two white precincts, move them out of the 7th, put them in the 6th and take two black precincts out of the 6th and put 7th. By the very nature of that action, you are packing more African-Americans into the 7th District.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: What? No, it's 10,000 people and it's keeping them where they are. There's no way that could make that variation in percentage.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well, the computer which is much smarter than me kicks out that it goes from 54.22% to 57.58%. That, my friend, is packing.

REP. DAVID FAULKNER: I just don't think that those numbers are right, Mr. Chairman. With all due respect.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: The computer spits it out when we point-and-click, point-and-click, the computer kicks back and says, that's what it does to the district. And again, Mr. Speaker, I move my motion to table the substitute by Mr. Faulkner.

MR. SPEAKER: All right, members, the question before us now is going to be on a tabling motion to vote on the tabling motion for the substitute entered by Representative Faulkner. You've heard the explanation on both and we've had about a 20-minute -- more over 20-minute debate on it. So, at this point, we are ready to vote on the tabling motion.

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If you're in favor of the tabling motion, your vote is aye. If you're opposed, your vote is no. Carefully unlock the machine, the members will vote.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. SPEAKER: All the members voted.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. SPEAKER: All the members voted? Carefully unlock the machine recorded the vote. There are 51 yeas, 18 nays, 24 extensions and the tabling motion does prevail. All right, we're back now on the bill on the floor, and the chair recognizes the gentleman from Marengo County, Representative McCampbell.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for the recognition. Will the gentleman yield? I know you got quite a few things going on.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: That's okay. For you, Sir, I will yield gladly.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Okay. I just have some general questions that I want to see if I can get answers to. The first one is --

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Thank you. I'm listening, I'm hanging.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Who actually drew the congressional maps? Who actually drew them?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: They were drawn in the office in the committee, the staff and a man named Mr. Randy Henneman.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Who was --

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Randy?

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Randy Henneman. He was hired by the committee?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I'm not sure if he was hired by them.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Okay. But -- all right.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: He's the one that's done it for several years.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: He's drawn these maps for several years.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: He did it 2002 and he did it in '12 and now, yeah.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Okay. Is he a state employee, do you know?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Not to my knowledge, no.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: He's not. So, can you find out then for me who actually hired him because that to me is important. As you're looking at drawing maps of this nature, I want to know what was his -- who instructed him because whoever is paying him, and I know he's not doing it out of the goodness of his heart. Do you think he is?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I think he's a very nice gracious young man.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: You think he is doing it out of the goodness of his heart.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I would rather doubt that.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Okay. Well, if you will, I'd like to know, you know, who actually hired him to draw the maps.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I'll tell you who instructed him, is he followed the committee guidelines that are adopted by the committee.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Okay, he followed the committee guidelines adopted by the committee. And what members of the committee, other than yourself, had contact with the monographer before he actually began drawing? What other members were involved in it, if there were any others other than yourself.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I was not there for every meeting but he was available to meet with everybody and he met with every member of this room, every member of the Senate, every member of Congress and every member of the school board was asked to come in and meet with him and everybody had access to him and everybody had access to look at their districts. She was a man that was available to meet with everybody.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: But I'm asking about your committee and in particular. What members of your committee, as you all were looking at the different drawing of the congressional maps, what members were involved of your Committee in looking with you and whatever Congressman had the maps themselves?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Again, I was not available for every meeting, so I don't know who came in and met with them, but I'm assure you that anybody that wanted to could. But I wasn't there, so I can't -- I'm not going to answer that question. If any answer I give you, it would be second hand knowledge.

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REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Okay. And what were the committee's instructions in terms of -- the specific instructions in terms of the drawing of the congressional maps?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: That we would maintain the core, the existing districts, we would reach zero deviation and comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, but in a nutshell I mean there's more to it than that but that's the main point you're after.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Okay, so and when I look at the makeup of the different districts, you have a copy of this.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: No, I do not. I'm frantically looking for it.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: There's one right there.

[OVERLAY]

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: All right, let's go to page one of your -- let's see it there. When I look at it is each district has a population of 717,754 except for District 2, which means it has one additional voter am I -- or one additional person because this is not the voting population. This is merely the population in general.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, sir.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: So when you divide it out into seven districts, that number seven 117,754 people is the number we are working with so we had to put that one extra person in some way and they just fell into House District. I mean Congressional District 2, am. I correct?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, sir. There are 253,000 census blocks in the State of Alabama that all had to be assigned to a district and we cannot break a census block. Do you understand, a track and a block are different, you cannot break a census block.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Right.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: That block had one person in it or whatever.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: And so my colleagues and I will all understand the congressional census blocks are different from the precincts that we normally are talking about when we talking about House and Senate Maps, am I correct?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: No, the blocks are the same. The precincts are the same.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: The blocks are the same.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: The blocks and the precincts are exactly the same. House, Senate and Congress.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Blocks and precincts are exactly --

[OVERLAY]

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: Okay, and what I'm looking at is in District 1, we have a 64 to 26 break in terms of the population diversity. We have 6% to 4% white population. In District 2, we have a 60% white population. District 3, 6% to 6.8% white population. District 4, 81% white population. So, then I want you to look over on page -- look at the front page of the map. If you would look at the map, if you would look at District 4, it runs from one -- from our Westernmost Border, all the way through the state to our Easternmost Border, am I correct?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, sir.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: And the little connecting part is between Coleman and Marshall, am I correct there?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, sir.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: But we have a split up in Lauderdale, do we not?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes sir.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: And my question then, would it have been a more fair map I guess you could say, if either Lauderdale was a whole and either DeKalb or Marshall or Etowah or Jackson or any of those were combined in that manner making it a more condensed area because what I look at is when you are coming from the West all the way to the East.

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Yeah, there may be similarities up there, but I'm thinking that's a long road to travel and you know, I just questioned why we would go and configure something of that nature. Can you -- and that's a district that has 81% white population if I'm not mistaken, am I correct?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: According to this yes sir. 81.18%.

REP. ARTIS MCCAMPBELL: And 7% black population, am I correct? But in order to achieve that, we have to go from all the way West to the all the way East and I think we could have changed that and it could have been a bit more condensed and it would then, you know, be a much better district. Thank you. Mr. Speaker.

MR. SPEAKER: And Chair, thank you gentlemen. All right, the Chair now recognizes the gentleman from Tuscaloosa Representative England.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: Thank you for the recognition Gentleman [INDISCERNIBLE 00:47:14].

MR. SPEAKER: I sure do.

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: Okay, it's good to be here. For the second time -- for the third time this year, this is beginning to become a real bad habit. And, you know, I always wonder why they call these things special sessions because there ain't nothing special about them, you know. But anyway, I'm not going to be here long, I just want to follow up on some things that we talked about in committee, and I just wanted to reiterate that there was some requests for information concerning racially polarized voting studies that it was sort of alluded to in our committee meeting that they had been done on when I guess when it was deemed necessary to do them and then also deemed you know, if you reached a certain threshold you decided not to do it. So as far as that's concerned, I wanted to make sure this reiterate that I've you know, requested that and I'm still hopeful to get those before we adjourn or before we walk out of the building at some point this week. That's the first thing, and the second thing is, because you mentioned, I think you said the 7th Congressional District was 54%, is that right? As far as black voting-age population is concerned?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: The 7th or is now 55.77%, this is what the sheet is telling.

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: Okay, you said 55.7%?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah.

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: Okay. And you said on its phase, you felt like without any other further study or any other further information that you felt like that satisfied the Voting Rights Act.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Under the 7th Congressional District?

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: Yes.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: But I'm afraid is if we do it Mr. Faulkner we'll run a ground of a packing allegation.

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: No, I'm asking you about you mentioned that you said before and we in the committee that the reason why you did not do a racial polarized voting study is because of the 55% and that was -- because there were that many I guess African-Americans in the district then you decided that whoever it was decided that that wasn't necessary, correct?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Correct.

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: All right, and at the time, you also mentioned that you would do it if we requested it?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: We thought it was necessary but they cut it off I think at 51%. Anything under 51%, they did it on, anyone over that, they didn't do it.

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Not yet. I mean, we're just -- we're working on it. But I can assure you no one was coming that somebody is going to do a racial polarization analysis on that district.

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: Yeah. That's what I'm hoping, that we get before we adjourn. And also, you mentioned something else that I did not know; you said that prior to the maps being created, that race wasn't taken into account at all, --

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: We turned them on, drew maps, then turned on the race, yes, that's what I was told. That race was not on when the maps were originally drawn. The original brush through, yes.

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: So, it's just by coincidence that seven congressional district ended up with a 55% black voting age population?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Remember, we attempt to maintain the core of the existing districts. Seven congressional district was drawn how many years ago? 1990, 1992? It was drawn by-yeah. I think Mr. Joe Reed played a large poll on the Alabama democratic conference and creating the seventh congressional district and we've maintained the core of that district ever since.

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: Not necessarily. I mean because as we've gone over the last 20 or so years in the quest to make sure that there is a certain percentage of voters in the seventh congressional district and the fact that population is shifted, the demographics have changed, the seventh congressional district has actually worked its way down into Montgomery County where it did not use -- I mean, it's actually taking in more and more the City of Montgomery. I mean, it has grown significantly in the quest to continue to put as many African-American voters as you can find into the seventh congressional district.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Now, what is done is it has grown because it is 53,000 people off and we had to go find, I think it was 53,000 people, it was underpopulated. Every district had to gain population and I believe the seventh had to gain the most.

REP. CHRIS ENGLAND: No question. I think that's one of the kind of one of the two things that do not really kind of work well in this discussion is that we're trying to maintain the core of a seventh congressional district that really doesn't exist as it did 20 or so years ago, and the fact to the matter is, it's not necessarily the quest to maintain a core as it is to maintain one Democratic district at a seven and I think -- and that's kind one of the core issues here is like when you got a list of things that you have to comply with, whether it'd be minimizing deviation, whether it'd be trying to keep communities of interest together or whether it means trying to make sure that one district in particular remains packed as possible with African-Americans in it when you got the lofty goals, the political goals kind of always keep you from reaching those lofty goals. So, what is happening is, the State of Alabama changes the demographic shift people move, but the districts never do because -- I mean, I'm not crazy, this is a political process. There are states across the country that are using this particular process to allow politicians to pick their voters, one; but two to also try to change the markings in a very tight house. So, it wouldn't be to your political benefit if someone who's drawing the map is a republican to create two

opportunity districts for example. It wouldn't be in your best interest if somebody who's drawn the map for the republicans to potentially lose a congressional seat considering how close the balance is in congress. I mean, I don't think you should be shy about that, it's a political process. But when that is your quest, when your quest is to do that, other things start getting sacrificed. So, one of the things that you mentioned, when you were talking to Representative Faulkner about that rounding off of that finger in Jefferson County, part of the reason that you're doing that is because drawing in a particular way maintains what you believe is safely creating a safe seventh congressional district for the only black member in the delegation, but it also serves the other purpose to make sure that those folks can't go into the sixth congressional district and have any real impact of what goes on there.

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So, it's kind of hard to say we're complying with the voting rights act and we're trying to keep communities of interest together, but then there's always that shadow concern that lurks in the background; we need to make sure that we've got -- we want to make sure that we minimize the influence of those folks whether they can impact the second congressional district if you expanded the second congressional district into Montgomery County or their impact in the sixth congressional district if he moves that line a little bit further south, west or southeast; or four congressional district as well. So, I mean, it's not, I don't think these things happen by coincidence. Just like when you say we didn't have race on, but the seventh congressional district manages to maintain somehow almost the same exact shape that it's had the last 20 years; but specifically, the same sort of black voting age population. I mean; so, that's why I think the racial polarize study is so important because it gives us a better understanding and perspective of the work that's being done, what that 55% actually means, and also, it's impossible to make more than one congressional district that's minority-majority. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: Thanks the gentleman. All right, the Chair recognizes the lady from Jefferson, representative Givan.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Representative Pringle.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Since your chief of staff is up here Mr. Speaker you need to give me some of my second. He needs to come on back to the house of representatives, but we love Ms. [INDISCERNIBLE 00:57:25].

MR. SPEAKER: He's doing his job.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: He is. Let me say he's doing it mister speaker, not you.

MR. SPEAKER: Okay.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Listen; thank you all for the recognition Mr. speaker. Pringle?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes ma'am?

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: I am standing up here today for the first time in 14 years to honestly say I haven't a clue what is going on. So, could you just tell me what in the slim shiggity is going on? What are we doing? I got here a little late. And I'm not embarrassed to come up here and say that. I just wish some of my colleagues would take note that when they don't know what they're doing and they come up here [INDISCERNIBLE 00:58:04] the ball on the one-yard line, they just need to take some time to acknowledge that they just don't know what's going on. But I promise I was going to be good this week, let me stop, let me be good. But no, seriously, I'll be good. I'll be gone. What's is going on? What are we doing? Because I was listening to Faulkner who was tap dancing like he was on a Broadway stage and he should've just come here to tell the people what it was really about and that was the fact that Congresswoman Sewell represents a portion of Center Point and that he did not want those lines to cross over into his lily white district and he had problems with it. And that's really what it's all about. And he knows, and we know it, and us from Jefferson County definitely know it, and then he came alive on my colleague about it; and he should've just said what it is; I think we should just speak truth to power when we come to this microphone and I'm going to do it and I don't care if I don't get onto the community or what I don't have, I'm going to be free. Free. I had somebody to tell that to just be you. So, I'm going to be me, and I like it. So, I'm just trying to get some understanding and clarity what are we doing now with regards to these maps, what's going on, I'm just trying to get brought up to speed.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Ms. Givan what we're doing is the committee on reapportionment has brought forth an excellent plan that complies with the law, it complies with our guidelines of the committee. It's a good plan, it's a fair plan, it's an [INDISCERNIBLE 00:59:46] plan, and I look forward to you voting with me to pass my plan.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: You do?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes ma'am.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Now, Pringle, you and I have been here together right here, right here, all of these years.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah.

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REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: And I think we worked very, very well together. But I guess my question is, I'm seeing from not only on my side of the aisle, some of your good Republican folks have some issues with their maps or the Congressional Maps. Can you address what those issues are for me because I'm trying to understand them.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well I can tell you that Mr. Faulkner bought a plan that switched two voting precincts out of the 7th and put them in the 6th and gave two from the 6th to the 7th. I said, I thought it was violation of Section 2 and a racial gerrymander and I move.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: I agree with you on this, we're on the same page.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: And the committee agreed with me. I mean the body agreed with me. We have a motion.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Okay, I agree with you on that one.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Mr. Holmes bought forth a plan that --.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: You don't have to do nothing to say his name, next.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well, I said it was a violation of Section 2 as a racial gerrymander, so we table and that's where we are now. I'm waiting on Ms. Coleman; she has a plan that I've gotten some statistics on it. We carried --.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Are we going to Ms. Coleman's plan?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well, we can't carry over a substitute, so we put it down, it's good to roll, but she's going to be called on in a few minutes to reoffer her substitute and we'll discuss her substitute to this plan.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Well she's going to reoffer next?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: She's already offered it.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah, but you can't carry over a substitute, it had to be withdrawn.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: So she withdrew herself?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Graciously yes ma'am, to allow me some opportunity to look at, which has been done and when the time is appropriate, Ms. Coleman is going to be invited back up, really up for her.

[OVERLAY]

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: So then when she comes back, you're not going to vote to table it?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: The plan I think if fraught with problems. So we're going to go over those problems when they're up here.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Okay, so when you start out with the word "problem" that means it's not going to get any better because we're not going to have an opportunity obviously to mitigate those problems.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I'll be more than happy to talk to her and explain the problems I found with the plan.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Oh okay.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well the problems the attorneys have found with it.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: So explain but not mitigate?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well, I have a good -- sorry about that.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: You go ahead and take your call.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: That's my brother.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: My brother is in the hospital; he fell very ill this Friday.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I'm sorry.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Yeah.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Is he here in Alabama?

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Yes. But you know, that's okay, I remember -- everybody, I remember the other year about the fathers and mothers was dying and everything and Mr. Speaker made sure that he acknowledged everybody. I had a death and nobody even knew it, but that's the story of my relationship in the House at this point. But anyway I digress. Okay, so we are at this point where you want to -- we're going to bring back the Congressional Map that was proposed by Representative Coleman for which you already have some problems and I don't at this point see an avenue to mitigate those problems at this point. So right now, it's just going to be going through a formation, so at least at this point to vote it up or vote it down. Do you know what's the schedule is like this week? I know we probably won't get the bill back from the Senate. I'm assuming this whatever is going to pass today, what are we passing today? The congressional or --.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: In calendar today is Congressional plan then the State House plan.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: So we're going to pass out both of those plans?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: And the Senate has, the Senate plan and the State School Board plan.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: And the Senate has State School Board plan. We will get those probably today and we'll vote this out probably sometime today, am I correct?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: If that's the will of the body, we will pass it both today, yes ma'am.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Okay, and then so at least by Friday, do you think we'll finish this session by Friday?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: If that's the will of the body, but I'm not in control.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Oh you're in control now.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: No.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: You're in control to a lot of this process Mr. Pringle. Okay, well, at least we know a little bit more now about what's going on. Okay well, I just want to come up here because I saw Mr. Faulkner tap dance and then doing an electric slide and a cute shuffle and the hustle and everything else. So I just thought it's just quite interesting that he came up to speak about Representative Hollis' district and she comes in and says that he's telling a lie about it. So I just wanted to come back up and just see what was going on and make sure that there was some clarity for the folks in House District 60 and House District 7 as would exist to understand that we have a representative that has problems with the way the lines are drawn because they don't want Congresswoman Sewell to represent any portion of the 6th Congressional District.

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And so I just believe that when we come to this microphone that we should not try to sprinkle and tinkle on the little legs and toes and hands and feet of the people, and we should just speak the truth, the power and say what it is, but I'm glad that piece of legislation was voted down and that it went up in flames. I think you've done a decent job in trying to bring everybody together as it relates to their lines. I know we have a little more work to do and I'm glad I had this opportunity to come to the microphone to speak to you about these issues. And then I hope when I get a chance to come back up and talk about House District 60, why you're laughing Pringle?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Because I know how excited you were when you came out and met with us.

REP. JUANDALYNN GIVAN: Oh Lord, now that's supposed to be my secret and your secret, you are telling our secret now, you can't tell our secret. But you know, I don't have many issues with a lot of things these days. I'm trying to say just float through this process and live my best life and be through with it. I've only got one life to live and I'm going to -- I had a great weekend, I talk about that when I come back up here, hopefully this week will allow me to come back and I'll give a chance to finish this discussion and hopefully give a chance to speak with you about my map once we get to the house legislative maps here in Alabama House of

Representatives with such distinguished men and women, boys and girls, all the great little people of the world, thank you.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: And the Chair thanks the lady. The Chair recognizes now the lady from Jefferson, Representative Coleman, I think we're now ready to address your issue back and keep in mind your earlier motion was withdrawn, so we're back on fresh.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Thank you Mr. Speaker for the recognition. I'm going to have to tell, first of all, would the gentleman yield?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes ma'am.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Now you know you had me going downstairs, running downstairs fussing at the wrong folks. Because you know, what you said and I want to make sure the staff is clear about why I was fussing downstairs. So of course the process is you put reapportionment on notice which I did with my substitute, and then they generate everything, send everything to LSA, which they did. And so, I thought I heard you in our exchange that you were told that no -- I need my mask down?

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Okay, from our exchange I was under the impression that you said you were told that they didn't have the map which I knew that they did because they had done the work and I went down there and they explained to me that one person had been working the map which was Donna and Randy had not seen it, which is who you text instead of Donna. So, I had to apologize to the staff for fussing a little bit. I just had my mother fussed mode on just a little bit because we had worked really hard on the fair and equitable map because I have that social justice personality.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes ma'am.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: And so just really quick to reiterate the point just in case those folks -- it's been a lot of other substitutes right now. This is the 7th Congressional District, the ideal district size we agree on, 717,754. This plan meets the one person one vote requirement by the US Constitution, five of the seven districts have the same population. Two districts though one, District 4 has 43 persons more District 6 has 43 persons less than the ideal number just to preserve the counties. I think, I remember you saying -- well I feel confident I remember you saying that you had eight or nine county splits and our plan or in the fair and equitable plan there's only four county splits and with that Mr. Speaker, I would like to offer the substitute to Chris Pringle's plan, the Chairman's plan, the Coleman Congressional Plan 1.

MR. SPEAKER: All right [INDISCERNIBLE 01:09:44] the substitute.

MR. CLERK: Substitute to House Bill No. 1 by Representative Coleman.

MR. SPEAKER: And Representative Coleman.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

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MR. SPEAKER: Where is your map?

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Yeah, do you need the big version of the map and for the members, there are copies of the map here, I have a really big one.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: I need that big version myself.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Thank you so much Mr. Speaker, if there are no questions on the map, I move passage of the Coleman Congressional Map Plan 1 substitute.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Ms. Coleman, let me ask you, because I'm looking at some numbers here, go over with me real quickly, Congressional District 1 has, what's the number of people over ideal?

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: The total number 717,764 then 717,754 and so on and so forth.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: What's the number over ideal?

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: 43 was supposed to be, now I'm not a mathematician, you know, I'm political science, but it's supposed to be 43 over ideal in two of the separate districts.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I've got Congressional District 1 has seven people over ideal population.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Oh it does say that, seven over here and then 44,251 over negative 71 and 6 and 22 and 7.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Okay, yeah.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: But what's the phrase should be used? De minimis? Those would still constitute de minimis deviations.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: So, you're over by 0.02% population. Ladies and gentlemen, what this bill will do, it creates a district that District 1 is seven people overpopulated, District 2, zero, District 3, zero, District 4.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: 42.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: No, there's no district -- congressional, yeah, District 4 is 42 people overpopulated. District 5 is one. District 6 is 71 people underpopulated and District 7 is 22 people overpopulated.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: So can I ask you a question of what that definition de minimis means? Tell me what that means as it relates to numbers? Would you?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: It means if you have a map and you can prove you can get the zero, you have to get the zero.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: But if part of the court cases that we've been dealing with have been about preserving county lines, correct?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: How many splits did your map have?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Six counties.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Okay, 16 splits?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Six.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Six splits. Well that's a little bit less than what we talked about earlier, but it's still more than the four splits that I have in my substitute.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah it is and if you look at District No. 1, it runs all the way down the western side of the state, the whole -- it splits Mobile, splits Washington County and it separates Mobile and Baldwin County.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: So can I ask you this question? So you just mentioned, let's look at your map.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah.

[OVERLAY]

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well I mean, these counties are big, I realized that but you're splitting Mobile and Baldwin County which as you probably know are a very strong community of interest, a very cohesive community that we all work and live together and interchange back and forth across that day way where by the way we need a new bridge in order to keep our community of interest together.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Well on the house maps because we will get to those, we feel that same way in Jefferson County and while didn't respect that in Jefferson, so they're going to be some situations where you're going to have to go down the state across the state. And again, remember I told you that personality test I took, fair and equitable. This is the most fair and equitable plan in my opinion that we have before us today and I'm going to ask the members to support this plan.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Ladies and gentleman, also let me point out under this plan, the BVAP, the black population under this plan will take this district. I'm getting two different numbers here, one minute. It would go to 62.63% African-American.

[01:15:07]

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: The only reason -- thank you so much for asking that question. So the only reason it goes, so then you're talking about Congressional District 7?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes ma'am.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: It's only because we were trying to preserve those counties. That's how we got to that number.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am. I understand that and that you kept that finger in Jefferson County very skinny and you obviously drew basically on racial lines in Jefferson County.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Well, that's not true. That was supposed your plan not mine. Well because actually -- well if you make the allegations so you know, you have to let me defend the allegation. Now again remember, this is about a fair and equitable plan, this is not about Merika Coleman, because if it was about Merika Coleman, then the entire seven congressional, all of Jefferson County would be in the 7th, because I have the opportunity to be able to -- that particular congressperson speaks directly to me, so this is not about me. This is about what's fair and equitable.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, ma'am.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: And so if you make the allegation, I have to defend myself. It was only done to be able to preserve those other counties.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I understand that. I do. But if we pass a plan out of here with 62.63% African-Americans packed into the 7th Congressional District, it's going to clearly be a red flag for the court system and they will probably throw this plan out.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: I don't think it'll be a red flag for the point system if an African-American woman is carrying it and we end up voting for work because an African-American voted for [INDISCERNIBLE 01:16:34] and we all voted for, it won't be a red flag, it'll be a red

flag on your plan if there's nobody African-American that supports it, that's where the red flag is.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I don't know the courts are going to pay attention that have voted for against the plan as much as -- they're going to look at that.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: But you just brought the issue of -- Mr. Chairman.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: No, no, no [INDISCERNIBLE 01:16:51]. You're packed in that district with African-Americans and raised in the black population up there, a high and it doesn't need to be in this. Look, the courts are going to look at that as a plan that packs.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: So since you know, go ahead and tell me then, tell all of us then, you just said as a number of for African-Americans that it does not have to be. So tell me what that number is because I actually was not talking -- I didn't bring up race in the discussion, I brought up equity. You brought up race, I didn't.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: All right it's --.

MR. SPEAKER: The lady's time has expired but go ahead and respond.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: We have a plan that proves it can be a majority-minority district the way it is that we can say complies with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act but if we go back and pack it with more African-Americans when we've proven we don't need to, we're going to run into a packing allegation and I think we'll go run a file of Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: So just the last comment --.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Because the last time, the reason they left that finger in Jefferson County was under Section 5, we would be faced with a retrogression issue if we didn't maintain it. We don't have retrogression anymore because Section 5 was gone, but we still have Section 2, we have to comply with fully.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: So just to round it off, thank you so much. The gentleman did not give us the number. I asked him the question. He did not give us the number. Again, this is the fair and equitable plan and I would ask the members to support the substitute.

MR. SPEAKER: All right, and Mr. Chairman, you need to make a comment, how do you want to handle this motion?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I'm going to move the table floor in a count.

MR. SPEAKER: All right members, the question on the floor now is going to be the substitute offered by Representative Coleman, and the Chairman has recommended that we table. We're voting on a tabling motion. If you are in favor of the tabling motion, your vote will "Aye", if you're opposed your vote is "No." The clerk will unlock the machine and the members will vote.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Vote "No" please on the tabling motion, vote "No."

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. SPEAKER: All the members voted. All the members voted?

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: If you want to be fair and equitable vote "No." Don't send the message to the rest of the country that this is not -- that we're going to end up having a plan that's not fair and equitable.

MR. SPEAKER: All right, hold on. All the members voting. All right, Clerk will lock the machine. Go with the vote. All right, the 74 yeas, 28 nays, 0 abstention and the substitute does not prevail.

REP. MERIKA COLEMAN: Well, we've sent the message. We are, thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: All right and the Chair thanks the lady. All right. And gentleman from Jefferson, Representative Rogers, you're recognized.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Thank you Mr. Speaker. Now, I know the votes that are due -- well I can't wait to Mr. Speaker tell what our scheduling going to be all rest of the week because they get interesting.

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The thing I was concerned about that [INDISCERNIBLE 01:20:08] is that in looking at all the numbers here that on this anything is that there is no deviation in any district, right?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: In the congressional plans --.

[OVERLAY]

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Yeah, basically we got one that's 0% deviation.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yes, sir.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Okay. If you were to do the plus or minus deviation, you're really going to get two -- basically, you got a black district and you got an influence district. You went ahead -- because of the fact yeah, I know what we say we don't -- I don't even admit to the fact about by the race or not, but it's clearly a clear example of stacking and packing in a way because if you look at that one district with 81% white, that could be spread out. Do you think so? I mean, I know you drew the plan, it's part of drawing a plan, but talking to the senators, it

clearly could be a black district and a good influence district because in fact I don't forget the plan.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: So you're saying that the 81% white district could be spread out and made an influence district?

REP. JOHN ROGERS: O yeah. I mean I've talked to Terri Sewell. I've talked to several people who draw maps and back 10 years ago, we could've had two black districts, two basically districts where we could win. That was 10 years ago and it went freed the horn all over the drawing maps [INDISCERNIBLE 01:21:45] all those drawing maps, you can either clearly get out of there, but when you start -- I don't want to try and say it's racial, but it's a little stacking and a little packing there on the side that looked like to me, especially with the 81%. If you did a 2% or 1% deviation, all listen to our district, you can make it. And you still would have to break out too many [INDISCERNIBLE 01:22:09]. And the reason I know you can do it because we lay it on the floor and drew the maps earlier. Ten years ago you could have done it.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: There are a lot of things you can do but that doesn't make it legal. I mean, I can do a lot of things that are --.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: What's illegal about it? You're not stacking or packing, you spread an area around, so it's like you don't need a district without a chance you take they telling me sometimes that if you try to divide up two equally, you stand a chance of losing a minority representative, but you could have a district where it'll be influenced district. So therefore, you can almost do it when you get to about 50%, 55% or 51% minority district, 52% minority district.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: That's what Ms. Sewell's district is.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: I know, but you get two of them.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well, if you bring a plan down here that gives two majority-minority districts, we'll look at it.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Okay, I can do that. I can bring a plan from 10 years ago that we drew.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I don't think 10 years ago would work as the census have changed.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: I know, but yes it won't work the same as it is now, but it's the same thing. It's basically the same, the numbers are there.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: No, this changed.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: But you got to do 1% deviation. You can do a 5% deviation or you can do a 1% deviation, you got your numbers. No trouble about two, but 1% deviation will get you where you want to get to. And the other question I need to ask is that you said one time that you had done a racially poor voting study. Who did it? I've been checking since you told me that.

[OVERLAY]

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Well, I'm working on getting that. It was a gentleman out of Georgia and I don't know his name.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Well, we need to know because that could be part of the law.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I know it. I'm going to get it to you. I'm going to have the information. Everything I've done is going to be part of the law, it's all going to be open, it's all going to be in the record.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Okay. I've now see a real full here, everybody said it's fine. I mean, I don't see anybody here with this plan, which makes it kind of funny, but Republican against it, the Democrats against it, only body supporting it you and [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:34] and they haven't been linked. But the thing about it is that the guy -- where you say he's from?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Out of Georgia, the gentleman out of Georgia did the racial polarization study. I have no clue what his name is.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: When we did that, just because the district is a -- you don't need a 65% black district to win.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I don't know what you need. I'm not going to give you a number.

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REP. JOHN ROGERS: I think the most out is 62%.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I believe that's 65% came when Joe Reed was drawing the district.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Yeah, let's say disagreement in the district.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Who?

REP. JOHN ROGERS: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:25:14].

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: He's doing primarily Caucasian, but they're Democrats and a lot of people in his House were feeling real short [INDISCERNIBLE 01:25:28] they feel that they could make a new district -- I'm going to run, they're telling me because of the fact that this map is causing him to have some heartburn because of the fact that they can't win. I even have one telling that I'm going to vote for the plan because I'm part Republican and I got you, but I can't win, I'm not going to run again. So what I'm saying to you that there's a way they could draw this where it'd be like -- draw it in line where they're much better.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Are we talking about Congress or the House.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: I'm talking about Congress.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Okay. So a member of Congress.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: I'm really talking about both of them really.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah, a member of Congress told you they weren't going to run again because of where this was going?

REP. JOHN ROGERS: It's not Congress but the House, a lot of the House members.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Okay. I'm just trying to figure out which House.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Everybody cover, hey, they got -- Congress got two House map. Hey, if I was [INDISCERNIBLE 01:26:29], I'd run too. With this deal here, they guarantee to win. I mean, because of the fact that I agree we're going to have to start going to [INDISCERNIBLE 01:26:43] country store. We're going to do that this time. In fact, I talked to some people who are basically are Republican, but they're liberal Republican, they talk. We got to get them to realize that we're all in the ballgame together. It's not me against you or you against me. But I think we can do a lot of recruits so to speak. But if we shared the map -- this congressional map a little bit, a little tweaking here and there, we could have a good district. We can get probably a 55, 54 district out of this map beside you're still having the settlement we got, we could have eight congressmen in Washington.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: We can't have eight congressmen.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Because we're getting two black, we can get a black district and we can get an influence district. You keep that.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Mr. Rogers, let me explain this. We can't decide how many members of Congress we have. They apportioned it and they gave us seven seats. We can't just tell them, "No, we think we're going to draw eight."

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Hey, we could get seven, but out of that seven, we could have a black district [INDISCERNIBLE 01:28:05] black district and an influence district out of the seven. Now that could have -- but you would have -- you had 6th coming as one of those numbers down like 81% down, we would have 81%, you would have 81% district. You could spread that out [INDISCERNIBLE 01:28:25]. And so that way, it'll be a much fair representation and we've drawn that map several times. As a matter of fact, one of the maps you going to get submitted going to have two plans to it. They got two, but you can still have one, they can have two. I mean, we can go back -- like where there were a lot of Democrats who speak to other Republican Party. They still basically have not run again. They just switch and just run at a party, so they can run again but they'd run as a more liberal Republican, whatever if there is such liberal Republican. Therefore, we would have a better chance at getting an influence district. Otherwise,

you can't have a majority of black district, but you'd be a district where you got influence. They both not totally Republican and we can draw that. I mean, I got those maps they drew from two years ago where we sit on floor because we didn't have no computer. We draw them there. When they first had the first congressional black district.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Then what year was that? Was it 1990?

REP. JOHN ROGERS: That was that two years ago.

MR. SPEAKER: And the gentleman's time.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: No, it was longer than that. It was 1990.

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Hey, I could show it to you.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:29:52]

REP. JOHN ROGERS: Yeah, but we could've had two winners here. Thank you.

MR. SPEAKER: And the chair thanks the gentleman. All right. Chair now will recognize the lady from Madison, Representative Hall.

[01:30:08]

Representative Hall in the chamber. All right members I thank Mr. Chairman. Hold on, they're checking the restroom to make sure we didn't miss anybody.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Ms. Hall, I thought Ms. Hall was coming. I'm not going to deny Ms. Hall the ability to ask me questions.

MR. SPEAKER: Well, I wouldn't want to do that either. Okay, all right. Well, let's go ahead. I think we're ready for the question, Mr. Chairman.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Mr. Speaker, I move to pass this as House Bill 1.

MR. SPEAKER: All right, the question before us is going to be passage of House Bill No. 1. If you're in favor of this bill, your vote will be "Aye." If you're opposed, your vote is "No." Clerk will unlock the machine and the members will vote. Final passage of House Bill 1.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. SPEAKER: All the members voted?

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. SPEAKER: All the members had an opportunity to vote. All right. Clerk will unlock the machine and record the vote. There are 65 yeas, 38 nays, 0 abstention and House Bill 1 is passed. All right, members, we'll move to -- the first bill. Now Mr. Clerk, let's go to the next bill on the calendar.

MR. CLERK: On Page 1 of the calendar, House Bill No. 2 by Representative Pringle relating to reapportionment and re-districting of the Alabama House of Representatives.

MR. SPEAKER: Chairman Pringle, you're recognized.

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Thank you, ladies and gentlemen. Can I get me a second to reload here?

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: They all should be up there. The House maps are supposed to be up there. Ladies and gentlemen, there are supposed to be House maps here in the chamber for the House plan and I'm going to need somebody to bring me a copy of the House -- the big copy of the House plan.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: I need a big map for my House plan. They never sent it up me.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: Yeah.

MR. SPEAKER: They have it down there?

REP. CHRIS PRINGLE: They should. But I need the existing and I need the substitute.

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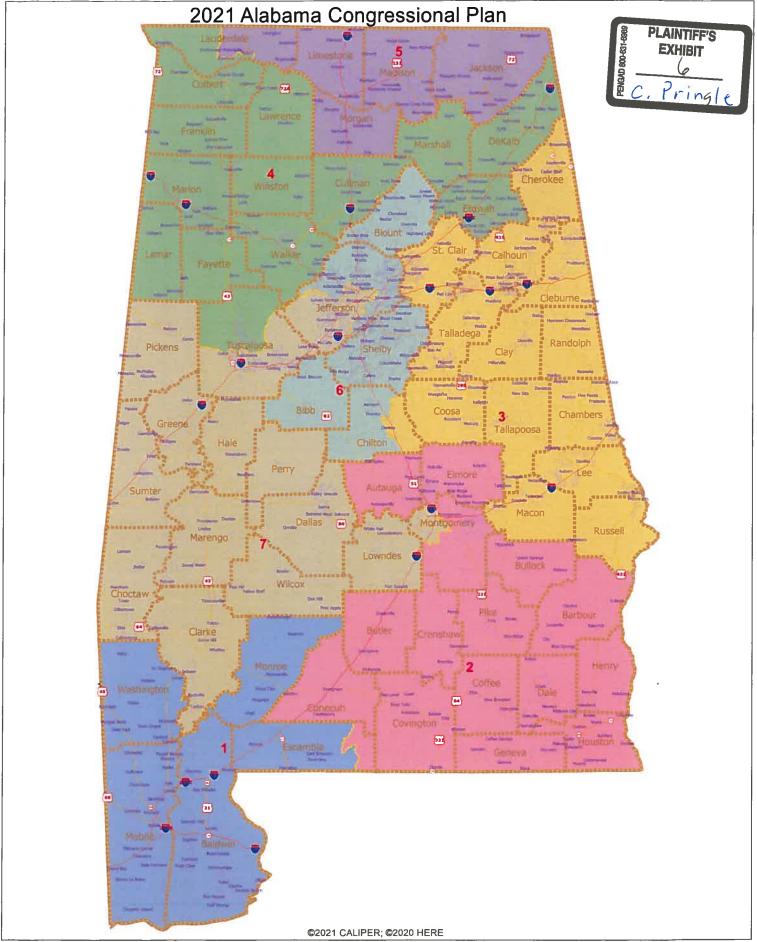
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2	JIM DAVIS		l	Birmingham, Alabama, and a Notary Public for the
3	Assistant Attorney General		3	State of Alabama at Large, acting as commissioner,
4	Office of the Attorney General		4	certify that on this date, pursuant to the Federal
5	501 Washington Avenue		5	Rules of Civil Procedure and the foregoing
6	Montgomery, Alabama 36130		6	stipulation of counsel, there came before me on
7	jim.davis@alabamaag.gov		7	December 17, 2021, JAMES McCLENDON, witness in the
8			8	above cause, for oral examination, whereupon the
9 FOR T	THE DEFENDANTS JAMES McCLENDON & JAMES		9	following proceedings were had:
10 McCLE	ENDON:		10	* * * *
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12	Attorney at Law		12	beginning of the deposition of Jim McClendon in the
13	Balch & Bingham		l	matter of Evan Milligan, et al., versus John H.
14	105 Tallapoosa Street, Ste. 200		l	Merrill, et al., Civil Case Number 2:21-CV-01530-AMM
15	Montgomery, Alabama 36104		ı	filed in the United States District Court for the
16	dwalker@balch.com		1	Northern District of Alabama. The date is December
17	analist souton. com		ı	17, 2021. The time is 1:57 p.m.
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			ı	state your names and whom you represent.
20	Paige Ali, Videographer		20	MR. DAVIS: Jim Davis, Alabama Attorney
21			l	General's Office, for Secretary of State John
22			l	Merrill.
23			23	MR. WALKER: Dorman Walker, Balch &
24			l	Bingham, for Senator Jim McClendon.
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2 the question. Yes, Katherine?	2 affect your ability to understand the questions that
3 MS. SADASIVAN: Yes.	3 I ask or provide answers to those questions?
4 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are off the	4 A. No.
5 record. The time is 1:59 p.m.	5 Q. Do you have any condition that would
6 (Recess was taken.)	6 affect your ability to understand the questions that
7 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the	7 I ask and provide answers to the questions?
8 record. The time is 2:04 p.m.	8 A. No.
9 EXAMINATION BY MS. SADASIVAN:	9 Q. Do you understand that today's
10 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. McClendon. My name	10 deposition is being conducted via web
11 is Kathryn Sadasivan and I work for the NAACP Legal	11 videoconference?
12 Defense & Educational Fund. I represent the	12 A. Yes.
13 plaintiffs in this case, Milligan versus Merrill.	13 Q. Do you understand that a court reporter
14 Thank you for making yourself available for today's	14 is transcribing this deposition, meaning that they
15 deposition.	15 are writing down everything that you, your counsel,
16 Do you understand that you're here today	16 and I say today?
17 because you've been served with a notice of	17 A. Yes.
18 deposition and you are a defendant in Milligan	18 Q. It's important that all of your answers
19 versus Merrill in your official capacity as cochair	19 are verbal. This will allow the court reporter to
20 of the Alabama permanent legislative committee on	20 record our statements. The court reporter won't be
21 reapportionment?	21 able to record gestures or nodding. Do you
22 A. I do.	22 understand?
23 Q. Before going any further, can you please	23 A. I do.
24 state and spell your name for the record?	24 Q. Likewise, it's important that we don't
25 A. James H. McClendon, M-c-C-L-E-N-D-O-N. Page	25 speak over one another. I will wait until you
1 Q. And your first name, as well, please.	1 finish your answer, and I ask that you please wait
2 A. J-A-M-E-S.	2 until I finish my question before answering. Do you
3 Q. Have you ever been deposed before?	3 understand?
4 A. Yes.	4 A. I do.
5 Q. When?	5 Q. If you don't understand a question that
6 A. Roughly ten years ago during	6 I ask, please just let me know, and I'll rephrase
7 redistricting last time.	7 it. If at any point you recall additional
8 Q. And what was your role in the	8 information that is responsive to a question that I
9 litigation?	9 asked you earlier, please let me know, and I will
10 A. I was house chairman of redistricting at	10 allow you to clarify the record. Do you understand?
11 that time.	11 A. I do.
12 Q. Were you a defendant?	12 Q. Please do not guess or assume when
13 A. Yes.	13 answering. Be sure to state only that which you
14 Q. Were you have you been involved in	14 know to be true based on your personal knowledge.
15 any other cases?	15 Will you do that?
16 A. Any? No.	16 A. Yes.
17 Q. You are sworn and under oath. Do you	17 Q. You may hear your attorney, Mr. Walker,
18 understand that for purposes of my questioning, you	18 object to a question from time to time. His
18 understand that for purposes of my questioning, you 19 must testify truthfully and as completely as	1
	19 objections are being made for the record, and you
20 possible as though we were before a judge in a	20 are still required to answer my question unless you
21 courtroom?	21 are instructed by your attorney not to answer. Do
22 A. Yes.	22 you understand?
23 Q. Is there any reason you cannot give	23 A. I'm not sure about that. Maybe say it
24 truthful and complete testimony today?	24 again. Let me hear you say that one more time.
25 A. No. Page 1	25 Q. You may hear your attorney object to a Page 12

1 question from time to time throughout this	1	A. Correct. Yes, it is.
2 deposition. Those objections are made largely for	2	MR. WALKER: Kathryn, can I ask that
3 the record. And you understand you are still	3	this personal information be redacted with anything
4 required to respond to my question unless you are	4	you file with the court?
5 instructed by your attorney not to?	5	Q. Do you have any other phone numbers?
6 A. Okay.	6	A. Well, I do have a phone in my office in
7 Q. Do you understand that?	7	the Alabama state house, but I'm not sure what the
8 A. I've got it.	8	number is.
9 Q. Is that a yes?	9	Q. Do you have an email account?
10 A. Yes.	10	
11 Q. Thank you.	11	
12 Since we're conducting this deposition	12	•
13 remotely and we're not together in the same room, I		jimmcc@windstream.net. My senate email is
14 ask that you please keep your cell phone off unless	l	jim.mcclendon@alsenate.gov.
	l	
15 we are on a break. Can you do that?	15	
16 A. I understand.		accounts?
17 Q. Please don't refer to any documents or	17	
18 other materials during our conversation today. Will	18	
19 you do that?	19	
20 A. Did you say don't refer to any materials	20	
21 or documents today? Is that what you said?	21	A. No Twitter.
22 Q. Do you have any documents with you?	22	Q. And where were you born?
23 A. I do not.	23	A. Mobile, Alabama.
24 MR. WALKER: Oh, did you mean don't look	24	Q. And where did you go to high school?
25 at any documents? Page 13	25	A. Springville, Alabama. Page 15
1 Q. Do you have any if you don't have any	1	Q. Where did you go to college?
2 documents with you, please don't look at any	l	A. My undergraduate degree is from
3 documents other than those that I will give you. Do		Birmingham Southern College in Birmingham, and my
4 you understand that?	l	doctorate is from the University of Houston,
5 A. I do.	l	Houston, Texas.
6 Q. Thank you. Sorry for all the	'	Q. And what is your doctorate in?
	l	
7 preparatory language.	l	
8 Finally, if you need a break at any	l	Q. And what courses did you take at
9 time, please just let me know. If there's a	l	Birmingham Southern?
10 question pending, I just ask that you answer that	10	
11 question before going on a break. Do you	11	
12 understand?	12	
13 A. I do.	l	courses required to maintain my optometry license.
14 Q. Thank you.	14	Q. So you are an optometrist?
15 I'm going to ask you some background	15	A. Correct. Yes, I am.
16 questions to get to know you a little bit better.	16	Q. Have you are you married?
17 What is your date of birth?	17	A. I am.
18 A. 1-10-43.	18	Q. How long have you been married?
19 Q. That's January 10, 1943?	19	A. 26 years.
20 A. Correct.	20	Q. Congratulations.
21 Q. What's your address?	21	Do you have kids?
22 A. 361 Jones Road, Springville, Alabama.	22	A. I do.
23 Q. And your telephone number?	23	Q. How many?
	l	
24 A. (205)999-8096.	24	A. One Chila.
24 A. (205)999-8096. 25 Q. Is that a mobile phone number?	24	

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1 A.	She is 50.	l	Q. Did you review any documents?
2 Q.	And what does she do for a living?	2	A. Yes.
3 A.	A school teacher.	3	Q. Which documents?
4 Q.	In Alabama?	4	A. There were two. Actually, I can't say I
5 A.	Yes.	5	reviewed them. I looked at the cover. One of them
6 Q.	Where?	6	had to do with the notes the bullet points we
7 A.	In the Jefferson County system.	7	used on the floor, in my case on the floor of the
8 Q.	And where do you work?	8	senate.
9 A.	I'm a I'm retired from optometry.	9	And the other one I can't even
10 Q.	So you are not employed currently?	10	remember what the other one was. But I gave them
11 A.	As an optometrist, no, I am not.	11	back to my attorney. I didn't take them home and
12 Q.	Are you employed anywhere currently?	12	read them or study them.
13 A.	Only as an Alabama senator.	13	Q. So I am going to try to drop in the chat
14 Q.	So you're working as an Alabama senator?	14	a document that I'll ask the court reporter to mark
15 A.	Well, I am a senator, and we do work	15	as Exhibit 1. And I can show it on my screen, as
16 from time t	to time.	16	well.
17 Q.	Are you paid?	17	Is this the document that you reviewed
18 A.	Yes.	18	in advance of your deposition today? Let me share
19 Q.	Do you know why you're here today?	19	my screen.
20 A.	Yes.	20	Senator McClendon, is this the document
21 Q.	Why?	21	that you were referring to?
22 A.	A lawsuit concerning redistricting that	22	A. I really can't read that. I see talking
23 we just con	upleted in the Alabama legislature.	23	points okay. Scroll it up and let me see it.
24 Q.	Did you read the complaint in the case	24	Well, that looks similar. I don't know if that's
25 in which yo	ou're sitting for a deposition today?	25	exactly the same document. But that's sort of the
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1 A.	I didn't quite understand. Did you say	1	format that was used.
		2	format that was used. Q. I'll represent that this was produced in
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2	of a political party?	2	2 have ever served on?
3	A. Well, there was a prima	ary with 3	3 A. No. No. In the house, I served on
4	republican I don't think the repu	ublican party 4	4 several different committees over three terms. And,
5	endorsed any of the republican cand	idates. 5	5 of course, I served on redistricting, as well, ten
6	Q. You ran as a republican	n? 6	6 years ago and became and was house chair of
7	A. Yes, I did.	7	7 redistricting.
8	Q. Why did you run as a re	epublican? 8	8 Q. And when you say "redistricting," you
9	A. Why did I run as a rep	ublican? Is that 9	9 mean the permanent the Alabama legislative
10	what you said?	10	O committee on reapportionment?
111	Q. Yes, sir.	11	1 A. That's exactly what I mean.
12	A. Because I am a republic	can. 12	2 Q. Okay. So if I say redistricting for the
13	Q. What does it mean to be		3 reapportionment committee or if you say those
	A. I would say the first	- 1	4 things, you mean the permanent committee on
	mind would be "conservative." And		5 reapportionment?
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	Q. And when you say "socia	I	7 A. You know, there's a little difference in
	conservative," what do you mean?		8 there. During the interim years when there's not
	A. It has to do with police		9 redistricting activity going on, there is a
20	that are conservative in nature.	20	0 permanent redistricting committee composed of three
21	Q. And what is a policy the	hat is 21	1 members of the house and three of the senate.
22	conservative in nature?	22	2 And then as we approach the
23	A. I would say one of the	things that 23	3 redistricting time period where the activity goes
24	conservatives believe in is law and	order. 24	4 up, then then it converts over to 11 and 11 for
25	Q. Okay. So how long did	you serve in Page 25	5 the actual process. Page 27
1	house district 50?	1	1 Q. That makes sense. So it's the same
2	A. I served three four-year	ar terms. I went 2	2 committee, just getting bigger or larger or smaller
3	into office well, I went into of	fice in 2021. So 3	3 based on the time period?
4	three four-year terms.	4	4 A. Correct.
5	Q. And are you currently a	a member of the 5	5 Q. What was your role in Alabama's 2011
6	house of representatives?	6	
7			6 redistricting process?
	A. No. I'm a member of the	he Alabama senate. 7	6 redistricting process? 7 A. I was house chairman.
8	No. I'm a member of theQ. And when were you first		
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                                                             1 course, is the time schedule on when we can carry
 2 meetings? Or what is your role during those
                                                             2 out the duties and when we need to carry out the
 3 meetings?
                                                             3 duties. And then another thing has to do with
               MR. WALKER: I'll instruct you not to
                                                             4 making sure that we stay in compliance with the
 5 discuss anything that I may have told you or you may
                                                             5 courts and the law and recent court cases.
 6 have told me during those meetings.
                                                                            Who selected the attorney?
               Yes, ma'am. Do you mind me correcting
                                                                            MR. WALKER: At what time are you
                                                             8 talking about?
 8 you on a phrase?
                Actually, if you look at the law, there
                                                             9
                                                                            MS. SADASIVAN: In 2011.
10 is a house chair and a senate chair. They are not
                                                                            I do not know the answer to that.
                                                            10 A.
11 cochairs, although that seems to be a well-kept
                                                            11 Q.
                                                                            Did you have any involvement in the
12 secret. But now you know.
                                                            12 selection of the attorney --
13
               So now --
                                                            13 A.
                                                                            No.
14 Q.
               The secret is out.
                                                            14 Q.
                                                                            -- for the reapportionment committee?
               So as the house chair of the
                                                            15 A.
                                                                            No.
16 redistricting committee, what do you mean -- what
                                                            16 Q.
                                                                            Did you have any role in the selection
17 was your responsibility with respect to your
                                                            17 of the demographer as the house chair of the
18 meetings with the attorney and the meetings with the
                                                            18 reapportionment committee?
19 person who draws the map?
                                                            19 A.
                                                                            No.
               MR. WALKER: Same instruction.
                                                            20 0.
                                                                           Do you know who made the decision?
               THE WITNESS: Okay. Well, stop me if I
                                                            21 A.
                                                                            I do not.
22 go astray here.
                                                            22 0.
                                                                            How were you selected to serve as the
23
                                                            23 house chair of the reapportionment committee?
               MR. WALKER: Okay.
               Of course, probably the single most
24 A.
                                                            24 A.
                                                                            By the speaker of the house.
25 important role of the attorney is to help the
                                                            25 Actually --
                                                   Page 29
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1 elected members of this committee know what the law
                                                             1 0.
                                                                            Who was that?
 2 is and what -- and keep us up to date on recent
                                                             2 A.
                                                                            -- I was -- he selected me to be on the
 3 court cases so we can do our best to be in
                                                             3 committee. And then the house members on that
 4 compliance with what the law says and what the
                                                             4 committee elected the house chair.
                                                                           I see. So you were elected by the other
 5 courts have subsequently interpreted.
               So as the house chair of the
                                                             6 house members of the reapportionment committee to
 7 reapportionment committee, what were -- what was
                                                             7 serve as the house chair?
 8 your role in those meetings?
                                                             8 A.
                                                                            Correct.
               Well, I guess my role was to be there
                                                                            And who was the senate chair of the
                                                            10 reapportionment committee in 2011?
10 and to make sure that we stay -- are we -- I guess
11 we're talking generically here. We're not talking
                                                            11 A.
                                                                            Gerald Dial.
12 about 2011 or 2021. Are we just talking about being
                                                            12
                                                                            THE REPORTER: Gerald who?
13 a chair, a redistricting chair? Is that what the
                                                            13 A.
                                                                            D-I-A-L.
14 discussion is? Or are we talking about a certain
                                                                            And was the starting point -- what was
15 time period?
                                                            15 the starting point for drawing the congressional
16 0.
                                                            16 maps in 2011?
              So when I asked you what your
17 responsibilities were as house chair of the
                                                            17 A.
                                                                            The starting point would be the existing
18 reapportionment committee, you said, among other
                                                            18 lines.
19 things, you meet with the attorney, you meet with
                                                            19 Q.
                                                                            What existing lines?
20 the person who draws the map, meeting with the
                                                            20 A.
                                                                            The congressional lines that were
21 reapportionment committee. And I'm just asking what
                                                            21 current at that time.
22 you meant by that as your role.
                                                            22 0.
                                                                            And how did you go about deciding how to
               What was your role in those meetings
                                                            23 update those lines based on the census data in 2011?
                                                                            Actually, I didn't make those decisions.
24 with the attorney and with the drawer?
                                                            24 A.
               To discuss the -- one of the issues, of Page 30
                                                            25 Q.
                                                                            Who did?
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1	<u>-</u>	l	look at a map?
	the members of the congressional delegation. And,	l	A. Well, the map and the data was put
	of course, once we had the data, the population	3	before them at the committee meeting.
	numbers, then they knew if a district needed to have	l	Q. I'm dropping into the chat and I will
5	an increase or a decrease in population.	l	ask the court reporter to mark as McClendon Exhibit
6	Q. Did the legislature conduct public	6	2
7	hearings in the redistricting process?	7	MR. WALKER: Kathryn, what was Exhibit
8	A. Yes.	8	1? I'm sorry. Was that the talking points?
9	Q. Following the (inaudible.)	9	MS. SADASIVAN: Yes, sir.
10	A. What was the last thing you said?	10	MR. WALKER: Okay. Let me let me
11	Following?	11	I'm your secretary in this. So let me take care of
12	Q. The 2010 census.	12	it.
13	A. Yeah, the correct, we did have public	13	MS. SADASIVAN: Oh, thank you so much,
14	hearings.	14	Dorman. I'm sorry about that. I appreciate it.
15	Q. How many?	15	MR. WALKER: We're a full-service law
16	A. 22.	16	firm.
17	Q. And when did those hearings occur?	17	MS. WELBORN: I'm happy to play the
18	A. I just I do not remember. I don't	18	role.
19	remember those dates.	19	MR. WALKER: Well, I've got them spread
20	Q. How many meetings did the	20	out over here.
21	reapportionment committee hold in 2011?	21	
22	A. I can't tell you exactly. I don't know	22	(Plaintiff's Exhibit 1 was
23	the exact number. I don't I don't remember the	23	marked for identification.)
24	exact number.	24	
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2 Q. Do you recognize this document, Senator	2 "Accordingly."
3 McClendon?	3 A. Yeah, I see it.
4 A. Yes. It looks it looks familiar.	4 Well, that means the committee, the
5 Q. How do you recognize this document?	5 reapportionment committee, adopted the guidelines,
6 A. The first part of what you said was cut	6 had a vote and said that's our guidelines.
7 off. Say it again.	7 Q. Will you please go to page two and read
8 Q. How do you recognize this document?	8 under numeral III Voting Rights Act, and read the
9 A. How do I recognize it? I mainly	9 two paragraphs below it?
10 recognize it by the fact that it's reapportionment	10 A. "Districts shall be drawn in accordance
11 committee guidelines. And I recall going through	11 with the laws of the United States and the State of
12 that process and the adoption of those guidelines.	12 Alabama, including compliance with protections
13 Q. Do you know who drafted the document?	13 against the unwarranted retrogression or dilution of
14 A. Did I draft the document?	14 racial or ethnic minority voting strength. Nothing
15 Q. Do you know who drafted the 2011	15 in these guidelines shall be construed to require or
16 reapportionment	16 permit any districting policy or action that is
17 A. Do I know who drafted it. I think I	17 contrary to the U.S. Constitution or the Voting
18 have a good idea. But I can't say that I'm a	18 Rights Act."
19 hundred percent certain who drafted the document.	Number 2, "Redistricting plans are
20 So the answer to the question would be no.	20 subject to the preclearance process established in
21 Q. Who do you think drafted it?	21 Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act."
22 A. I imagine it was our attorney at the	22 Q. I'm sorry. I'll just have you read Page
23 time. But I'm just not sure about that.	23 4, Paragraph 2 and 3 under Plans Produced by
24 Q. Can you read please on Page 1 under May	24 Legislators. 2, 3, and 4. I apologize.
25 2011 the paragraph beginning with "Pursuant"?	25 A. 2, 3, and 4 under Roman numeral V. Is
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1 A. I see that.	1 that what you're asking for? It must be. That's
2 Q. Could you read it, please?	2 the only 2, 3, and 4 on the page.
3 A. To myself or to you?	3 "A proposed redistricting plan will be
4 Q. Out loud. Thank you.	4 public information upon its introduction as a bill
5 A. "Pursuant to the constitution of the	5 in the legislative process, or upon presentation for
6 United States and the Constitution of the State of	6 consideration by the reapportionment committee."
7 Alabama, the Alabama state legislature is required	7 "Access to the legislative
8 to review 2010 federal decennial census data	8 reapportionment office computer system, census
9 provided by the U.S. Bureau of the Census to	9 population data, and redistricting work maps will be
10 determine if it is necessary redistrict Alabama's	10 available to all members of the legislature upon
11 congressional, legislative, and state board of	11 request. Reapportionment office staff will provide
12 education districts because of population changes	12 technical assistance to all legislators who wish to
13 since the 2000 census.	13 develop proposals."
14 Accordingly, the following guidelines	Number 4, "In accordance with Rule 23 of
15 for congressional, legislative, and state board of	15 the joint rules of the Alabama legislature (2011)
16 education redistricting have been established by the	16 all amendments or revisions to the redistricting
17 legislature's permanent joint legislative committee	17 plans, following introduction as a bill, shall be
18 on reapportionment, (hereinafter referred to as the	18 drafted by the reapportionment office."
19 'reapportionment committee.')	19 Q. I'm going to ask you to quickly scan the
20 There you go.	20 lest of the guidelines and then let me know if you
21 Q. Thank you.	21 followed those guidelines in 2011.
22 In the paragraph that you just read	22 MR. WALKER: Objection to form. You may
23 where you said that the guidelines were established	23 answer the question.
24 by the committee, what does that mean?	24 A. Yes, ma'am, it's my belief that we
25 A. Okay. Let me find it.	25 followed the guidelines.
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1	Q. And how did you go about following the	1	A. To keep the what demographics?
2	guidelines in the map-drawing process?	2	Q. The racial demographics.
3	A. Well, you just read the guidelines and	3	A. Racial demographics. In 2011, you know,
4	try to stay and try to do what it says.	4	I don't know the answer to that.
5	Q. What action did you take to make sure	5	Q. Was it a primary goal to keep District 7
6	that the guidelines were followed?	6	the same black population as in 2001?
1	A. What action did I take to make sure they	1 7	A. I do not know the answer to that
1	were followed. I consulted with the attorney and	1	question.
1	with the person drawing the map to make sure that	1	Q. Did you consider race in drawing any of
1	they were following the rules that we had before us.	1	the districts in 2011?
1	Q. And how did you do that?	1	A. No.
1	A. I just looked them in the eye.	1	Q. Why was there only one district with a
1		1	
1	Q. You looked them in the eye and what?	1	majority black voting age population in 2011?
	A. And said, "Are we staying within the	14	
1	guidelines?" I'm not even sure I said that. We did	1	that question over?
1	we did talk about the importance of the	1	Q. Why was there only one district with a
17	guidelines. And it was understood everybody would	17	majority black voting age population in 2011?
18	use that as exactly what they're called, guidelines.	18	A. Well, I I don't need to speculate. I
19	Q. And so when you said you talked about	19	will say I do not know why.
20	the guidelines and that they were important, were	20	Q. What is Section 5 of the Voting Rights
21	you explaining the guidelines to the demographer?	21	Act?
22	A. I was not explaining them, no. We would	22	A. Section 5 has to do with racial
23	talk about them from time to time. But it was just	23	injustice or racial problems when it comes to
24	so well known that we followed the guidelines.	24	elections. And it provides some solutions to that.
25	That's what we did. That's our job.		Or remedy, I should say.
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1	Q. Do you know if anyone else talked to the	1	Q. What is a racial problem?
1	person the attorney or to the map drawer about	1	A. What is a racial problem? Are you
1	the guidelines?	1	asking for an example or something? I don't quite
	A. Do I know? No, I do not.	1	I don't understand your question, what is a
1	Q. How many congressional redistricting	1	racial problem.
6	plans were considered by the reapportionment	1	Q. I'm asking you what you meant by your
7	committee in 2011?	7	statement. Do you want your court reporter to read
8	A. I don't recall.	8	your answer about what Section 5 is back?
9	Q. How did the reapportionment committee	9	A. To make sure that every every group,
10	decide on which Alabama congressional map to	10	subgroup, race had a fair opportunity to express
11	introduce?	11	themselves at the polls.
12	A. We took the map that the members of the	12	Q. And why did Section 5 apply to Alabama?
13	congressional delegation had proved to be	13	THE REPORTER: I'm sorry. What?
14	satisfied with.	14	Q. Why did Section 5 apply to Alabama?
15	Q. That was the starting point in the 2001	15	A. You know, I could I could guess at
16	map?	16	that. But I don't want to do that. So I'll say I
17	A. Yes.	17	don't know.
18	Q. Was the goal in drafting to make sure	18	Q. You don't know why Section 5 applied to
19	the congressional districts remained roughly the	19	Alabama?
1	same as in 2001?	1	A. Like I said, I could guess at it. But I
1	A. One of the goals is that we keep the	1	don't want to do that. So I don't know.
		1	Q. And I'm just asking you don't know why
1	core of the districts recognizable, or we attempt to		
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22	do that.	23	Section 5 applied to Alabama?
22 23 24	<pre>do that. Q. Was it a primary goal to keep the same</pre>	23 24	Section 5 applied to Alabama? A. Correct.
22 23 24	do that.	23 24 25	Section 5 applied to Alabama?

1 under Section 5 of the VRA. What involvement did	1 and then the number after it is SOS 001929. And
2 you have in obtaining justice department	2 this is what the document looks like.
3 preclearance of a proposed congressional plan in	3 MR. WALKER: Can you describe it,
4 2011?	4 please?
5 A. None.	5 THE WITNESS: Look up here.
6 Q. Did you have any role in proposing	6 MR. WALKER: Oh, that. Okay. We've got
7 judicial preclearance of the 2021 map?	7 it.
8 A. Did I have any I'm really having a	8
9 time understanding you. Did I have any okay.	9 (Plaintiff's Exhibit 3 was
10 Say that say that again, please, ma'am.	10 marked for identification.)
11 Q. Did you have any role in proposing	
12 judicial preclearance in the redistricting process	12 Q. Do you recognize this document, Senator
13 in 2011?	13 McClendon?
14 A. No.	14 A. No.
15 Q. Did you introduce any proposed	15 Q. I will represent to you that this is a
16 redistricting plans for the Alabama congressional	16 news article produced by the secretary of state, a
17 delegation in 2011?	17 defendant in this case. In it, Brian Lyman is
18 A. I do not recall if the bill started in	18 discussing a plan put forward by Mr. Buskey which
19 the house or in the senate. I don't know. So I	19 would have created two majority minority districts.
20 can't answer the question.	
_ ·	20 And in this article, you were quoted as 21 saying on Page 2, the second paragraph on Page 2,
21 Q. Did you introduce any redistricting	22 as saying. The Buskey plan would lead to
22 bills in the 2011 legislative session?	
23 A. Any redistricting bill. So we've gone	23 "retrogression," or a retreat from minority
24 outside of congressional.	24 population benchmarks set by the department of
25 Yes, I'm sure I introduced the house	25 justice. Under the Voting Rights Act, the DOJ must
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2 look through the article, and then I'll ask you some	2 MR. DAVIS: Are we breaking now?
3 questions again.	3 MS. SADASIVAN: No. I'm sorry. I asked
4 MR. WALKER: Kathryn, we've been going	4 a question.
5 for about an hour, and I need to step out for a	5 MR. DAVIS: And he answered it.
6 second. Would you mind if we took a five-minute	6 Q. You don't recall seeing two majority
7 break?	7 minority districts in the Alabama congressional plan
8 MS. SADASIVAN: If you don't mind, we'll	8 in 2011?
9 just finish this question after Senator McClendon	9 A. I do not recall it.
10 has a chance to look at it. And then after that, we	10 Q. Okay. Thank you so much.
11 can take a break.	11 MR. SADASIVAN: We can take a break now.
12 MR. WALKER: Certainly. No problem.	12 MR. WALKER: Thank you.
13 MS. SADASIVAN: Thank you so much,	13 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are off the
14 Dorman.	14 record. The time is 3:09 p.m.
15 A. I'm ready when you are.	15 (Recess was taken.)
16 Q. Do you have any reason to believe that	16 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
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18 A. Now, what did you	18 Q. Senator McClendon, I just want to
19 MR. WALKER: Which quote?	19 clarify really quickly Exhibit 3. You stated that
20 A. Yeah. My question is what quote are you	20 you don't remember being interviewed for that
21 talking about?	21 article, right?
22 Q. On Page 2 of the exhibit I just shared	22 A. I do not.
23 with you beginning with Rep Jim McClendon,	23 Q. And you don't remember saying anything
24 R-Springville, who carried the plan in the house.	24 about retrogression?
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	reapportionment committee in 2021?	l	continuum of setting the schedule and seeing when
3		l	things would work out, how things in what order
4		l	things needed to unfold in order to get the job done
	senate chair?	l	in a timely manner.
6		l	Q. And other than you and the map drawer
1	chair, to confer with the attorney and the map	'	and the attorney, who else was involved in that
	drawer, to help try to set the schedule of events as	l	decision-making?
1	they were going to unfold.	l	-
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1	· ·	10	Q. Anybody else? A. No.
	attorney and map drawer, I'm not asking for		
	attorney-client information. But generally as	12	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	senate chair, what responsibilities did conferring	l	Pringle, and the map drawer determined when you
1	with the attorney and map drawer entail?	l	would begin the public hearings or the
15	· •	l	reapportionment committee meetings?
1	trying to decide when we could actually get started	16	
1	on the process. And we spent a little bit of time	l	staff, had some input into it. Although the public
1	wondering when we were going to get the data. We	l	hearings, we gave we gave a time frame to the
1	spent a lot of time wondering when we were going to	l	community the community college system. The
1	get the data. And we shared some speculation about	l	chancellor loaned us one of his personnel to help us
1	when it would show up. So we did the timing of the	l	coordinate those public hearings. And so he's the
1	and sequence of events is one of the things	l	one that actually set up the dates, locations, and
1	initially that we talked about.	l	times for the public hearings.
24		24	I think we told him we wanted to get
25	the map drawer, you were trying to reach decisions Page 53	25	this done the first couple of weeks in September. Page 55
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1 to ask the governor to call a special session.		o it.
2 Q. And were other members of the	2	So we sort of had to work on that before
3 reapportionment committee besides House Chair		e actually announced it. And I don't know the
4 Pringle involved in that decision?		inal date that we came out with it.
5 A. No.	5 Q.	. And that's Representative Laura Hall?
6 Q. When did you start planning for the 2021	6 A.	. Yes.
7 redistricting process?	7 Q.	. And there was no deadline to decide on
8 A. We probably started thinking about it a	8 pu	ublic hearings?
9 year and a half ahead of time or more, two years	9 A.	. Well, there was a deadline. June 30th.
10 maybe ahead of time.	10 Q.	. Who set the deadline?
11 Q. And what were the first steps that you	11 A.	. But on June I think it was June 29th,
12 took to prepare for the redistricting process?	12 we	e received communication from her. So we sort of
13 A. The first thing that I personally tried	13 sc	crapped the deadline in order to the comply with
14 to figure out was what the timeline was going to be.	14 he	er request.
15 And, of course, that proved to be futile because of	15 Q.	. Is there a time to determine public
16 the delay in receiving the data and another delay	16 he	earings set by law in Alabama?
17 and another delay.	17 A.	. Ask that again, now.
18 Q. When was your first meeting on	18 Q.	. Is there any law governing public
19 redistricting in 2021?	19 re	edistricting hearings in Alabama?
20 A. You know, I don't know the date.	20 A.	. Not to my knowledge.
21 Q. Do you know who it was with?	21 Q.	. Was there any committee deadline or a
22 A. Are you talking about the redistricting		ommittee rather a committee rule setting a
23 committee? Or who are what kind of meeting are		eadline to determine public hearings?
24 you talking about?	24 A.	
25 Q. I'm talking about a meeting between you,	25 Q.	
Page 57	23 Q.	Page 59
1 Senator McClendon, and any other person about	1 de	etermining the time, location, and manner of public
2 redistricting in 2021.	2 he	earings?
3 A. Okay. I don't know the answer to that	3 A.	. I think the staff, in conjunction with a
4 question.	4 re	epresentative from the community system, said we
5 Q. What role did you play in setting the	E fo	3 . 3 . 3
6 schedule of the public hearings on redistricting?	1 2 16	eel like we can get it done by this date, and
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2 the chat again, I know you all can't see it. So	2 MR. WALKER: No. Meetings.
3 I will share my screen.	3 A. Oh, meetings. I can think of two
4 But I would ask the court reporter to	4 meetings that we had. I don't know if there was a
5 mark it as McClendon Exhibit 4. It is a document	5 third or not.
6 that says 2021 Legislative Reapportionment Public	6 Q. What were the dates of those meetings?
7 Hearings Final.	7 A. I'm thinking the first one was during
8 Do you have that before you, Senator	8 the legislative session, probably the very toward
9 McClendon?	9 the very end of the regular session, which would
10 MR. WALKER: Give me just a second.	10 have put it in May. We did it because we had you
11	11 know, everybody was in town.
12 (Plaintiff's Exhibit 4 was	12 And then the next meeting that I am
13 marked for identification.)	13 thinking about was held just prior to the special
14	14 session that was called for consideration of the
15 MR. WALKER: Is this it? Is that what	15 bills, the redistricting bills.
16 she's showing?	16 MS. SADASIVAN: So I am going to drop in
17 THE WITNESS: That looks like it. It's	17 the chat an exhibit that I'll ask the court reporter
18 hard to tell. It does look similar to it.	18 to mark as McClendon Exhibit 4. I'm going to pull
19 MS. WELBORN: That's it.	19 it up on my screen and share my screen with you so
20 A. Does yours start off with Drake State in	20 you can see it.
21 the upper left?	21 MR. WALKER: I think this is five.
22 Q. Yes, sir.	22 MS. SADASIVAN: I'm sorry. Five. Thank
23 A. Okay. Then we probably have I	23 you.
24 probably have that document before me, yes.	24 Q. Can you see my screen?
25 Q. And can you look through that document	25 A. Reapportionment Committee Redistricting
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                                                             1 southerner, so I talk quickly, and I'm probably
 2 you comply with these policies in the 2021
                                                             2 using too many adjectives.
 3 redistricting process as senate chair of the
                                                                           I was asking you what is required to
 4 reapportionment committee?
                                                             4 determine whether a map complies with the Voting
               I did.
 6 Q.
               Section II f states, "Districts shall be
                                                                            Well, it's -- I would say it's a legal
 7 drawn in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of
                                                             7 opinion first to be familiar with the Voting Rights
8 1965, as amended. A redistricting plan shall have
                                                             8 Act and subsequent cases, and then to be able to
 9 neither the purpose nor the effect of diluting
                                                             9 compare what we have produced, what's in front of
10 minority voting strength, and shall comply with
                                                            10 us, with the knowledge of the requirement of the
11 Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the United
                                                            11 Constitution and the Voting Rights Act.
12 States Constitution."
                                                            12 0.
                                                                           And when did you compare what was
               How did you go about complying with
                                                            13 produced by your demographer with the requirements
14 Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act?
                                                            14 of the Voting Rights Act?
               MR. WALKER: Are you -- may I ask,
                                                                           I think probably every time we talked,
                                                            16 this was part of it. It came up in the conversation
16 Kathryn, are you talking about for the congressional
17 plan?
                                                            17 as we went through the map-drawing process. And
                MS. SADASIVAN: I'm asking -- he said
                                                            18 both the attorney and the map drawer would be quick
19 Senator McClendon tried to comply with these
                                                            19 to say that could -- that particular line moved over
20 guidelines as senate chair of the redistricting
                                                            20 there could be a problem, and we need to look at it.
21 committee. I'm asking how in general did Senator
                                                                            And when you say "could be a problem,"
                                                            22 you mean could be a problem under the Voting Rights
22 McClendon, as senate chair of the reapportionment
23 committee, go about ensuring compliance with this
                                                            23 Act?
24 particular policy.
                                                            24 A.
                                                                            Yes.
                                                                           And what was your understanding of what
25 A.
               Well, subsequent to us adopting these
                                                            25 0.
                                                   Page 65
1 guidelines, then I was dependent on the attorney,
                                                             1 was required to comply with the Voting Rights Act?
 2 Dorman Walker, and the map drawer during the
                                                                            Well, as far as what's in the Voting
 3 process, once they started actually putting lines
                                                             3 Rights Act, I couldn't quote it. But that's why I
 4 down on paper, to stay inside those guidelines.
                                                             4 have an attorney.
               So your role was overseeing the
                                                                            How many times did you have a
 6 map-drawing process to ensure that it complied with
                                                             6 conversation where the map drawer said if you move
                                                             7 this line, you could have a problem under the Voting
 7 the quidelines?
                One of my goals was to be in compliance
                                                             8 Rights Act?
 9 with the Voting Rights Act of 1965. That was one of
                                                             9 A.
                                                                           I can say I heard that several times.
10 my jobs. And, of course --
                                                            10 Q.
                                                                           And who did you hear that from?
               It was your job to ensure compliance
                                                                            I heard it both from the attorney and
                                                            11 A.
12 with the Voting Rights Act of 1965?
                                                            12 the map drawer, not necessarily at the same time.
13 A.
                                                            13 Q.
                                                                            You were --
14 0.
               And how did you go about doing that?
                                                            14 A.
                                                                            Pardon?
15 A.
               Well, I counted on these experts that
                                                            15 0.
                                                                            You were advised several times by your
                                                            16 attorney and by the map drawer that the way that a
16 were working for me and working for the committee to
17 follow those guidelines and be familiar with the
                                                            17 particular line was drawn could violate the Voting
18 court cases and with the law and with the rulings.
                                                            18 Rights Act?
               And what is required to determine if a
                                                            19 A.
                                                                            Or the way a line was proposed to go.
20 map complies with Section 2 of the Voting Rights
                                                            20 That was their job.
21 Act?
                                                            21 Q.
                                                                           And did that occur with respect to the
               Say that again. Once again -- something
                                                            22 congressional map?
23 about the audio. It could be me. But go ahead and
                                                            23 A.
                                                                            Not to my knowledge. Because I was not
24 try it again.
                                                            24 involved in drawing the congressional map.
25 Q.
               It's probably me. I'm also a
                                                            25 Q.
                                                                            Who was involved in drawing the
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1	congressional map?	l	communities of interest, communities that have a
1	A. The map drawer met with the	l	particularly common political interest, keep them
1	congressional delegation or their representative	l	together, keep them in the same whatever it is,
1	sometimes in person, sometimes virtually like this,	l	house direct, congressional district, BOE district,
1	and really worked this out with the members of the	l	if possible.
1	congressional delegation.	l	Q. You said "common political interests."
1	Q. Were the members of the congressional	l	Is that your definition of community of interest?
1	delegation responsible for ensuring that map	8	A. There's a there's a definition right
9	complied with the Voting Rights Act?	9	here in whatever this is on Line 30. Line 30
10	A. That's a good question. I don't know	10	through 32 is a definition of communities of
11	the answer to that question.	11	interest.
12	Q. Were you responsible for ensuring that	12	Q. So you just mentioned a common political
13	the congressional map complied with the Voting	13	interest, and I was wondering if that was part of
14	Rights Act?	14	your definition of communities of interest.
15	A. Yes. I would say that was one of my	15	A. Oh, that's just one that's just one
16	responsibilities.	16	part of it, one part one way you could have a
17	Q. In the conversations that you had	17	community of interest. There's a lot of different
18	regarding potential violations of the Voting Rights	18	ways you can have a community of interest.
19	Act, did you or anyone else discuss racial	19	Q. What do you consider to be communities
20	polarization analysis?	20	of interest in Alabama?
21	A. No. No.	21	A. There are there's not a community of
22	Q. Do you know what the basis for in	22	interest in Alabama. There are many communities of
23	these conversations when you heard there might be a	23	interest.
24	potential Voting Rights Act violation, do you know	24	Q. Such as?
25	what that was based upon?	25	A. Well, a city. A city is a community of
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1	there's a lower socioeconomic income level across	l	the Alabama special legislative session began on
1	the black belt. There's probably there may be	3	redistricting?
4	that would probably be the main thing.	4	A. Correct.
5	Q. Do you consider the black belt a	5	Q. And that was the second meeting in your
6	community of interest?	6	memory of the reapportionment committee?
7	A. No, not necessarily, because it's	7	A. That is I believe that is correct,
8	multiple counties, multiple communities.	8	yes.
9	Q. Going back to your testimony earlier	9	Q. Were there other meetings of the
10	about maintaining the core of districts. Does	10	reapportionment committee outside of those two to
11	maintaining the core of the existing congressional	11	draw the map that we're discussing today?
12	districts require consideration of racial data?	12	A. No, not of the not of the committee.
13	A. Say that again and slow down again. I'm	13	Not a regular committee meeting, no.
14	not listening very fast today.	14	Q. What about a subset of the committee?
15	Q. I'm sorry. I'm speaking quickly. And I	15	A. What about what?
16	like that term, "listening fast."	16	MS. WELBORN: A subset.
17	So what I asked was you testified	17	Q. Were there other meetings of a subset of
18	earlier that you were maintaining or attempting	18	the committee?
19	to maintain the core of exhibiting districts in the	19	A. No.
20	congressional map. And I'm asking whether that	20	Q. What was the agenda for your October
21	requires the consideration of racial data.	21	26th meeting, reapportionment committee meeting?
1	A. Well, we don't no. We don't we	22	
1	don't use racial data except after the fact.	l	October 26th? That was meeting number two?
1	Q. After what fact do you use racial data?	24	A goal for that committee was to select
1	A. After the lines are drawn. Page 73	l	the bills, the maps, that would be introduced to the Page 75
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1 Q. I'll let you quickly scan it's quite	1 one of the committee members.
2 a long document. I'll let you just scan through it.	2 Q. Who?
3 And if you wouldn't mind just letting me know if	3 A. It might have been Representative
4 this looks familiar to you.	4 England. I think that's who it was. I'm not a
5 A. Well, I've glanced through it. It looks	5 hundred percent sure. I think he had a good bit to
6 familiar. But it's really	6 say about it.
7 Q. Okay. Again, I'll represent to you that	7 Q. And why did what was your
8 it's a transcript of the October 26, 2021, meeting	8 understanding of why Representative England was
9 of the reapportionment committee, as you likely	9 concerned about racially polarized voting?
10 remember. And as you can see from the transcript, a	10 A. I didn't have an understanding of why he
11 considerable portion of the meeting was about racial	11 was concerned. He just let it be known that he was
12 polarization analysis.	12 concerned.
13 What is your understanding of racial	13 Q. Did anyone else express concerns about
14 polarization in voting?	14 racially polarized voting?
15 A. In this case, this this is an	15 A. I don't remember.
16 additional evaluation or test of the data to any	16 Q. What was the conversation?
17 place it's suspicious that there could be racial	17 A. I don't know. If we've got the
18 discrimination. It's an extra test tacked on to	18 transcript, we can take a look at it.
19 what we normally do to see if, in fact, we are in or	19 I think there was someone that may have
20 out of compliance with the Voting Rights Act and our	20 even suggested we should have evaluated all 140
21 own guidelines and the court cases.	21 races for this. I don't remember who that was.
22 Q. And what would give rise to suspicious	22 Q. So if you wouldn't mind turning to Page
23 racial discrimination that would require a racial	23 17 of McClendon Exhibit 5.
24 polarization analysis?	24 MS. WELBORN: I think it's Exhibit 6.
25 A. What would what would make you think	25 Q. Exhibit 6. I apologize.
Page 77	Page 79
1 that that's an issue? Is that what you're asking,	1 A. I'm on Page 17. Yep, Smitherman.
2 that racial discrimination is an issue?	2 Q. All right. So you'll see that
3 I guess, you know, the first thing I	3 Representative Laura Hall asked you about a racially
4 would say is if we had an incumbent minority person	4 polarized voting study done.
5 and there was such a change in the composition of	5 Can you read where it says Senator
6 the voters in that district, that that that	6 McClendon beginning with "Because"?
7 district may no longer have have less of a chance	7 A. "Because of the black age voting
8 of having a minority representative. That would be	8 population in Congressional District 7, there was
9 I think that would be a red flag.	9 not one needed because it was over 54 percent black
10 Q. So a suspicious racial issue would be if	10 voting age population."
11 a minority representative were no longer able to win	11 Q. And then will you also read what
12 an election in their district?	12 Representative Hall said in response?
13 A. Or threatened if they yeah. Roughly	13 A. "So you're saying that we don't have a
14 what you said. I don't exactly agree word for word.	14 black we don't have a polarization, racially
15 But yeah, that's the idea.	15 polarization study?"
16 Q. What is your understanding of why RPV	16 Q. And then please read your response.
17 and when I say RPV, I mean racially polarized	17 A. "None. Because the voting age" well,
18 voting. What is your understanding of why RPV was	18 I suspect that's a transcript error. "What is it?
19 discussed in the October 26th meeting?	19 I got it right here."
20 A. Wait a minute. I missed one word I	20 "Because the voting age is 54." Don't
21 didn't understand. Why is it what in the meeting?	21 you think that's the VAP, 54, instead of the voting
22 MS. WELBORN: Discussed.	22 age?
23 A. "Discussed," is that the word you used?	23 Q. And then I'm sorry. Can you please
24 Q. Yes, sir.	24 just read it as it is on the transcript, what
25 A. Oh, okay. Well, it was brought up by Page 78	25 Representative Hall said after that beginning with Page 80

1 "And"? 2 A. "And you use District 7 as the basis for 3 not having such a study done?" 4 Q. And then please read your response. 5 A. The black vote "The black VAP of the 6 district is sufficient to where you don't need a 7 study done." 7 Q. Who makes the decision to undertake an 9 RPV analysis? 10 A. The attorney. 11 Q. If you asked the attorney to undertake 12 an RPV analysis, what would happen? 13 A. We would discuss whether, in his 14 opinion, the issue was actually there or not and 15 needed to be decided and further information 16 gathered on the outside. I mean, his job is not 17 just to jump. 18 Q. If you asked Mr. Walker to conduct an 19 RPV analysis, would one be conducted? 20 A. First, I don't think I would not ask 21 Mr. Walker to do something. I would ask Mr. Walker, 21 expression, as well.	you could would know orked ought nswer to for an RPV ertaken? ble that he Walker. orthwhile ion that if he
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22 "What is your opinion? Do we need to do this or 22 Q. And did you ask Mr. Walker to	undertake
23 not?" That's how it works. 23 an RPV analysis after the October 26th meet.	ing?
24 Q. I understand. And if you asked him to 24 A. We may have talked about it.	But I
25 undertake a racial polarization analysis, would one Page 81	Page 83
1 be undertaken? 1 Q. How much did Alabama's populat.	
2 A. You know, that's a hypothetical. And 2 between 2011 and 2021?	
3 I'm not going to do a hypothetical. 3 A. I believe it increased about 5	percent.
4 Q. Do you have the power, as senate chair 4 I think it went from 4.88 to a little over	_
5 of the reapportionment committee, to ensure that the 5 million, 5,020,000 or something like that.	
6 individuals, the attorney, and the map drawer, for 6 Q. In this redistricting cycle, we	as
7 example, comply with the Voting Rights Act? 7 District 7 over or underpopulated?	
8 A. Well, yes. That's their responsibility. 8 A. I think it was under. Yes, I'm	m sure it
9 Q. And if you decided that you needed a 9 was under.	
10 racially polarized voting study done, could you 10 Q. I'm going to go back to McClene	don
11 insist that they undertake one?	
12 A. Well, once again, you're doing something 12 Page 19.	2 ==
13 hypothetical. I depend on Mr. Walker for his legal 13 And if you could look at the se	econd
14 opinion and his experience. He's got many more 14 paragraph on the page after Representative 15	
15 years of experience than I do. 15 said, "It would appear that District 7 would	=
16 And what I most likely do with him is 16 like that would need to be done," referring	
17 say, "Dorman, what do you think about this? Do we 17 RPV analysis.	
18 need to do this or not? Does it make any sense?" 18 He goes on, "So it appears to a	me that if
19 Q. Senator McClendon, I understand that 19 we're doing this in the logical way, that D.	
	ce a
21 of your attorneys. 21 certain percentage."	
22 What I'm asking you is if you have the 22 And he asks, "And what is the	l.m.o.
23 power to insist, as senate chair of the 23 relationship between the 54 percent that you	
24 reapportionment committee, that a racially polarized 24 citing and the actual results or potential:	
25 voting study be undertaken? 25 of a racial polarization study? What is the Page 82	e Page 84

1 relationship between the two?"	1 What did you mean by that?
2 A. Let me	2 A. What I meant by that was it didn't look
3 Would you read your response?	3 like it was that a minority congresswoman was at
4 A. I'm sorry. I thought you were done. Go	4 risk. If she wanted to be elected again and
5 ahead.	5 apparently she does there was nothing to suggest
6 Q. Would you please read your response?	6 it was close enough to think there was a threat to
7 A. Let me read this sentence you just read.	7 her reelection.
8 So I would like to request that the study be done on	8 Q. And how is that related to the black
9 District 7. And what is the relationship between	9 voting age population in District 7 at 54 percent?
10 the 54 percent that you're citing and a racial	10 A. Well, most of the voters are a minority.
11 polarization study? What is the relationship?	11 Q. And so you were assuming that black
12 My response is, "I got no clue."	12 voters would vote for a black representative?
13 Q. Does this seem like an accurate	13 A. That's pretty a pretty safe bet here
14 representation of your conversation in the meeting,	14 in Alabama.
15 the October 26 reapportionment committee meeting?	15 Q. And where did the 54 percent number come
16 A. I think it's fairly accurate. I've	16 from?
17 certainly found some errors in here. But it's	17 A. Those those numbers are generated by
18 probably close enough.	18 the software when the district is drawn. But they
19 Q. And do you still have no clue what the	19 are generated after the district is drawn.
20 relationship between the 54 percent number that you	20 Q. Did you talk to Representative Sewell
21 cited earlier as not a threshold by which you would	21 about the black voting age population in her
22 consider an RPV analysis and the actual or potential	22 district?
23 results of a racial polarization analysis?	23 A. No, I did not.
24 A. Okay. Give me break that up. That	24 Q. Did you talk to Representative Sewell
25 was a couple of questions. Give me the first one.	25 about the congressional map?
Page 85	Page 87
1 Q. It's just one question, but it's long.	1 A. No, I did not.
2 I'm asking you if you still have no clue	2 Q. How do you know that Representative
3 with respect to the question that Representative	3 Sewell was okay with the district, as you suggested,
4 England asked you and that you just read?	4 based on the BVAP?
5 A. Here here's the issue.	5 A. I was told that by the map drawer who
6 Representative England apparently was targeting that	6 interviewed Representative Sewell I think once in
7 number of 54 percent of BVAP as if it were some sort	7 person and once virtually. Or it may have been a
8 of threshold of do or die.	8 staff person. But they were okay with the district.
9 And even the courts, to my knowledge,	9 Q. So you wanted to ensure that the BVAP in
10 have never come up with a number that says you've	10 districts with a minority candidate representing
11 got to have this percent or you can't go below this	11 them was not too low?
12 percent. It's never happened.	12 A. Correct.
3 So when somebody picks out a number of	13 Q. Did you take any steps to ensure that
14 54 percents and says that's good or bad, well,	14 the BVAP in any district was not too high?
15 Congresswoman Sewell was happy with it. And she's	15 A. Not to my knowledge.
16 probably got a whole lot more information on her	16 Q. Who drew the maps for you in 2021?
17 electability in her own district than I have.	17 A. Randy Hinaman.
18 Q. So I'm just going to point you back to	18 Q. What is Randy Hinaman's role in the
19 Page 17 of the transcript of your October 26th	19 redistricting process?
20 meeting of the reapportionment committee where	20 A. He's the map drawer.
21 before Representative England brought that up, you	21 Q. When did you first meet with Mr. Hinaman
22 had said, "Because of the black voting age	22 about the redistricting cycle in 2021?
23 population in Congressional District 7, there was	23 A. In the spring of 2021, I guess. I
24 not one needed," referring to an RPV analysis,	24 don't I don't remember an exact date.
25 because it was over 54 percent BVAP. Page 86	25 Q. Who did you meet with Mr. Hinaman with?
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1 +	A. I don't remember who was there.	1	BVAP of around 54 percent?
2	Q. What was discussed?	2	A. I was told that in any of the districts
3	A. Pardon me? What was what?	3	that were drawn that needed this additional
4	Q. What did what did you all discuss?	4	analysis, it had been requested.
5	A. I would just guess. And I would say we	5	Q. Can you repeat your answer, please?
6	probably discussed when are we going to see the data	6	A. I was told that any of the districts
7	so we can go to work.	7	that needed additional analysis, that that analysis
8	Q. Did you provide any instructions to	8	had been requested.
9	Mr. Hinaman in the spring of 2021?	9	Q. And were you told which districts
10	A. No.	10	required analysis?
11	Q. Why not?	11	A. No.
12	A. He was he was more experienced than	12	Q. Did you know any criteria for which
13	me.	13	districts required an analysis?
14	Q. Did you provide Mr. Hinaman with any	14	A. I did not know the criteria.
15	materials throughout any of the process of him	15	Q. When did you determine that your plan
16	drawing the 2021 Alabama maps?	16	didn't violate the Voting Rights Act?
17	A. No.	17	A. Well, sometime sometime prior to
18	Q. Why?	18	submitting it to the redistricting committee for
19	A. There was no need to.	19	consideration. That was like part of the process,
20	Q. Why was there no need to?	20	to make sure we were in compliance before
21	A. Well, he was the map drawer. He knew	21	introducing it for consideration for the other
22	his job.	22	committee members.
23	Q. Where was his job description?	23	Q. And when did you submit the
24	A. Where was his job description?	24	congressional redistricting bill for consideration
25	Q. Defined.	25	by the reapportionment committee?
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2	A. I tried to get the first, we handled	2	Q. Let me just scroll down.
3	the senate handled the senate and the BOE map	3	I guess my question was initially and
4	first. And so I wanted my information in place in	4	I'm seeing on Page 27 there's the beginning of a
5	my hand that I would present to the standing	5	discussion between Senator McClendon and Senator
1	committee and ultimately to the senate floor. So my	6	Singleton.
1	preparation was to have my bullet points convenient	7	But I had first asked, Senator
1	before those meetings.	8	McClendon, if you could look through the transcript
1	Q. Did you review any maps of two majority	l	and see if it generally appears accurate of the
1	black districts in 2021?	l	senate floor debate on November 3, 2021, in the
1	A. No.	l	Alabama senate. I will represent to you that it's
	Q. Did you have the opportunity to vote on	l	the transcript from the video that we received.
1	any two majority black congressional district plans	l	A. And I'll accept that, that it is a
1	in 2021?		transcript of the senate floor.
15	MR. WALKER: Did you say have the	15	
1	opportunity to vote?	l	a map introduced by Senator Singleton and Senator
17	MS. SADASIVAN: Yes.	'	Hatcher. Can you
18	MR. WALKER: Okay.	l	A. What page is that on?
1	A. There may I don't and I'm not	'	Q. I believe the motion is the
1	certain. But I think one was introduced on the	'	substitute was offered by Senator Hatcher on Page
	senate floor. But I'm not sure.	l	39.
1	Q. You think that a bill creating two	l	A. Okay.
1		l	Q. And Senator McClendon moved it for an up
1	majority minority districts was introduced on the senate floor?	l	· ·
1		l	or down vote on Page 40, and then votes against it
25	MR. WALKER: May. Page 93	25	on Page 41. Do you see that? Page 95
1	A. May have been introduced on the senate	1	A. Okay. Yeah, I do. I do.
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2 Q. And why did you vote nay?		2 5:00 p.m.
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3 A. I think the blatant problem w 4 was that no minority candidate had a major	_	A. Most all of them did. I guess there's one exception to that. And that would have been the
5 district. He had	· ·	·
		5 meeting at the state house in Montgomery.
6 Q. And when you say a minority c		5 Q. How many public hearings were held at
7 had a majority district, what do you mean?		7 the same time as another public hearing?
8 A. I think he drew two districts	- I '	A. Zero.
9 called opportunity districts. But no mino	- I '	Q. In other words, how many public hearings
10 candidate had a majority of the voters in) overlapped with another one of the public hearings?
11 those districts.		A. Zero.
12 Q. With respect to Senator Hatch		2 Q. No public hearings occurred at the same
13 you said you voted against it because two		B time as another public hearing?
14 were paired?		A. Correct.
15 A. I think that is I think th		5 Q. And when did you finalize the times of
16 correct.		5 the public hearings?
17 Q. And what is in terms of yo		7 A. It would have been sometime in July,
18 understanding of the law, what is a more i		early July. Actually, it was done twice. The first
19 criteria for a map proposed by the Alabama	19	time, it was targeted to be completed by June 30th.
20 legislature? Compliance with federal law	and the 20	And then we added six more, and that just tacked
21 Voting Rights Act or ensuring incumbents a	re not 21	them on the end. So it was in the early part of
22 paired?	22	2 July.
23 A. You're asking me to say what'	s most 23	3 Q. So you added six more why?
24 important among those three or what takes	precedent? 24	A. Representative Hall requested it.
25 Is that what your question is?		Q. How did she request additional hearings?
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1 MR. WALKER: She's turned it back a page	1 A. But I cannot discuss what he said to me.
2 or two.	2 Q. You stated earlier that the time and
3 Q. So if you look on Page 12 of the exhibit	3 manner of the public hearings is not governing by
4 that Mr. Walker handed you, it's marked at the	4 Alabama law, correct?
5 bottom with Bates number RC 045712.	5 A. Not to my knowledge.
6 A. 712. Okay. I've got 712. What page?	6 Q. So when Representative Hall asked for
7 Q. 045712. It's page 12 of that PDF.	7 other times for the public hearings, was there any
8 A. 712. I've got Page 1.	8 legal constraints to the times that you could select
9 Q. Do you recognize on Page I guess the	9 for the public hearings?
10 page that we just landed on, did you recognize the	10 A. Not to my knowledge.
11 document that you're looking at, Mr. McClendon?	11 Q. Why did you not change the times of the
12 A. Yes. Well, I have it in front of me.	12 public hearings based on this email?
13 Let me look at it.	13 A. That was being we used our staff and
14 Yes, I've seen this before.	14 we used our liaison from the community college
15 Q. Where have you seen it before?	15 system to contact the local community colleges and
16 A. I probably I probably received a copy	16 locations and to see what would work out for
17 of it, of the email.	17 everybody involved. And that's how it came about.
18 Q. What is this that you're looking at?	18 MS. SADASIVAN: I think that's all the
19 A. This is Representative Hall, I guess.	19 questions I have. The Singleton and the Caster
20 Yes. This is when she made a request for additional	20 plaintiffs may have questions.
21 meetings. And she sent that to the staff office and	21 MR. OSHER: I have a few questions.
22 they forward a copy to me.	22 Jim, if you want to go first for Singleton, you're
23 Q. So in her email that we're looking at	23 more than welcome to. He might not be on.
24 right now, Representative Hall says, "During the May	Okay. Senator, give me one moment, sir.
25 5th committee meeting, members agreed to hearing Page 101	25 Page 103
1 locations that would not require constituents to	1 EXAMINATION BY MR. OSHER:
2 travel more than one county. However, the proposed	2 Q. Senator McClendon, can you hear me?
3 location map will require interested parties to	3 A. I can hear you very well.
4 travel significant distances to participate."	4 Q. Oh, well that's a surprise. That never
5 Going down, it says, "While it may not	5 happens. Thank you for your time today. I just
6 be feasible for all committee members to attend	6 have a few questions.
7 every public hearing, the proposed schedule requires	7 I believe am I correct that you were
8 members to 'pick and choose' hearings and will not	8 in the room when Representative Pringle was taking
9 have the full benefit of the public hearing	9 his deposition?
10 testimony and discussion of any alternative maps	10 A. You are correct.
11 introduced."	11 Q. Or I should say was having his
12 On the second page on the following	12 deposition taken.
13 page, which is Bates number RC 045713,	13 And so I assume that you heard the
14 Representative Hall says, "In addition, the timing	14 questions that I asked him. Is that correct?
15 of each hearing is unsatisfactory. Hearings held	15 A. That is correct.
16 during working days cannot be viewed objectively as	16 Q. I'm just going to ask you the same
17 providing the opportunity for public input."	17 questions.
18 How did you respond to Representative	18 How long have you been serving in the
19 Hall's concerns about the timing of the public	19 Alabama legislature?
20 hearings?	20 A. 19 years.
21 A. I think I called my attorney and	21 Q. 19 years. And have you been a member of
22 basically said, "How do you want to handle this?	22 the republican party that whole time?
23 What do you think we need to do?" And	23 A. Well, I've always run as a republican.
24 MR. WALKER: Do not discuss what I said	24 And I believe I've been a dues-paying member of the
25 to you.	25 county republican group that whole time.
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And have you -- have you always been a
                                                             1 Q.
                                                                            Thank you. I appreciate it. A few
 2 member of the republican party?
                                                             2 more.
               Well, "always been" goes back a long
                                                                            Based on your 19 years in the Alabama
 4 way. I think I've been a member of the republican
                                                             4 legislature, do the views of the members of the
 5 party as long as I've been a candidate or an elected
                                                             5 democratic party in Alabama generally differ from
 6 official.
                                                             6 the members of the republican party in Alabama when
 7 0.
                                                             7 it comes to the issue of affirmative action?
               And how long does that date back until
 8 in the -- in the past?
                                                                           And we'll get back to the discussion you
                2001.
                                                             9 had earlier on affirmative action. I'm not even
                                                            10 exactly sure of a definition of affirmative action.
                Okay. Based your 19 years serving in
11 the legislature, in your view, do the views of the
                                                            11 I remember hearing that term some years ago. But it
                                                            12 hasn't been around in a while. So I'm real hesitant
12 members of the democratic party in Alabama generally
13 differ from the members of the republican party in
                                                            13 about answering that guestion.
14 Alabama when it comes to the issue of removing
                                                                            One other thing I would like to point
                                                            14
15 confederate monuments from public spaces?
                                                            15 out. You're talking about members of the democratic
                You know, I think if you make that broad
                                                            16 party, members of the republican party, right?
17\, and say generally, I think I can agree with that
                                                            17 That's who you're asking me about.
18 statement. There -- there are definitely
                                                            18
                                                                            Well, I don't attend any of the
19 exceptions. But I think with the "general" in
                                                            19 democratic party meetings. Now, I know a lot of
20 there, I can say I generally agree with your
                                                            20 democrats that are in the legislature. So I'm more
21 statement.
                                                            21 likely to have a feeling for a democratic rather
22 0.
              So the answer to my question was yes?
                                                            22 than a member of the democratic party. Do you
23 A.
                                                            23 understand what I'm saving?
               Yes.
24
               MR. WALKER: Objection to form. He
                                                            24 0.
                                                                            So let me ask you this: In your 19
25 answered that he can generally agree.
                                                            25 years serving in the -- in the Alabama legislature,
                                                  Page 105
                                                             1 have you worked with your democratic party -- your
               My question was do the members of the
2 democratic party, generally do their views generally
                                                             2 democratic party colleagues on issues related to
 3 -- I should start over.
                                                             3 pending legislation?
               Do the views of the members of the
 5 democratic party generally differ from the views of
                                                                            And have you worked with republican
                                                             6 members of the Alabama legislature on pending
 6 the members of the republican party in Alabama
 7 generally when it comes to removal of confederate
                                                             7 legislation and other issues?
 8 monuments in public spaces?
                                                             8 A.
                                                                           And in that time, have you gained a
               I think I can agree with that.
10 Q.
               You think you can agree? Can you give
                                                            10 general view of what the democratic party in Alabama
                                                            11 supports and what the republican party in Alabama
11 me a yes or no answer on that question?
               MR. DAVIS: Objection, asked and
12
                                                            12 supports?
                                                            13 A.
13 answered.
                                                                            Yes.
                                                                            Okay. So you -- in terms of affirmative
               THE WITNESS: So objection, what does
15 that mean for me?
                                                            15 action, let's define affirmative action as giving
                                                            16 preference to individual -- considering individual
               MR. WALKER: That means you don't
16
17 answer.
                                                            17 race when making certain decisions about admission
18 0.
               Well, it doesn't mean you don't answer.
                                                            18 to programs or access to benefits.
19 I believe that's a form objection.
                                                            19
                                                                            Using that definition, based on your
               MR. WALKER: Excuse me. Forgive me.
                                                            20 experience in the legislature, do the views of the
21 You're right. Sorry, Dan.
                                                            21 democratic party in Alabama generally differ from
               MR. OSHER: That's okay.
                                                            22 the members -- the views of the members of the
22
23 Q.
               Senator, if you wouldn't mind answering
                                                            23 republican party in Alabama?
24 the question.
                                                                            I really don't have an opinion on that.
25 A.
                Yes.
                                                            25 And the reason is the issue simply has not come up,
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1 it's not in front of me, and I have no experience 1	MD DAVIC: Any guartians from the
	MR. DAVIS: Any questions from the
	ton plaintiffs?
3 that issue. So I can't speak for something that	I've got just a couple.
4 hasn't happened. 4 EXAMIN	ATION BY MR. DAVIS:
5 Q. Sure. 5 Q.	Hello, Senator.
6 Based of your experience in the Alabama 6 A.	Hello.
7 legislature, do the views of members of the 7 Q.	Jim Davis representing Secretary
8 democratic party in Alabama generally differ from 8 Merril	1.
9 the members of the republican party in Alabama when 9	Senator, how many members are there of
10 it comes to criminal justice reform?	abama senate?
11 A. Okay. And your question is they have 11 A.	35.
12 disparate or different views? Republicans have 12 Q.	And do they all have a vote on
13 different views from democrats on criminal justice 13 legisl	ation?
14 reform? That's your question, correct?	Yes, they do.
15 Q. As a general matter, correct. 15 Q.	Does that include redistricting
16 A. As a general matter, I agree with that 16 litiga	tion?
17 statement. 17 A.	That is correct.
18 Q. And based on your experience in the 18 Q.	Excuse me. I said "litigation." I
	legislation.
20 democratic party in Alabama differ from the views of 20 A.	Legislation.
21 the members of the republican party in Alabama when 21 Q.	Do all senators' votes count the same?
22 it comes to whether there is a significant amount of 22 A.	Yes.
23 discrimination against black residents of the state 23 Q.	Do you know why any other member of the
	a senate voted for or against a redistricting
25 A. Once again, I need to take a party Page 109 25 plan?	Page 111
1 business out. I see the party as these two 1 A.	No. That's an individual decision.
2 organizations. These people I know claim to be 2 Q.	And how many members are there of the
3 democrats. Some of them claim to be republicans. 3 Alabam	a house of representatives?
4 Whether they belong to are active in a party or 4 A.	105.
5 not, I have no idea. 5 Q.	And they all have votes on legislation?
6 Now let's go back to the heart of your 6 A.	They certainly do.
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1 consideration of race?
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 2 A.
                That is correct.
                                                                2 JEFFERSON COUNTY )
                To the best of your knowledge, was that,
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 4 in fact, how it was done?
                                                                                  I hereby certify that the above
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                That is exactly how it was done.
                                                                5 proceedings were taken down by me and transcribed by
                MR. DAVIS: Thank you, Senator.
 6
                                                                6 me using computer-aided transcription and that the
 7 A.
                                                                7 above is a true and correct transcript of said
                You're welcome.
                MR. WALKER: Do we have anything
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                                                                8 proceedings taken down by me and transcribed by me.
9 further?
                                                                                  I further certify that I am neither of
                MS. SADASIVAN: Nothing from the
                                                               10 kin nor of counsel to any of the parties nor in
10
11 Milligan plaintiffs. Thank you, Senator, for your
                                                               11 anywise financially interested in the result of this
12 time and sitting for the deposition. I appreciate
                                                               12 case.
13 it.
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                 MR. OSHER: Nothing from the Caster
                                                               14 licensed by the Alabama Board of Court Reporting as
14
15 plaintiffs. Thank you all.
                                                               15 a Certified Court Reporter as evidenced by the ACCR
                MR. WALKER: Kathryn, I need to get to
                                                               16 number following my name found below.
17 you, in addition to my privilege log, the final
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                                                                                  So certified on December 17, 2021.
18 statement of -- you know, the sheet where I state
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19 the request for production and then I state
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20 underneath the documents. Can I get that to you on
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21 Monday? You've got all the documents. I just need
                                                               21
22 to give you the sheet that says which ones refer to
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                                                                                    LeAnn Maroney, Commissioner
ACCR# 134, Expires 9/30/25
505 North 20th Street, Suite 1250
Birmingham, AL 35203
23 which of your requests.
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                 THE REPORTER: Are we on the record?
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                 MS. WELBORN: Can we go off the record
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1 now?
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                 MR. WALKER: Yeah, sure.
                THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This ends the
 4 deposition of Jim McClendon. The time is now
 5 5:12 p.m.
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                (DEPOSITION ENDED AT 5:12 P.M.)
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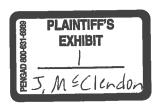
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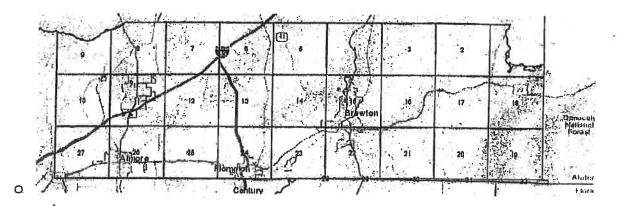
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TALK POINTS FOR LIKELY ISSUES, No. 1

- The Barry Moore Congressional Plan
 - o Sen. Will Barfoot (SD25, Crenshaw, Elmore, and Montgomery) and Rep. Mike Holmes (HD31, Elmore) are sponsoring an alternative Congressional Plan for Congressman Barry Moore.
 - o This plan, called "The Preferred Congressional Plan for Alabama," originally differs from the Committee' plan in several respects, but Rep. Holmes will offer an improved version called the "Holmes Congressional Plan 1," that is identical to the Committee's plan except that takes a county split that the Committee's plan has in Moore's district, CD2, and transfers it to Terri Sewell's district, CD7.
 - o In the Committee's plan, Moore has a sliver of east Escambia County populated by 739 people. In Moore's plan, that county split is moved to Monroe County, where it gives Sewell an additional 739 voters.
 - Under the Committee's plan, Moore has 2 county splits and Sewell has
 Under Moore's plan, he has only 1 county split and Sewell has 4 –
 more than any other Member of Congress.
 - o Moore's only stated argument for relocating the split is that with Escambia County, his district has the most counties of all districts donna: 16. The unstated argument, of course, is that Sewell is a Democrat and too bad if she gets dumped on.
 - o The problem, of course, is that Sewell is not only a Democrat, she's Black, and this may look like race discrimination to a federal court. In fact, the number of splits in Terri Sewell's district was the first



- objection brought up by Black Committee members when the Reapportion Committee met Tuesday.
- o Bill Harris, Moore's District Director explained why Moore did not want the Escambia County split: it's an additional county that Moore has to service and each additional county takes more work for Moore and his staff, and he already has 15 counties. But this same argument works for Sewell. Each new county split is more work for her, no less than Moore, and she already has 3 splits. No other Member has more than 2.
- o Also, the part of Escambia County given to Moore has no incorporated cities, and a great deal of it is in the Conecuh National Forest:



- o The burden of representing this sparsely populated, unorganized area of Escambia County is a light one. There is no civic group or city council, etc., that has to be courted.
- o There's no doubt that adding another county split to Sewell's district especially if done in committee or on the floor will be argued as racially discriminatory by plaintinffs attacking the Moore Plan if the Legislature adopts it in favor of the Committee Plan.

o We can't say if that claim will be successful. It depends in large part on how skillfully it is argued, but clearly, if the Legislature adopts the Moore Plan instead of the Committee Plan, it puts an unnecessary lighting rod on CD7 that is sure to draw attention from the three-judge court or the Supreme Court, and will give them one more reason to see the plan as racially biased. Should that happen, we'll be having a special session to correct the plan, and possibly new elections.

TALK POINTS FOR LIKELY ISSUES, No. 3

- The League of Women Voter's Plan
- The League of Women Voter's Plan is a whole-county plan. It does not split any county. But it has a lot of problems.
- The plan puts two incumbents in the same district, CD3. Rep. Mike Rogers lives in Calhoun County, and Rep. Gary Palmer lives in Shelby County. Both counties are in CD3. This violates section II(j)((i), which says: "Contest between incumbent swill be avoided whenever possible."
- Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act requires the Legislature to draw a majority-Black district when it's possible to do so, generally speaking, and the Reapportionment Committee's Congressional Plan demonstrates that it's possible to draw one. In the Committee's plan, CD7 is majority Black and has a strong Black Voting Age Population, or "BVAP" of 54.___% The LWV's plan has no majority-Black district. Instead, it has only two districts CD6 and CD7 with high BVAPs compared to the other Congressional Districts. Thus the LWV Plan violates Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.
- CD6 consists of 4 whole counties: Jefferson, Bibb, Hale, and Perry. Terri Sewell lives in this district. The BVAP for CD6 is 40.44%, which is well below a majority.
- CD7 is made up of 18 counties: Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Clarke, Conecuh, Crenshaw, Dallas, Greene, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Monroe, Montgomery, Pickens, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Washington, and Wilcox. Eighteen counties is far more than any other districts has.
 - o CD1 has only 4,

- o CD2 has 12,
- o CD3 has 11,
- o CD4 has 12,
- o CD 5 has 6, and, as I've mentioned,
- o CD 6 has only 4.
- o The BVAP for CD7 is only 45.82% better than CD6 but still less than a majority. And unlike CD6, in which Representative Terri Sewell resides, there is no incumbent in CD7. It seems unlikely that a Black Democrat candidate without the strength of incumbency will carry a district that is only 45.82% BVAP. It seems more than likely that CD7 is not a Black district at all.
- CD7 violates the race-neutral criteria in the Reapportionment Committee's Redistricting Guidelines in several ways:
 - o Guideline II(h) says: "Districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact geography." CD7 is contiguous, but it is not reasonably compact. It starts in Tuscaloosa and executes a huge curve south and then east, ending in Macon and Bullock Counties, just short of the Georgia line.
 - o Guideline II(j)(iv) says: "The Legislature shall try to minimize the number of counties in each district." It's apparent that no attempt was made to minimize the number of counties in CD7. To the contrary, the LWV maximized the number of counties in CD7 in order to get as many Black persons in the districts as possible.

- o Guideline II(j)(iv) says: "The Legislature shall try to preserve the cores of existing districts." CD 7 as drawn by the LWV does not do that. Existing CD7 has 10 whole counties and 4 split counties. The LWV plan adds to CD7 7 completely new counties Bullock, Butler, Conecuh, Crenshaw, Macon, Monroe, and Washington and removes 3 counties Hale, Jefferson, which is the population core of the existing CD7, and Perry. So, the LWV's CD7 does not preserve the core of the existing CD7.
- o The LWV Plan does not preserve the core of existing CD2. At present, CD 2 has 14 whole counties and part of another, Montgomery. The whole counties are: Autauga, Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Crenshaw, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington, Dale, Elmore, Geneva, Henry, Houston, and Pike. The LWV's proposed CD2 loses 7 of these counties Autauga, Bullock, Butler, Crenshaw, Conecuh, Elmore, and Montgomery. It retains only 7 of its current counties Barbour, Covington, Coffee, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, and Pike. And it picks up an additional 5 completely new counties Chambers, Elmore, Lee, Russell, and Tallapoosa. The LWV's CD2 does not preserve the core of the existing district.
- o The LWV plan also does not preserve the core of CD3. Presently, CD 3 has 11 whole counties Calhoun, Chambers, Clay, Cleburne, Lee, Macon, Randolph, Russell, St. Clair, Talladega, and Tallapoosa and parts of two other counties Cherokee and Montgomery. But as drawn by the LVW, CD# has 11 whole counties, of which only 6 are in the present CD6. These are Calhoun, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne, Randolph, and Talladega. CD 3 gains 5 entirely new counties Autauga, Chilton, Coosa, Etowah, and Shelby, and loses 7 that it currently includes Lee, Chambers, Macon, Montgomery, Russell,

St. Clair, and Tallapoosa. The LWV's CD3 does not preserve the core of the existing district.

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- CD6 and CD7 are both racial gerrymanders. A district is racially gerrymandered when a substantial number of people have been included in it, or excluded from it, because of race. There is no way these districts were drawn race-blind. In fact, CD6 and CD7 are drawn as they are because of race. Not only that, but in order to draw these districts, as we've just seen the LWV trampled on or subordinated the Legislature's race-neutral criteria.
- Drawing districts to have a Black population majority might be OK if it were done in order to comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and there were a strong basis in evidence to support it. But the Voting Rights Act does not apply to districts like CD6 and CD7 that are below 50% BVAP. CD6 and CD7 are not majority-Black districts; they are what are called "influence districts," and the Voting Rights Act does not apply to them. It necessarily follow that CD6 and CD7 violate the Equal Protection Clause, because they classify voters by race without a compelling state interest in doing so.
- The LWV Plan violates the Guidelines, and the law, in another way. Guideline II(b) says: "Congressional districts shall have minimal population deviation." The Committee's plan complies with this requirement. Six of the Committee's Congressional Districts has the same population, and the other Congressional District has one additional person. But instead of minimal deviation, the LWV Plan has a total deviation of 2.47%. That would be OK if it were any type of plan except a Congressional plan, but Congressional plans must have zero deviation. 2.47% is well in excess of what the Guidelines and Supreme Court case law allow: This deviation will not pass muster in federal court.

The LWV is aware of the problem caused by their plan's excessive total deviation. And they will make the argument that this excessive total deviation is allowed by a case the Supreme Court decided in 2012 called Tennant v. Jefferson County [West Virginia] Commission. The Tarrant case is very specific to the facts the Court was considering in that case, and that case does not apply to Alabama. The LWV argues in the complaint they filed in federal court that their plan's excessive total deviation "can be justified as a remedy of the racial gerrymander preserved in the 2011 plan and by Alabama's historic policy of preserving whole counties." This is just an argument, and it's one that have not been tested in federal court. We believe it's wrong, and that in Alabama, congressional plan must have minimal deviation.

TALK POINTS FOR LIKELY ISSUES, No. 4

- The Faulkner Congressional District Plan No. 1
 - o The Faulkner Congressional Plan No. 1 changes the Committee's Plan in Jefferson County only.
 - o The Faulkner Plan takes Homewood out of CD7, which is represented by Terri Sewell, and put it in CD6, represented by Gary Palmer.
 - o If this plan is passed, it will be sued as violating the Voting Right Act. In response to such a lawsuit, the State might argue that taking Homewood from CD7 and putting it in CD6 is politically motivated, but there is a strong possibility that a court would the change view it as racially motivated. If so, it's a fair conclusion that the court would find that the reassignment of Homewood was a race-conscious change made without the necessary "strong basis in evidence." This would lead to a holding that the plan violates the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause.
 - o In addition, the Faulkner Plan increases CD7's BVAP from 54.22% to 57.58%. This increase in Black BVAP is likely to draw an allegation that more Black residents have been put into CD7 than are necessary, which is called "packing," and which violates the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause.

The Jabo Waggoner Substitute Plan

Q: Why was it OK to have Homewood in CD6 and the Centerpoint precincts in CD7 in 2010 but now it's not OK?

A: Two factors are involved. First, in three cases after the 2010 Census, the Supreme Court required that districts be drawn race-blind, and so the Congressional Plan was. Second, there was a need to add 53,000+ people to CD7, and most of them had to come from Jefferson County, given that many of the other counties in CD7 lost population under the 2020 Census. Together, these factors led to the inclusion of population-dense Homewood into CD7. In addition, it was necessary to give the CD7 incursion into Jefferson County more of an East-West shape, rather than a North South shape, in order to prevent claims that this part of Jefferson County was a racial gerrymander. This is a consequence of the fact that Section 5 is no longer enforceable, and explains why what was OK in 010 and was approved by the Justice Department then is not OK in 2020, and would not be approved by the Justice Department today. Consequently, when these changes were made, the tip of the 2010 incursion – the Centerpoint Precincts – were not needed and were put into C6.

Q: Why can't they just be switched back?

A: The two Homewood Precincts are majority white. The four Centerpointarea precincts are majority black. Switching black and white precincts it at this point, after the plan was drawn race-blind, would be a race-conscious action that would violate Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act unless it were done in fulfillment of a "compelling state interest.' Under the Voting Rights Act, the State has no compelling interest in making these race-conscious reassignments.

Hassell Senate Plan No. 1 Compared with McClendon Senate Plan No. 1

Pairing Incumbents in the Same Districts

The Hassell Plan pairs 8 incumbent Senators in 4 districts:

- 14 Pairs Senators Chambless and Weaver
- 27 Pairs Senators Price and Watley
- 17 Pairs Senators Reed and Shellnut
- 8 Pairs Senators Butler and Givhan

The McClendon Pan, which the Senate has passed, does not pair any incumbents.

County and Precincts Splits

The Hassell Plan splits 31 counties and 320 precincts.

The McClendon Plan spits 19 counties and 13 precincts.

The McClendon Plan does a much better job of respecting communities of interest and keeping counties whole.

Significantly Changes Shapes of Senate Districts

A cursory look at the Hassell Plan shows that it makes major changes to Senatorial Districts, from top to bottom of the State. Just a few examples:

McClendon's SDs 4, 5, and 6 are largely combined into Hassell SD 2.

The Jefferson County Districts are more or less redrawn

SD 34 goes from being part of Mobile County to including parts of Clarke, Choctaw, and Mobile Counties and all of Washington County Many more changes are apparent merely by looking at the two maps. The McClendon Pan is based on repeated meetings with Senators over the past 2 and a half months; working with Senators to give them what they wanted or to work out compromises. There's no indication that Hassell met with anyone, or has Senatorial buy-in to his plan. If the House starts changing Senate Districts that Senators have agreed to, it can only expect that the Senate will do likewise to House Districts.

Committee Draft Congressional Plan

Talking Points

- In developing this plan, all Congressional Representatives were met with in person and then subsequently over the phone or on Microsoft Teams until their concerns had been addressed. An exception is Representative Mo Brooks, who is running for another office. He did not want to meet in person and sent a staff member in his stead. All Representatives had input into this plan.
- 2. This plan meets our Committee Guidelines.
 - a. It complies with Section II of the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause.
 - b. There is minimal population deviation between the districts. Six of the districts are at ideal population -- 717,754 and the 2nd District is one person over.
 - c. It respects countles to the extent possible given the requirement for equal population.
 - d. It does not require any incumbents to run against each other.
 - e. All districts are contiguous and reasonably compact.
 - f. it respects communities of interest.
 - g. It preserves the cores of existing districts.
- 3. It splits a minimum number of countles and VTDs (or precincts) 6 countles are split and 7 VTDs are split to get to zero deviation. An improvement over current law which splits 7 countles.

Splits are:

Lauderdale County between districts 4 and 5 Tuscaloosa County between districts 4 and 7 Jefferson County between districts 6 and 7 Chilton County between districts 3 and 6 Montgomery County between districts 2 and 7 Escambia County between districts 1 and 2

4. This plan contains one majority-black district with a BVAP of 54.22%.

Hatcher Congressional Plan No. 1

- •This plan purports to have two majority-Black districts. These are CDs 2 and 7. CD7 has a BVAP of 52.55%, but CD2's BVAP is only 50.05%. That means CD2 is a majority-Black district by only .05%. This is not a functional majority, and given the margin of error in the Census data, it may not even be a majority-Black district at all. By comparison, the Reapportionment Committee's plan, which the House has passed, has one majority-Black district with a strong BVAP of 54.22. So the Hatcher Congressional Plan reduces the BVAP of CD7 in order to draw a district, CD2, as only marginally majority-Black. Reducing the BVAP of CD7 to create a majority-Black district that may not in fact be majority-Black is likely to draw a "cracking" lawsuit in violation of the Voting Rights Act.
- The Hatcher Congressional Plan No. 1 splits 13 counties. The Reapportionment Committee's plan has only 6 county splits.
- The Hatcher Congressional Plan No. 1 puts two pairs of incumbents in the same district. CD1 contains the residences of both Rep. Carl and Rep. Moore. In addition, it puts Rep. Sewell and Rep. Palmer both in CD6.

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- 1. The finger into Jefferson County is a racial gerrymander. It's a lot like what was in the 2010 plan, which also was a racial gerrymander but was protected by the non-retrogression standard of Section 5. Section 5 in no longer in effect, it is necessary to correct the CD7-Jefferson County racial gerrymander. The Committee's plan does that. The Coleman plan does not do that, and I believe that there's a strong risk that a federal Court will look at CD7 in the Coleman plan and say redraw that district.
- 2. Congressional plans require minimal deviation from ideal population. So do the Guidelines. The Coleman plan does not meet minimum deviation: CD1 has +7 people, CD4 has +42, CD6 has -71, and CD7 has +22. These deviations from ideal population are not constitutional in a Congressional plan.
- 3. The Black Voting Age Population of CD7 is 61.07, which is more that is needs for that district to perform as a majority Black district. That level of BVCAP will lead to a packing charge in federal court.

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THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE

STATE OF ALABAMA

REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

FOR CONGRESSIONAL, LEGISLATIVE, AND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION REDISTRICTING

May 2011

Pursuant to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Alabama, the Alabama State Legislature is required to review 2010 Federal Decennial Census data provided by the U.S. Bureau of the Census to determine if it is necessary redistrict Alabama's congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education districts because of population changes since the 2000 Census. Accordingly, the following guidelines for congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education redistricting have been established by the Legislature's Permanent Joint Legislative Committee on Reapportionment, (hereinafter referred to as the "Reapportionment Committee").

I. POPULATION

The total Alabama resident state population of 4,779,736 persons, and the population of defined subunits thereof, as reported by the 2010 Census, shall be the permissible data base used for the development, evaluation, and analysis of proposed redistricting plans. It is the intention of this provision to exclude from use any census data, for the purpose of determining compliance with the one person, one vote requirement, other than that provided by the United States Census Bureau.

II. EQUAL POPULATION REQUIREMENT: ONE PERSON-ONE VOTE

The goal of redistricting is equality of population of congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education districts as defined below.

1. Congressional Districts

The Apportionment Clause of Article I, Section 2, of the United States Constitution requires that the population of a state's congressional districts in a state be "as nearly equal in population as practicable." Accordingly, Congressional redistricting plans must be as mathematically equal in population as is possible.



2. Legislative And State Board of Education Districts

In accordance with the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, legislative and State Board of Education districts will be drawn to achieve "substantial equality of population among the various districts."

- a. Any redistricting plan considered by the Reapportionment Committee will comply with all relevant case law regarding the one person, one vote principle of the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution, including but not limited to the cases of Larios v. Cox, 300 F. Supp. 2d 1320 (N.D. Ga. 2004) aff'd sub nom Cox v. Larios, 542 U.S. 947 (2004), and White v. Regester, 412 U.S. 755 (1973). When presenting plans to the Reapportionment Committee, proponents should justify deviations from the ideal district population either as a result of the limitations of census geography, or as a result of the promotion of a consistently applied rational state policy.
- b. In keeping with subpart a, above, a high priority of every legislative and State Board of Education redistricting plan must be minimizing population deviations among districts. In order to ensure compliance with the most recent case law in this area and to eliminate the possibility of an invidious discriminatory effect caused by population deviations in a final legislative or State Board of Education redistricting plan, in every redistricting plan submitted to the Reapportionment Committee, individual district populations should not exceed a 2% overall range of population deviation. The Reapportionment Committee will not approve a redistricting plan that does not comply with this requirement.

III. VOTING RIGHTS ACT

- 1. Districts shall be drawn in accordance with the laws of the United States and the State of Alabama, including compliance with protections against the unwarranted retrogression or dilution of racial or ethnic minority voting strength. Nothing in these guidelines shall be construed to require or permit any districting policy or action that is contrary to the United States Constitution or the Voting Rights Act of 1965.
- 2. Redistricting plans are subject to the preclearance process established in Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act.

IV. CRITERIA FOR CONGRESSIONAL, LEGISLATIVE, AND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICTS

- 1. All congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education districts will be single-member districts that comply with the population-equality standards discussed above.
- 2. A redistricting plan will not have either the purpose or the effect of diluting minority voting strength, shall not be retrogressive, and shall otherwise comply with Sections 2 and 5 of the Voting Rights Act and the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution.

- 3. No district will be drawn in a manner that subordinates race-neutral districting criteria to considerations that stereotype voters on the basis of race, color, or membership in a language-minority group.
- 4. All legislative and congressional districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact geography.
- 5. The following legislative redistricting requirements prescribed by the Alabama Constitution shall be complied with:
 - a. Sovereignty resides in the people of Alabama, and all districts should be drawn to reflect the democratic will of all the people concerning how their governments should be restructured.
 - b. House and Senate districts shall be drawn on the basis of total population.
 - c. The number of Senate districts is set by statute at 35 and, under the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 35.
 - d. The number of Senate districts shall be not less than one-fourth or more than one-third of the number of House districts.
 - e. The number of House districts is set by statute at 105 and, under the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 106.
 - f. The number of House districts shall not be less than 67.
- 6. The following redistricting policies contained in the Alabama Constitution shall be observed to the extent that they do not violate or conflict with requirements prescribed by the Constitution and laws of the United States:
- a. Each House and Senate district should be composed of as few counties as practicable.
- b. Every part of every district shall be contiguous with every other part of the district. Contiguity by water is allowed, but point-to-point contiguity and long-lasso contiguity is not.
- c. Every district should be compact.
- 7. The following redistricting policies are embedded in the political values, traditions, customs, and usages of the State of Alabama and shall be observed to the extent that they do not violate or subordinate the foregoing policies prescribed by the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Alabama:
 - a. Contests between incumbent members of Congress, the Legislature, and the State Board of Education will be avoided when ever possible.
 - b. The integrity of communities of interest shall be respected. For purposes of these Guidelines, a community of interest is defined as an area with recognized similarities of interests, including but not limited to racial, ethnic, geographic, governmental, regional, social, cultural, partisan, or historic

interests; county, municipal, or voting precinct boundaries; and commonality of communications. Public comment will be received by the Reapportionment Committee regarding the existence and importance of various communities of interest. The Reapportionment Committee will attempt to accommodate communities of interest identified by people in a specific location. It is inevitable, however, that some interests will be advanced more than others by the choice of particular district configurations. The discernment, weighing, and balancing of the varied factors that contribute to communities of interest is an intensely political process best carried out by elected representatives of the people.

- c. Local community and political leaders and organizations and the entire citizenry shall be consulted about new district lines.
- d. In establishing congressional and legislative districts, the Reapportionment Committee shall give due consideration to all the criteria herein. However, priority is to be given to the compelling state interests requiring equality of population among districts and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, should the requirements of those criteria conflict with any other criteria.

V. PLANS PRODUCED BY LEGISLATORS

- 1. The confidentiality of any Legislator developing plans or portions thereof will be respected. The Reapportionment Office staff will not release any information on any Legislator's work without written permission of the Legislator developing the plan, subject to paragraph two below.
- 2. A proposed redistricting plan will become public information upon its introduction as a bill in the legislative process, or upon presentation for consideration by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 3. Access to the Legislative Reapportionment Office Computer System, census population data, and redistricting work maps will be available to all members of the Legislature upon request. Reapportionment Office staff will provide technical assistance to all Legislators who wish to develop proposals.
- 4. In accordance with Rule 23 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature (2011) all amendments or revisions to redistricting plans, following introduction as a bill, shall be drafted by the Reapportionment Office.
- 5. Drafts of all redistricting plans which are presented for introduction at any session of the Legislature, and which are not prepared by the Reapportionment Office, must be presented to the Reapportionment Office for review of proper form and for entry into the Legislative Data Bank.

VI. REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. All meetings of the Reapportionment Committee and its sub-committees will be open to the public and all plans presented at committee meetings will be made available to the public.

- 2. Minutes of all Reapportionment Committee meetings shall be taken and maintained as part of the public record. Copies of all minutes shall be made available to the public.
- 3. Transcripts of all public hearings shall be made and maintained as part of the public record, and shall be available to the public.
- 4. The Reapportionment Committee will hold public hearings at different locations throughout the State in order to actively seek public participation and public input.
- 5. All interested persons are encouraged to appear before the Reapportionment Committee and to give their comments and input regarding congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education redistricting. Reasonable opportunity will be given to such persons, consistent with the criteria herein established, to present plans or amendments redistricting plans to the Reapportionment Committee, if desired, unless such plans or amendments fail to meet the minimal criteria herein established.
- 6. Notices of all Reapportionment Committee meetings will be posted on the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth floors of the Alabama State House, the Reapportionment Committee's website, and on the Secretary of State's website. Individual notice of Reapportionment Committee meetings will be sent by email to any citizen or organization who requests individual notice and provides the necessary information to the Reapportionment Committee staff. Persons or organizations who want to receive this information should contact the Reapportionment Office.

VII. PUBLIC ACCESS

- 1. The Reapportionment Committee seeks active and informed public participation in all activities of the Committee and the widest range of public information and citizen input into its deliberations. Public access to the Reapportionment Office computer system is available every Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please contact the Reapportionment Office to schedule an appointment.
- 2. A redistricting plan may be presented to the Reapportionment Committee by any individual citizen or organization by written presentation at a public meeting or by submission in writing to the Committee. All plans submitted to the Reapportionment Committee will be made part of the public record and made available in the same manner as other public records of the Committee.
- 3. Any proposed redistricting plan drafted into legislation must be offered by a member of the Legislature for introduction into the legislative process.
- 4. A redistricting plan developed outside the Legislature or a redistricting plan developed without Reapportionment Office assistance which is to be presented for consideration by the Reapportionment Committee must:
 - a. Be clearly depicted on maps which follow 2010 Census geographic boundaries:
 - b. Be accompanied by a statistical sheet listing total population and minority

population for each district and listing the census geography making up each proposed district;

- c. Stand as a complete statewide plan for redistricting, or, if presenting a partial plan, fit back into the plan which is being modified, so that the proposal can be evaluated in the context of a statewide plan (i.e., all places of geography must be accounted for in some district);
- d. Comply with the guidelines adopted by the Reapportionment Committee.

5. Electronic Submissions

- a. Electronic submissions of redistricting plans will be accepted by the Reapportionment Committee.
- b. Plans submitted electronically must also be accompanied by the paper materials referenced in this section.
- c. See the Appendix for the technical documentation for the electronic submission of redistricting plans.

6. Census Data And Redistricting Materials

- a. Census population data and census maps will be made available through the Reapportionment Office at a cost determined by the Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.
- b. Summary population data at the precinct level and a statewide work maps will be made available to the public through the Reapportionment Office at a cost determined by the Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.
- c. All such fees shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general fund and shall be used to cover the expenses of the legislature.

Appendix.

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF REDISTRICTING PLANS REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE - STATE OF ALABAMA

The Legislative Reapportionment Computer System supports the electronic submission of redistricting plans. The electronic submission of these plans must be on either a flash drive or CD ROM. The software used by the Reapportionment Office is the Esri Redistricting Online (RO) Solution.

The electronic file should be in DOJ format (Block, district # or district #, Block). This should be a two column, comma delimited file containing the FIPS code for each block, and the district number. The Esri RO Solution has an automated plan import that creates a new plan from the block/district assignment list.

Web services that can be accessed directly with a URL and ArcView Shapefiles can be viewed as overlays. A new plan would have to be built using this overlay as a guide to assign units into a blank RO Solution plan. In order to analyze the plans with our attribute data, edit, and report on, a new plan will have to be built in the RO Solution.

In order for plans to be analyzed with our attribute data, to be able to edit, report on, and produce maps in the most efficient, accurate and time saving procedure, electronic submissions are REQUIRED to be in DOJ format.

Example (DOJ FORMAT BLOCK, DISTRICT #)

SSCCCTTTTTTBBBB,D

SS is the 2 digit state FIPS code

CCC is the 3 digit county FIPS code

TTTTTT is the 6 digit census tract code

BBBB is the 4 digit census block code

a comma goes before the district number

DDDD is the district number

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House approves congressional redistricting plan



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The Alabama House of Representatives approved a congressional redistricting plan Wednesday despite protests from the Montgomery County delegation over the map splitting the county among three congressional districts.

The map divides Montgomery County between the 2nd, 3rd and 7th districts. The county is currently split between the 2nd and 3rd districts.

The House approved the map 65-37. The Senate approved a similar plan last week, but a conference committee replaced that version with an older map; the Senate must concur in the changes.

Reps. Joe Hubbard, D-Montgomery; John Knight, D-Montgomery; and Jay Love, R-Montgomery all voted against the proposal. Rep. Greg Wren, R-Montgomery, did not vote.

Members of the Montgomery delegation in the House and Senate have complained

that that dividing the county between three districts would dilute Montgomery's voice in Congress.

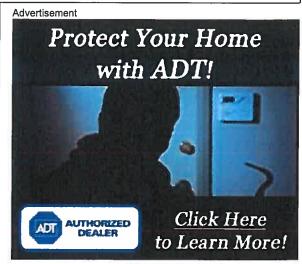
"You deal with three different people who are unlikely to agree on different things," said Hubbard.

Wren voiced similar sentiments.

"You wouldn't want to see your county cut into three districts, but that's what's happened here," he said.

Montgomery representatives offered several alternatives that would have split Montgomery County between two districts, but were voted down. Rep. James Buskey, D-Mobile, offered another alternative that, he said, does not "crack" Montgomery and would increase minority represen tation in the 2nd Congressional District. Under the approved plan, the 7th Congressional District would be about 63 percent black, which Buskey objected to.

"That's stacking," he said. "That's stacking



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blacks in a congressional district, (and) there's no need to do so."

Rep. Jim McClendon, R-Springville, who carried the plan in the House, said the Buskey plan would lead to "retrogression," or a retreat from minority population benchmarks set by the Justice Department.

Under the Voting Rights Act, the DOJ must approve the state's redistricting plan before it can be implemented. If the redistricting plan retreats from Justice Department benchmarks -- such as re ducing minority population in a previously-approved congressional district -- the state must show that it had no discriminatory purpose in the move and did not reduce minority voters' "effective exercise of the electoral franchise."

"This plan, as far as the Justice Department and Voting Rights Act goes, it's a failure," McClendon said.

The Senate plan passed last Thursday was changed late in the day by Senate Rules Chairman Scott Beason, who made alterations to a map sponsored by Rep. Micky Hammon, R-Decatur. Beason's work altered the boundaries of the 6th Con gressional District, where he lives.

A conference committee removed Beason's changes this week, restoring Hammon's version.

Members of the Legislature from other locations have also raised objections to the map. Shoals-area officials are concerned about splitting Lauderdale and Colbert

County in two congressional districts. Tuscaloosa representatives have at tempted to adjust the congressional boundaries embracing their county.



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College/Other Location:	Campus Location	Address	Date/Time	Link to Meeting
Drake State	Lecture Hall and Cafetorium	3421 Meridian St North Huntsville, AL 35811	Wednesday, September 1st - 9 AM	Drake State Meeting
Northwest-Shoals	Hospitality House Shoals campus	800 George Wallace Blvd Muscle Shoals, AL 35662	Wednesday, September 1st - 11 AM	Northwest-Shoals Meeting
Calhoun	Health Sciences Building Room 109 Main Campus	6250 Highway 31 North Tanner, AL 35671	Wednesday, September 1st - 2 PM	Calhoun-Ayers Campus Meeting
Northeast Alabama	Theater Auditorium	138 Alabama Highway 35 Rainsville, AL 35986		Northeast Alabama Meeting
Snead State	Fielder Auditorium - Administration Building	102 Elder Street Boaz, AL 35957	Thursday, September 2nd - 9 AM	Snead State Meeting
Wallace-Dothan	Cherry Hall Bencze Theater - Main campus	1141 Wallace Dr Dothan, AL 36303	Thursday, September 2nd - 11 AM	Wallace-Dothan Meeting
Bevill State	Earl McDonald Auditorium, Bevill Center Fayette campus	2631 Temple Ave N Fayette, AL 35555	Thursday, September 2nd - 2 PM	Bevill State Meeting
Lawson State	Alabama Center for Advanced Technology and Training - Birmingham campus	3060 Wilson Road SW Birmingham, AL 35221	Thursday, September 2nd - 4 PM	Lawson State Meeting
Shelton State	Bean-Brown Theater Martin campus	9500 Old Greensboro Rd Tuscaloosa, AL 35405	Tuesday, September 7th - 9 AM	Shelton State Meeting
Jefferson State	Performing Arts Center Auditorium Chilton Campus	1850 Lay Dam Road Clanton, AL 35045	Tuesday, September 7th - 11 AM	Jefferson State Meeting



Jefferson State	Judy Merritt Health Sciences Building, Room 129 A-D (Multipurpose Room) - Shelby-Hoover Campus	4600 Valleydale Road Hoover, AL 35242	Tuesday, September 7th - 2 PM	Jefferson State Meeting
Wallace State-Selma	Hank Sanders Conference Room	3000 Earl Goodwin Pkwy Selma, AL 36702	Tuesday, September 7th - 4 PM	Wallace State-Selma Meeting
Bishop State	Delchamps Auditorium - Main Campus	351 North Broad St Mobile, AL 36603	Wednesday, September 8th - 9 AM	BIshop State Meeting
Coastal Alabama	Nettles Auditorium - Monroeville campus	2800 South Alabama Ave Monroeville, AL 36460	Wednesday, September 8th - 11 AM	Coastal Alabama Meeting
Demopolis Civic Center	Civic Center	501 N Commissioners Ave Demopolis, AL 36732		Demopolis Civic Center Meeting
Troy University	Trojan Center Ballroom	321 Veterans Memorial Dr Troy, AL	Wednesday, September 8th - 3 PM	Troy University Meeting
Alabama State House	Alabama Statehouse Room 200	11 S Union Street Montgomery, AL	Wednesday, September 8th - 6 PM	Alabama State House Meeting
Gadsden State	Cheaha Lecture Hall Room 111 Ayers Campus	1801 Coleman Road Anniston, AL 36202	Thursday, September 9th - 9 AM	Gadsden State Avers Meeting
Lurleen B. Wallace	Wendell Mitchell Conference Center - Greenville Campus	750 Greenville Bypass Greenville, AL 36037		Lurleen B Wallace Meeting
Coastal Alabama	Woodfin Patterson Auditorium Brewton campus	220 Alco Dr Brewton, AL 36426	77	Coastal Alabama Meeting
Southern Union	Southern Room Opelika campus	301 Lake Condy Road Opelika, AL 36801	Thursday, September 9th - 4 PM	Southern Union Meeting
Coastal Alabama	AL Tombigbee Room Thomasville campus	30755 US Highway 43 Thomasville, AL 36784	Wednesday, September 15th - 9 AM	Coastal Alabama Meeting

Wallace-Hanceville	Auditorium, main campus	801 Main Street NW Hanceville, AL 35077	Wednesday, September 15th - 11 AM	Wallace-Hanceville Meeting
	New Science Building Auditorium, Main	101 George Wallace Dr		
Gadsden State	campus	Gadsden, AL 35902	Wednesday, September 15th - 2 PM	Gadsden State Meeting
		21578 US Hwy 82		
National Guard Armory	Richard Stone Building	Union Springs, AL 36089	Wednesday, September 15th - 4 PM	National Guard Meeting
	Webb Hall			
	Room 239			
University of West	President's Conference	25 Webb Circle		
Alabama	Rm	Livingston, AL 36376	Thursday, September 16th - 11am	Univ of West Alabama Meeting
	Centennial Hall	440 Fairhope Ave		
Coastal Alabama	Fairhope campus	Fairhope, AL 36532	Thursday, September 16th - 2 PM	Coastal Alabama Meeting
	Lake Room	750 Roberts Street		
Southern Union	Wadley campus	Wadley, AL 36276	Thursday, September 16th - 4 PM	Southern Union Meeting

REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES

2 May 5, 2021

I. POPULATION

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- 4 The total Alabama state population, and the population of defined subunits
- thereof, as reported by the 2020 Census, shall be the permissible data base used 5
- for the development, evaluation, and analysis of proposed redistricting plans. It is 6
- the intention of this provision to exclude from use any census data, for the purpose 7
- of determining compliance with the one person, one vote requirement, other than 8
- 9 that provided by the United States Census Bureau.

II. CRITERIA FOR REDISTRICTING

- Districts shall comply with the United States Constitution, including the 11
- 12 requirement that they equalize total population.
- b. Congressional districts shall have minimal population deviation. 13
- Legislative and state board of education districts shall be drawn to achieve 14
- 15 substantial equality of population among the districts and shall not exceed an
- overall population deviation range of $\pm 5\%$. 16
- A redistricting plan considered by the Reapportionment Committee shall 17
- comply with the one person, one vote principle of the Equal Protection Clause of 18
- 19 the 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution.
- 20 The Reapportionment Committee shall not approve a redistricting plan that
- does not comply with these population requirements. 21
- Districts shall be drawn in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as 22
- 23 amended. A redistricting plan shall have neither the purpose nor the effect of
- diluting minority voting strength, and shall comply with Section 2 of the Voting 24
- 25 Rights Act and the United States Constitution.
- No district will be drawn in a manner that subordinates race-neutral 26
- districting criteria to considerations of race, color, or membership in a language-27
- minority group, except that race, color, or membership in a language-minority 28
- group may predominate over race-neutral districting criteria to comply with 29
- 30 Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, provided there is a strong basis in evidence in 31 support of such a race-based choice. A strong basis in evidence exists when there
- 32
- is good reason to believe that race must be used in order to satisfy the Voting Rights

Act. 33



- 1 h. Districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact
- 2 geography.
- 3 i. The following requirements of the Alabama Constitution shall be complied
- 4 with:
- 5 (i) Sovereignty resides in the people of Alabama, and all districts should be
- 6 drawn to reflect the democratic will of all the people concerning how their
- 7 governments should be restructured.
- 8 (ii) Districts shall be drawn on the basis of total population, except that voting
- 9 age population may be considered, as necessary to comply with Section 2 of the
- 10 Voting Rights Act or other federal or state law.
- 11 (iii) The number of Alabama Senate districts is set by statute at 35 and, under
- the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 35.
- 13 (iv) The number of Alabama Senate districts shall be not less than one-fourth or
- more than one-third of the number of House districts.
- 15 (v) The number of Alabama House districts is set by statute at 105 and, under
- the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 106.
- 17 (vi) The number of Alabama House districts shall not be less than 67.
- 18 (vii) All districts will be single-member districts.
- 19 (viii) Every part of every district shall be contiguous with every other part of the
- 20 district.
- 21 j. The following redistricting policies are embedded in the political values,
- traditions, customs, and usages of the State of Alabama and shall be observed to
- 23 the extent that they do not violate or subordinate the foregoing policies prescribed
- by the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Alabama:
- 25 (i) Contests between incumbents will be avoided whenever possible.
- 26 (ii) Contiguity by water is allowed, but point-to-point contiguity and long-lasso
- 27 contiguity is not.
- 28 (iii) Districts shall respect communities of interest, neighborhoods, and political
- 29 subdivisions to the extent practicable and in compliance with paragraphs a
- 30 through i. A community of interest is defined as an area with recognized
- similarities of interests, including but not limited to ethnic, racial, economic, tribal,
- social, geographic, or historical identities. The term communities of interest may,
- 33 in certain circumstances, include political subdivisions such as counties, voting

- 1 precincts, municipalities, tribal lands and reservations, or school districts. The
- 2 discernment, weighing, and balancing of the varied factors that contribute to
- 3 communities of interest is an intensely political process best carried out by elected
- 4 representatives of the people.
- 5 (iv) The Legislature shall try to minimize the number of counties in each district.
- 6 (v) The Legislature shall try to preserve the cores of existing districts.
- 7 (vi) In establishing legislative districts, the Reapportionment Committee shall
- 8 give due consideration to all the criteria herein. However, priority is to be given to
- 9 the compelling State interests requiring equality of population among districts and
- 10 compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, should the
- requirements of those criteria conflict with any other criteria.
- 12 g. The criteria identified in paragraphs j(i)-(vi) are not listed in order of
- 13 precedence, and in each instance where they conflict, the Legislature shall at its
- discretion determine which takes priority.

15 III. PLANS PRODUCED BY LEGISLATORS

- 16 1. The confidentiality of any Legislator developing plans or portions thereof
- 17 will be respected. The Reapportionment Office staff will not release any
- information on any Legislator's work without written permission of the Legislator
- developing the plan, subject to paragraph two below.
- 20 2. A proposed redistricting plan will become public information upon its
- 21 introduction as a bill in the legislative process, or upon presentation for
- 22 consideration by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 23 3. Access to the Legislative Reapportionment Office Computer System, census
- 24 population data, and redistricting work maps will be available to all members of
- 25 the Legislature upon request. Reapportionment Office staff will provide technical
- 26 assistance to all Legislators who wish to develop proposals.
- 27 4. In accordance with Rule 23 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature
- 28 "[a]ll amendments or revisions to redistricting plans, following introduction as a
- 29 bill, shall be drafted by the Reapportionment Office." Amendments or revisions
- 30 must be part of a whole plan. Partial plans are not allowed.
- 31 5. In accordance with Rule 24 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature,
- 32 "[d]rafts of all redistricting plans which are for introduction at any session of the
- Legislature, and which are not prepared by the Reapportionment Office, shall be
- presented to the Reapportionment Office for review of proper form and for entry
- into the Legislative Data System at least ten (10) days prior to introduction."

1 IV. REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND PUBLIC 2 HEARINGS

- 3 1. All meetings of the Reapportionment Committee and its sub-committees
- 4 will be open to the public and all plans presented at committee meetings will be
- 5 made available to the public.
- 6 2. Minutes of all Reapportionment Committee meetings shall be taken and
- 7 maintained as part of the public record. Copies of all minutes shall be made
- 8 available to the public.
- 9 3. Transcripts of any public hearings shall be made and maintained as part of
- the public record, and shall be available to the public.
- 11 4. All interested persons are encouraged to appear before the
- 12 Reapportionment Committee and to give their comments and input regarding
- legislative redistricting. Reasonable opportunity will be given to such persons,
- consistent with the criteria herein established, to present plans or amendments
- redistricting plans to the Reapportionment Committee, if desired, unless such
- plans or amendments fail to meet the minimal criteria herein established.
- 17 5. Notice of all Reapportionment Committee meetings will be posted on
- monitors throughout the Alabama State House, the Reapportionment Committee's
- 19 website, and on the Secretary of State's website. Individual notice of
- 20 Reapportionment Committee meetings will be sent by email to any citizen or
- 21 organization who requests individual notice and provides the necessary
- 22 information to the Reapportionment Committee staff. Persons or organizations
- 23 who want to receive this information should contact the Reapportionment Office.

24 V. PUBLIC ACCESS

- 25 1. The Reapportionment Committee seeks active and informed public
- 26 participation in all activities of the Committee and the widest range of public
- 27 information and citizen input into its deliberations. Public access to the
- 28 Reapportionment Office computer system is available every Friday from 8:30 a.m.
- 29 to 4:30 p.m. Please contact the Reapportionment Office to schedule an
- 30 appointment.
- 31 2. A redistricting plan may be presented to the Reapportionment Committee
- 32 by any individual citizen or organization by written presentation at a public
- meeting or by submission in writing to the Committee. All plans submitted to the
- 34 Reapportionment Committee will be made part of the public record and made
- available in the same manner as other public records of the Committee.

- 1 3. Any proposed redistricting plan drafted into legislation must be offered by a
- 2 member of the Legislature for introduction into the legislative process.
- 3 4. A redistricting plan developed outside the Legislature or a redistricting plan
- 4 developed without Reapportionment Office assistance which is to be presented for
- 5 consideration by the Reapportionment Committee must:
- 6 a. Be clearly depicted on maps which follow 2020 Census geographic
- 7 boundaries;
- 8 b. Be accompanied by a statistical sheet listing total population for each district
- 9 and listing the census geography making up each proposed district;
- 10 c. Stand as a complete statewide plan for redistricting.
- d. Comply with the guidelines adopted by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 12 5. Electronic Submissions
- 13 a. Electronic submissions of redistricting plans will be accepted by the
- 14 Reapportionment Committee.
- 15 b. Plans submitted electronically must also be accompanied by the paper
- 16 materials referenced in this section.
- 17 c. See the Appendix for the technical documentation for the electronic
- submission of redistricting plans.
- 19 6. Census Data and Redistricting Materials
- 20 a. Census population data and census maps will be made available through the
- 21 Reapportionment Office at a cost determined by the Permanent Legislative
- 22 Committee on Reapportionment.
- 23 b. Summary population data at the precinct level and a statewide work maps
- 24 will be made available to the public through the Reapportionment Office at a cost
- determined by the Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.
- 26 c. All such fees shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the
- 27 general fund and shall be used to cover the expenses of the Legislature.
- 28 Appendix.
- 29 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF REDISTRICTING PLANS
- 30 REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE STATE OF ALABAMA

1 2 The Legislative Reapportionment Computer System supports the electronic submission of redistricting plans. The electronic submission of these plans must 3 be via email or a flash drive. The software used by the Reapportionment Office is 4 Maptitude. 5 The electronic file should be in DOJ format (Block, district # or district #, 6 Block). This should be a two column, comma delimited file containing the FIPS 7 code for each block, and the district number. Maptitude has an automated plan 8 import that creates a new plan from the block/district assignment list. 9 Web services that can be accessed directly with a URL and ArcView 10 Shapefiles can be viewed as overlays. A new plan would have to be built using this 11 overlay as a guide to assign units into a blank Maptitude plan. In order to analyze 12 the plans with our attribute data, edit, and report on, a new plan will have to be 13 14 built in Maptitude. 15 In order for plans to be analyzed with our attribute data, to be able to edit, report on, and produce maps in the most efficient, accurate and time saving 16 17 procedure, electronic submissions are REQUIRED to be in DOJ format. 18 Example: (DOJ FORMAT BLOCK, DISTRICT #) 19 SSCCCTTTTTTBBBBDDDD 20 SS is the 2 digit state FIPS code 21 CCC is the 3 digit county FIPS code 22 TTTTTT is the 6 digit census tract code 23 BBBB is the 4 digit census block code 24 DDDD is the district number, right adjusted 25 **Contact Information:** Legislative Reapportionment Office 26 27 Room 317, State House 11 South Union Street 28 29 Montgomery, Alabama 36130

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FEMALE 1: Senator Allen? Senator Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Yes

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Ms. Smitherman? Senator Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyd?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Clouse? Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative England?

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REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn?

MALE 1: He's on his way. He's in traffic.

FEMALE 1: Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative South? Representative Wood?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Here.

FEMALE 1: We have 19 present. We have a quorum.

MALE 2: Thank you, members, if you would, please, you will see a copy of the Minutes from the last meeting, May 5th of this year. I would ask you to quickly look over those. We have a motion to approve and let's have a roll call on that please.

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen? Senator Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson?

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SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Smitherman? Senator Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyd?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Clouse? Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall? Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn? Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Aye.

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FEMALE 1: Representative South? Representative Wood?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: We have 17 yes. The motion passed.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you. I'd like to make just a preliminary statement about the workings of this committee. This time around has been rather unique because of the compactness of the time. Federal Law requires Census Bureau to provide the states with the data no later than March and the year after Census is conducted. In 2011, we received it in mid-February, about six weeks before their deadline. This time, the Census Bureau seriously lied. Instead of getting the data in February or March, we did not receive the data until August 12, actually became usable to us closer to the 17th or 18th of August. It took some amount of time to convert that data to match up our software. August 17 was the first time this committee and our staff, who I'm forever grateful for, for all their hard work was the first time that we actually hadn't data that we could work with and dealing with the Congressional plan, State Board plan, the Senate plan and the House plan.

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Since that time, since August 17, we have met with seven Congressional Representatives, our staff, eight Board of Education members and all the members of the Senate and the House that are running for reelection. In most cases, there was not just one meeting with any particular office holder. There were repeated meetings with individual officeholders and often with groups of officeholders, these meetings continued right up to the close of business last Friday. It took an enormous effort to prepare these plans in the short amount of time available. And unlike after the 2010 census, when we were able to split the redistricting over a two-year period, we did Congressional and State Board in 2011, and then we did the two legislative plans in 2012. This time, not only did we get the data late, but we had to prepare all four plans at the same time. And I will -- you those of us who worked in this room in this office have seen the dedication of our redistricting staff, of our attorney advising us, of our demographer drawing the maps, they have literally worked day and night and over the weekends in order to reach this point. And I think you'll soon see that they have done a heroic job. I am very grateful to their dedication. At this point, we are going to now go into consideration of these four maps I mentioned. We'll do them in this order for committee members. You'll see, you have an agenda in front of you that shows the order. We'll do this and we're going to start off with congressional districts. Representative Pringle will handle that in the House. Then we'll go to State Board districts. I'll handle that for introduction into the Senate. Then we'll go to the state Senate districts that will first be introduced into the Senate. And once it comes out of this committee, and finally, we'll do the committee plan for the State House, which Representative Pringle, of course, will handle and will introduce on Thursday into the House of Representatives. Let me recognize the House Chair for Redistricting Representative Chris Pringle turn your mic go.

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Thank you, Senator. Again, I am Chris Pringle, State Representative from House District 1 of Automobile. The members of the committee

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would go to the congressional plan and open your folder. You'll see the proposed map that we're going to discuss here from this committee. You'll have it. If you'll note, this is a zero-deviation plan with a minimum number of split counties. There's a one-person difference between all seven districts. Som the deviations on this plan are zero. In developing this plan, all Congressional Representatives were met with in person and then subsequently over the phone our Microsoft teams until their concerns have been addressed. An exception in the Representative Mo Brooks was running for another office. He did not want to meet in person instead of staff member instead. All representatives have had input into this plan. This plan meets the Committee guidelines. It complies a Section 2 the Voting Rights Act and Equal Protection Clause. There's a minimal population deviation between the District 6.

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Between the District 6 are districts who had ideal population of 717,754 and the second district is one person over. In respects to counties that extend possibly given the requirement for equal population. I'll repeat, it respects counties to the extent possible given the requirements for equal population. It does not require any incumbents to run against each other. All districts are contiguous and reasonably compact. It respects communities of interests. It preserves the cores of existing districts. It splits a minimum number of counties and precincts. Six counties are split and seven are split to get to zero deviation an improvement over the current law which splits seven counties. Splits are, Lauderdale County is split between District 4 and 5. Tuscaloosa County is split between Districts 4 and 7. Jefferson County, between Districts 6 and 7. Chilton County between Districts 3 and 6. Montgomery County between Districts 2 and 7. Escambia County between Districts 1 and 2. This plan contains one majority black district with a black voting age population of 54.22%, thank you.

MALE 2: Motion to adopt.

MALE 3: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to speak to the motion.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I would too.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. England.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: First of, thank you for recognition. I'm pretty sure Ms. Overton probably would doesn't like me very much right now because I harassed her for days on end. Because as a member of this committee, I did not see these maps until yesterday. I think we're undertaking a pretty massive task to be told to come in here with the amount of information presented to us to come here and say, "I need you to vote today." Personally, I may be just speaking for myself, but I think this is doing a disservice to the process and also to the people that we represent because they haven't seen this map either, unless you were following me on Twitter. So, I think it needs to be said that this process itself, there's got to be a better way to do this. I think it's flawed and I don't really think this is the best way for us to walk into this process without any information and to come in here today look at it and say, "I want you to approve it." With that being said, I'm not diminishing the fact this was probably a very difficult task. It's a lot of information to process, but I think it probably would have been better for all of

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us have we all seen the whole entire map and not be drawn into short meetings individually where we can only see our district? For me, that's how the process worked. I was only told I could see the district. My district game me immediate area around my district, and I think it would have been better for the public and all of us to digest the information in front of us by just seeing the whole map so we could see how our district worked relative to the districts around us. And with that being said in your initial statement, you mentioned that this map complies with the Voting Rights Act. Several questions that I have about that. First, I'd like to know who drew the map. Was it drawn in-house or did somebody else draw it? Also, I'd like to know how it complies with the Voting Rights Act. Was there a racial polarization study done to figure out exactly how we comply with the Voting Rights Act? And I'd also like to know since I wasn't afforded an opportunity to see the entire map, I would like to know if anybody else was, whether it be staff, whether it be other members, or whether it be someone hired as a consultant to take a look at these maps. Those are my three initial questions. One, who drew it? Two, can you explain to all of us how it satisfies the Voting Rights Act and how this map was drawn? So, I just like to start there, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: You're not going to answer those question?

MR. CHAIRMAN I've done listened to it, and we're going to get back with him, okay.

FEMALE 1: Oh Jesus.

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REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Point of order, so we're not answering questions today?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm going to answer your questions. We're just trying to get all the questions asked.

MALE 4: Ms. Chairman, point of order. The point is that I think that we opened ourselves up for confusion of responses and questions and confusions of focusing in on the specific points. So, we're going to take all these varying questions. And then after we take all the various questions, I think that the questions' point of order are to be in relationship to the questions. The answer should be in relationship to the questions as answered and they should be addressed. Questions that [INDISCERNIBLE 00:15:45] may have over there, I saw his hand, and I have is may be totally relevant, but maybe totally different at the same time in parts. So, I think in order to understand that -- and I'm going to make a special request that we put these maps on the board. We have a big old board up there, put the whole maps. Each one of these things we talk, it relates to a map. It needs to be sitting up there in large, of the map.

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FEMALE 2: --so we can it.

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MALE 4: Yeah, we can see it. Not the small one where we don't know what it's touching and what it's doing, but actually a large one that deals which shows the precincts.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The map is on the board, ladies and gentlemen, I'm hoping the people online can see it. Can they see the map online?

MALE 5: Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: These maps are drawn in this room using the staff here and our lawyer that we've hired has done redistricting for 25 years, has worked with us and told us that he thinks these maps comply with section to the Voting Rights Act and the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Can you explain it now?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm not the attorney, but Dorman Walker sat here and went through every one of this our attorney. You know Dorman, he's done this for 25 years.

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REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Again, can I say that I was appointed to this committee.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: You stated that it complies with the Voting Rights Act. You also stated that it complies with the Fourteenth Amendment Equal Protection, so I'm asking you how. I just want to make this -- that's obviously —

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay, representative. That's fine, let's do this.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: That's a very component of this.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I understand that and I see where you're going and let's do this. You tell me where it doesn't, how's that?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: First and foremost, if we didn't do a racial polarization study you don't know how it applies. I'll ask you this question, you and the attorney that you consulted, have you all done a racial polarization study?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, the guy in Georgia did one. It was sent to him Friday and he came back.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, who's the guy in Georgia? Can we see the results of that study?

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MR. CHAIRMAN: The attorney has hired a consultant out of Georgia and he's looked at it.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Can we—

MR. CHAIRMAN: There's nothing that's going to be hidden. We're getting it to you as fast as we have it of course.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We don't have it. You understand, I had to do 28 public hearings. I had to meet with 105 house members, 35 senators, seven members of congress and eight members of the schoolboard and many of these people we met with multiple, multiple times to try and work this out, all in a very short period of time. We didn't have the luxury they had a couple of years ago, having two years to do this. We had about three months.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I could understand your frustration, but as the Chair, you're in charge with the responsibility of answering these questions.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, I sympathize with the smaller shortened timeframe, but I do still get as a response -- as part of my responsibility as being a member of this committee is to ask these questions and to get answers because I'm not just asking for me. Because remember, the entire State of Alabama, the first time they lay my eyes on this map was yesterday. I think it's pretty legitimate for us to have these questions since we could not get access to this information before. One of the ways --

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MR. CHAIRMAN: The first time I saw it was yesterday too.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: That makes me feel worse, but to be quite honest with you. So, you ask me, I'll point out just that one thing. I need you to help me understand if a racial polarization study was done. I need to know who did it. I need to know what the results are, so I can tell you if I believe that one that matches up with the standards that have been set by federal courts in the Supreme Court, because very recently we had issues with the Supreme Court. We just lost the lawsuit behind some of this stuff, so I need to have something so I can draw some comparative analysis between the two. So, on record, you're telling me that a racial polarization study has been done?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Our attorney looked at it and assured us that we are incompliance with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: The question I asked you, you're assuring me right now that a racial polarization study has been done?

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MR. CHAIRMAN: According to my attorney, yes.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: According to the committee's attorney.

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It's the attorney that's done reapportionment for 25 years.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay. And you can provide that information to us so we can draw an analysis between the maps, the numbers and the study?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have no problem when you look at all of our reports.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right. You said also that this map was prepared here inhouse?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, it was drawn right here in this room.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I mean, you sat here with us, and I know several times why we drew these maps.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No. Actually, I've only seen my district up until yesterday when I got the maps.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. I sat here when you're on a call.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No. On that call, we looked at my district.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Period. I haven't seen a map. This is the first time I've actually seen a physical copy of the map since yesterday. Now, that I've answered your question, can you answer mine? What other ways does this map --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Let me report. On district seven, there was not a functional analysis done on it simply because it was drawn blind, the race was turned off on the drawing, and after the district was drawn and we looked at the black voting age population, it was determined there was no reason to do an analysis on it.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, you have not done analysis on that?

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MR. CHAIRMAN: I just found out seven because of the BVAP, no analysis was deemed necessary.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, we don't know if it complies with the Voting Rights Act just based on an attorney's opinion?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah. I mean, it complies.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: We don't know that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, the attorney that his committee hired says it does.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: But he also didn't do what's necessary to figure that out. Interestingly enough, the only district —

MR. CHAIRMAN: The BVAP of that district is 54.2%.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: But again, the study demonstrates how much of that actual percentage is a voting percentage. So, there's a difference between just throwing out a percentage and actually knowing if that's functional or not. And also, interestingly enough, the Seventh Congressional District is the only district that splits counties. Is there a particular reason for that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's not true. I just told you, I just run off of the county to split.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: There's one in District One, you have one in the Escambia County?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. Lauderdale is split between four and five, Tuscaloosa is split between four and seven, Jefferson is split between six and seven, Chilton is split between three and six, Montgomery is split between two and seven, Escambia is split between one and two.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'm sorry.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Every district has at least one split.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'll rephrase. Seven has the most splits. That correct?

MR. CHAIRMAN: One, two, three. Yes, sir.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right. Is there any particular reason why seven has the most splits?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. Because four has got two, two has two, three has one, and one has one.

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REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Is there any particular reason why seven has the most split districts? Including in Jefferson --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Trying to get the zero deviation, I'm assuming. We tried to respect -- we had to get to zero deviation.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Do you think it has anything to do with making sure that each split holds a particular percentage of African-Americans into it?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have no knowledge of that now.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay.

MALE 3: Senator, I was hoping that we wouldn't be so contentious in here today, and I think I've been here with you gentlemen over the period of time trying to ask that we can get to this point. We sit around this table and I know that this is probably one of the most contentious sessions that we can have because everybody's for themselves. Everybody's looking out for what they got and it's all about territory. But I just wanted to ask a question about the map, and I guess go down the same line that Chris was representing England in terms of District Seven. In the last redistributing, we saw and heard from the United States Supreme Court that basically said that District Seven was the most gerrymandered district in the State of Alabama, and when you look at that, it almost looks like a salamander and the way it shaped, I see where you tried to come into your county boundaries to do that this time. But however, the Supreme Court has basically already ruled that, and so I just want this body to know that I will be introducing another map because when you look at the State School Board, it is representative of 26% of the African-American community giving it two districts. The house and the Senate also. The congressional district is the only district, the only map that we would draw as a body that does not represent the 26% of African-Americans. It only represents 13% of those African-American population. We believe that based on whole county, and what you can draw based on zero percentage, we can get two majority districts out of this, and I think that this body or the chairman has not tried to do that, just stay with what they were used to doing, and it's like we just drew over the same lines and didn't even try to come up with anything else different.

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And that's what you get when you don't get input from everybody else, and when everything is kind of hidden and indoor. And so, with that, I know this is not the proper time to introduce the map, but I would do it officially when we have the next meeting, I will introduce a map even if it gets voted down and we will introduce them again on the floor. It will be on the map to concept, and I just want to let you know that I think that we can get two districts out of here that will show favorably for African-Americans across the state outside of just gerrymandering in this district with the unnecessary splits that we've gotten. Thank you very much.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Senator. Did you say you have a map that has two majority black districts in it?

MALE 3: Yes.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. All right. Senator Smithman.

SENATOR SMITHMAN: Thank you very much Mr. Chairman. Chairman's, let me say this first, I noticed the Senator mentioned a level of frustration, a level of uncomfortableness or whatever words you want to use is coming from our leader. Let me say this, that's what you get paid the big bucks for. You asked to be chairman, you asked. Now, you accepted it. So, get all that comes with it, so, relax and take a deep breath because it's coming. Questions coming, they're coming, they're coming. So, just relax and I understand, but you're the leader, so, that what comes with the territory. Let me piggyback first on starting with this map. In whether or not, -- let me just say this; I asked for a map that shows the precincts, I know we got them. And the reason I'm saying that to everybody in here to do that, yes. It's going to take more time. It's going to be detailed, because you're asking questions about this or that. But as a committee, and thank you for putting me on the committee. Whoever appointed me, I know who did; so thank you. But as a committee, we have to go through this mundane process if members have the question. We are in a committee meeting now; and in here, any of those questions that we have. the means of being able to provide, we have a right to get that information. Let's not vote it all up and down by memos, each member has that right to get that particular information. So, with that in mind, that's the first thing because I like to see what Senator was saying about the drawing to see what it brings in and what it doesn't. I can't tell a lick about Jefferson County, where the line cut off from this map. I don't know if it cut off on south side, if it cut off on far apart. I don't know if it cut off above Fire Park above Center Point. I don't know where it cuts off by looking at this, and along with being here, I'm a citizen in that particular district as well. So, I would like to see that number one. Number two, I think if that information is available that the representative requested, I think that it should be provided immediately if we operated off of it and didn't have the actual information here, then I think that needs to be known. But I think that any information in this meeting not a week later, not two days, not a month later, but should be provided in here. If it's on a computer, push a button, push print, print it out, and then give it to whoever else have requested it. So, I said that to say that it may not happen, but to count all these things right here, you might want to pipe in dinner[PH 00:29:00] because we need to go through these and to ask questions, is going to seem whatever you want to call it, but that's why I say get the frustration down because we have questions, I have questions, and I like to get answers as a committee member. Nobody else may not be concerned about these things, and I understand. But if one member is, we need to address that. The other thing I want to say is this is that there's two other things, and I'll move near the mic. Number one is that the Senator mentioned correctly about the 26% African-Americans. But we we're actually talking about 30 something percent of minorities. One third of them as it relates to minority population itself should be represented. We're talking about that it should be two as it relates to African-American population as a minority because it's a super population of minorities.

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But there are other minorities, Asians, there are Latinos, there are all these people in this State and men of my registered voters that make that percentage goes up to 30 something percent. The third thing is that I've had opportunities to see the map that Senator Singleton is talking about, and that map does not split one count, one county, the congressional map that he's talking about.

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It keeps every county whole for all the congressional districts that exist on that map. So, I would think that as a committee, whether the committee ultimately votes it up that as he said, I think that as a committee, that we should consider any of those plans in this meeting if it made those 10 days, I think the requirement that you made that that would be submitted. If they were submitted there in the committee, should take those up -- that was committee rules, that's committee adopted and last, but not least, I'll say this is that I think that the process itself has not addressed the area of compromise, and I'm not talking about somebody's individual districts. I'm talking about the issues that's before you it relates to minorities. I know nobody sat down and talked about the concerns that I split and when we get to that area in the [INDISCERNIBLE 00:31:28] plans, I expressed that I had a concern about that area and no other conversation has been had about it. So, that kind of disappoints me because it's kind of saying that "I don't give a heck what you think or say. So, take me to court." That's what it says to me. I don't give a rip what you think, I don't want to talk to you. I don't want to compromise; this is what I'm going to do. So, take me, so I hope that isn't what it's saying, because I'm not saying anything but anything. I think past involvement says that that has happened. So, I would hope if we are trying to get around and work together in this situation, that we'll find some way to compromise with both sides. I know you've been working hard on your side because I've talked to some of my colleagues and I know some of those concerns, but I'm talking about all of us as a whole. Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Senator. Ms. Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and Chairman. I want to reiterate the comment that was made earlier in terms of the response when questions are raised. That we are all in here because we want to do what is right. So, I would hope that we would be considerate of that in light of the fact of the response that I've heard with the comments that have been made up to this point, I'd like to make a motion. I am going to make a motion. My motion is that we postpone the votes on these proposed maps until members of this committee and the public has had adequate time to review and consider the details as well as provide the ratio polarization data study that you said was done.

FEMALE 2: Mr. Chairman, I second the motion.

MALE 2: Mr. Chairman, I think that motion is inappropriate. We have business to tend to at this meeting. Everyone knows it and if it would be --

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MALE 2: Would you mind if I get to my comment, please without interrupting? I have not interrupted you and I don't want to be interrupted.

FEMALE 2: I appreciate that, but when you make a comment like that, I'm sorry. I should have held my --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Move to table. We have a motion to table. All in favor. Say, aye.

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MALE 2: Aye.

FEMALE 2: I oppose.

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FEMALE 2: Roll call. I will ask that each vote just as you did on the minutes that you would have the roll call vote on each action, thank you. And I would ask that you reconsider at this time.

MR. CHAIRMAN: So, you have a motion to reconsider?

FEMALE 2: Yes, sir.

MALE 3: Second.

MALE 2: I second it.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All in favor, say, aye.

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Nay?

[OVERLAY]

FEMALE 2: I did request a roll call on each motion hereon and that you didn't.

[OVERLAY]

FEMALE 2: No, you didn't, because you'd reconsider.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Oh, now we have a motion to give this plan a favorable report in a second.

MALE 4: Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Roll call, please.

MALE 4: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN: Yes, sir?

MALE 4: I'm ready. I'd like to be recognized.

CHAIRMAN: Okay, sure.

MALE 4: So, are we saying that, it doesn't matter what we think at all?

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We just come in here to go through the functions. We're not going to consider anything whatsoever that if we have a concern or anything, you're saying it don't matter that we're in here because that's what we're saying. I didn't say what the final vote after we go through the process of consideration. But we're not going to consider anything that we got to say?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

MALE 4: I mean, is this a segregated movement or something? Because you haven't considered nothing we're saying over here. So, I'm just asking you as a chairman, is that where we're going with this?

MR. CHAIRMAN: And I'm allowing each of you to speak. Ms. Boyd.

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: Thank you so much, Mr. Chairman. We've sat around this table many times. It's disgusting when you walk into a room for me and somebody approach me. "May I help you?" That was the first thing; but being as old as I am, and I haven't taught school 45 years and 6 months I've been here, I've learned a lot. At our very first meeting, I asked, "Is this one going to be better than any of those in the past that we do it fairly and collectively?" We know the process, we know who has the vote, all we want, Mr. Chairmans, is the opportunity to be heard fairly and from the way we are starting off here, it doesn't seem that way. Only God Almighty can change hearts. We can sit here forever and look at each other and do what we're told to do when it comes to voting. I would hope not. But we're speaking, I have people at home who are very much concerned about the senatorial. What is shown and as it relates to congressional seats. If that shoe was on the other foot, that's all I'm going to ask you to do when I close. Just think about if the shoe was on the other foot and you were sitting in my seat and my place, oh, our places here, would you act in the same manner? Thank you so much for the opportunity.

MALE 2: Roll call?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Another roll call vote on approving the congressional plan. Mr. Jones, [INDISCERNIBLE 00:38:05]

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: Thank you for the recognition, Mr. Chairman. I think on my visit here last week, I mentioned that this would be the way this process would turn out. It is not logical to think that we can digest the data that's here in the period of time that we received it. Nor is it logical to think that we would vote on something that we actually have no knowledge about and can't even talk to anyone in our district about because we don't know. How do you vote and then go back home and explain when someone asks, "Well, why did you vote for this?" and start asking the questions that's being asked here? What do we do with that? I understand the time. I understand how hard people have worked. I've been up here a couple of times, and I've seen the work that's taking place up here, and that's admirable. I've seen a lot of people working hard. The bottom line, though, we cannot disregard transparency based on urgency, especially in

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this process. I know that there are some time periods we have to meet. To me, the questions that's been asked are logical questions. If someone is really interested in what they're doing and the people they represent, they are logical questions. Now maybe because this is my first time in this process, someone told, I think the attorney mentioned to me, "Well, they've been doing it like this a long time" and let me respond to what I told him. "That does not mean that that's right or fair regardless of whether Democrats did it or Republicans did it, the right way is the right way regardless to who's doing it."

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And I just think that we ought to give some concern for some of the questions that's being asked here, because those same questions are going to be asked to me as soon as I get back to mobile account and I have no answers. You give me a lot of data here, but it probably takes me a few days to read through it, but it's over then. I've already voted. So that's really my statement and I just want you to consider some of those things as I go forward.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Ladies and gentlemen, let me point out. What we have before today is simply a recommendation. It will be put in Bill Form. It will be introduced into both chambers of the house. It will be assigned to committee in both chambers, and then it will be debated fully on the floor of both chambers. We're just trying to get to the point where we've been called into extraordinary session. That deadline is set. We have to have something to put into a bill by 04:00 Thursday afternoon, and we need to get something out of here so LSA can put it into Bill Form so we can give it to everybody because it's not in Bill Form until it comes out of here. You will have the time in both the House Standing Committee and the Senate Standing Committee and the floor of the house and the floor of the senate to fully vet and look at these bills. But there's not a bill yet. I don't have a bill because I can't say anything to LSA until I get something from this committee. This is simply a recommendation to send to LSA for us to begin the full-scale debate on the floor. Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Are you saying, I said you go to the chairman and you're speaking. Are you saying that we can't vet it here wherein the committee itself that we denied the opportunity to vet it? I'm just asking a question. I didn't say you said it or not. You answer, we answer that. Are you telling me that what you just see, all that's going to happen out there are you saying that we -- but however, in this committee, we are denied that opportunity to do the same thing in our committee work on reapportionment?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: No.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well, if we did that like for it to be done. That's all I'm at right now. I like this [INDISCERNIBLE 00:42:09].

SENATOR MCCLENDON: You got the populations, the deviations of black age voting population in every different. You have all the information that I have.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: And I like to vet it in here. Me vet in at, we leave out here means nothing because the vote is going to be taken.

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: I don't have a bill before you because I can't get a bill draft until after it comes out to LSA, and I can't see anything to LSA until it comes out of here.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Unless I'm going to be on what -- we vote now. Whether we vote now today. I would like for it to be vetted the same way that you said that it could be vetted in those committees. Why? One of the main reasons we are supposed to have the experts in here. Our reapportionment director will not be on the floor. If it's not a public hearing, she cannot come on the senate floor. This lawyer cannot come on the senate floor itself. This is where the work has to be done to answer those questions in this committee. Not out there. You all know the rules. I don't have to even speak them. The people can't come out there. They are going to be out there. It's going to be somebody at the mic going to be saying the same thing. Well, they did it. And the answer is goes they did it. I would like to know how you came about it. Whatever the process to get to what you said that they say, "Okay to." And this is the place that it should be done right in here, and that's all that I'm asking. The exposure of the process and information be brought out in here so questions and follow up questions can be addressed to that information.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes, Ms. Hall.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I needed to go back to make sure I have the correct information as relates to what you said about the racially polarized voting study that was done. Did you say it was done?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Because of the black age voting population in Congressional District 7, there was not one needed because it was over 54% black voting age population.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So you're saying that we don't have a black, we don't have a polarization, racially polarization study?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: None. Because the voting age is 54. What is it? I got it right here.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And you use District 7 as the basis for not having such a study done?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The black voting age population of the district is sufficient enough to where you don't need a study done on it.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Are you saying that would not be a part or should not have been a part of this process?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Once we drew the process, once we drew the plan with no race on the computer --

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-- then after the plan was drawn, we turned on the race and we looked at District 7 and saw that it had a black voting age population that was sufficient enough to not require an analysis. And we put any more African-Americans on the race. We're afraid we'd be sued for packing.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So that was just District 7. What about the other districts? If we did those on these, I really would like -- I was trying to get that information. I'd like to have that information. I'm requesting that information.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The demographics of the district. Yeah. It's right here, it's in your folder.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So you're saying the data that we have makes of the --?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yeah. Here's the data right here. It's in your folder. It shows you the percentage of African-Americans of whites, the 18 plus populations, everything. It tells you to give you all that information.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I just want to make sure what you're saying that the data that we're receiving here today on each one of the districts provides us the data that we would have received or that would be received as a part of a racial polarization voting study.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I'm being told that at 54 plus percent of the African-American vote, it was high enough not to warrant a polarization study. It was a majority-minority district.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And that came from our attorney or the committee's attorney?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes. That came from the committee's attorney. Yes, ma'am.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And so, at this point, we do not have that.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Not on District 7. No, ma'am. Yes. Chris. The representative of England, I'm sorry.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right. You're referring to that -- as if the District 7 was the only district that you did not do that on. So did you do that on other districts?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We have the breakdown of black and white population.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No, not that. I'm talking about you mentioning that racial - that you didn't do the study on seven. Did you do it on any other district?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Can I ask something? The question you're asking, the answer is our attorney, mine and your attorney set that data off for districts that it looked like there might possibly be a racial issue. And we did that on all of these maps that we've done today. So he received the information on those districts where it looked like it could possibly be questionable, and wherever it was questionable, if necessary, we made adjustments. So the answer to your

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question would be a general statement that in any districts where it looked like it possibly was an issue, we had those districts analyzed. And if necessary to make changes in those districts to try to stay in compliance with the Voting Rights Act, then we made those moves. So you can ask that question about any one district and I will answer that by saying any district that looked like it needed to be done, we did it.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: It would appear that District 7 would look like that would need to be done if the methodology that you said you used was, we didn't think about race and then we drew the map, and then we said, "Okay, well, this is a result." So it appears to me that if we're doing this in the logical way, that District 7 just -- as it appears on a map, would produce a certain percentage. Now, according to what you've been telling me, that the percentage is not the decision that you made looking at it on the paper and saying that 54% is enough, you actually consulted with an attorney to make sure. So it would appear to me that if you're applying the logic that you just gave me that if we just looked at the district to see if it was in compliance, we would actually do District 7 before we did the others. So I would like to request that study be done on District 7. And what is the relationship between the 54% that you're citing and the actual results or potential results of a racial polarization study? What is the relationship between those two?

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: I got no clue.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: And that's the point.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: That's, that's the reason why we have the expert.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Again, but hold on. That's point. If you can't explain to me why the 54% that you're telling us satisfies the threshold that you have not created or satisfied yet, that would probably make it necessary for you to conduct a study to see if that 54% actually represent, which represents what you think it does. So for -- I would like to request as a member of the committee that that study be done on the Congressional District 7. I would also like to request because the way you keep describing the map itself, is that Districts 1 through 6 may have caused the question or may not have caused to question so there is a situation where that same study may have been done on the other districts. I would also like to see that information as well. Can I get that? First, can I get the study done on Congressional District 7 to make sure that the 54% represents what you think you're saying? And then also, can I get this, the results of the studies that they've been done on other district? Because Senator McClendon, you represented that they had been. So I would like to see that data as well. Is that possible?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Is there a particular percentage you'd be interested in seeing in District 7?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: That's the whole point. I want the study done so I'll know. I'm not going to -- I can't just blindly tell you what are percentage I would need in an area to make sure that it complies with the Voting Rights Act, one, but two, it is a -- I guess what you

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would consider a safe majority-minority district. That's the whole point of the study. So I would like the study to be done on Congressional District 7 and I would also like for you to give me the results of the other studies on the other districts that you mentioned may or may not have caused to you some consternation.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay, Mr. England, here's what I'll do. I'll request a study on District 7 for you, and I'll request the study be done on Senator Singleton's bill that he introduced also. How's that?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Yes.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: It's possible to do it. I mean, we're going to talk about it. Okay. I'll do on both of them.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: To also kind of take a step back, this process isn't resultoriented. Meaning, that we're not collected here to go over the data and the maps just to meet the deadline. We are actually supposed to do some qualitative work on the information that you provided us so we don't send maps or information to LRS to be drawn up into something that can't pass. I mean, and I get it. I mean, we work with deadlines all the time, but this committee structure was set up especially for this component because it's actually a joint committee for the house and the senate that goes over all four maps. So we can actually take a deep dive in that information, in the data and actually produce a map that actually satisfies all the things that you've been mentioning since the very beginning about keeping counties whole, about not splitting precincts, about making sure that equal protection is valid and making sure that the Voting Right Act is complied with. That's what this process is for, is to vet the information that we're getting. Because we may go through this process and discover that some of the is corrupted and it's not reliable or, we may actually if we had done a racial polarization study, we may actually find out that that 54% that you're talking about doesn't actually represent the information that you're giving us, and that you have made an assumption that could jeopardize an entire map. So again, not trying to diminish the effort, the herculean effort that you had to undertake to get us to this point, the point here isn't just to get it done so we can get a bill prepared. The point here is to actually vet the information so we know what we're actually doing in this process.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I understand, and I tell you we're going to spend a lot of time on this differential privacy, and that's going to come up sooner or later. Senator Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I would just -- if you all, I would like to know first on any of the congressional districts, did you all receive a written report regarding the study that he is requesting on 7? We say it that on some of them, it was done. All right. So whatever ones that were done, do we have a written report from that attorney, from whoever it is that we had to do it. We are saying that it was done on A B, C, or D. Do we have anything in writing that was sent to this committee to you all or sent to the community itself that would suggest that that is actually a fact? That's the first question. Do we have anything?

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: When we saw that 54% plus in the Seventh District majority-minority, we didn't think it needed a racial polarization analyzation and a lot to be analyzed and we didn't request racial voting polarization study on the majority of white districts.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. So we don't have that, that's the correct answer. We don't have anything in writing that's been sent to you all regarding that you should --

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I have not seen anything.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. All right. So we can't hold out then that that has been done. Okay. So that's the first thing. The second thing is this. We have an attorney that as you say very capable of being able to do what's necessary. I cannot understand the most important, the most important and really the only opportunity we as a committee member while we are going through these maps. I cannot understand for the love of life why he is not even sitting over there or he is not on Zoom. That doesn't make any sense. We are asking questions and we can't, you all cannot give the detail. I didn't say it to generalization, but you cannot give the detailed answer -- we keep telling them whether attorney need, an attorney and that's fine. Because if that's the answer. But then, that attorney need to be over there to answer what you just said that he did. I mean, that's an attorney for the committee and that is the most important meeting that he could ever be at being able to get him on there to give those responses as to the things that you all don't have first of all, documentation and secondly, that he in fact was the person who created, who suggested it and it was adopted to present to us by you all. So I'm asking to get him on here. I don't care if the phone.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: [INDISCERNIBLE 00:57:18]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah. I don't care if you get the phone or we can't Zoom, we deserve to have those people in here where we can ask those questions to get answers. Thank you.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes, Ms. Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Thank you. You indicated in your report about meeting with all of the members of congress, except for one. Are you able to tell me that once the maps were drawn, did they have an opportunity to view this map? And, what was their impression?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: They all saw. The one that we didn't meet was Mo Brooks because he's no longer running. But they've all had the opportunity to look at them and make suggestions, make requests in what they would like to see in their district, yes.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And did they indicate that they felt that what you've presented is fair and --?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: To the best of my knowledge, yes. I was not in the meetings.

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REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Thank you.

MALE 1: Mr. Chairman, our renewed motion for roll call vote.

M SENATOR MCCLENDON: We have a motion before us to adopt the congressional plan.

Clerk, recall the roll.

CLERK: Senator Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Allen?

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Levison?

SENATOR LEVISON: Aye.

CLERK: Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

CLERK: Senator Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No.

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CLERK: Senator Williams?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah.

CLERK: Representative Boyd?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: No.

CLERK: Representative Clouse?

REPRESENTATIVE CLOUSE: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye.

CLERK: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No.

CLERK: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: No.

CLERK: Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: No.

CLERK: Representative Lovvorn?

REPRESENTATIVE LOVVORN: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE PRINGLE: Aye.

CLERK: Representative South?

REPRESENTATIVE SOUTH: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Wood?

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REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Aye.

CLERK: Fifteen yeses, six nos. The motion passed.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Thank you committee members. Coming forth now is the State Board of Education in development of this plan. All state board members were met with in person or by phone, follow up meetings were held, sometimes by phone, some on Microsoft Team until all of their concerns were addressed. All board members had inputs. This plan meets our committee guidelines, complies with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and Equal Protection clause. There is a minimum population deviation between the districts, all population state board is 628,035 plus or minus five.

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Respects counties to the extent possible of taking into consideration requirements for equal population does not require incumbents to run against each other. District continuous and reasonably compact, respects communities of interest, preserves the course of existing districts, the precinct splits, five counties are splits, five counties with zero splits. It's an improvement over the current law with 12 versus 5 splits. Tuscaloosa County, Jefferson, Talladega, Montgomery and Mobile each have our split. Contains two majority-black, Districts 4 and 5. The BVAP for 4 is 51.2 1%. BVAP for 5 is 51.2 7% and the functionality studies that we've talked about indicate that Section 2 requires no further adjustment to these BVAPs in order to fulfill our obligation under the Voting Rights Act. With that introduction, I move adoption of the plan as you have received. I have a second on that, a motion and adoption and I recognize my good friend Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you Senator. I can't speak for anybody that's in here, but I have no knowledge of which changes had to be made in here. Is that I would like to go through the changes in each district adjustments. What is the adjustment that you had to make in drawing some out? We can start with warning going all the way to the last one there.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The changes are detailed. You've got a folder Senator.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I would have to read.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: That's the changes in it and from -- let me tell you this.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Mr. Chairman, do you want me to -- if you recognize me, I'll take this folder and then read them out. But tell me, I got, so Smitherman is that last vote. I don't like them. I am not even seen none of these until I just walked in at one o'clock. So I don't understand. But I'm requesting either that we go over or I'm requesting the opportunity to -- if I got to read it, let me read it out loud and everybody sit here and we read and then we have discussions about it. I don't mind doing whatever you tell me to do. But I do want to go over these. I mean just to ram them down my throat, that is not right. If I can't go over them, then you're ramming it down my throat because I just got this. I mean, I came down here and you

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meet you and nobody said nothing about change, anything, it was about this. Nobody gave me anything. I am not saying nothing until I got this right now. So I'm asking, please tell me whether we change in one? What we change in two, that's reasonable.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Would you like a little five-minute break to read over that thing Senator?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: It'd take more than five minutes to read because I still got questions. Reading don't eliminate the questions because I need a big old map up there. I need a map, I need the overlay. Since you all know what I need, I will need to overlay and then I could see where that is and I could say, "Well, what area is that and then what's the result of that? What impact did it have on initial?" So that I've been asking for the maps and I know that they have it because I saw overlay when I came in here. So I know we have the capability and that's all I'm asking.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I wish you'd let us know ahead of time. Well Senator, if you want to talk about this, this is your opportunity to go ahead and do that. Now, I will tell you as far as asking me a lot of details on the BOA map, I was not involved and I was involved peripherally but not in detail. So if there's things you would like to discuss and ask and talk about on this thing that you have the floor and you're just welcome to do so.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I could do a decent job of that if I got the map up there, well I can ask. That doesn't tell me anything. I'm looking at the one, it didn't tell me anything. It just tell me that these are the new lines. They didn't tell me what's the overlay, what we're taking out, what we had to add in anything like that in terms of the precincts.

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: So do you have specific questions about parts of the map and I'll see what I can find out.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yes sir.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I narrow it down and help me out here and I'll see what I can do.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: The basic question I like to overlay, like to see the comparison and contrast, either way that it's set up that you got to set up in the machine -- presently and what changes this.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay I'll see what you want. I don't know if we're capable of doing that but why don't you talk about any parts of this that catches your attention and I'll check and see what our IT folks can do as far as complying with your request. We might be able to put them side-by-side with the new one. We might be able to do that. I don't know, but I'll be glad to check on that and see what we can do.

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SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well specific questions, I can't give them to you because I don't know the overlay. That's why I got to have it. I mean, this is the finished product and I'm asking about the contrast between old product and the finished and I don't even have that before me in this where I can do that sitting in, you can think of anything. I don't have it. That's why I'm asking for it and I know we got it because like I said, I was here and I saw that we have overlaying capabilities.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We did have, and I think we put online. I'm not sure, but I think we put online today old map, new map. We'll see.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I did the first time, I've seen this.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: While he makes that request, is anybody else. We'll get back to you Senator.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I have questions.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Under the current map that we're looking at now, was this drawn based on the 5% deviation plus-minus?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Yes, sir.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Could you tell me in District 4 and District 5 what was the population gain or population loss for you to be able to -- because in order for you to do the 5% deviation, you had to look at the gain or loss in that. So therefore, you had to move around in precincts.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I don't have a -- it's 27,686 people under that deal. It's 228,659 whites, 319,828 blacks.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: So there's about 27,000 population loss in that district?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: It's under population idea by 27, has a deviation of minus 4.61%. It's 38.9% white, 53.27% black.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Where would you have made that part pull more citizens black there in Jefferson County to make up that deviation?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'm not sure where it came from Senator. I'm sorry.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: See, that's the kind of stuff we would need to know in order to be able to approve maps when you start making these kinds of adjustments. I definitely would like to know that because it's not detailed on these maps where your adjustments came in terms of making adjustment to make up that. If you look at the next one and which covers most of the black built, I'm certainly there was some loss there.

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REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: District 5?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Which is 621,817 people which is a 6,218.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: How many?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: 6,218.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: 252,012 whites, 326,931 blacks. That's 40.53% white, 52.58 blacks. In fact, voting age population is 51.27%.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay. And again, you can't tell me where the makeup of that population, which direction you went to get the makeup in that population in your precincts?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I can't tell you right off the top of my head, no sir.

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: Thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Smitherman rest assured. We're over here chasing some electrons around trying to.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Representative Hall, did you have something to say in the event?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I do. I'd like to ask a question that I asked earlier as it relates to the school board plan. Did we do the ratio polarization polarized voting study on these districts?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. My answer would be the same as it was before. Any time there was any suspicion that there might be a racial issue, we did submit these to a political scientist to give us an analysis.

MALE 1: Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Just a minute.

MALE 1: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You're still up.

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REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Okay. Yeah. So you're saying that when you felt that was not a given, that was not part of the process of drawing the maps. So I'm going to get the same response on each one of the --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, ma'am we didn't. I'm sorry, I didn't mean to interrupt you, Ms. Hall. We didn't automatically do every district on every map. We only sent the district's offer analysis where it looked like there might be an issue. If there's any suspicion of an issue, we had them analyzed, and then using that data, we tried to make them -- that wouldn't be an issue where we comply with the voting rights there. Does that answer your question?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Yeah. I'm just trying to make sure I was understanding correctly. So, we didn't do that for congressional and we didn't do it for school boards. I've done it for any of the others.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. I'm going back if you'll hang on just a minute. Senator Smitherman, have we got the map up done? Okay. There you go.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Now, what's the overlay? I'm okay side by side or whatever you want to call it.

MR. CHAIRMAN: According to my expert, the blue lines are the old and the colors are the new.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: So he said there's been a good bit of rearranging. But there always is when you have the population changes like we've had in Alabama this past decade.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: My first question would be, why is Jefferson County split three different ways? I mean, we just split Chow for every one of these maps we got. Why come into our county and split it three different ways?

MR. CHAIRMAN: You know, these maps were created pretty much in the same style that the senate maps which you participated in and house maps, and that we worked with each of the existing board members, and so many times these changes were made in consultation with the existing board members. Just like you had input into your senate map, they had input into this map.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I appreciate you giving them input but I will say this, after the input and everything is done. They don't vote for this. We do.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Right.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So, the input all right, but the input are not like ours, because we don't want going to vote. And so that's why it's important for us to understand. They may like something. I got constituents that don't like it. I got a lot of them that don't like the fact that we

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split up three ways in here. I'm talking about seriously. They don't want to be split up like that. That's why I said what I said in that regard. What about the other ones? What was the rationalization for the other changes that exist in the other ones? And this one, too. What was the rationalization? Why was it split three ways?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That was probably the biggest part of it is dealing with the existing members. That's where the most input came from.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. So, we took in consideration what individual people won't, and I'm not saying you didn't take it at all but it seems to me that, and you correct me if it's not right. I don't mind being corrected. Well, we seem that we were focusing more on what they wanted than what the citizens wanted or what the better way to draw that map without splitting those counties.

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Because I'm telling you what citizens are concerned about, they telling you what individual they want and don't want and that takes us out of the game, because we're represent those same citizens and we vote. So I would ask that you all go back and look at where you don't have to split Jefferson County like that, and then provide a map that does not do that. But now what's the other deviations and the changes? In the other deviations, what did you all have to pick up and what did you lose?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, the deviations of course are in compliance with the guidelines that this committee adopted and every district within plus or minus 5% of the target. So we've stayed -- this map is inside the deviations that we established really is our own guidelines to how to do this and how to do it in a sense of fairness.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. In regards to follow up on Senator Sings question, I know he mentioned something about one of those districts. It was 26% population. Can you tell us what population each one of those? On each one of them.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think you've got that data.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I don't have it all in one though. I got what you say it is in the new district.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, because we know what the target. So we got that in this folder? Okay. It's in the back of your folder. You got it in writing.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: The old and under?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, you may have to add or subtract from the target to see what the difference is.

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SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well in that case, I move a 30 minutes recess. I got to do some math. [INDISCERNIBLE 1:17:03] some math. Give me time to do. The figure is all over that low. I mean, I know they are. You all could tell me about my own district. You know about every district in every plan it is.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. I'm looking at the data that you've got in your folder, and I'm looking at district five. It gives the ideal population, gives the actual population then it gives the deviation. So, you've got all of that information in writing in your folder?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What's the ideal population? The actual population?

MR. CHAIRMAN: It's at the very back of your

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I see that part what you're saying right. I see it. Now, the other question there, where did we make of those numbers from? What precincts?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I was moved around to create the district.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't know the answer to that. Oh, no.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Do we have the answer in this room?

MR. CHAIRMAN: A lot of precincts. Well, it doesn't matter. What you know is what the old district is and now, before you, you have what the new district is. So now where some people came from, that is the overlay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: You said it don't matter, it does to me. I just wanted to say that it may not to nobody else, but it does. That's why I'm asking the question. I wouldn't ask the question being dealing --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are you asking me and listen Senator Smitherman, I'm trying to get what you want here, but you want to know where people came from or where they went. That's what your overlay map shows us, where the changes were made, which precincts were in a district before and which ones are in our district now. Does that answer your question?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: It answers 50%.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: But the other part is that it does not talk about what area. [INDISCERNIBLE 1:18:56] and put it over here. That's what I'm saying. We don't have any writing up there. I wouldn't have to ask, and we do have maps that is that detail. You all know that. I know you do, because you all the chairman's. You know we do, and that's what I was asking. I mean, do we have capabilities of doing that? Yes. And that's all I'm asking. In every

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one of these things, we're going to do -- I would like to see that. So that at the, we can make a better understanding of what we vote on and taking places from people, because people ask us especially up in mayor. They don't want to be over here. They want the county to be whole. And so when you make the moves, and that tells me what people will move and what people will left and that has a basis too of the way I feel about this plan because all of us, we are here to represent the people in our district, and these are concerns of people in the district. Is there any way to know that?

[01:20:02]

MALE 1: No, sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: It's not? You sure now? I mean, I was here when we did it, when we provided it.

MALE 1: Well, it could be that.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So even in man, I saw precincts. You remember you were in here when I came. I saw precincts. So I'm not making up some, you was in there with me when we saw those precincts.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Now we can bring that down and we can get that to you but as far as it's coming before this committee, what we have presented and this is what we've got before us today.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: And I have no problem with you presented and that's what before us. I just want some answers of what's before us. That's all I'm asking.

MALE 1: All right, sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So, can we get that information? Can we break it down? Let me just say this, I understand that we can, all we have to do, even out there is take number one and then put the details in and put it across there. That's all we got to do and then we'll see where it comes from. We should put that old, that blue line or whatever that line over there and that's like it is right there. The old and new and put the detail in there and it's over there in that computer right there. That's all we got to do. It's right there. I ain't asking for the man who ain't that available lawyer we got. I'm asking him about that computer right there.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay, where we're examining on the capability of this system that we have now to the extent that we can.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. There we go. That's what I'm talking about. That's I'm saying pop up there.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Is there any particular area that you would like to look at?

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SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I like to --

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Do you want to look at your area and --

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: First all [INDISCERNIBLE 01:22:03], I like to look at the one above and I think that's six or whatever that is above that, every part, me particularly every one of those districts that Jefferson County, I like to see that part, that district that touches. It's three of them and I like to be told what I'm looking at, so I'll be sure of what I see. Yeah, you getting it. I was looking over that Tarrant and I'm looking at Inglenook, Brownsville. I'm looking at those.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yes, sir.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We're going to spend, if you want to spend, we're going to spend about 10 minutes with you.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That's fine, I'll take it here.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:23:10] on this and then we're going to get you back on business.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: 10 is better than zero. Take the 10.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: You're always a 10 Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you, Senator. Sun Valley, so that the blue is the new, right?

MALE 1: That's right.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: The blue is old. Blue is old and the colors are new. Okay. What district is that green? What number district? Four? It's number four? Blue, that y 'all call it blue. Okay. All right. So, it's the color is a change? Let me see. And it's four, four is the C5 and what six is the majority of the districts, five and; no, five and what? What number Mr. Chairman? I was just trying to speed up the process. Which one is five and what's the other one you say is a majority? African-American district, [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:42] voting population? It's five and it's four and five?

MALE 2: Five, four is 51.2. Five is 51. [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:57].

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SENATOR SMITHERMAN: How can we tighten it up that you don't have already splits in that county? Did y 'all look at that? Did you play with the map and look at it and see what it looked like?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We played with a map and you certainly will have an opportunity if you've got a better plan for us. You'll have an opportunity to like that proposal to the legislator when we meet.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So, that's four, that all the four right there? I see some more at the bottom, is that part of four? And above four is what, seven? That's at the top of Jefferson County?

MALE 2: Yes, sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What percentage of seven is in Jefferson County? Anybody can tell me that? So we got three in Jefferson County and we got four and we got seven. Now, those are three at [INDISCERNIBLE 01:26:13] Jefferson County?

MALE 2: Yes.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Three, four and seven. It's seven, four and three. So in four, we went straight up. We did like the old seven in congressional. We went straight up in the Jefferson County to pull those people out, is that correct? Why we could not make Jefferson County whole or Tuscaloosa whole and keep those whole and satisfy that population? Did y 'all try to do that? And if you did - -

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I'm sure that was looked at and considered.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: But you're not sure though. Okay, I was going to ask why. I'm not going to put you on the spot if you don't know, you know. Okay. All right, Mr. Chair, I see what's been done and I know what the people want. Thank you very much on that.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Senator Smitherman, thank you for your participation and your comments. As always, a pleasure. Call a question. Roll call vote. There's no more discussion and let me see, Senator Singleton, do you have a question before we call roll? Call roll, please.

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen?

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Holly?

SENATOR HOLLY: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:27:59].

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston?

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SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator McCLendon?

SENATOR MCLENDON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:28:20].

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyte?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYTE: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Clouse?

REPRESENTATIVE CLOUSE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye.

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FEMALE 1: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn?

REPRESENTATIVE 1: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative South?

REPRESENTATIVE SOUTH: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Woolett?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOLETT: Aye.

FEMALE 1: 16 yes, 6 no. It's passed.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: BOE, bill to favorable report by this committee. We are now moving into the Senate bill. I'm going to take that bill. All senators were met with multiple times. Most of them wanted to. Sometimes we met on the phone, sometimes in person, sometime over Microsoft Team when there was a group. Senator Don, who is not running for re-election. We met with her representative speaking on her behalf. All senators had input into the plan. This plan follows our guidelines, compliance with Section 2. Minimal population deviation. Ideal pop is 143,551. All of the districts that are on this map that you have in your folder and which will get displayed are within plus or minus 5%.

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We respect County Lowndes to the extent possible, given the requirement of equal population. We are not requiring any incumbents to run against each other; districts are continuous and they're not reasonably compact. We try to respect calamities of interest and we preserve the cores of the existing district. The existing plan, the one we're under right now splits 26 counties under the plan that is being proposed that you have on the Board now. We are split 19 counties. This plan contains eight majority black districts. These districts fulfill the state's obligation under the Voting Rights Act. I have a Motion for a favorable report and a second Senator Melson, are there any -- Senator Smitherman, it's about time you chimed in. Got involved in this.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: This is one that goes even deeper than that what I've been talking about. I got serious concerns about the fact -- let me say this first.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I'm going to make a personal comment; and then I'm going to get into this. I enjoy very much working with my delegation, let me make sure you understand that. We've done a lot of good things together; so by no means that I have any problem with any individual in my district, I mean, in my delegation. But let me say this to you, there's no reason under the earth why Jefferson County is split among seven senators. We have a population of 670,000 people. When you do the math, just divide it into that, that's 4.7 senators. That's what we should have in terms of our county. Whole county, keeping the county whole. Number one, let me say this; and I think -- that's why I wish the lawyer was here because he wouldn't have a choice but to say you were right. The Constitution in Section 199 and Section 200 states and I state that the counties are to be maintained to be kept whole in terms of drawing these districts. The only deviation that it talks about is simply this; is that where you have to provide a minority district; then you go outside of the counties to succeed to do that. In Jefferson County, that does not apply. All three minority districts are inside of the county. So, as a result of that, there is no reason that that county should have those splits, based on the constitution, not based on an opinion or how I feel. I've mentioned that when I was in here, I mentioned that my concern, when I was asked the question that you satisfied, not the word satisfied, but that's with the district, and my comment is that I was concerned about whole counties, and I say that even if the Supreme Court ruled that way that I had to have this district then I will live with it, that's what my comment so I don't want to be misconstrued or what I say it in there. I'm saying it officially here. But in terms of Jefferson County, there's no reason why we should be split seven ways and I mentioned that to it made that known, no effort was made to deal with that issue. No effort was made to deal with that issue based on the constitution. So, I want to make that known that I put it out there, nothing was done about it, so, that is my concern. If you remember, that last time that we went to the Supreme Court, they took up the house issue and they addressed it in the house and said that the house should be a certain way because of dealing with this issue. Now, we're looking at the senate district that the committee has made no changes whatsoever and as a result of that, as I said, we have seven senators who represent one county. So, I'm asking the committee to go back to address section 199 and section 200 of the constitution that talks about whole counties and has laid out the proper legal basis of why we should do that especially as it relates to Jefferson County where all three minority districts encompass inside of the county.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay, anyone else? Seeing no other discussion, I call for the roll call vote. Representative England, I missed you over there, hold that roll call vote. Representative England, you are recognized sir.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'm just trying to figure out almost the same lines that Senator Smitherman identified that's Lucy County for whatever reason has three senators and it is carved up. It's going to be 200,000 people total and it has three senators that come from -don't really represent the same sort of communities of interest and Senator Singleton is my friend. He is my senator, but his district goes from Tuscaloosa County all the way down to Choctaw. Senator Reed who is also a friend, his district goes from Tuscaloosa County all the way to the northern tip of Walker all the way to Lamar. These are not communities of interest. The City of Tuscaloosa proper only has average three-member senate delegation; only one of the senators live actually inside of Tuscaloosa County. So, the people in Tuscaloosa County, there are people who have more influence or just as much influence of his own city in county business that live outside the county as members that who do. Now, we're not talking about the house delegation yet, but the house delegation is worse. So, I am just as many other senators and representatives, where you have a major city, it is often sacrificed in order to make up population for other districts. As a result, it sacrifices the amount of representation that we have. So, I just want to go on record once again to state that Tuscaloosa County is possible to draw a map without splitting it into three different districts, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you Representative England for your remarks. Senator Smitherman, back to you.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: At the proper time, I have a substitute motion.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Let's see, anyone else have anything else to say? Yes, sir, Mr. [PH 01:37:24] Myer. Did you want to get in on this?

MR. MYER: I'm just concerned about, I guess the Senate District 33 is now in Baldwin County but it's traditionally all in Mobile County and then some of the Baldwin County senators are now in Mobile County; I didn't quite understand that. The Baldwin County is the largest grove county around the state. How did we get a senator from Baldwin County in Mobile and then the senators from Mobile in Baldwin? Who are they coming to cross path like that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Is that a question?

MR. MYER: Yes, it is.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You know, the answer is pretty easy, isn't it? Just like in the house districts, we had to sit down and work with each of the incumbents to resolve their issues and that appears to be the resolution. Senator Smitherman, are you back?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yes sir, I'm back.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes sir, I recognize you. You're okay?

MALE 1: No, I'm not okay but -- Senator Smitherman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes sir, Senator Smitherman, you're recognized.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I like to make a substitute motion that we carry over this plan and the motion ask the committee to go back and to look at making the basis for drawing this plan to perseveration of this provision of the constitution which is Section 199, 200 deals with whole counties and that in particular, the counties who have an excess amount of representation as it relates to the population in reference I'm talking to primarily Jefferson County, but all other counties that we would not go forward with this until that issue is addressed and corrected to reflect out of the 678 -- 70 something thousand people that the proper number of representation in the senate honoring whole counties would be five senators, 4.7 or 5 senators, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you Senator Smitherman. Now, my commotion to table, I would ask that you all vote aye all in favor, say aye.

[01:40:00]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That's a rollcall, remember --

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Smitherman, you're recognized.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: A request was made for rollcall on all the votes from --

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, sir, the chairman decided to make that a voice vote.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So you're not honoring her request for -- she made a formal request.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's okay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay, what's the rule does a committee regarding? I know on the floor what you had two or three hands up. Is there any rules that we can -- as a committee be recognize so that we can have a roll call vote?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's a discretion of the chairman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So they go back to what I say, Okay, All right, thank you.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Singleton, did you decide you want to join in?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Obviously not now.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: You have time later, don't worry, you have time later. You have

some time.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Do you want the floor Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you. Let's roll call vote. Please call the room.

FEMALE 1: [PH 01:41:10] Barry Allen.

MALE 1: Let's make it a voice vote.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen.

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Holley.

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston.

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

FEMALE: Senator McClendon.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson.

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

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FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton.

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Smitherman

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Williams.

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyte.

REPRESENTATIVE BOYTE: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative [PH 01:41:45] Clouse.

REPRESENTATIVE CLOUSE: Aye

FEMALE 1: Representative Ellis.

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye

FEMALE 1: Representative England.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer.

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Jones.

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn.

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REPRESENTATIVE LOVVORN: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Pringle.

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative South

REPRESENTATIVE SOUTH: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Wood.

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: 16 yeses, 6 nos. It's passed.

MALE 1: Thank you, senator. Ladies and gentlemen, now we move to the House of Representatives plan. In developing this plan, house members were met with in person. And subsequently over the phone on Microsoft teams and told many of their concerns have been addressed. All representatives had input into this plan. The exceptions are a handful of members who are not running for re-election and who chose not to meet with us. This plan meets our committee guidelines. It complies of section two of the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause for the Constitution. There is a minimal population deviation between the districts, ideal population for house district is 47,850. All districts are within plus or minus 5% of ideal population. It respects counties to the extent possible, given the requirements for population on the 14th Amendment of the Constitution. It is not required incumbents to run against each other however there are a few members who are not running who are in other districts. All districts are continuous and reasonably compact under the Gingles test. It respects communities of interest and preserves the course of existing districts. It splits a minimum number of counties in voting precincts, 39 counties for split and 57 voting precincts for split to get the deviation. This is improvement of the current law which split 46 counties. This plan contains 27 majority minority black districts including the creation of a new majority black district in Montgomery which is House District 74. In addition, House District 53 held by minority leader Daniels has a black voting population of 48.15% which he said he was comfortable having. Well that ladies and gentlemen, are there any questions?

MALE 2: Motion to adopt.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I have a question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay, Representative England.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Its seems like the whole county constitutional requirement applies everywhere but Tuscaloosa County. Again, there are 200% people inside the Tuscaloosa County and as it stands, there are seven members in that delegation. Of the seven, only four live

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within the county. You mentioned in your discussions, you said we try to keep communities of interest together, representative Ralph Howards, district now draws all the way into Tuscaloosa - not only Tuscaloosa County but in the city limits. He goes into the west side of Tuscaloosa which is majority minority.

[01:45:08]

MR. CHAIRMAN: And he is very happy with that by the way because he told me how excited he was.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I appreciate you offering editorial for me. Secondly, District 71 goes into downtown or to the west side of Tuscaloosa. It also encompasses Pickens. Sumter and Marengo counties. It also goes into the west of Tuscaloosa and it captures the other half of the black population on the west side of Tuscaloosa. I don't think that's by accident. As it stands, the City of Tuscaloosa also now has a seven-member delegation of which three do not live anywhere near the county. The minority majority area of the city is represented by representatives that live an hour and hour and a half away. It is carved up in the City of Tuscaloosa to the point where it is very difficult to say for us to suggest that people that live in the county that the people that live outside the county don't have as much influence on what we do as the people who live inside of the county, especially the city limits. You also mentioned that it [PH 01:46:35] complies with the Voting Rights Act. I would also like to request the same information that I have requested all day long. I would like the same results from the same studies that we're conducting and that there has not been a study done on my District, District 70, 71, 72 or any district within the city of Tuscaloosa, I would like to have the results of those studies but not only that, I would like to also know who conducted the study and I would like to see the results. As far as across the state, I get the whole concept of try to keep counties whole and whatnot. But it does not appear that that was a guiding principle whenever you got to areas that where districts were minority. It seems like you dove into cities just to capture the black population and to pack them into districts to re-establish a population but to make sure that their influence does not spread outside to potentially impact an election in what would be a traditionally white or republican district specifically, in Tuscaloosa. So as I said, I would love to see -- I'm requesting the same information I have requested about the congressional districts and also, if there's any districts out where there are racial polarization studies were done. I would also like to see those as well.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you and duly noted, we will get back to you. [PH 01:48:06] Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Two questions, one statement one question. I would request the same thing for all senator districts, okay. That study that they are trying to get, I would like for all senator districts. So I wanted to say that, I'm not saying you would but don't make a judgment [INDISCERNIBLE 01:48:28]. As a member, I am entitled to and I would ask for that. If we don't have it, spend the money and why we [PH 01:48:36] appropriate it. So any savings of money, either is about getting the necessary stuff that we need to get. The other question I would ask because I kind of heard you. Un your statement you said, you went on like you spoke to in your statement but I would like to know how many districts have been combined to where you

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have now someone who is either waiting for a position that's open, that's obviously right now or who is -- or has been placed where two incumbents are now having to run against each other?

MR. CHAIRMAN: In the house plan, there is zero.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What about that [INDISCERNIBLE 01:49:20]?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: There is not?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. So he is not in the district with -- what's the other [PH 01:49:27] sister that's in Montgomery?

MR. CHAIRMAN: He passed away but the candidate -- there are no two candidates that I know off. I don't know if he is going to run but no.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Can she run? Ms. [PH 01:49:40] Morris and that's --

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't know the name of anybody.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No, I was just saying Ms. Morris, that's [INDISCERNIBLE 01:49:49] putting Ms. Morris' district. Not understanding. Is that right? Am I wrong or right? Correct me if I'm wrong because I try to make statements that's right.

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MALE 2: Yeah, couple of house district.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Right. So, you know, what are we going to do to correct that? And I'll stop when you said it, I want to make a comment. All I want to say is this and the records speak for itself and if Senator [INDISCERNIBLE 01:50:16] was in here, he would, I think vouch for that. We made sure that no districts when we were in the majority ever, to republicans or to democrats that they had to run against each other. That's traditionally what we've done in here. All the time that I've been had the blessings and opportunity to be on Reapportionment and that since 1994. So now why are we doing that? And why are we doing it in a minority district? I mean, we got 105 seats out there now, why are we picking these minority district? They have two of them run against each other.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Not that I'm aware of in Montgomery County. And I know when I ran in 94, I defeated -- two incumbents were put in the same district and I beat two of them. Not to get two incumbents.

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SENATOR SMITHERMAN: There was a 94 run. Remember I said I've been here since 1994, it hasn't happened. He will vouch how much I folded in my [INDISCERNIBLE 01:51:10] and make sure that wouldn't happen.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We did not place any incumbents together.

MALE 2: Mr. Chairman, why you may say you didn't have any incumbents together, but you did have a candidate that was out there running in 76. That are currently running in 76. You have candidates that are currently running and 76 who would now not be in 76 because if they wanted them, they would not represent 76.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't believe that's the best the case anymore.

MALE 2: That is the case.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't believe it is anymore.

MALE 2: Explain the new district 74 if Represented [INDISCERNIBLE 01:51:50] was living today.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He would be in another district but-

MALE 2: It will be in another district, so he wouldn't be in 76.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah but the person running his district is in that district.

MALE 2: In what district in the new district?

MR. CHAIRMAN: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:52:01].

[BACKROUND CONVERSATION]

MALE 2: No but now, they are tagged with another incumbent, who lives in that area now.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm aware of what you believe, but I promise you the plan has been changed.

MALE 2: The plan has been changed?

MALE 1: Can you show us a change?

MALE 2: Could you explain the changes?

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MALE 1: We can't see it. It doesn't clearly show here. Yeah, help me out with that.

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[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MALE 1: 76 is the new 74 that's been fixed.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. CHAIRMAN: While we're doing that, Mr. Clouse is there anything you would like to say? We are going to pull that.

MALE 2: Yeah, well you can be seen.

MR. CLOUSE: I just want to make a clarification on my friend Senator Smitherman. It might have been after 2000 census when the democrats were in the majority there were no republicans put together in the Senate.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That's what I'm talking about.

MR. CLOUSE: Right. But in the house, there were two districts, where two republican incumbents were put together.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah well let me come down and I'll [PH 01:53:45] refer it.

MR. CLOUSE: Yeah okay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Republican Senate did that they won. See, we'll be fair about this thing. That's what I'm talking about. They'll tell you, I'll hide them for them. There isn't anybody allowing for them right now, but us.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Is that a new district now?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's a new district.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That district?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That has been in the county though but that is?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is. That's whole precincts. So are there any more questions? Now we have a motion? Move to have a final approval to this.

FEMALE 1: Question.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, I have done that once. Call roll.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: She had a question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right, let Ms. Hall ask her question.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I was just trying to follow up with what you were saying in terms of the counties. Are we clear and what you're saying in reference to the county that Singleton and Smitherman mentioned as it relates to the candidates, whether the candidate is alive or not does that --

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Where is perfectly thought.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: All right, and so the -- this is the last activity that we are doing, right?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, ma'am.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I would also like to request precincts for each one of these proposals that you provided today. I'd like to have that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I will be more than happy to give you all breakdowns with all this stuff.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And then as we look at the rules, it says a legislator shall try to minimize the number of counties in each district. It seems like we're being a bit confused here with what we've heard today. We use the word "shall," it says that you must follow, trial indicates that you might not. And so, would you tell me based on what we have today and what instant would you not minimize the number of counties or the process that you've used here today?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Ma'am we did our very best to respect voting precincts and county lines and keep as many counties hold as possible but the overriding principle of reapportionment is one man one vote. When we went by whole counties in the State of Alabama -- in 1947 the United Supreme Court said the redistricting was a judicial ticket in which the court should not weighed and declared it non-despicable. Until the State of Alabama came and rentals [PH 01:56:37] via sims and our whole our whole county plan where they ruled that it was so egregious that denied people their constitutional right to fair representation. And that's the lawsuit just started all redistricting and the Fourteenth Amendment requires one man one vote and we respect county lines as much as we could but the overriding principle is to draw districts that each person in this room represents the [PH 01:56:59] apportionment the same number of people as every other person.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So it still appears that we've still dividing counties and it's just - and so you're saying that process was necessary.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: We split counties and precincts solely for the purpose of population deviations.

MALE 3: Mr. Chairman?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: But we did not do the population study on all of these counties?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, well, we're going to do the voting studies on the ones we think are necessary, but you don't need a voting study on my district. It's just not needed.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: But I'm saying if we're being fair, when you do a study, you study all you don't study what you think.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No reason.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So help me to understand what the standard is.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Why would you study racial polarized voting in my district?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I don't know.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I mean, you just --

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Other than in fact you want a process --

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MR. CHAIRMAN: I mean the reason we do this to ensure we don't run up against a regression on law suit and violate section two of the Voting Rights Act.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I shouldn't have said I don't know. I would think you don't do it because you would --

MR. CHAIRMAN: We were doing everything we can to prevent a regression problem and violate section two of the Voting Rights Act. I mean we're trying to follow the law and we don't have a retrogression issue and violate section two.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So would you violate the law if you did all of this information --

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MR. CHAIRMAN: We asked for polarized voting analysis on districts that we were concerned about whether we whether intentionally or unintentionally diminish the ability of a protected class of minority citizens from electing or defeating the candidate of their choice. That's what

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we're looking at. We are making sure a protected class minor and compact and cohesive but minority class is able to elect to defeat the candidates of their choosing.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And I want to make sure that the record is clear. I'm not asking you to violate the law but I would ask you to be consistent and fair and across the board in the process.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We have met with every member trying to make him happy. Yes, senator?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I would just add that you quoted [INDISCERNIBLE 01:59:12] but if you go further it addresses what I see it. You did say what you said but you see what I see it after they said all that bizarre stuff they said however, counties should be made whole where there's possibility except one of the criteria was when you were trying to create a minority district. Unless you're getting ready to give up four in Jefferson County instead of three then we got out inside the county and that does not apply.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm a humble contractor and you're a scholared attorney. Well, that we had a question before us, I believe we have a roll call vote, clerk call the roll.

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

FEMALE: Senator Holley.

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

FEMALE: Senator Livingston

SENATOR LEVISTON: Aye.

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SENATOR SINGLETON: Mr. Chairman.

MR. PRESIDENT: Senator Singleton.

SENATOR SINGLETON: While we're waiting on here, can I just get a [INDISCERNIBLE

00:11:16].

MR. PRESIDENT: You're recognized.

SENATOR SINGLETON: I just want the body to know and I'm going to turn this back over, is that we here today on this congressional plan are going to present a couple of plans today and we just ask for your patience. This is not going to be a lockdown filibuster or anything. We just want to be able to ask pertinent questions about this, be able to take our time to walk through the process. I know I have a map or two that I want to introduce. Senator Smitherman has a map that he's going to introduce. I think also Senator Wagner may even have a map that he's going to introduce. So, we're just going to take our time to go through this process. There's no need to cloture anyone. We're not here to lock down anything. We just want to be able to ask pertinent questions and deal with the Chairman, who has done a great job at this point. So, thank you, Mr. President, for that point of personal privileges.

MR. PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator Singleton.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Mr. President.

MR. PRESIDENT: Senator McClendon.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: The house plan we have before us today is the plan that came out of the Redistricting Committee earlier last week and it is also the plan as it came out from the House of Representatives. The members were met with in person and sometimes on Microsoft Teams, sometimes on the phone. All their issues have been addressed. We've been made aware of their problems. Everyone that had an interest had input into the plan. There are exceptions for a handful of members who, in fact, are not running again, who chose not to meet with us. The committee guidelines have been met on all aspects of this plan. It complies with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause. There is a minimum population deviation between the districts. Ideal population for a house district is 47,850. All districts are within plus or minus 5% of the ideal. It respects counties to the extent possible, given the requirements for equal population. It does not require incumbents to run against each other. However, there are a few members who are not running, who would be in a different district from the one that they currently represent. All the districts are contiguous and reasonably compact, attempting to respect communities of interest and to try to preserve cores of existing districts. Copies of Pringle House Plan 4 are available to you. This plan splits a minimum number of counties and

precincts. Thirty-nine counties are split under this proposed map and compare that to the 46 counties that are split under the existing maps.

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Precinct 57 are split in order to get the deviation. This plan contains 27 majority black districts including the creation of a new majority black district in Montgomery County, which would be House District 74. In addition, House District 53 held by Minority Leader Daniels has a BVAP of 48.15% with which he said, he was comfortable. With that being said, if you would like to look over these and see the details, the breakdown of the splits and the population; again, these districts were drawn with race blindness that committed data was removed from the screen when they were created as we're charged to do. You will see that the House Districts all fall within the deviation. The population summaries are attached to the maps that you have with a mean deviation of 3.18 and standard deviation of 1,682.66. The range on the districts on population size went from a low of 45,466 to 50,225. All of that information is presented up here. I will talk about historically how this has worked with the House considering senate maps and the Senate considering house Maps, which is where we are today on this fifth day of our legislative session, special session that in the past the Senate has been essentially hands off of the house maps accepting what is produced by the House and their efforts. And the expectation is the same that the Senate will leave the house maps, House will leave the Senate maps alone. At least that's how we hope it will work. Now, I see my friend Senator Singleton, you have some discussion on these maps, Senator, I would welcome the input.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator McClendon, do you yield the mic?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: I yield the mic.

MR. PRESIDENT: Okay. Senator Singleton, you're up in the house.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Thank you, Mr. President. When I look at this plan, it says Pringle House Plan number 4. Is this a substitute plan that he made down? Because I don't remember a plan number 4 before the committee that we adopted out of the committee.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Yes, it is a substitute plan.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Okay. So this is not the committee plan. So this is a substitute plan?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Correct.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Okay. I heard you say the committee plan. Because I don't remember seeing a plan number 2 or 3. You know? Now we here, we are looking at a plan 4. What is the difference between the plan that we adopted and this plan?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: There was input from the members. As, you know, that's when you got to get their votes and some changes were made. I don't think any of them were drastic

changes, but I was not involved in the drafting process of this map. Since it is a house map, House members were involved in it and Representative Pringle managed that and I was basically hands off that map.

SENATOR SINGLETON: I understand. So what you're telling me is that Representative Pringle went back and made changes to get the Bill passed, not necessarily an illegal bounds to make sure that something was legally done to meet the voters' right and to make sure that communities of interest, all of those things that we do to make sure under the legal status of being able to get a map drawn and get it constitutionally passe.

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Those things was -- those changes wasn't there. He changed this specifically to make sure that get some votes. That's what I'm hearing you say.

CHAIRMAN MCCLELLAN: No, that's not what I said. What I said was I was not involved in that process.

SENATOR SINGLETON: I understand. But you mentioned that he had to get some votes.

CHAIRMAN MCCLELLAN: No. What I said was or intended to say was that he worked with members of the House to make changes. Now, what was involved in that whether involved votes or --

SENATOR SINGLETON: Do you know whether or not he had met with any African-American members to make any changes or memos of the minority party?

CHAIRMAN MCCLELLAN: No, I was not involved in that process so I can't really give you the details of how Representative Pringle and the House came up with the plan.

SENATOR SINGLETON: I understand. When I look at this map, I see a lot of splits in less whole counties that we sent out as a committee to try to do as much as whole counties as we possibly could. And when I look at this map and I understand you got 105 members and you got to work through the process so you may not have as many whole counties, and the map would look a little different at the senate and the School Board and Congress that then it does with the House because of 105 members have to be divided within six to seven counties. I understand you're going to get some splits, but in terms of unnecessary splits that are related, I looked at -- there's a district in Haysville which is a minority district that only has about 38% Black. How do you justify maintaining the voter's right with a 38% African-American district in the Haysville area that has been held by a minority already?

CHAIRMAN MCCLELLAN: Are you referring to House District 74?

SENATOR SINGLETON: I think that's what it is, I think.

CHAIRMAN MCCLELLAN: The BVA paying for that district is 48.15 and the current holder of that district was okay with that. He did not have a problem with it.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Well, I'm sure he did not suggest because of the fact to see exactly what it is that you're going to do with it. Let me ask you this question then. Had he had problems, would you think that Mr. Pringle would have made those adjustments or the demographer would have made the adjustment as you've done with the majority members to get all the way down to a plan forward to make the adjustments that they want to make?

CHAIRMAN MCCLELLAN: Your question is would Representative Pringle worked with the House member?

SENATOR SINGLETON: And had made those changes to get him a higher number if he possibly could?

CHAIRMAN MCCLELLAN: I'm certain he would work with him. He had input and the representative from 74 was placed with this district, assets drawn, assets presented to us today.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Well, I'm not certain. When I talked to him, I'm not certain about how pleased he is. He thought that that's all he could get based on what was offered to him and that's the difference in being you got to be just pleased with based on what people say that they -- that's all they can give you which you offer. So, you're pleased, you walk away okay with it, okay? And with the splits that you have gone in the Jefferson County area, again, and I think that you find that the people from Jefferson over my side would still talk about the unnecessary splits and splitting up Jefferson and how Jefferson is being split up and that's the argument we've already made, and I think that argument is consistent with all of the maps, okay? So, we're going to have to continue to beat that horse down the road in terms of the splits in Jefferson. Also, on the whole county provision, it is very few whole counties that you could see in this map. I see Randolph was left whole. Barber was probably left whole, Bulloch was left whole, Butler and after that, when you go across the map just about every other county is split. Were those splits necessary to maintain and to achieve the necessary parameters that we looked at in terms of not gerrymandering, making sure that we have communities of interest, making sure -- because we're supposed to be dealing on a whole county perspective and those were the rules that we adopted in the committee.

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And when I look at this map, I see less whole counties as -- that possibly could've had some more unnecessary splits and that's what bothers me is that we are way down to a Pringle 4 and you don't understand and know where exactly what Mr. Pringle did to get the Pringle 4 and it is hard for me to ask you those questions, and it's unfair almost for me to stand here to ask you those questions because you may not understand exactly what he did to get down to a Pringle 4. And that's what's troubling is that the committee adopted a plan and then we get here and there's been a two, three and now has changed to a four and so that just kind of puzzling here today.

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SENATOR SINGLETON: I'm sorry, Mr. President, for the silence. I apologize.

CHAIRMAN MCCLELLAN: No need to apologize.

SENATOR SINGLETON: But that's where I am, Mr. Chairman, and then I noticed that, you know, again, you let the House handle the House and that's what kind of disturbing to me again is that we are down to a plan number 4 that as members of the committee we had never seen before. I'm sure you probably had even vetted this map that much to have seen a plan number 4, you know, and that's why you're standing here trying to do your best and struggle through some answers and the only thing that you can do is based on the information that you give currently in terms of your introduction whether or not you met the standards or not, you know, and that's what you can give. You can't explain to me exactly what the Chairman down there did in terms of his splits and why he made those splits because you have been able to do it on plan number 1 because you're always around each other doing it. But this is a plan number 4. A plan number 4 that we've gone all the way to a 4 that none of the committee members, Republican or Democrats in this body, has ever seen this. Somebody's member don't know -- what the House district even looked like now. They don't know. But as everybody is sitting back all cool and calm and collected, some of these folks problems have been running against them because they probably got what they wanted in the House District to run against them in the Senate Districts. But everybody happy, because everybody's just binding to it but this is a Pringle 4 that nobody knows what's in this Pringle 4. The map is so vague that we can't hardly look into to see exactly what it is that we are looking at in terms of real numbers and split because you can't see everything on these maps, and that bring polls for us to stand here and talk about it and then for you not to be able to answer any questions is even more disturbing, is even more disturbing. So, you know, I'm just as appalled that we went down this road with the House. And let me say to you, Mr. Chairman, I appreciate your steadfastness and at least stand on top of it in maintaining your map to do what you did, okay? I'm going to had to vote against it, I may not like everything, but at least you stood strong and you didn't go through a whole lot of changes based on what we had already seen. But this is a plan 4, that's disturbing to me. That mean you have gone through out the one that we drafted -- we will adopt it in the committee on last week, Tuesday I think it was. He has come along and drafted three more plans that we hadn't seen. Now, if that was going to be the plan, you know, I don't know what all the trickery going on here, you know, and we can keep saying that because he went back and met with folks, yeah I already met these folks already prior to this. So, what's the difference between plan 1 and plan 4 that he had to satisfy somebody about? Because that's all it was about. He wanted by into the legal reasons that we changed because something might have been unconstitutional, we didn't follow an x-trail or map or water or -- you know, we went over here and we took some VIP for someone else that we need to bring it back and bag out over there, none of those reasons that I understand this morning but here we are with a Plan No. 4.

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And I don't know why we're at a Plan No. 4 and that's pretty disturbing to me as a member of the Permanent Reapportionment Committee that we have to stand up here and see something different than what we drafted. It almost looked like a backdoor job to me, Mr. Chairman and

I'm sorry and it is not at you but this is at the chairman on the house side. This is disturbing that he had to go and change it. I don't know what the minimum change or what it is, major changes I don't know because you weren't in there so you can answer those questions for me. Because I don't know and then plus, I can't see this map as clear to be able to know whether or not there is some major gerrymandering going on or whether he packed or he stacked in folks in areas and that's the problem that I have here today. So, I'm not going to prolong it, Senator Smitherman, do you have any questions on this map that you have to ask. Mr. President, I would like to yield if the gentleman will allow me to yield to Senator Smitherman to ask some questions about this house plan.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Singleton, you got the mic. If you want to yield, that's your choice.

SENATOR SINGLETON: I want to yield.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right, yeah. All right, Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you, Mr. President, may I be recognized?

MR. PRESIDENT: You're recognized.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you. Hey, my friend, how you doing?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Senator Smitherman, I recognize you as well.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you. I appreciate you.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I'm glad to have you --

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Senator [INDISCERNIBLE 00:31:30] was absolutely right. As he stated, what lack of better word, is I appreciate the opportunity to have to dialogue and to be able to discuss the different plans that will be before us. I just want to tell you that because that clearly will allow each person to see and make a determination what they feel would be the advantages or disadvantages for either one of the plans. So, thank you very much. And I did tell what he said about you being steadfast and being strong and set in and in the spirit of which we operate up here and that is we are very open and straightforward with each other and so having said that this -- I noticed in the meetings having the opportunity to be a member of the Reapportionment Committee, I noticed in the meetings that there seem to be some kind of, lack of a better word, friction among the house members themselves being in the meeting and it seems to me that the Chairman from the house kind of got a little irritated about fundamental procedures that were taking place and I think you know what I'm probably making reference to that situation. I said that because I'm concerned that the motivation to alter the plan to Plan No. 4 could have been driven by that friction of animosity. I don't know that and will make sure you understand that I don't have any clue to that effect, nobody came and told me. They're just only from my observation of the situation. I wish he could have provided for the committee because if I had to say it for the Senate, he would have said, "Well, we don't have to provide for the Senate so I will say it at the committee." that he co-chairs members. The updated information as it

relates to this -- this is plan on House Plan 4 as it relates to this plan because as it's been previously stated, the first time I actually heard that there were plans for was here in the debate. I mean, in the -- it's not debate. Here in the dialogue that's taking place regarding the plan. So, I am totally taken by the fact that this is truly the first eyes that I have laid up on Plan 4. Now, did he share any notes with you, talking points about their plan that you can share about any changes that may have --

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I'm not even asking you to go get the map and show me only land, where it is or anything. It's just maybe you can share that with me in a conversation that would in such a manner that it will allow me to kind of get an idea as to why we are in a Plan 4.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The most definitive information I have is the information that I provided with this body when this plan was first brought up when I talked about compliance with the Voting Rights Act and the equal protection clause and thank you for the opportunity. I mentioned earlier, I talked about a mislabeled district in North Alabama held by the minority leader. That district is 53. I called it by the wrong number, 74. So let me make that correction that I just called a wrong number out but that District 53 held by the minority leader is the one that had the 48.15% [INDISCERNIBLE 00:36:24] and in fact, the current office holder who is a minority member was okay with that. He didn't have a problem with it. But other than that, as far as the information that I have before me here pertains to the map we have before me. What I don't have is what we used to have in House District 1 and where those changes occurred. I've just got the information that we have before us and that, hopefully, eventually, we'll have a vote on and treat the House with the respect. We hope they will treat us and we'll leave the House map unscathed as it came out of the House the way they would like to have their districts drawn and of course, we expect that we get the same treatment in the House. They will have the senate map today. They may have it now. I don't know what their calendar looks like but of course our hope is that the map that this body approved and sent to the lower chamber that they will proceed to accept that and not get involved really in what's our business and my hope is that we don't get involved in their business.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well, I understand what you're saying and I understand that that is a courtesy that you are saying that you hope that they provide for us and as such, that is an approach you would like to take in relationship to how we address what they have sent up here to us. The approach is not in question as to what you know or prefer. What's in question is that what are they asking us to defer on? I mean, at least tell us what deal we are deferring so that at least we can have an understanding of what's before us. That's all that -- I don't mean you personally but I'm just saying the House should have sent that -- the chairman should have had a talking point sheet for everybody in here. It should be 35, let's see, 36, it should 36 because the lieutenant governor should get one as well. It's actually, they have 36 of those talking points and so that we could go -- and 36 of these little maps so that we could go and then at least question that aspect of it. What I've heard from some of the house members is that the same thing took place with them, is that when they got it, they didn't get the information. Instead of getting some responses, they at least understand it. They were put in a position that you know,

[INDISCERNIBLE 00:39:42] made a vote and yet to this moment, they still don't know the

answers to these situations so I would think in reference to the point that you shared with me that even if you take that position, if the body takes that position,

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we should at least return or defer action on this until they get us the information. That's all I'm saying. Yeah, you know. Yes, [INDISCERNIBLE 00:40:16] call the Chair, anything like that to the -- at least until they get the information to us, you know all that, you know, if they trying to get it that if you don't want to carry it over then let's just continue the dialogue. Well, we need to do it. It's not a filibuster but like something essentially saying it's no objected to filibuster. Let me just clear you up again on that aspect, but I'm talking about to get the information. If they could get it to us in 15 minutes, that's fine. If they could get it to us in 5, then it wouldn't be necessary what I'm talking about. If they get it [INDISCERNIBLE 00:40:53] we all got -- we don't have -- we're going to need time to get it. I'm willing to work with them on that time. I just think that it's important that they get us the information so that leaves, as I said earlier, you know, we can understand. You know, what kind of substitute changes are -- changes in general that is in this Plan 4. Do you think that you could [INDISCERNIBLE 00:41:17]. I don't know if y 'all got a bat phone. That's what they call them. Yeah, my whole little bat phone. Can you get the bat phone and when you see that thing beep, beep, beep, then you know who called you and then you just shared with him. You know, as I was spokesman from the Senate that there are senators here, who -- you know, can you provide us some information regarding just those subsequent, even if you don't want to get a little [INDISCERNIBLE 00:41:48], the subsequent adjustment and changes, that's caused us to have a Plan 4. I know you shared a few of them with me and I appreciate that but the other ones, you know, like you were just saying moving in and moving out just because it's obvious that would you share with us. And I see you because you our Chair here in the Senate. What you share with us only committed when there was adjustments, then the numbers change, you know how to debate number change. Yeah, and that's all, -- and he should have that. If you want to hold map, you got to know what's in that district and we're not -- that comes out just like that. I said it because I have it here. I have some numbers myself from the house on the other plan, so that's why all about. I don't have this because I didn't get that. So, can you call or say no more, you don't have to, [INDISCERNIBLE 00:42:47]. I know you got staff and stuff, but can you make the hook up for us to get down there so they can get that information up here to us?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: You know, I can certainly check with Representative [PH 00:43:01] Pringle to see if he has any summary or notes. I don't have a problem doing that. If I get a --

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What about a reapportionment offer? They may have it too. The numbers, I mean. We don't have to draw them out, nothing stuff like that.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Now, we do have attached to what you've been provided. The numbers that are associated with this map, you have in front of you and that's really -- of course that's really what the issue is. I know we did take a senate map and did an overlay at the redistricting meeting which was interesting but the fact is what we're voting on today are -- let's hope we vote on today, is the plan we have before. So, we've got all the details of the plan

you've been presented. And the truth of the matter is, we do have maps and proposals that come before this body that nobody has seen before except maybe one person or two people. They come up with not a lot of details behind it. We may in fact, according to Senator Singleton. There may be maps offered today that nobody in this body has seen before except perhaps the sponsor of the bill or maybe someone who is behind them and supporting them out that come up at essentially the last minute and Senator Smitherman. Let's hope it's not only the last minute, but let's hope it's the last day for what we're doing --

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-- but if I get a chance, I will communicate with my counterpart in the House and see if he's got any information prepared. I don't think that our redistricting office as a comparison sheet [INDISCERNIBLE 00:45:25] have time to put it together. They were here last night, late last night trying to help some legislators with some changes that they might want to propose to this body and maybe to the house. I don't know. So, that information may be available. But I'd be surprised if it's to the extent that you're looking for and would make [INDISCERNIBLE 00:45:58]. What we do have in front of us is what the details on each of these 105 districts. We've got that attached to the document before you and available to anyone in this House that would like to or anyone in this body that would like to go over those details.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well, Mr. Chair, I think that you spoke accurate when you said that that would be maps that we presented before the body, that some of the maps that it may be the first time that they have a chance to see those maps. But now, let me share you the difference and what we are requesting in the relationship to the map they're putting the House Plan 4 versus the maps that are going to be presented in here. The maps that are going to be presented in here, the people who are presenting the maps right here to where the same questions that I'm asking that they can answer them verbatim to every person in this body. So that means that 34 people have the opportunity to literally go to a mic and ask any question they want to. And if any person represents the map as the knowledge, then they get answer on the spot any of those questions that may come before them. In this case, we don't have that luxury because he's not here. Do you see what I mean? That's why we are asking as the only difference. That's why we are asking that. Now, if that's not a situation that can be expedited, then I think it will be nice if we had a brief recess. Well, it's 30 minutes, just 30 minutes. Do you see what I mean? I mean, the lazed, I have to say that because some people may think that. No, it's just 30 minutes to get -- they're not doing nothing. How's not doing anything right now?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Are they not in?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Are they in? I don't think, they're coming in about 1.

MR. CHAIR: I think 1 o'clock is when the House [INDISCERNIBLE 00:48:32].

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: 1 o'clock. So, if, but he's here. I mean, because -- where is this

district?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Right in those mobile?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Oh, yeah. He can go back in the mobile yesterday and come back [INDISCERNIBLE 00:48:45] 1 o'clock. So, he's here. I can go back to that bat phone. Remember I said a bat phone? Hit that [INDISCERNIBLE 00:48:51]. Ask him, do you want to [INDISCERNIBLE 00:48:55] with anything they're doing in the House because as we said, they don't go until 1:00 and then we can recess for 30 minutes and go to Star Wars. I just said Star Wars, you know, it could be anywhere the majority want to go, okay? 200. If y 'all got a little extra food in there, you can bring us [INDISCERNIBLE 00:49:15] room. It doesn't make any difference but just get him there so that he could just explain it. Okay? That's all, for 30 minutes, that will be wonderful because then we at least have a clear understanding and really it's the same 30 minutes that we will be trying to struggle through to get out. So, you know what I mean?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yeah.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah. Right now, so, it wouldn't be a dilatory use of time or anything like that. So, at least think about it and see if you think that's something that might be feasible. I appreciate that you've given it the attention and I know you will because you did the other day. So, I don't question whether you get it, you know, at least give us some consideration. I do want to talk a little bit about this [PH 00:50:06] Jone plan as a whole that has been presented. But before I go there, I want to take a look at this map and this is the Pringle Plan 4. And I think that that's yeah. Look at Pringle Plan 4 and look at Winston County when you get a chance.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: All right. I already found it.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. Just tell me when you found it.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Tell me where it is.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: A little bit there. Going toward the top on the left hand side, not all the way to the corner. And it's kind of light, what we would call --

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yeah, okay. Is that the free State of Winston that I've heard so much about?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah. Look. That's why I want you to look at it.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I see it.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Do you see how that district is -- Winston County, it comes around and then it goes around the county under it and then it comes up underneath and then it goes straight in the Jefferson County. You see that? You see how bizarre and gerrymandering and snake look that this district is. Taken, I mean, I'm not exaggerating by using certain words. You need to look at anybody that think that is exaggerating. Look at this map.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Are you talking about 14?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah. I think that's it, 14. You see how it hoops around and comes around and circle around and it's come back onto and it comes straight down. Then it sneaks into Jefferson County and pick up some people right there. You know what? That one district alone, that district and when you get a chance, when you get a chance of reapportionment, ask them to send you a copy to your office of the very first district that the course out of North Carolina, I think it was a congressional district that the court ruled that it was bizarre and that it wasn't a good district. It looked just like this one.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Are you talking about -- I believe it was in New Jersey when Governor Gary approved the plan that looked like a salamander?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Excuse me.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I was asking if you were referring to the original source of the name gerrymandering.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Am I familiar with -- one more time.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The source of the name gerrymandering.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: That's the district you're talking about now?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I think that's it. I think that's the one I'm talking about.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I don't think the court threw that out. I just think the opponents pointed out that and in so doing created the new term gerrymandering because it looked like a claim that district -- like a salamander. I think that district survived.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well, you know, the ruling, I think that they used it as a visual example of the county district they were talking about. There were no good districts.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We've certainly heard about that district now. That was in the 1800s. So, we've been hearing about that district for a long time.

SENATOR AIDEN: Mr. President.

MR. CHAIR: Senator Aiden.

SENATOR AIDEN: Mr. President, I appreciate my colleague giving me the microphone and I want my members to hear this. We are not going to be comfortable with anyone in another chamber working on senate maps without any engagement from the members of this body. I'm asking for this bill be carried over to the call of the Chair.

MR. CHAIR: All right. All those in favor, say "Aye."

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

MR. CHAIR: Any -- all right, bill is carried over. All right, secretary, call the next bill.

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SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Mr. President.

MR. CHAIR: On Page 2 of the calendar. House Bill No. 1 by Representative Pringle relating to reapportionment. Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Let's find the -- got everybody. Okay, here we go. I think we'll just put this house map to the side for now. The congressional plan that the Reapportionment Committee sent to the Alabama house was approved intact by the house members and in developing this plan, all of our congressional representatives were met with in person and then subsequently over the phone, our own Microsoft Teams until their current concerns had been addressed, one exception to this would be Congressman Mo Brooks who is running for another office. And he did not meet in person nor did he send a staff member. All representatives had input into the plan. The plan that you have before you now is in compliance with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and meets all obligations under the equal protection clause. There is a minimal population deviation between the districts. Six of the districts are ideal at 717,754 and the second congressional district is one over that.

SENATOR COLEMAN-MADISON: Senator McClendon, if you could maybe try to talk into the mic a little bit more. If not, we'll raise the volume, okay?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay. Senator Coleman-Madison, is that any better? I'm talking. I do have some competition. The map that you have before you respects counties to the extent possible given the requirements for equal population. It does not require any incumbents to run against each other. I would remind all of you that this is one of the guidelines for the redistricting committee that we do not put two incumbents in the same district. The districts are contiguous and they are reasonable compact respecting communities of interest and we work at preserving the core. It splits a minimum of counties and precincts. Six counties are split and seven precincts are split to manage to get to the zero deviation. This is over the current law which splits seven counties. Those splits are located in Lauderdale, two splits; Tuscaloosa, two; Jefferson, two, Chilton, two; Montgomery, two. I would point out that's an improvement. Escambia between Districts 1 and 2. This district contains one majority black district or this plan contains one majority black district with a BVAP of 54.22%.

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Now if there are any questions on this, I would be interested in -- in hearing what anyone has to say. Otherwise if you're ready to vote. Senator Singleton!

SENATOR SINGLETON: Yes sir. Thank you Mr. President.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right, hold on. So you yelled.

MR. PRESIDENT: I do you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right, Senator Singleton, you're recognized.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Thank you Mr. President. Thank you Mr. Chairman. On this Congressional map, you know, ever since the month of probably August, September, you all knew that the League of Women Voters were presenting a map and it was -- it was presented at all of our public hearings that was held around the state that someone was there from the -- from the League of Women Voters to present a map and as you know, in the month of September that myself and Senator Smitherman became plaintiffs, in that case with the League of Women Voters on their behalf to -- on the redistricting. We introduced maps and gave maps to the committee for consideration and I guess my question -- first question was being that that map was sent into reapportionment, it was in the system well, before the 10 days rule that we have and the fact that we got it in -- in time, the question is, was that map was set in by the League of Women Voters. It wasn't just a district, but it was a full Congressional map of the entire state of Alabama. I know as a committed member that it was never given any consideration. So, I guess the question I have is whether or not among the Chairmans and among the attorneys in the democra fur was that map of the League of Women Voters given any consideration to be the official map in the state of Alabama?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, of course it was, it was I believe you have that map. In fact ---

SENATOR SINGLETON: I'm asking the question to you Mr. Hillman, Mr. Dorman Walker, Mr. Pringle whether or not you all looked at that map and whether or not you all ever considered that to bring it before the committee, to be -- to look at us an official map for the state of Alabama.

MR. HILLMAN: I'll speak for myself.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Okay.

MR. HILLMAN: And that -- that map had some serious flaws I thought compared with the other map, the one that you have before you now and as a result of those flaws, it was rejected.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Yeah. Do you have a copy of your Congressional map over there? Is -- do we have copies of it like we did the house frame?

MALE 1: You got it, I put I can tag it up on an evening.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Well -

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MR. CHAIRMAN: In case anybody is wondering what we're doing we -- we have two Pringle Congressional One Maps here that we have provided an enlargement and I think we've got some small versions. But anyway, yes, sir.

SENATOR SINGLETON: You know that scares me because it says Pringle Congressional One and I guess I don't want it to be like world has a map that Pringle whole is all that information that is here and you know because I do want to ask these questions, that's what scares me there.

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And I guess when I want to go back to the question, you just answered the question about the legal women defense map based on that that you thought that there were flaws, when you said flaws, what kind of flaws were you speaking of? Are you talking about split counties, deviations, what kind of flaws are you -- are you basically speaking of?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are you ready?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Sir?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are you ready? Among other things, we have a really severe violation of the guideline to not hit incumbents and this plan puts representative Rogers and representative – or I should say Congressman Rogers and Congressman Palmar have been placed in the same district.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: This is the issue this violates Section 2(j)(i), which says contest between incumbents will be avoided, whenever possible. So, excuse me just –

MR. PRESIDENT: No, please go ahead.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm getting [INDISCERNIBLE 01:06:24] to market. Now okay, senator, I'm back with you again. So right -- right off the bat this proposal, which came from -- this proposal that came from the League of Women Voters immediately violates the concept of taking two existing office holders and placing them in the same district.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Is that a legal argument though or is that just a rule?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Section 2(j)(i) -

SENATOR SINGLETON: That's of our rules but is there a legal argument?

MR. CHAIRMAN: It's the – it's part of our own – it would be a violation of the guidelines that we adopted.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Okay I got you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: So we would be the – and you see the problem with that. That's, that's a problem. So Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act requires the legislature to draw majority black district when it can be done. Generally speaking and Reapportionment Committee's plan demonstrates that it is possible to do that. In the committee's plan, City 7 has a strong black voting-age population of BVAP of 54.22%.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Would you admit that that district is gerrymandered, no in order to keep that population?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, gerrymandering, gerrymandering is in the eye of the beholder.

SENATOR SINGLETON: No, gerrymandering is legal, it is, that doesn't had a hold. There is a definition, there is a legal concept for gerrymandering, it's not in the eyes of the beholder. It is a legal concept that has been ruled on by the court. It's just not in the eyes of the beholder.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The League of Women Voters plan does not -- in fact, have a majority Black District. It has only two districts, 6 and 7, with a high BVAP compared to other districts. And therefore the League of Women Voters plan violates -- violates Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act. There is two -- two strikes against it right there, Senator but I could go on if you would like for me to.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Yeah. Well, I think that once the – once you look at the whole County Provisions, the court has made different rulings based on whole counties that when you're looking at opportunity districts in terms of whether or not you are in violation of the Voters Right Act, I'm not going to get into the legal arguments about that. But I think that the court, I think that you will find that the court will be satisfactory that the Voters Rights Act would be satisfactory when you're looking at opportunity districts and based on whole county provisions, okay, and I think that that's one and I understand that maybe you got some direction from your attorney in that that was in violation of and at least you answered the question and I appreciate that. I have a couple more questions about -- about -- about this, this concept?

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Which concept?

SENATOR SINGLETON: The whole map.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. Got it.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Number one, do you know who really participated in the drawing of this map? Was it Mr. Randy Hillman who did this? Heineman I think that's his name.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Heinaman.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Hienaman. H-I-E-N-A-M-A-N Hienaman. Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hienaman, correct. Yes, he was the demographer, which he said, by the way, I thought that was the correct term for him, and he told me later that's not the correct term. I'm not sure what it is. Let's call him a map drawer.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Map drawer. So demographer is not the right term. I've been saying it all my time also.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, I just learned it, and I've been using it every day when I had a chance, but I found out. But anyway, the answer to your question is, yes. The map drawer drew the map.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Okay. Do you know how many sessions that they had with the United States Congresspeople on this map?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, not a total. I'd say they had at least six because -

SENATOR SINGLETON: So they did them individually. And there was no -- because he's a session among them all.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't know. I think that is a correct statement that they didn't all get together at the same place and the same time.

SENATOR SINGLETON: I would assume that because this Pringle playing on the top of it, that Mr. Pringle was probably in the room when the drawing was done. Were you in that room when the drawing was done on the map?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I was not.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Okay. Do you know whether or not Mr. Walker was there?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, I wasn't there. So I'm just not sure about that. In fact, I think initially Mr. Hienaman went to DC to meet with the congressman or their representative. So I would kind of think that Mr. Walker probably did not accompany him, but I don't know the answer to that question.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Let me ask that question. Did we pay for his travel to go to DC to meet with Congresspeople to do this, something that he could possibly could have did over Zoom? Will we the state of Alabama have to pay for that? For his travel?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. But we did pay him. And I don't know how that money. I don't know if it was a separate allocation.

SENATOR SINGLETON: I'm just asking that because he said I didn't that before.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I didn't. Yeah. He went up there. Well, they were in session, and he had to meet with them. That's why he went up there.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Okay. The other question I have. I understood that there was a statement made by Mr. Pringle in the committee meeting that there was a consulting team or someone that you all consulted in the state of Georgia on the Voters Right Act in terms of whether or not these plans actually was meeting the statutory bounds of the Voters Right Act. Do you know who that person was in the state of Georgia that they met with?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I've never met him. His first name is Trey, and I can't recall his last name. I never met him or talked to him but –

SENATOR SINGLETON: But we can get that for Mr. Walker.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, he would know him. Basically, any time it looked like there might be some racial issue in conflicts. Then he's an expert in that area, and he would do an analysis of that district. And, in fact, there were some instances where he advised us to make some changes to make it what we hope will be more acceptable to the courts.

SENATOR SINGLETON: So Mr. Walker consulted a Georgia firm to talk about the Voters Right Act, whether or not. And that would really be particularly on one district, which was going to be seven because that was the only one that's considered. Would you agree that Congressional District seven really only makes up about 13 point some percent of the African American community when we're represented by 26%?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are you saying -

SENATOR SINGLETON: Total population of state?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Did one congressperson out of seven is 13% of the congressional delegation?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No other total population of black folk in the state?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, yes, I would say that's right. Because they have 1/7 of the population of Alabama.

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An equal amount with every other district. And so I would say that if that's not right on that's pretty close.

SENATOR SINGLETON: When you look at the state school board, when you do home counties, you can come up with two, two African American districts out of that, okay? And they basically use just about the same population that a US congressman uses, correct?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Not correct. You have to divide the population of Alabama by eight.

SENATOR SINGLETON: I understand. But the numbers are almost congruently the same around 600,000.

MR. CHAIRMAN: They're in a ballpark there.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Yeah. So when we do that, we can come up with two dividing by eight. But we can only come up with one dividing it by seven.

MR. CHAIRMAN: There you go.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Okay. So that puzzles me, because if you can get two out of the eight, you could have gotten two out of the seven. And I think that that was not an attempt. I know, not by the committee, because we as a committee only met one time, to be able to approve map versus having any input as a committee member, I go on the record to say that. And secondly, when you look at that map, it is really one of the most gerrymandered maps, probably in the United States right now. And I think that the courts even looked at data at in the last real portion and talked about —

MR. CHAIRMAN: Which map are you talking about?

SENATOR SINGLETON: This salamander that you run around just to pick up black folk all over the places. That's what I'm talking about your map.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Right. And as I stated earlier, we do have an obligation. If we can draw a majority minority district, we're obligated to do so that's the result.

SENATOR SINGLETON: What we're going to do here in a minute. I'm not going to prolong this. This is your map. What we're going to do. I'm going to let Senator Smitham come on. And I think he's going to want to put a substitute on the table. We're going to show you where whole counties could have been drawn and where we could get two opportunity districts that doesn't violate the Voters Right Act, but still given opportunity for African Americans to be represented in Congress equally to the proportion of the population that we are in the state. And so Senator Smitham will come along now. And I guess when you started looking at whether they pitted folks or the deviations, and I have two other maps that are going to come back and show you down to a .7 deviation and also to a 0. deviation, still using whole counties with less splits and being able to show you how we can achieve this outside of just what you all did with this one district, and I know the body may not adopt it. All we ask for is up and down vote at the time that this up or down vote is needed. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I really appreciate the work that you're doing. I'm basically about finished with the questions that I wanted to ask. And I'm going to allow Senator Smitham to come to offer his substitute at this time. Thank you.

ALBRITTON: Thanks, Senator Singleton.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Right.

ALBRITTON: All right, Senator Smithman.

SMITHMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. And thank you, Senator McClendon, for allowing me to come before the body to have a brief discussion regarding an alternative plan for consideration and explaining this particular plan to each and every person that's here with us.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

ALBRITTON: What's the question?

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Is that you over there, Senator?

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

ALBRITTON: All right, Senator Smithman.

SMITHMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. First before at present the substitute and then out given the opportunity, I'll explain it, and then we'll move from that point.

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We have -- let me see -- where is he? Let me see, wait a minute.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

SMITHERMAN: What I've done, I have put the plan that came out of the committee. This is the plan that we present to you initially when the Chair would gather up and welcome you before you. This is the map. This is the map in how that plan looks irregards to is make up, the counties that it takes into consideration, the counties that it goes up into and how it looks in terms of what you're asked to vote on. This particular plan is -- you can tell very obvious that it's [PH 01:21:21] Jared Manning and writing here in that is going up in the Jefferson County, but it's limited purpose to grab a whole to African-Americans, and really this is a big bulk of the population here. And yet you communities of interest, you turn around in this one, and this one has about 24% of African-Americans and you have Macon County right here and they don't bit more have a community of interest with people up here than the man in the Moon. And yet, they are place it over here in this particular area. This is the same concerns that I just mentioned about in that [INDISCERNIBLE 01:22:13] where you're a man then going back up in to a county. We all heard me up here talking about that Jefferson County is one of the most used counties to satisfy. We'll split it up so many different ways that the system that would prefer that that county

stayed whole. They've been asking, many are asking have to be whole. Not all of them -- I want to say that not all of them, but they are many of them who said that even if under a scenario [INDISCERNIBLE 01:22:57] that you're looking at coming up in here that day then make them all of just of this, but they want to be whole. Now, that's not the feeling of everybody because we have another plan. I'm just [INDISCERNIBLE 01:23:12] that it's going to come to this, this will move some people from one or the other because some of them want to stay they are, but vast majority of people I talked to, they [INDISCERNIBLE 01:23:23]. That can be done and that can be done on the plan that I'm going to talk to you all in regards to about. So, at this time Mr. Chairman, so that I can get on this plan, I want to offer the substitute so we can have conversation regarding it and it's comparison to the other plan. Mr. Chairman, [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:00].

MR. CHAIRMAN: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:03], you may want to pull your mic back around.

SMITHERMAN: Thank you very much. Thank you. You know, you a good coach, I see why your sons and your kids are winning this ball game.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I had this game and watched you.

SMITHERMAN: You can. [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:22] tomorrow night. Playing my first ball game of the season a bit.

MR. CHAIRMAN: What time?

SMITHERMAN: At 6:30.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. I'm going to come and watch you.

SMITHERMAN: An then in Friday night, we come back again and play against Guntersville in the [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:38] playoffs, so I'm hoping you to allowed me to [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:40] as well.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Good deal.

SMITHERMAN: Mr. [PH 01:24:43] Brosman, I'd like to offer the substitute for consideration.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right Senator [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:48] received the substitute.

SMITHERMAN: And as to speak on it but --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Substitute for House Bill No. 1 by Senator Smitherman.

[01:25:00]

SMITHERMAN: Is it okay for them to read what that says on that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah. Could you all I read the substrate please.

MALE 1: Substitute for House Bill 1 by Senator Smitherman. To repeal and reenact Section 17-14-70. Code of Alabama 1975. You want just the title read?

SMITHERMAN: No, I really wanted them to know what was in it, but I mean if it's some problem, it's not to be dilatory, it's to be informative. But if for some reason that it caused a problem --

MR. CHAIRMAN: We're good. Will have him read it.

SMITHERMAN: Okay.

MALE 1: Substitute for House Bill 1 by Senator Smitherman. To repeal and reenact Section 17-14-70, Code of Alabama 1975 to provide for the reapportionment and redistricting of the states. United States congressional districts based on the 2020 federal census be enacted by the Legislature of Alabama. Section 2 Section 17-14-70, Code of Alabama 1975 relating to the existing congressional districts is repealed. Section 2 Section 17-14-70 is added to the Code of Alabama 1975 to read as follows: Section 17-40-70, (a) The State of Alabama is divided into seven congressional districts as provided in subsection (b). (b) The numbers and boundaries of the districts are designated and established by the map prepared by the Permanent Legislative Committee on reapportionment and identified and labeled as Singleton Congressional Plan 1, including the corresponding boundary description provided by the census tracts, blocks and counties and are incorporated by reference as part of this section. (c) The legislature shall post for viewing on its public website the map referenced in subsection (b), including the corresponding boundary description provided by the census tracts, blocks and counties and any alternative map including the corresponding boundary description provided by the census track, blocks and counties introduced by any member of the legislature during the legislative session in which this section is added or amended. (d) Upon enactment of this act, adding the section and adapting the map identified in subsection (b), the clerk of the House of Representatives or the secretary of the Senate as appropriate shall transmit the map and the corresponding boundary description provided by the census tracts, blocks and counties identified in subsection (b) for certification and posting on the public website of the Secretary of State. (e) The boundary descriptions provided by the certified map reference in subsection (b) shall prevail over the boundary descriptions provided by the census tracts, blocks and counties generated for the map. Section 3, the provisions of this act are severable. If any part of this act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, that declaration shall not affect the part which remains. Section 4, this act shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the governor or upon its otherwise, becoming a law.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you Mr. Secretary. Mr. Smitherman?

SMITHERMAN: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:28:05] be recognized to speak to the substitute.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, you're recognized.

SMITHERMAN: All right. Thank you very much. Now, I want to talk a little bit about the comparison of the maps and then I'll go to the maps [INDISCERNIBLE 01:28:25] give a visual. Then I was shipped back to you for any comments, anything that you would like to do. Okay Mr. Chairman?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm with you.

SMITHERMAN: Okay. I want everyone to look at the current Alabama congressional map. Well basically not the current, but look at that map and as because I call it current, but that's the map of [PH 01:28:50] fools. As you heard the senator in his presentation, it is looks like a salamander. This type of weird shape is part of where the words gerrymanding comes from. The Seventh District has a long arm reaching from Tuscaloosa into Birmingham, dropping down beyond [INDISCERNIBLE 01:29:13], and a finger reaching back to Montgomery. In other words, it's ugly. This weird shape gerrymandered districts, split seven Alabama counties and even divide Montgomery among three congressional districts. The undisputed purpose of these weird shape is race. District 7 not only had sufficient minorities to have a minority representative from Alabama intended to comply with the Voting Rights Act, but also packed as many minorities as possible into District 7 we can in minority voting influence throughout the state. The U.S. Supreme Court has made clear that under the U.S. constitution, any racial gerrymandering must be based on a compelling state interest and will be strictly scrutinized by the courts.

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If any fairly drawn alternative exists for minority presentation, courts are highly likely to reject such gerrymandering districts based on race. District lines also must meet another constitutional principle. One person, one vote. In other words, district populations must come as close as practical ability to the same number of people. The current Alabama Congressional map is a modification of a racial gerrymandering first drawn in 19 92. It was adjusted only to meet one person, one vote every decade since then. And if this history is allowed to repeat itself, the congressional map drone with the 2020 C data will have the same ratio of gerrymandering. Now I want to point out about the new map. The whole County map. Look at the proposed Alabama Whole County map. I want you all to look at it. It uses county lines and only county lines for all seven congressional districts. Instead of district boundaries based on racial gerrymandering. The U.S. Supreme Court has said traditional boundaries should be used. Traditional boundaries are usually county, municipal or similar boundaries. We could also be rivers, highways, or whatever else has traditionally been used instead of racial gerrymandering. In Alabama, the traditional boundaries for congressional districts were county lines only. Before the Supreme Court announced that one person, one vote ruled in 1964, Alabama split no counties. From 1964 to 1880. Alabama split only Jefferson County because his population was too large for a single district. In 1981, Alabama split only Jefferson and St. Clair Counties. Since 1992, Alabama has split seven counties to racially gerrymandering Districts. When joining Alabama congressional districts, the issue of Voting Rights Act compliance remains. As to the Voting Rights Act compliance, the proposed Alabama whole County map and that's this map right here makes it easy for citizens to know which congressional district they live in and creates two districts, six and seven that provide black citizens an equal opportunity to elect candidates of their choice. The

U.S. Supreme Court has said that one person, one vote principal can be more flexible when using traditional boundaries. The proposed Alabama whole County map has a maximum population deviation of only 2.46. For Alabama, it has the lowest possible population deviation based on whole county districts. It eliminates the racial gerrymandering, and it better complies with the Voting Rights Act. For Alabama congressional districts, the whole county map is the best possible map. Now, I want to share that with each person and then I want to walk you through it again. This district here is district seven. It has a majority or minority population. This district keeping Jefferson County whole and connected to these two counties here provides a swing district. This district is right at about 42% African-American and 58% non-African-American. But this district basically reflects this general area of the state of these counties and of the population. This is a golden opportunity for us to be in compliance. Number one to eliminate gerrymandering. Number two, to be in compliance with the Section 199 of the Constitution, which require us to consider and provide whole counties in drawing our districts so that the citizens once again can have an opportunity to be represented.

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SMITHERMAN: And you keep intact as well. communities of interest. Mr. Chairman, I will shift back to you at this moment.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Senator. I appreciate that.

MR. PRESIDENT: Senator Smitherman, you have the mic.

SMITHERMAN: If you have any questions or comments or anything like that, I would.

MR. PRESIDENT: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. I will point out with this particular map from the legal women voters. There are really big problems here. Really big problems. You put two incumbents. It violates our rules. You eliminate a majority, minority district that violates the Voting Rights Act. And with that and I will make one correction. I believe you stated that the proposed map, the Pringle map splits Montgomery County three ways. It is currently split three ways. The new map that I have proposed splits it in two different. And with that, Mr. President, I moved to table.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. All those in favor say.

[OVERLAY]

MR. PRESIDENT: The motion is non-debatable.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. President, I said I year for any question or comment. I didn't hear for any motion. I was specific. I think I was.

MR. PRESIDENT: The Motion's up, so you can kill it. What do you want? No, you can't speak to the table of motion. There're three hands up. So, you all want to roll call vote?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, that's fine. And then I like to be recognized afterwards.

MR. PRESIDENT: Sir. Terry. All right. Call the role.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Albritton?

MR. ALBRITTON: Yes.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Allen. Mr. Barfoot. Mr. Beasley, Mr. Butler.

MR. BUTLER: Alright.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Chambless. Mr. Chestein. Ms. Coleman Madison.

MS. COLEMAN MADISON: Yeah.

MR. PRESIDENT: Ms. Dunn. Mr. Elliot.

MR. ELLIOT: Alright.

MR. PRESIDENT: Ms. Figurs.

MS. FIGURS: No.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Givanne.

MR. GIVANNE: Not.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Gujar. Mr. Hatcher. Mr. Holly.

MR. HOLLY: Alright.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Jones. Mr. Livingston. Mr. Marsh. Mr. McClendon.

MR. MCCLENDON: Hi.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Milson. Mr. Oer. Mr. Price. Mr. Reed. Mr. Roberts. Ms. Sanders 48.

MS. SANDERS 48: Hey.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Schofield. Mr. Sessions. Mr. Shellnut. Mr. Singleton.

MR. SINGLETON: No.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Smitherman.

MR. SMITHERMAN: No.

MR. PRESIDENT: Mr. Stuttz Mr. Wagner. Ms. Weaver. Mr. Watley. Mr. Williams.

MR. WILLIAMS: Not.

MR. PRESIDENT: Twenty-three us, seven nays. The table in motion passes.

MALE 1: Mr. President, can I be recognized?

MR. PRESIDENT: You're recognized. Yes.

MALE 1: I didn't use at that moment for that purpose. I actually went through talking. I know the vote. Let me just finish. It's not about what the vote would have been. It's about the process to get to that ultimate vote. Now, I don't fault the desk at all because the motion they all right. The motion was made by you to do that, and it's non-debatable. I want them to understand that. But the proper thing for you to do, based on when you saw that I came up and said that because of the way that we are conducting ourselves in this process, which is really not adversarial about the issues, would be to withdraw your motion so that I could finish. And then when I made might give me the opportunity to make my motion. Then you come in with your table in motion, and we still would have voted, and it would have been down.

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MALE 1: Okay. That's the second time that whatever reason that we've had these close scrimmages. Yesterday, when we came back, I heard no bail or nothing about one exact time that we supposed to be here. And some of you all didn't either, because you was running down the hall with me. So, I know that, now I'm up here and you kind of pull the trigger real fast, and that was necessary. That's not necessary because you're going to be up here for the rest of these that we're going through, that ain't necessary. You don't have to do that. That's why I gave a mic back to you. I wasn't trying to shield the mic from you doing something like that. You saw how this okay is back to you. I thought you might ask something you want to say. You did. You made some comments, and I thought I was clear. I said for the comments or whatever, because you still going to get your shot to bring your motion to table it. But as we go forward, please, because let me say this, we are in a scrimmages about this. But we're in a war about downstairs. Am I right? Okay. So that's all I'm saying. Don't make this a war up here. We didn't come trying to fight no war. You know, if we were, we will be fighting it. So, you know that. So that ain't a confusion. You know what, I'm being honest. So, all I was saying was just that, please, as we go forward, don't pull the trigger like that. That's all I'm asking you. There's a request.

SMITHERMAN: Let me respond.

MALE 1: Okay.

SMITHERMAN: my clear intention is clear. Make sure I understand what your intentions are. I have a problem with you having your turn and more at the mic and expressing yourself.

MALE 1: And I know you don't.

SMITHERMAN: I have no problem with that.

MALE 1: I believe that.

SMITHERMAN: I think, in fact, that it's important that it'd be done. So, let's just make sure as we go through this process today and there's going to be more that we're real clear with each other what our intentions are.

MALE 1: Okay.

SMITHERMAN: And you all have been, I think, very cooperative in this process and very civil. And it is my intent to try to return that favor equally, if not more so. But I appreciate your comments, and I'll take them to heart.

MALE 1: Thank you very much. And I appreciate you, too, as well as saying that anyone else come up understand that we will be crystal clear. Okay. We're going to be crystal clear. We're going to respond to what you asked us to do. We're going to be crystal clear. And then I think by being that way, with you being focused on the concern that we may not have to even address anything like that again. Thank you, Senator.

SMITHERMAN: Yes, sir.

MALE 1: I appreciate the body allowing me to present the plan to show you the advantages of it. And at this time, I'll yield to Mr. Chairman [INDISCERNIBLE 01:43:35].

MR. PRESIDENT: Yeah. You got the mic. You can yield who you all right.

MALE 1: I'll yield Senator Singleton.

MR. PRESIDENT: Alright Senator Singleton.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Yes, Mr. President. I think the protein wants to come. And I think at this time, the protein wants to do a recess at this particular time, and then we'll come back because I have a substitute that I want to offer. And he wanted to break at, like, 11:30. I know 10 minutes won't do me. So, it'll be a good time to go on to do that recess now and then come back if we're going to do a time, Sir, North to call at a chair, see what we're going to do. And then we'll start back up with real push again.

MR. PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator.

MALE 2: Mr. President.

MR. PRESIDENT: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:44:15]

MALE 2: Yes, sir. We've had good debate this morning. I appreciate those that have already been engaged, a lot of good information being shared. Thank the chairman again for his constant diligence on listening to everybody and moving through this process. So, I will go ahead and have us in recess. I'm just trying to debate if we come back for, let's say 1:15 back time at 1:15.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. You all heard the motion. All right, all those in favor say Aye.

ALL: Aye.

MR. PRESIDENT: Any opposed, we send in recess.

MALE 2: Thank you, Mr. President.

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CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Senator Singleton, are you up here to brag on House Bill 1 and talk about what a good bill it is, or did you have something else in mind?

SENATOR SINGLETON: I am here to brag on House Bill 1 and just how bad a bill it is.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Senator!

SENATOR SINGLETON: But you know, I give you credit for doing what you thought was best, but I think that we could have done better and Mr. President, at a proper time, I'm going to be introducing a substitute, okay and I just want to buy, now I have two substitutes, and I'm not here to talk long on them, because they are basically off the same substitute that Senator Smitherman had. The substitute that Senator Smitherman had was based on a 2.64% deviation, and we know when we draw congressional districts that they wanted to be at basically a 0% deviation. And what -- what I'm going to prove here today is that we have two other maps that can lower those deviations to a 0.7% deviation and to a 0% deviation still utilizing less splits and Mr. McClendon, Mr. Chairman I just want you to know that I heard that your reason for not accepting Senator Smitherman's map plan number one. I just want you to know in 2019, the state of Alabama itself conceded in the current District 7 map was unconstitutional. The state of Alabama at the Supreme Court concluded and they conceded that the District 7 map was unconstitutional because of the way it was drawn. Okay? The defendant does not believe that the law will permit Alabama to draw that District today. I don't believe we can draw it today and if we drew it today, then it would be unconstitutional. And you look at a case called Chestnut v. Merrill, John Merrill, the Reapportionment Committee in 2021 Congressional player perpetuates the current ratio gerrymandering district. It continues that same old map that leaps around, stick a finger up in Birmingham, more of an elbow now because you got rid of the finger, and you put a little elbow up in the Birmingham now and you go in there and then you are coming back across the Black belt. And so with a lot of unnecessary splits there. To justify the ratio gerrymandered district, to reach a 50% Black voting-age population, a state must have a strong basis in evidence

that the Voter Right Bill has been -- requires -- that requires it. Here our congressional district plan does not violate the Voting Rights Act just because it does not have a district with a Black voting-age population of 50%. Your claim is that the reason you all drew the map was based on the fact that there was, you had to reach at least a 50% majority-Black age population and we're continuing that the court says that that does not happen. A congressional district redistricting plan does not violate the Voting Right Act just because it does not have a district with a Black voting-age population majority of 50%. The case in point is Cooper v. Harris in North Carolina. You've mentioned this North Carolina case earlier. North Carolina contended that to avoid a voting age -- the Voting Right Act violation, it had to increase to over 50% of Black voting-age population in the district where 48% and 43% Black voting-age population was. The Supreme Court rejected that argument and held that 50% Black voting-age population was unconstitutional race gerrymandering and because this was enough white -- that was enough white crossover votes in the 48% of the 43% Black voting-age population district to provide Black voters an equal opportunity to elect candidates of their choice and that's what we're doing here is providing opportunity district. The whole county plan eliminates the Alabama congressional ratio gerrymander district and keeps the county whole and that's where Senator Smitherman introduced here today and the two maps that I have here today is slight variations of Senator Smitherman and therefore, my presentations won't be very long, okay.

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Therefore, what I'm here to say today is to you Senator is that the committee what we adopted based on Congressional District 7 is unconstitutional. Maintaining the ratio gerrymandering of District 7 cannot be justified by claiming it was necessary to draw new district with zero population deviation. Like I said, the first map that that Senator Smitherman brought up was a 2.64 deviation. I have two maps up here and the one I'm dealing with now, I'm going to be dealing with Plan #2 that basically have a .7% deviation and when you look at Plan #3, it still holds whole counties and show a 0% deviation. Hold on a second.

[OVERLAY]

SENATOR SINGLETON: This is what I am saying. Okay one at a time because I mean introduce two different bills, okay, and what I would like to do right now, Mr. President, is to introduce the Singleton's Plan #2, can I have a pen to sign this, please. All right.

MR. PRESIDENT: Substitute? All right, Secretary [INDISCERNIBLE 00:06:33] received the substitute.

SECRETARY: Substitute for House Bill 1 Singleton's Congressional Plan #2 by Senator Singleton.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Thank you.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right Senator Singleton.

SECRETARY: 2 is --

SENATOR SINGLETON: I think everybody like my coloring you know, as a little boy, you know when you're in grade school, they tell you the color within your lines, so we didn't go all over the place, that's why you don't see a lot of splits, that's why they like it because we color within the lines which makes whole counties, okay. So we kept counties whole so therefore, that's why they're all attracted to this map. Okay, they want to see it and it kept communities of interest together. We were able to keep to meet the voters right of violations to where it's not unconstitutional with the voters right because we're already said to you that, we don't have to have a 50% deviation when we are 50% of voting age population, when we're dealing with whole counties. If the drafters contend as you are, that the 2.47% that Senator Smitherman introduced is too high of a deviation. The whole county plan that's modified to drop the maximum deviation below a 0.79%, which is my Plan 2 that I'm presenting today, which was approved by the Supreme Court in Tennant v. Jefferson County, West Virginia with only splitting three counties, and that's what we are achieving here today. And we want to be able to show that that is a modification of and we want to be able to show that it was reasonable and it could be done and it does not violate the Voters Right Act and we still can draw two opportunity districts that will allow African-Americans and/or democrats to be elected to a congressional seat that is proportional to the population here at the state of Alabama. And so Mr. President, that's basically all I have to say about my substitute. I'm willing to give it an up or down vote at this time on this one, unless he has something he wants to refute to what I said.

MR. PRESIDENT: Go have the mic.

MALE 1: Oh Senator Singleton, you got the mic, do you want to yield the mic to him?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Well I know you got to -- you got to vote to table it. I just want to up or down vote if you would, just let it be up down is the same as your table in motion and now there is no debate with it anyway, it's the same thing.

MR. PRESIDENT: Yeah, my preference is to table and -- and the reason for that preference Senator is I'd like to be consistent on how I handle these other documents that come through. So --

SENATOR SINGLETON: If you're going to do a table, if you're going to do a table in motion on me at this particular time, then I don't need and it's okay, because at the same thing it really doesn't matter, whether it's a table in motion or whether it's a motions for me to be able to allow up or down vote. It's still an up or down vote on your table in motion. But let me just talk about a little bit more before you table it, okay.

MR. PRESIDENT: Sure.

SENATOR SINGLETON: And I won't be very long.

MR. PRESIDENT: You go right ahead.

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SENATOR SINGLETON: All right. So what I hear to say is that, you know, that, if you modify, we can show that our splits are less than what you have in your map. We can show the opportunity districts are there and that you don't have to draw based on any digression or anything that you don't have to draw a Black majority district to the extent that you all did in your map in terms of gerrymandering it. You don't have to do that. And that is the overall goal here today is to show you where there could be a different plan and that the consideration was not made by this -- by the body in terms of the permanent joint commission, a committee on reapportionment. I know as a member we never considered any other map besides what you did. I think that what you have said here today, if I'm correct that based on putting in commerce together number one, and based on the fact of the other deviation, number two, is the reason why you all didn't consider it. Because you thought it would violate the rules that have been set forth by the committee. I say again, that this does not violate the committee rules. Number one, we had it in before 10 days. Number two, it gives an opportunity district. You know, while we trying to protect incumbents, then the other part of the three is that none of us as the members of this committee was contacted by congressional districts prior to your drawing congressional districts. and we seeing them for the first time when we saw them last week. So at this time -- I'm sorry.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

SENATOR SINGLETON: Yes, and when you look at it on the congressional district, you know, I don't know -- could you tell me whether or not congressional members have a permanent residence to where they have to run from? Do they have to say that I live in this particular district just to run from it? Or do I have to live over in this area to be able to run from it? Is that something on the congressional level that has to happen as we do on the Senate school board in the house member level?

MR. PRESIDENT: You know, I think that they don't have that same requirement that we do.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Well, if they don't have that same requirement, then that refutes the argument of do we put in two people against each other. So therefore the argument that you make whether or not we put two incumbents against each other in the same district is null and void based on your answer. They don't have to be from the same. They don't have to run from the area that they're living in. It refutes your answer. So therefore what you all based you're not dealing with this, this without plan was because of the flaws that you said it had was based on the fact that it put two incumbents together is null and void. Two incumbents being together does not matter here in the State of Alabama on the congressional district. So therefore that was another void issue that you considered before you even looked at displaying. And I'm here to say to you today, that the plan that Senator Smitherman introduced earlier that you did a tabling motion on had been in the bosom of the reapportionment committee well before the 10 days that was required by the rules and therefore under the rules you only consider it based on the fact that they fitted two incumbents together and you thought that maybe the deviations were off. And I think that those are two basic reasoning that does not hold constitutional muster. They don't hold constitutional muster because your answer to my question at the end of the day, they don't have to live in the area by which they run and when you look at it, when you provided a whole county in the court has basically said when there is a whole kind of provision that's being provided that

the voting age population of 50% or above does not matter and it does not violate the Voter's Right Act. And all we are saying that these are two opportunity district. I'm not trying to say that they are minority-majority districts. No, they're not. I appreciate you want to make sure that they're at least was one minority-majority district. But what we're saying here is that we believe and we feel that we can have more representation in Washington based on the maps that we have and that this committee and this body did not make any consideration to that prior to bringing the solution to bringing the map before the permanent committee and before this body.

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And so, we think that hopefully that this body would look at this and I would offer them to vote yes, on this particular map. Not yes, on your tabling motion, but yes, on this particular map to be able to say what is fair in the State of Alabama. What is fair, not just what is convenient. Because what you did was, you took what was already said again, in 2019 by the State's Attorneys that they believe that the Congressional District 7th was gerrymandered, okay? And the court agreed with them that it was a gerrymandered district even though that is she wasn't before them at that particular time but it was a gerrymandered district. And in other cases across the state, Chestnut v. Merrill basically said that also. So what we want to say is that let's get it right in 2021. We didn't have it right at '19. We didn't have it right in '12. Let's get it right in 2021 and adopt the map that we have before you. If you don't like Senator Smitherman where he has a 2.64 deviation, I have two other maps sitting up here. One has a 0.079% deviation and the other one which is plan 3 that I will introduce next has a 0% deviation with less splits and splits that are unnecessary, that this body could adopt today and call it fairness in the State of Alabama. And call it fairness in the State of Alabama. So I think that we didn't look close enough. We were doing what was expedient because all we did was took that finger that was up in Jefferson County and split Jefferson and put an elbow in it. Widen it out a little bit, picked up some populations, ran over the Black cost of Black belt, went to Montgomery, split Montgomery up to three ways and ran across the Black belt to say because you didn't move away from what was already there. And we already know that that was a gerrymandered district. And so, all we're asking today, and I ask you as a chairman, let's give this some consideration and allow this map to be what needs to be correct. We could do this without going to court and letting the court do it if we go on an adopted today. The State of Alabama will save a whole lot of money, whole lot of money, whole lot of money, you know, from because the Attorney General is not going to argue with himself. He's going to hire an outside firm to do it which we're going to have to pay. Okay? We will have to pay to defend it. Then you have to pay -- if we win, you got to pay our attorneys. From winning it. State of Alabama, will be on a whole lot of money when we could just go on and sell it right here, right now. Then be through with it and everybody would be happy. Governor signs it, we go on a run on it. Everybody be good. You know, the people in Washington, they won't get a vote here. But we gave them consideration to look at it, but they don't get a vote. You and I have that vote here today. You and I have that vote. That's why they give it to the states. If congress were to draw them, we probably wouldn't even have a district up there. But here in the State of Alabama, all I'm saying is that the one district that you did does not represent the full population of African-Americans in this state, school board it does, the Senate, it does. The House of Representative, it does also but at the end of the day, the Congress is the only body that does not represent the 26% of the population of African-American and/or the 30% of the minorities whether they're African-American, Asian, Hispanic, or whatever they

are in this state, Native Americans in this state that are minorities, ethnic minorities, that population is not represented under that one congressional district. And I would say that if we are about fairness and not just doing what is expedient and what we think we can get away with legally because what you're going to find is that you haven't won a Supreme Court case in a long time. We won them all. We even won in 2012. It just affected the way the court reverted it back to the states that you ended up drawing the way you did, you didn't win then, we won.

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And we'll probably win again so, you're going to continue to pay attorneys whom we can go on and adapt these maps and let that be. We're not pitting people together. They may not like it but we're not pitting them together. They're going to run on whether they want to run from in the congressional district. What we are doing now is that if you don't like the 2.64%, if you think that does not meet the constitutional muster, then I'm okay with that. But I have two other maps going to get down to a 0.79% and the other one, plan 3 that I'm going to introduce in a minute goes to 0%, okay? Zero percent which meets all the criterias. All right? So, Mr. President, I'm not going to be labeled this unless one of my colleagues has something to say about this map but I'm not going to be labeled anymore. If you want to run a table motion to go on and do what you need to do to vote it down but I will suggest to this body let's do the right thing and let's do right before the State of Alabama and the minority population here in the State of Alabama, let's do the right thing. And I'll turn it over to you for your motions or anything else that you have at this point in time. I'm good with that.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Senator McClendon, you're recognized.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Thank you Senator Singleton for your comments. Mr. President, I move the table and I believe this is Singleton No. 2. Singleton No. 2 would be correct.

SENATOR SINGLETON: It will be Singleton No. 1. It will be legal women voting number two but it's Singleton No.1.

MR. PRESIDENT: You all want a roll call?

SENATOR SINGLETON: A roll call vote, yes please. Let's sustain it with roll call, yes.

MR. PRESIDENT: Yeah, all right. Secretary, call the roll on the table in motion.

SECRETARY: Mr. Albritton?

SENATOR ALBRITTON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Allen? Mr. Barfoot?

SENATOR BARFOOT: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Beasley?

SENATOR BEASLEY: I'll oblige.

SECRETARY: Mr. Butler?

SENATOR BUTLER: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Chambliss? Mr. Chesteen?

SENATOR CHESTEEN: Aye.

SECRETARY: Ms. Coleman-Madison?

SENATOR COLEMAN-MADISON: No.

SECRETARY: Ms. Dunn? Mr. Elliott? Ms. Figures?

SENATOR FIGURES: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Givan?

SENATOR GIVAN: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Gudger?

SENATOR GUDGER: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Hatcher?

SENATOR HATCHER: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Jones?

SENATOR JONES: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Marsh? Mr. McClendon?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Orr?

SENATOR ORR: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Price?

SENATOR PRICE: You've got it proxy.

SECRETARY: Mr. Reed? Mr. Roberts? Ms. Sanders-Fortier?

SENATOR SANDERS-FORTIER: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Sessions.

SENATOR SESSIONS: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Shelnutt? Mr. Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITTHERMAN: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Stutts? Mr. Waggoner? Ms. Weaver?

SENATOR WEAVER: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Whatley?

SENATOR WHATLEY: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Aye.

SECRETARY: Twenty-two ayes, seven nos. The table in motion passes.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Mr. President, I'll be glad to yield the mic to --.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Singleton.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Yes, Mr. President. I would like to introduce Singleton 2 which will be my number three plan.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Secretary, read and receive the sub sheet.

SECRETARY: Substitute for House Bill 1 by Senator Singleton.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Mr. President, I won't belay with this body a long time with this. My argument is basically the same. This map is just dealing with a 0% deviation based on whole counties. It only has a small split in Jefferson County and you have a couple of splits that may be down in the southern part of the region but Jefferson County only takes out about 3,500 people out of Jefferson County totally.

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And you keep communities with interest together, if you look across the map, across the top of the map, the northern end, it maintains those communities of interest. I think there may be a split. It just had little split there, a little split, yeah on Coosa County. Coosa, Crenshaw and Jefferson and St. Clair which gives us maybe about six splits I think in this whole map. Yes, give us six splits in this whole map which is lower than what the plan is for the State of Alabama that's presented today. It provides whole counties, keep communities of interest together and what it does is a 0% deviation. And what we're here to show you is that we could draw two opportunity districts. Again, we made the argument that pitting two incumbents together is not an issue here and we show that we are able to get a small deviation in Jefferson County. We do a small variation of a split in Jefferson. There's a little split in Crenshaw, small split in St. Clair. The splits are missed out of the Voter Rights Act, there's no violations there. It gives us an opportunity to be able to give minorities an opportunity to have more than one representative in congress. Again, it is not a great deviation for the maps that are already there but we're here to show that we could do a 0% deviation and still achieve the same goal and being able to have opportunity district that this committee, this chairman, the lawyers, not a demographer, gave an opportunity for this to happen or even insisted on it being presented by the committee. As a member of the permanent committee, I was there at all 90% -- let me just say I wasn't there at all of them, but 90% of all the public hearings, I was there. And each and every one where the league of women voters presented a map on their behalf, I made it clear to the body, to the chairmans of both houses, to the attorneys that was in the room that I, Bobby Singleton, was going to be a plaintiff on behalf of the legal women voters to bringing this case. And I went to the chairman and asked them that whether or not we could work this out without having to go to court and hopefully that the map that we presented would have some consideration before the

body. And none of that happened. There was no map considered outside the plan and the chairman today has given us a reason why they did not consider the league of women voters' plan. Number one, because they thought they were pitting incumbents together and number two, they thought the flaws based on the deviation and that it violated the Voters Right Act by not giving a strong minority majority African-American district in the State of Alabama. We contend today once again that 50% of the voter age population in terms of Black voter aged population in the district does not violate the Voters Right Act. We also contend that the argument of whether or not we can make two incumbents together does not hold constitutional muster because incumbents does not have to live within the district that they are running. So, I say to you Mr. President, I'm willing to go on and not belaying the point because they're basically the same maps that only have a small deviation in it and members can see that. Again, we split Jefferson just a little and I would like at least to have an up-down vote on this particular map also.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Thanks Senator Singleton. Senator McClendon?

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CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: I don't have a prob -- let's do an up or down vote on this.

MR. PRESIDENT: Okay, so the motion --

MALE 1: Call role.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Secretary, call the long role.

SECRETARY: Mr. Albritton?

SENATOR ALBRITTON: It's a no.

SECRETARY: Mr. Allen?

SENATOR ALLEN: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Barfoot?

MR. BARFOOT: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Beasley?

SENATOR BEASLEY: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Butler?

SENATOR BUTLER: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Chambliss?

SENATOR CHAMBLISS: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Chesteen?

SENATOR CHESTEEN: No.

SECRETARY: Ms. Coleman-Madison?

SENATOR COLEMAN-MADISON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Ms. Dunn?

SENATOR DUNN: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Elliott? Ms. Figures?

SENATOR FIGURES: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Givan?

SENATOR GIVAN: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Gudger? Mr. Hatcher?

SENATOR HATCHER: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Jones?

SENATOR JONES: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Livingston? Mr. Marsh?

MR. MARSH: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. McClendon?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Melson? Mr. Orr?

SENATOR ORR: [INDISCERNIBLE 00:31:23].

SECRETARY: Mr. Price? Mr. Reed? Mr. Roberts? Ms. Sanders-Fortier?

SENATOR SANDERS-FORTIER: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Scofield? Mr. Sessions?

SENATOR SESSIONS: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Shelnutt? Mr. Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Stutts? Mr. Waggoner?

SENATOR WAGGONER: No.

SECRETARY: Ms. Weaver?

SENATOR WEAVER: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Whatley?

SENATOR WHATLEY: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: No.

MR. PRESIDENT: Seven ayes, 23 nays. The motion to adapt fails.

SENATOR SINGLETON: Mr. President?

MR. PRESIDENT: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Just a short [INDISCERNIBLE 00:32:31].

MR. PRESIDENT: You're recognized.

SENATOR SINGLETON: I would like to thank the body for indulging us in this. I thank you Mr. Chairman for answering the questions to the best of your ability on this. I think that we've missed an opportunity today to stay out of federal court. We may be spending a whole lot of

more money but I at least consider, that we considered to continue to gerrymander an African-American community where we can have two districts that will be opportunity districts. So again, I just want to thank this body for indulging us and I would like to turn it over to Senator Hatcher after my point of person of privilege who has another map that he would like to introduce to you today, Mr. President. Thank you, Mr. Chairman and I appreciate the work that you've done in this body, thank you.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Thank you, Senator Singleton.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Hatcher.

SENATOR HATCHER: Thank you for the recognition, Mr. President. Thank you, Senator Singleton. Chairman McClendon, one of the things that I've learned in a very short span of time being in this body as that obviously this is my first opportunity with reapportionment and good God Almighty, it is complicated and tedious. And so, for those who have been here who've gone through this, my hat's off to you, all of you.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Thank you.

SENATOR HATCHER: I would like to offer this substitute in consideration from -- in support --.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Secretary, read and receive the substitute.

SECRETARY: Substitute for House Bill No. 1 by Senator Hatcher.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Hatcher.

SENATOR HATCHER: The only thing I would like to offer Chairman McClendon is to, obviously in keeping with the same spirit of Senators Singleton and Smitherman is we are offering this one as an example of a map that creates two majority minority opportunity districts here in Alabama and this one is strongly supported by the legal defense fund, ACLU and the greater Birmingham ministries.

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Unless there are some discussions on it, I'd like to -- any questions or move for an up and down vote?

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. So, Senator McClendon, we have a motion for an up and down vote, did you want to discuss this?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: No, but when the proper time comes, I'd move to table this map.

MR. PRESIDENT: Okay, so you still got the mic right now.

SENATOR HATCHER: Well, the one thing I would offer, thank you, Mr. President, is again, what its seeking to do is to make fair the representation that you've heard already. And in out of respect for the things that have been shared already, I do not wish to duplicate that but to simply say that all of us are seeking the best we can to represent all of the people of the State of Alabama. And I think you heard the statistic where it says that nearly 28% of Alabama's residents identified as either Black or multiracial identity. And the idea is to simply represent the interest of all of these different groups and there are clear reasons that I've already been outlined for why that is important to the community. One of the things I would share that is a part of what I want to put in consideration for that substitute, when I mention the fact that according to the 2021 census data, nearly 28% of Alabama's residents identify as Black, either alone or as part of a multiracial identity. It is fair, necessary and logical that all Black Alabamians have an opportunity to elect their preferred congressional representatives. Members of Congress make decisions and influence policies that impact every aspect of American life including but not limited to access to education, economic opportunity, housing, healthcare and the direct and collateral consequences of criminal legal systems. An additional majority minority opportunity district which Section 2 of our constitution likely requires and does would provide Black voters with representation to address the state's pervasive and ongoing record of inequality of opportunity in various aspects of life. And I want to take an opportunity to simply add this piece. As Senator Singleton pointed out just here in Montgomery, we are split in three different ways in this area. So, this is one way to offer some relief and remedy. So, with that being said, Mr. President, unless there are some questions from the Chairman, I would request an up and down vote.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: I concur. Up or down vote recognized.

MR. PRESIDENT: Okay. All right. Secretary, call the role.

SECRETARY: Mr. Albritton?

SENATOR ALBRITTON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Allen.

SENATOR ALLEN: [INDISCERNIBLE 00:38:21].

SECRETARY: Mr. Barfoot?

SENATOR BARFOOT: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Beasley?

SENATOR BEASLEY: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Butler? Mr. Chambliss? Mr. Chesteen?

SENATOR CHESTEEN: No.

SECRETARY: Ms. Coleman-Madison?

SENATOR COLEMAN-MADISON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Ms. Dunn?

SENATOR DUNN: [INDISCERNIBLE 00:38:46].

SECRETARY: Mr. Elliott? Ms. Figures?

SENATOR FIGURES: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Givan? Mr. Gudger? Mr. Hatcher? Mr. Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Jones?

SENATOR JONES: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Marsh?

SENATOR MARSH: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. McClendon?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Melson? Mr. Orr? Mr. Price? Mr. Reed?

SENATOR REED: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Roberts? Ms. Sanders-Fortier? Mr. Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: [PH 00:39:34] No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Sessions?

SENATOR SESSIONS: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Shelnutt? Mr. Singleton? Mr. Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: [PH 00:39:59] No.

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SECRETARY: Mr. Stutts? Mr. Waggoner? Ms. Weaver? Mr. Whatley? Mr. Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: No.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Five ayes, 22 nays, the Senator Hatcher substitute fails. Thanks Senator Hatcher.

SENATOR HATCHER: Thank you Mr. President.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Thank you Senator Hatcher. I admire you coming forward first time around and getting into this [INDISCERNIBLE 00:40:38].

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Senator McClendon?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: I believe my good friend Senator Waggoner.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Waggoner.

SENATOR WAGGONER: Mr. President, I have a substitute.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Secretary, read and receive the substitute.

SECRETARY: Substitute for House Bill 1 by Senator Waggoner.

SENATOR WAGGONER: Mr. President.

MR. PRESIDENT: Senator Waggoner.

SENATOR WAGGONER: Mr. President, this involves two areas in Jefferson County. One area is represented by Congressman Gary Palmer, the other one is represented by Congresswoman Sewell. There are two changes in the present proposal; one involves Center Point, East Lake and Roebuck and Northeast Jefferson County. Those areas are presently served by Congresswoman Sewell. Under this proposal, they would -- under the present proposal, they would be represented by Congressman Palmer. The other one is two areas in Homewood, Alabama. They're served by Congressman Palmer and this would swap those two areas. Ms. Sewell would take the area represented by Congressman Palmer in Homewood, Alabama. There

are two precincts involved. And Congressman Palmer would take over the Center Point, East Lake, and Roebuck area. Some of us from Jefferson County have problems with this area, this proposal. We would like for them to stay as they are. Congressman Palmer would stay in Homewood, Congresswoman Sewell would keep her Center Point, East Lake, Roebuck area. Demographically, Center Point, East Lake and Roebuck favor Ms. Sewell and demographically, Homewood favors Congressman Palmer. So, my substitute would keep Congressman Palmer in Homewood instead of changing him to Ms. Sewell's district. My proposal would keep Congresswoman Sewell in Center Point, East Lake and Roebuck. Under the proposal by Senator McClendon, it would swap those two areas. So, mine would keep them as is. I think it's important to know that these districts as they are today, they met all the requirements of the Voting Rights Act three years ago and received approval from the U.S. Justice Department. There's zero deviation in the proposal. So basically, that's what my substitute does. The mayor of Center Point wants it to stay as is with Ms. Sewell, Congresswoman Sewell remaining their congressman. The mayor of Homewood and a multitude of other people would like Representative Congressman Gary Palmer to remain in Homewood. So, Mr. President basically, that's what this substitute does. I know it's a very controversial issue, I know many of my colleagues have issues with it and I want them to feel very comfortable about what they want to do. This is an important vote, it's an important issue we're dealing with, and I want them to feel comfortable voting their conscience.

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I know how I feel. I know that I would like my congressman to stay in place in Homewood. I like for Congresswoman to stay where she is in Center Point, East Lake and Roebuck. And I said demographically, their areas favor them as Congresswoman Sewell and Congressman Palmer. And with that, Mr. President, I'd be glad to entertain any questions.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, thank you. Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Mr. President.

MR. PRESIDENT: Yeah, Senator Roberts.

SENATOR ROBERTS: Senator Waggoner, I have the opportunity to share Homewood together and we have been reached out to non-stop since this became public. Our whole objective is communities of interest, keep them in together which was one of the things we were after and that is why we're very interested in seeing this come to fruition. Thank you.

MR. PRESIDENT: Thank you Senator Roberts. All right, Senator McClendon?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Thank you Mr. President. I would like to try to clear up. The first question is how did this district -- why did this change occur? What happened? Well, there were three cases following the 2010 census which is how it has been in the past and the court required that the districts be drawn race blind although our mapping equipment can display races, it changes. You can turn that off and that's exactly what we did. We turned it off. The second factor that was important was that Congressional District 7 was short by 53,000 people

and we had to go somewhere to get those people to get to our deviation. Homewood, adjacent to City 7, is a population-dense area. So, to add an east-west shape which is where we are today to add this shape or the increase to size east and west was far superior over moving in a north-south direction. The reason that was done was to prevent claims that this part of Jefferson County was a racial gerrymander. This is because Section 5 is no longer there and this explains why what could be done in 2010 and was approved by the justice department in 2010 is not okay in 2020. It will not be approved by the justice department today. Consequently, when these changes were made, the tip of the 2010 incursion, the Center Point precincts were not needed and were put into City 6. So, the next question is, so now we know how we got there. We got there because the courts told us what we had to do keeping in mind the whole time this is a racial issue. This is not about splitting counties, this is not about splitting precincts, this is about drawing maps based on race that's not good. The two Homewood precincts are majority White. The four Center Point area precincts are majority Black. Switching Black and White precincts at this point after the plan was drawn race blind would be a race conscious effort and that would violate Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act unless it were done in fulfillment of a compelling state interest. Under the Voting Rights Act, the state has no compelling interest in making the race conscious reassignments that has been proposed by Senator Waggoner.

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So, the bottom line is the Waggoner, what are we calling this? The Waggoner sub? The Waggoner sub is clearly based on race, clearly, and it will in fact create a storm legally for all of us in this room. With that being said --.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Smitherman.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Senator Smitherman, go ahead please.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mr. Chairman, I think that the process that everybody in here went through when you went downstairs, I think that that was an attempt for that process by the lawyer and what do they call it, the one that draw the maps?

MALE 1: Demographer.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Demographer to present areas of the district in the language about precincts. Once precincts will put in, then I think that the numbers whatever was in the precincts were reflected on when you got a total back in terms of the population. And I think if everybody win, I guarantee you two thirds of the people will be doing this if I asked them to be honest and say yes or no. I said that to say this is that, I haven't heard one time in any conversation that I had with Senator Waggoner regarding this issue in our county him say the first thing about those African-Americans that stay over there, those Black people that stay over or those White people stay over here. There has been no conversation related to race as it relates to the changing of these people. The only conversation that has come up with him and I'm sitting here because I'm on the juror and I want to see it, was dealing with the community of interest. And other than Senator Waggoner, when it comes to one of those communities, I don't think that anybody else would be aware or have a clear understanding of the concern for community of

interest simply because he and I split the area straight down in line. We represent the same people and so, I said that just to say that may be something that is being mentioned from your responses but it's nothing in the amendment that says that it's switching race. There's nothing I've ever heard of him so I'm sitting up here that that's the case and there's nothing I've heard in any conversation. The last thing I want to add is this, and I'm not trying to be funny when I say this but I'm trying to just speak what I think is a statement of fact. I wouldn't even be worried about the fact that it may change a little bit the way that the district is shaped here versus there because the whole district as I said earlier is bizarre. So that don't change bizarreness. It don't create any more or any less bizarreness. It's just if it's that plan because he goes up in there just because the corner up here is changing and anybody down here decide over here changing, this syllogist is bizarre and gerrymandering going up in there. So in conclusion, I just wanted to say that to the body that no, this doesn't violate any of that whatsoever in my opinion because that is not based on that, it's based on communities of interest. And I just really think that that's -- I know that's an opinion that you spoke but I can say that based on the facts that I have presented and as I know them that that opinion and theory is not applicable at this time. Thank you for allowing me to speak and thank you Mr. President.

MR. PRESIDENT: Thank you Senator Smitherman. Senator Del Marsh?

SENATOR DEL MARSH: Thank you Mr. President. First I want to say, Senator, I want to thank you as this whole body shared for the work you've done on this project. I mean, it's not an easy project to deal with a lot of personalities, a lot going on and same thing with President Pringle in the house.

[00:55:00]

You all worked through countless hours. What I want to try to do is make sure there's clarity here I think and I don't think you meant to do it in any way but the way I see this is, because I know I've had enough discussions with members of the body including Senator Singleton, Senator Waggoner and I truly believe their concerns are community of interest. I really believe that, we've talked about it and the fact that these previous districts were the way they want to go back to, I think Senator and I believe your comments is what you want to make sure happens here as we all do is that we send a plan that is upheld by the federal court, bottom line. And I think I want to bring the clarity in that. I do not think and I don't think you think that race was the issue with these two senators but it could be perceived in your opinion from the justice department that that is the issue and that's why I think it is very important. Now things has been made clear today that the community of interest issue is the issue to us in this chamber and what we would stand behind should this go to court in that form. But I support you for what you've done, I continue to support but I do think it's very critical to this those watching these proceedings understand that what someone may perceive of what reality and reality in this chamber as far as I'm concerned is community of interest. Thank you.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Thank you. Mr. President, I'd like to make a comment.

MR. PRESIDENT: Thanks Senator Del Marsh. All right.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: I want to talk just briefly about community of interest. Community of interest is a guideline that we have adopted here in drawing our lines. We said what we want to try to do is keep guidelines together. Our guidelines are trumped by the Voting Rights Act and the justice department. They're interested in race, they're not as interested in guidelines. I will assure you keeping a clarity of interest together is good but that is secondary or tertiary from the federal courts perspective. The racial aspect of this is absolutely primary. And while we drew these things race-blind, the fact is this proposal moves a majority of Black voters out of a white congressional district puts them in a Black congressional district moves a majority of Black voters that are in a white district and puts them in a Black district. And there's no way we don't know what's going on. So, I'm just saying Senator Singleton, I didn't mean to take up any of your time.

[OVERLAY]

SENATOR SINGLETON: Mr. Chairman, you can take as much time as you want because I like your explanation. It helps the case, okay? Because while you say community of interest is just a guideline, community interest is a legal concept. I keep telling you just like you said that gerrymandering was in the eyes of the beholder. It's not in the eyes of the beholder, it is a legal concept. Community of interest is a legal concept that the court has ruled on when you started looking at taking communities of interest. Now, it's just not something that we think of in the State of Alabama that we would own somebody who have thought of this and you're not dealing with racial gerrymandering when you're dealing with under the run versus him to where you can achieve the voting age population by going out and reaching and getting those Black population to create that but you already got a gerrymandering district anyway. So you're not going to hurt the district no more than what you're already doing by switching these people that they want. You're already gerrymandering. Okay? So on the run versus him, one man one vote, you can achieve what you want without saying that it is about race, okay? And what you've done here is that that population was over in that district before you all just went and switch. All you're doing is switching back to people that they already had. Thank you very much.

MR. PRESIDENT: Thanks Senator Singleton. All right. Senator Waggoner?

SENATOR WAGGONER: Mr. President, the bottom line is in this issue, the people in these two communities like it the way it is. They do not want to swap congressman.

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People in Center Point like their congresswoman, people in Homewood like their congressmen and here, we're violating the wishes of the two congressmen. They like it the way it is. That's the way I like it because I live in one of those communities. I've heard from a number of people in both the communities and here we're swapping congressmen and congresswoman when the communities do not accept that, they do not like it, they do not want it. But we're violating the wishes of the people in those two communities and I don't understand it. And of course I'm going to vote for my substitute which allows these two communities to stay whole. Thank you Mr. President.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, so we're on your substitute.

SENATOR WAGGONER: With that, I move adoption of the substitute.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, we got a motion for adoption of the substitute. You may want to talk on them this motion.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: I wouldn't make a comment. Just to make a correction, I want everybody to know that we talked to Congressperson Sewell ahead of time and she was happy with this plan that we've had here. And we attempted to talk with Congressman Palmer and was unsuccessful in doing so. So as far as I'm concerned, are you ready to vote this up or down? What that your motion?

MR. PRESIDENT: That was the motion, yes.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: I'm sorry. Now for the vote.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Secretary, call the role.

SECRETARY: Mr. Albritton?

SENATOR ALBRITTON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Allen.

SENATOR ALLEN: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:01:51].

SECRETARY: Mr. Barfoot?

SENATOR BARFOOT: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Beasley?

SENATOR BEASLEY: Okay.

SECRETARY: Mr. Butler? Mr. Chambliss? Mr. Chesteen? Ms. Coleman-Madison? Ms. Dunn?

Mr. Elliott? Ms. Figures?

SENATOR FIGURES: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Givan?

SENATOR GIVAN: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Gudger? Mr. Hatcher?

SENATOR HATCHER: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Jones?

SENATOR JONES: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Marsh? Mr. McClendon?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Melson?

SENATOR NELSON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Orr?

SENATOR ORR: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Price?

SENATOR PRICE: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Reed? Mr. Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

SECRETARY: Ms. Sanders-Fortier?

SENATOR SANDERS-FORTIER: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Scofield? Mr. Sessions? Mr. Shelnutt? Mr. Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:03:19].

SECRETARY: Mr. Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Stutts? Mr. Waggoner? Ms. Weaver? Mr. Whatley? Mr. Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: No.

SECRETARY: Ten ayes, 18 nos, one abstention.

MR. PRESIDENT: Ten ayes, 18 nos, one abstention. The substitute fails. Thank you, Senator

Waggoner.

SENATOR BARFOOT: Mr. President?

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Barfoot?

SENATOR BARFOOT: I could be recognized, I thank you. I also want to thank Senator McClendon, Representative Pringle for all the hard work that has gone into making overall what I think is a fairly accommodating map and work within the guidelines. I do have an amendment or a substitute, excuse me that I will offer to the body that makes --.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Secretary, read and receive the substitute, please.

SECRETARY: Substitute for House Bill 1 by Senator Barfoot.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Barfoot?

SENATOR BARFOOT: Thank you Mr. President. The substitute that I am offering affects basically moves about 700 or so voters.

[01:05:00]

Excuse me, persons in the district. And so, with that being said, Escambia County currently under existing congressional plans is whole. It is whole in the first congressional district. The plan that the committee has brought before us has the second congressional district encroaching on Escambia County, a portion of the Escambia County. My plan simply in a nutshell makes Escambia County whole once again. It continues to keep Escambia County whole once again and allows the first congressional district to represent the entirety of Escambia County. It also moves those 700 or so individuals that the first congressional district loses into Montgomery so that the second congressional district would take in an extra 700 and some odd individuals. It furthermore takes the seventh congressional district into Monroe County to make up that 700 and so individuals. I believe that this plan, I know that this plan has a zero deviation. It also, when we talked about communities of interest, it keeps Escambia County whole and it is my understanding and belief that it falls within the guidelines as set forward as far as racial neutrality. With that, I believe -- if there's a question.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator McClendon.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Yes sir. This plan that came from representative from Congressman Moore and carried by my friend, Senator Barfoot, does involve 739 people. Under the committee's plan, the one we had before us, Moore had two split, Sewell had three. Under the Barfoot plan, Moore ends up with only one split, Sewell ends up with four which should be more than any other member of congress. The problem is, Congressperson Sewell is, she's not only a democrat, she's Black and a federal court could very well look at this and say that this has become a racial issue. Same, each new county split will be more work for her and less work for Congressman Moore. And the part of Escambia County that would go to Moore under this plan has no incorporated areas. In fact, most of it is the good part of is the Conecuh National Forest. And of course, when you put the underpopulated or zero populated area in there, it sure makes life easier and less work to do. This will be argued as racially discriminatory by the plaintiffs that are attacking the Moore plan and we can't say if the claim would be successful but it puts an unnecessary lightning rod on CD 7. That is sure to draw attention from the three-judge court or the Supreme Court if we end up there. And that'll give them more reason to say the plan is racially biased. Should that happen, well, we know what should happen if that happens. With that being said, that's my comment on this plan and at the appropriate time when everyone has had their say so, I would move to table. Mr. President.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Albritton?

SENATOR ALBRITTON: Thank you for the recognition, sir. I come to stand. I'm not involved with how this was done or whatever. But I do come here with those counties that's been mentioned, the Escambia and Monroe Counties, that's currently within my district area. I come here to stand to say that this plan or the substitute has not been brought to me or discussed with me prior to today about this. I would suggest that the congressman from District 1 who is affected by this has not given me any direction or has talked to me about it.

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I would suggest my purpose of being here is telling the body that this affects me and my district and I'm going to vote to either table or to vote no on it.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Thank you, Senator Albritton. Senator McClendon?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Senator Barfoot, I think I got the mic but do you have -- is there something else you would like to say before we make a decision?

SENATOR BARFOOT: There is.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: I'll yield.

SENATOR BARFOOT: And something that I did not accurately or maybe I didn't articulate to the best of my ability. Escambia County has never to my knowledge been in the second congressional district. Your plan does put Escambia County into the second congressional district and this creates no more splits than what your plan has communities of interest are not split and counties are not split. So that, I'd ask the body to vote against your motion to table.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right, Senator McClendon?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Move to table.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Vote aye please.

MR. PRESIDENT: All those in favor, say aye.

[OVERLAY]

MR. PRESIDENT: Any oppose? Table in motion passes.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: And we're back on the bill?

MR. PRESIDENT: We are.

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: There's no other discussion on the bill. I ask final passage of

HB 1.

MR. PRESIDENT: All right. Secretary, call the long roll.

SECRETARY: Mr. Albritton?

SENATOR ALBRITTON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Allen? Mr. Barfoot? Mr. Beasley?

SENATOR BEASLEY: Allen's an aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Butler? Mr. Chambliss? Mr. Chesteen? Ms. Coleman-Madison? Ms. Dunn?

Mr. Elliott? Ms. Figures?

SENATOR FIGURES: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Givan?

SENATOR GIVAN: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Gudger?

SENATOR GUDGER: Chesteen's aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Hatcher? Mr. Hawley? Mr. Jones?

SENATOR JONES: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Marsh?

SENATOR MARSH: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. McClendon?

CHAIRMAN MCCLENDON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Orr? Mr. Price?

SENATOR PRICE: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Reed? Mr. Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

SECRETARY: Ms. Sanders-Fortier.

SENATOR SANDERS-FORTIER: No.

MALE 1: Reed's aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Sessions?

SENATOR SESSIONS: Aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Shelnutt? Mr. Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Smitherman? Mr. Stutts?

SENATOR STUTTS: No.

SECRETARY: Mr. Waggoner?

SENATOR WAGGONER: Aye.

SECRETARY: Ms. Weaver?

MALE 1: Orr is an aye.

SECRETARY: Mr. Whatley? Mr. Williams?

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MR. PRESIDENT: All right, 22 ayes, 7 nays. House Bill 1 passes. Thank you Senator

McClendon.

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Jim and Chris,

As you see below, the redistricting data has finally been released. Now, Maptitude will need about a week to load the data into the system — so say next Friday, Aug. 20 to load the data into the system, and then Donna and her staff will need two days or so to configure the data to Alabama districts and precincts — so assuming all goes well, it should be available by Wednesday, August 25.

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Hello everyone.

The redistricting data is here! The Census Bureau <u>released</u> the Census 2020 P.L. 94-171 redistricting data in the legacy format. This is the format that state officials have received the last two decades.

Data users will be able to access the redistricting data by downloading the complete set of files for each state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, from the bureau's <u>File Transfer Protocol</u> (FTP) website. The data will be available for a range of geographies, including down to the census block level. Supporting resources for the release can be found at the <u>Decennial Census P.L. 94-171 Redistricting Data Summary Files</u> webpage, including a step-by-step "how-to" guide.

The release will provide the first look at the demographic characteristics of the nation by state, county, city, all the way down to the census block level, including:

- Race and ethnicity.
- Population 18 years and over.
- Occupied and vacant housing units.
- People living in group quarters, such as college dorms, nursing homes, prisons, and military barracks.

The same redistricting data will also be released by Sept. 30 through the Census Bureau's <u>data.census.gov</u> online web tool. The September release will be in format that will make it easier to view and download the tables from the P.L. 94-171 data. Also, governors, state majority and minority legislative leaders, redistricting commissions, as well as state redistricting data program liaisons will all be mailed a DVD and flash drive with their state's data.

Here are some takeaways from today's data release:

- Fewer states, metro areas and counties had rapid population growth.
- Population decline was widespread across the nation, most counties lost population between 2010 and 2020.
- 312 of the 384 metro areas gained population this decade.
- The two or more races <u>population</u> had a 276% increase.
- The Hispanic or Latino population grew 23%, while the population that was not of Hispanic or Latino origin grew 4.3%.

The bureau also released <u>data visualizations</u> and a variety of America Counts stories on <u>population change and</u> <u>distribution</u>, <u>group quarters</u>, <u>the adult population</u>, <u>housing changes</u>, <u>housing vacancy</u>, <u>race and ethnicity</u> and <u>the diversity index</u> to help explain the new 2020 Census data.

In addition, the bureau released the sixth and final <u>demonstration data</u> set. This new set reflects the Disclosure Avoidance System settings used for the 2020 Census Redistricting Data (P.L. 94-171) Summary File. These <u>microdata files</u> apply statistical noise to produce differential privacy-protected metrics using 2010 data.

Lastly, here are three census and redistricting related articles from NCSL's State Legislatures News:

- How to Lower the Temperature During Redistricting by Lisa Ryckman
- Census Delivers Long-Awaited Data by Wendy Underhill
- Redistricting: A Look at State Court Actions and Party Control by Lisa Ryckman

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me.

Thanks, Christi

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Jim and Chris,

This map shows population gains and losses on a county basis from 2010 to 2020. We can't calculate similar maps for legislative districts until the data are loaded into the Committee's system (because until then we won't have population by precincts). I think they will be available next week.

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On Thu, Jul 29, 2021 at 7:31 PM Laura Hall <annihal119@gmail.com> wrote:
Thanks, will the hearings be streamed and will the committee allow virtual questions and comments?

On Thu, Jul 29, 2021 at 4:02 PM Donna Overton donna.overton@alsenate.gov wrote: Good Afternoon!

I have attached the Committee's Public hearing schedule including the 6 new additional hearings that have been added. This brings the total number of hearings to 28.

I will getting with our IT department today to have it posted on the Legislative website.

Donna Overton Loftin Supervisor, Reapportionment Office 11 S Union Street, Suite 317 Montgomery, AL. 36130 334.261.0395 Big new on the census litigation front. The three-judge panel in the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Alabama rejected Alabama's request to move up the release of the 2020 census data and it will allow the Census Bureau to continue its use of differential privacy. If Alabama and the other plaintiffs wish, they can appeal the ruling straight to the U.S. Supreme Court.

The Bureau plans to release the redistricting data, also referred to as the P.L. 94-171 data, in the legacy format (no tables) by August 16 and the P.L. data in the more friendly format (with tables) is still expected to be released by Sept. 30.

We are still working our way through this opinion and will update you with more news as things progress.

Thanks, Christi

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Dear Representative Hall:

Thank you for your email of August 18 asking about procedures for the Redistricting Committee's public hearings, being conducted September 1-16, to which the responses are as follows:

1. What is the planned meeting structure?

Hearing are scheduled for three hours and will receive comments on all four plans being redistricted: Congressional, State Board of Education, Senate, and House. The Committee Chairs, the Hearing Officer, and Committee staff will participate from the Redistricting Committee office. Differ metables of the Committee and other Legislators may participate from the Legislators, members of the public, and government officials from local governments may participate from the announced hearing site for that particular hearing, which in most cases is a community college, or may participate remotely via Team. Court reporters will in most cases appear remotely. Because 2021 will be the first time hearings have been conducted remotely, there may be a learning curve, and it's possible that the first several hearings will go less smoothly than later hearings.

2. Is there an agenda?

Each hearing will open with a statement of welcome and a request for Legislators and other elected officials to identify themselves. Participants will be reminded that the purpose of the hearing to gather information that may be useful to Legislators' redistricting efforts, and in particular testimony about communities of interest is sought. For each of the districts under consideration at that hearing, there will be a short explanation of the ideal population, allowable deviation, and the amount by which the district is over our under populated. Maps of the districts and they not exist will be available. Participants will asked how they would like their district boundaries to change.

3. Do you have to register to speak at the public hearings? If yes, when and how?

There will be sign-in sheets at every hearing. Persons who want to speak can so indicate on the sign-in sheet by ticking the appropriate block. Persons at the hearing site will be called up in order that they signed in, and then persons who have signed-in via Team will be given an opportunity to speak by raising their hands, and then anyone else will be given an opportunity to speak, *i.e.*, persons who did not originally indicate they wanted to speak, or persons who want to speak again. The hearing will be closed when there are no more speakers, or the two hours scheduled for the hearing have elapsed.

4. Will the number of speakers be limited?

No, except by the two-hour limit for hearings.

5. Will each speaker be given a specific amount of time to speak?

Yes, speakers will have a 3-minute limit.

6. If the public has a suggested map will there be a way to display it at the hearing?

Yes, the speaker can hold up the map to the camera. In addition, maps and other exhibits can be marked and sent to the court reporter for the hearing to be included in the record of that hearing.

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Sent: Wednesday, June 2, 2021 2:18 PM

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Jim, Chris, and Steve,

Here is Donna's proposed schedule for the redistricting hearings. If this schedule is OK with you, we need to retain a court reporter, let members of the committee and all legislators know the schedule, and prepare public service announcements.

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Northwest-Shoals	Health Sciences	Muscle Situals, At 33002	Wednesday, September 1-11 AM	Belinda Noe (256)	Colbert
	Building - Room 109,	6250 Highway 31 North,		306-2582	
Calhoun	Main Campus	Tanner, AL 35671	Wednesday, September 1 - 2 PM	belinda.noe@calhoun.edu	Limestone/Morgan
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Northeast Alabama	Theater Auditorium	Rainsville, AL 35986	Wednesday, September 1 - 4 PM	636-2448 Dellomyc@nacc.edu	Jackson/Dexaid
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	Administration	102 Elder Street, Boaz,		Kelli Conley (256)	
Snead State	Building	AL 35957	Thursday, September 2 - 9 AM	840-4101 kelli.conley@snead.edu	Marshall
	Cherry Hall Bencze				
	Theater - main	1141 Wallace Dr Dothan,		Greg Clemons (334)	
Wallace-Dothan	Campus Faul McDonald	AL 36303	Thursday, September 2 - 11 AM	556-2241 gclemons@wallace.edu	Dale/Houston
	Earl McDonald Auditorium, Bevill			Sherry Terry (205)	
	Center - Fayette	2631 Temple Ave N, Fayette,		932-3221, Ext. 5103	
Bevill State	campus	AL 35555	Thursday, September 2 - 1 PM	sherry.terry@bscc.edu	Fayette
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	Training -	3060 Wilson Road SW	Thursday Sastanbar 3, 3 844	929-6472	lefferses
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	Lake Room - Wadley	750 Roberts Street Wadley,		Alison Osborn (334)	
Southern Union	campus	AL 36276	Thursday, September 2 - 5 PM	742-2972 aosborn@suscc.edu	Randolph
				Ann Tinsley (205)	
	Bean-Brown Theater -	9500 Old Greensboro Rd		391-2251	
Shelton State	Martin campus	Tuscaloosa, AL 35405	Tuesday, September 7 - 9 AM	atinsley@sheltonstate.edu	Tuscaloosa
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	Performing Arts	AREO Law David Classes		Christine Brown (205) 280-8211	
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lefferson State	Hoover Campus	Hoover, AL 35242	Tuesday, September 7 - 2 PM	983-5214 chi@jeffersonstate edu	Shelby
	Hank Sanders	3000 Earl Goodwin Pkwy,		Virgina Glover (334) 876-9231	
Wallace State-Selma	Conference Room	Selma, AL 36702	Tuesday, September 7 - 4 PM	virginia glover@wccs.edu	Dallas
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Subject: Re: REAPPORTIONMENT...Adopted Guidelines and Public Hearing Schedule

On Tue, Jun 29, 2021 at 10:03 PM Laura Hall <annihall19@gmail.com> wrote:

Please note that I sought input and the following information is provided as it relates to the Hearing Schedule.

Thanks,

Laura Hall

256.656.2301

Alabama Reapportionment Committee's Proposed Public Hearing Schedule

The proposed public hearing locations are insufficient. While the city/county composition mirror those used in 2011, the proposed locations are not representative of the state's voting demographic and do not provide adequate opportunity for public input.

During the May 5- committee meeting, members agreed to hearing locations that would not require constituents to travel more than one county. However, the proposed location map will require interested parties to travel significant distances — at least an hour each way, in some instances — to participate.

The proposed schedule shows 4 or 5, consecutively scheduled, hearings each day over *four* calendar days. Many of these hearings are scheduled only two hours apart, leaving committee members who would like to attend multiple hearings in a region inadequate time to meaningfully participate in one hearing and then travel to the next. In 2011, the public hearings were spaced over *eight* calendar days, with 3 hearings at most, each day. While it may not be feasible for all committee members to attend every public hearing, the proposed schedule requires members to "pick and choose" hearings and will not have the full benefit of the public hearing testimony and discussion of any alternative maps introduced.

In addition, the timing of each hearing is unsatisfactory. Hearings held during working hours cannot be viewed objectively as providing the opportunity for public input. Only one hearing (Randolph County) is scheduled to begin at 5 pm. Whereas, seven of the 2011 hearings were scheduled at 6:30 p.m. (one at 6:45).

Three of the current Senate districts have no public hearing in any county within the district:

- O SD4 (Gudger) Lawrence, Marion, Winston, and Cullman
- O SD10 (Jones) Etowah and Cherokee
- O SD28 (Beasley) Macon, Russell, Bullock, Barbour, and Henry

Two of the current Senate districts have nominal coverage in the proposed locations:

- O SD22 (Albritton) Clarke, Washington, Baldwin (most), Escambia and Monroe (sliver)
 - → The interests of constituents in Escambia Countyand the small portion of Monroe contained in this district -- where there are proposed hearings -- are distinctly different from those of constituents in Washington, Clarke, or Baldwin.
- O SD24 (Singleton) Pickens, Greene, Hale, Choctaw, and Marengo (portion)

 → This district covers half of Marengo, the only county in this district with a proposed hearing

Of the top 10 counties with the highest Black population, only two are covered in the proposed:

- o Macon (80.7%)
- o Greene (80.1%)
- o Lowndes (72.5%)
- o Sumter (71.8%)
- o Wilcox (71.3%)
- o Bullock (70.5%)
- o Dallas (70.5%)
- o Perry (67.9%)
- o Montgomery (59%)
- o Hale (51.4%)

Finally, the proposed public hearing locations raise a few accessibility concerns.

We commend the decision to use community colleges as the venue for redistricting public hearings. They are typically well known and welcoming community spaces that residents feel comfortable visiting in addition to being physically accessible to community members with disabilities. However, the desire to use community colleges should not override other important considerations when choosing locations for these hearings. If there is not a suitably located community college in a county, other spaces should be considered. Two examples:

Hoover was chosen as the Shelby County location – this is an affluent area in north Shelby County that is less than 30 minutes from the hearing location in Jefferson County but more than thirty miles from communities in the south of the county location in Calera (where this is

a community college) or Columbiana (the county seat) would be muchmore accessible to other parts of the county

The State House is identified for two public hearings in Montgomery. At least one location should be moved to a space more accessible to community residents.

On Fri, Jun 4, 2021 at 12:12 PM Donna Overton < donna.overton@alsenate.gov > wrote: Good Morning All,

I have attached the guidelines that were adopted on our meeting May 5, 2021 and a copy of the Public Hearing dates and locations. The hearings will be held in person (at the listed community colleges) and virtually from the Statehouse in Conference room 317. Any member who wishes to attend the hearing either in person or virtually from the statehouse is welcome to do so.

Look over the schedule and if you would like to add to the list, please, let me know. I will be glad to work with you in setting that up. The plan is to publish the schedule the first of July 2021. I would need your request for any additional hearing locations and dates by June 28 so I can get them finalized.

Thanks and Have a Great Day!

Donna Overton Loftin Supervisor, Reapportionment Office 11 S Union Street, Suite 317 Montgomery, AL. 36130 334.261.0395

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Subject: Fwd: Meeting Changes/Additions

Senator Jim McClendon

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Subject: Fw: Meeting Changes/Additions

Here is the latest updated public hearing schedule. Take a look at it and see what you think. I also attached a statewide county map and highlighted the counties in which we will be having a public hearing.

I will be in Salt Lake the rest of this week at the NCSL redistricting conference. Call me on my cell if you need me.

334 380-8799

From: Boone Kinard <boone.kinard@accs.edu>

Sent: Monday, July 12, 2021 11:36 AM

To: Donna Overton <donna.overton@alsenate.gov>

Subject: RE: Meeting Changes/Additions

Updated to reflect name of location and appropriate contact person at Wallace-Hanceville CC. This should be the final information and confirmation for all colleges. Please let me know what the next steps are. I have told the colleges to be expecting follow-up from your office in the near future.

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Subject: Re: Meeting Changes/Additions

Thanks Donna. Good work. I'm printing so can see details. If there's an issue I'll let you know, otherwise proceed.

Have a fun trip.

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From: Boone Kinard

Sent: Friday, July 9, 2021 5:08 PM

To: Donna Overton <donna.overton@alsenate.gov>

Subject: RE: Meeting Changes/Additions

Donna,

Hope you had a great week. I have confirmed all additional meetings with the appropriate community colleges. Updated spreadsheet is attached. You will need to make contact at Troy University and University of West Alabama to finalize those meetings, along with the Montgomery and Bullock Co. meetings. All others should be set! Let me know if you need anything else.

Thanks, Boone

From: Donna Overton < donna.overton@alsenate.gov>

Sent: Friday, July 2, 2021 11:58 AM

To: Boone Kinard < boone.kinard@accs.edu > Subject: Re: Meeting Changes/Additions

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Yes! Thanks!! And you too!

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Sent: Friday, July 2, 2021 11:23:27 AM

To: Donna Overton < donna.overton@alsenate.gov>

Subject: Meeting Changes/Additions

Based on our conversation, here are the changes I am proposing to the previous scheduling spreadsheet:

- Move Randolph County meeting at Southern Union-Wadley campus to September 16 at 4 PM.
- Change times for Calhoun Co (Gadsden State) and Jefferson Co (Lawson State) meetings on September 2 to 2 PM and 4 PM, respectively.
- Request additional meetings at various locations on September
 15 and 16 below:

Coastal Alabama

Wallace-Hanceville
Gadsden State
County Courthouse
University of West
Alabama

Coastal Alabama

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Morning of September
Thursday, September

Lake Room -

750 Roberts

Southern Union

Wadley campus

Street Wadley, AL 36276

Thursday, September

This allows anytime during the morning of September 16 for you to schedule the University of West Alabama meeting. I have requests out to all applicable community colleges for the proposed dates/times and will let you know once I have these meetings confirmed.

Have a Great 4th!

Thanks, Boone

Boone Kinard Executive Director of External Affairs Alabama Community College System Office – (334) 293-4718 Cell – (334) 462-0665 <image001.png>

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Sent: Friday, July 23, 2021 12:12 PM

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Subject: RE: draft response letter to Sen Smitherman

Questions?

#7 ! assume the 28 meetings will be recorded?

#11 - the Public allowed to submit maps, should we say complete maps not just there district?

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Subject: draft response letter to Sen Smitherman

Good Morning!

Here is the final draft response to Sen Smitherman's letter. Please, look it over and let me know if you would like to add or change anything.

Upon your approval, I will put it on letterhead and send it to his legislative office upstairs.

Thanks!

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Subject: Re: FW: REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Rep Jones, I agree, that we should receive the information in a timely manner in order to fully grasp the impact.

Laura Hall

On Tue, Oct 19, 2021 at 12:23 PM Samuel L. Jones <<u>sljones@ballhealth.com</u>> wrote: FYI

From: Samuel L. Jones

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Subject: RE: REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Is it possible for the committee members to view the material that is to be discussed at the meeting at least three days before the meeting? This material is critical to the people of the state and should not be handled in a short meeting without the opportunity properly assess the impact of the proposed changes on the states population from several prospectives.

From: Donna Overton < donna.overton@alsenate.gov>

Sent: Monday, October 18, 2021 5:52 PM

To: Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment < reapportionmentcommittee@ALALeg.onmicrosoft.com > Subject: REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment will be meeting on:

Date: Tuesday, October 26

Time: 1:00 pm

Place: Conference Room 317

The Purpose of this meeting will be to discuss and adopt a committee plan for each of Congressional, State House and Senate, and State School Board District Plans.

Have a Great Evening!

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Subject: Letter to AL Reapportionment Committee 20211019-Final2

The attached letter from the NAACP, et al., includes a map of a Congressional plan with two majority-Black districts, for which data not now is provided, as follows:

	Black Only BVAP	Any Part Black BVAP	
NAACP CD2	50.05%	51.19%	
NAACP CD 7	52.55%	53.58%	

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October 20, 2021

Sent via email

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Re: Duty to Comply with the U.S. Constitution and Voting Rights Act in Alabama's Redistricting Process

Dear Legislative Reapportionment Committee Members:

The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc. ("LDF")¹, Alabama State Conference of the NAACP, American Civil Liberties Union ("ACLU"),² and ACLU of Alabama³ write to remind you of your obligation to comply with the U.S. Constitution and Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act ("Section 2") during the post-2020 reapportionment and redistricting cycle. In particular, you must consider whether

Since its founding in 1940, LDF has used litigation, policy advocacy, public education, and community organizing strategies to achieve racial justice and equity in political participation, education, economic justice, and criminal justice. Throughout its history, LDF has worked to enforce and promote laws and policies that increase access to the electoral process and prohibit voter discrimination, intimidation, and suppression. LDF has been fully separate from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People ("NAACP") since 1957, though LDF was originally founded by the NAACP and shares its commitment to equal rights.

The ACLU has worked to defend and preserve the individual rights and liberties guaranteed by the Constitution and laws of the United States for over 100 years. The ACLU established its Voting Rights Project in 1965 – the same year that the historic Voting Rights Act was enacted. Its mission is to build and defend an accessible, inclusive, and equitable democracy free from racial discrimination.

The ACLU of Alabama is freedom's watchdog; working in the courts, legislatures and communities to defend the individual rights and personal freedoms guaranteed by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

Section 2 requires the Alabama legislature to enact a map with <u>two</u> opportunity districts each comprised of a majority of Black voters ("majority-minority opportunity district"). In so doing, you must conduct a localized analysis of racial bloc voting and effectiveness thresholds and you must avoid drawing congressional or state legislative districts in a manner that places voters of color in districts based on their race at higher thresholds than is necessary for them to elect their candidates of choice.

According to 2020 Census data, nearly 28% of Alabama's residents identify as Black, either alone or as part of a multi-racial identity. It is fair, necessary, and logical that all Black Alabamians have an opportunity to elect their preferred Congressional representatives. Members of Congress make decisions and influence policies that impact every aspect of American life, including access to education, economic opportunity, housing, health care, and the direct and collateral consequences of the criminal legal system. An additional majority-minority opportunity district, which Section 2 likely requires, would provide Black voters with representation to address the state's pervasive and ongoing record of inequality of opportunity in various aspects of life.

I. The Reapportionment Committee Must Ensure Alabama's Compliance with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the U.S. Constitution.

Under Alabama law, the Reapportionment Committee is responsible in the first instance for redrawing district maps for Alabama's seven Congressional districts as well as for all of the state's legislative districts, based on data from the 2020 census. It is critical that the state legislature uses this opportunity to remedy long-standing dilution of Black voting strength in Alabama's congressional map. Nearly 28% of Alabama residents identify as Black people, yet since Reconstruction, Alabama has never had more than one Black member of Congress in its delegation. This is a direct consequence of the configuration of Alabama's congressional districts: Black voters are packed into District 7, the state's only majority-minority opportunity district, and cracked among the state's districts comprised of a majority of white voters ("majority-white districts"). Although District 7 has consistently elected Black candidates over the past 30 years, none of the majority-white districts have elected a Black Congressperson. The Reapportionment Committee must ensure that Black voters have an equal opportunity to elect candidates of their choice, as required by Section 2, while also complying with the Constitution's "One Person, One Vote"

⁴ See Ala. Code §§ 29-2-50, 29-2-51.

principle. Careful attention to these important constitutional and statutory constraints is particularly important in the upcoming legislative session because this is Alabama's first redistricting cycle without the full protection of Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act ("Section 5").

A. Section 2 Likely requires the Development of a Second Majority-Black Congressional District.

Section 2 demands that voters of color in Alabama have an equal opportunity "to participate in the political process and elect candidates of their choice." Section 2 is particularly important in Alabama, a state with a well-documented history of racial discrimination in voting. Section 2 imposes an affirmative obligation on the Committee to carefully assess where it must draw districts to provide minority voters with an effective opportunity to elect their preferred candidates. Assessing minority voting opportunities entails attention not only to the demographic composition of districts, but also to other factors such as "participation rates and the degree of cohesion and crossover voting" among minority voters. Our analysis suggests, and other analysts have demonstrated,8 that drawing two majority-minority Congressional districts in Alabama is possible and in line with constitutional limitations. Attached to this letter is an example of a map that creates two majorityminority opportunity districts in Alabama's U.S. Congressional map (Appendix One). The Legislature must therefore consider whether, in conducting the analysis required by Section 2, a Congressional map creating two majority-minority districts is now required.

In Thornburg v. Gingles, 478 U.S. 30 (1986), the U.S. Supreme Court set forth three pre-conditions indicating that a districting plan or voting system results in vote dilution. These preconditions, referred to as the "Gingles preconditions" are met when: (1) an alternative districting plan can be drawn that includes one or more single-member districts where a minority community is sufficiently large and geographically compact to make up the mathematical majority of the district; (2) the minority group is politically cohesive in its support for preferred candidates; and (3) in the absence of majority-minority districts, candidates preferred by the minority group would usually be defeated because of political cohesion in the voting patterns

⁵ See Thornburg v. Gingles, 478 U.S. 30, 34 (1986).

Bernard Grofman, Lisa Handley, David Lublin, Drawing Effective Minority Districts: A Conceptual Framework and Some Empirical Evidence, 79 N.C. L. Rev. 1383, 1415 (2001).

⁷ See Infra Appendix 1.

⁸ E.g., @Redistrict, Twitter (Sept. 21, 2021, 5:41 PM), https://twitter.com/Redistrict/status/1440431034114318342.

of non-minority voters in support of different candidates. Together, the second and third *Gingles* preconditions are commonly referred to as racial bloc voting or racially polarized voting. Racially polarized voting is the linchpin of a § 2 vote dilution claim."

If these three *Gingles* preconditions are met, a decisionmaker must then evaluate the "totality of circumstances" to determine whether minority voters "have less opportunity than other members of the electorate to participate in the political process and to elect representatives of their choice." Courts consider several factors—such as the jurisdiction's history of voter discrimination—to determine whether the minority vote has been impermissibly diluted. Importantly, it is "only the very unusual case" where "plaintiffs can establish the existence of the three *Gingles* factors" and fail "to establish a violation of § 2 under the totality of circumstances."

In Alabama, based on present demographics, voting patterns, and other conditions, a Congressional redistricting plan that includes only one majority-minority district likely violates the Voting Rights Act. Each of the three *Gingles* preconditions is likely satisfied in Alabama and there is ample evidence that, under the totality of the circumstances, Black voters have less opportunity than other

⁹ Gingles, 478 U.S. at 50-51.

Racially polarized voting occurs when different racial groups vote as a bloc for different candidates. In a racially polarized election, for example, Black people vote together for their preferred (frequently, though not always, Black) candidate, and most non-Black voters vote for the opposing (typically, though not always, white) candidate.

Ala. State Conf. of the NAACP v. Alabama, No. 2:16-CV-731, 2020 WL 583803 (M.D. Ala. Feb. 5, 2020); City of Carrollton Branch of the NAACP v. Stallings, 829 F.2d 1547, 1550 (11th Cir. 1987) ("The court's new three-part test establishes that racial bloc voting is the hallmark of a vote dilution claim"); see also Gingles, 478 U.S. at 48 n.15.

^{12 52} U.S.C. § 10301(b); League of United Latin Am. Citizens v. Perry, 548 U.S. 399, 425 (2006).

Courts examine the "totality of the circumstances" based on the so-called "Senate Factors," named for the Senate Report accompanying the 1982 Voting Rights Act amendments in which they were first laid out. Gingles, 478 U.S. at 43-45. The Senate Factors are: (1) the extent of any history of discrimination related to voting; (2) the extent to which voting is racially polarized; (3) the extent to which the state or political subdivision uses voting practices that may enhance the opportunity for discrimination; (4) whether minority candidates have access to candidate slating processes; (5) the extent to which minority voters bear the effects of discrimination in areas of life like education, housing, and economic opportunity; (6) whether political campaigns have been characterized by overt or subtle racial appeals; (7) the extent to which minority people have been elected to public office; (8) whether elected officials are responsive to the needs of minority residents; and (9) whether the policy underlying the voting plan is tenuous. Id. at 36-37. However, "there is no requirement that any particular number of factors be proved, or that a majority of them point one way or the other." Id. at 45.

¹⁴ Clark v. Calhoun Cty., 21 F.3d 92, 97 (5th Cir. 1994).

members of the electorate to participate in the political process and elect candidates of their choice.

i. Gingles Precondition One: It is Possible to Draw Alabama's U.S. Congressional Map with Two Majority-Minority Opportunity Districts.

It is possible to draw a second majority-minority opportunity district in Alabama's seven-district Congressional map. Appendix One provides one example of an Alabama Congressional district plan, based on 2020 Census data, in which two of the seven districts are comprised of a majority of Black voters.¹⁵

In the attached plan, the Black community, measured by the Black voting age population ("BVAP") within each of the majority-minority opportunity districts, are sufficiently large and geographically compact to satisfy the first *Gingles* precondition. The appended map includes one majority-minority opportunity district that contains the core of the current District 7 as well as a second majority-minority opportunity district where the BVAP is over 50%. ¹⁶

Currently, District 7, with over 60% BVAP, is diluting the votes of Black Alabamians. As the state is aware from its experience in previous redistricting cycles, compliance with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act provides a compelling reason to consider race in redistricting, but it does not provide license to draw districts in ways that apply racial targets without a localized effectiveness analysis over several election cycles. The U.S. Constitution protects against maps that intentionally "pack" Black voters into districts with unnecessarily high Black populations or "crack" them into districts with unnecessarily low ones—both stratagems that can illegitimately elevate race over other considerations and diminish the political power of Black people. 17 Similarly, "if a legislature uses race as a proxy for a legitimate districting

While we believe that these maps are sufficient for compliance with Section 2, we make no representations as to whether the demographic percentages in any particular district in these draft maps are necessary for Section 2 compliance. An assessment of that question would require a more finely detailed analysis, including of racial polarization patterns, which we are unable to complete before an anticipated deadline for map submissions.

See infra Appendix 1. The Supreme Court has held that a minority community is sufficiently large when it "make[s] up more than 50 percent of the voting-age population in the relevant geographical area." Bartlett v. Strickland, 556 U.S. 1, 18 (2009).

See, e.g., Ala. Leg. Black Caucus v. Alabama, 575 U.S. 254, 278 (2015); Bethune-Hill v. Virginia State Bd. of Elections, 326 F. Supp. 3d 128, 180 (E.D. Va. 2018) (three-judge court) (holding that 11 state legislative districts were unconstitutional racial gerrymanders because the legislature decided to make them all meet a 55% BVAP target for which there was no strong basis in evidence); Smith v. Beasley, 946 F. Supp. 1174, 1210 (D.S.C. 1996) (holding that districts for which a legislature imposes unnecessarily high BVAP targets will fail constitutional scrutiny, because

criterion . . . this consideration of race likewise is subject to strict scrutiny." ¹⁸ To overcome that exacting scrutiny, this body would have to show it drew districts to comply with Section 2-a burden our analysis reflects cannot be met.

ii. Other state-wide elected bodies.

Alabama's current State Legislative maps likewise evidence unnecessary packing and cracking of Black voters, including in some of the same areas of the state that are of concern in the congressional plan. With respect to the House plan, Black voters appear to be packed into several districts in the Montgomery and Birmingham areas and other parts of the state in ways that do not respect communities of interest and are likely not necessary for Black voters to elect candidates of choice. This packing artificially dilutes the ability of Black voters to elect candidates of choice in additional districts in those regions. The Committee should also, in compliance with Section 2, determine whether additional majority-minority districts in those regions are required by the Voting Rights Act. Similarly, on preliminary investigation, it appears that Huntsville's Senate districts, and potentially other Senate districts in the state including in the Montgomery area, are cracked in a way that could dilute Black political power, artificially limiting Black voters' ability to elect candidates of choice. Our analysis indicates that ceasing these practices would allow Black voters to elect candidate of choice in at least two additional districts. The Committee must carefully consider whether the Gingles preconditions exist with respect to the State Legislative districts and draw its redistricting plans accordingly.

iii. Gingles Preconditions Two & Three: Voting in Alabama is Racially Polarized.

There is ample evidence to suggest that the second and third Gingles preconditions are satisfied in Alabama. Alabama has a well-documented history and ongoing pattern of racially polarized voting in elections across the state. Over the past three decades, numerous federal courts have found that racially polarized voting pervades Alabama's statewide and local elections. In 2015, in Alabama Legislative Black Caucus v. Alabama the Supreme Court acknowledged that "voting ... in the

Section 2 "does not require super-safe majority-minority districts of at least 55% BVAP," and explaining: "Such districts should be narrowly tailored so that each district is considered individually and lines are drawn so as to achieve a district where minority citizens have an equal chance of electing the candidate of their choice. Districts in which most minority citizens register and vote will not need 55% BVAP to elect a candidate of choice. To be narrowly tailored, such facts should be considered when district lines are drawn.").

¹⁸ Bethune-Hill, 326 F. Supp. 3d at 142.

State itself, is racially polarized."¹⁹ The Department of Justice (DOJ) has sued local jurisdictions under Section 2 multiple times; in each case, the DOJ identified racially polarized voting patterns within the county.²⁰

Our preliminary analysis of election contests between 2016 and 2020 shows that this stark pattern of racially polarized voting across Alabama, continues. Our analysis indicates that majority-minority districts are likely required to ensure Black voters have an opportunity to elect their candidates of choice on an equal footing with non-Black voters. Our analysis does not, however, reveal a need to draw districts with the present BVAP levels extant in District 7 or in many state legislative districts. For example, our preliminary analysis reveals that BVAP percentages in excess of a bare majority (i.e., 50%+1) are unnecessary in many parts of the state for Black voters to elect their candidates of choice, although effectiveness thresholds vary by locality and require a localized analysis. We continue to conduct those key analyses, and the Committee is obligated to do so as well.

Because of Alabama's stark patterns of voting along racial lines, Alabama's Reapportionment Committee and legislature must be attuned to their obligations under Section 2, not merely as an afterthought after maps are drawn, but affirmatively in the drawing of all statewide electoral maps. As the Supreme Court recently instructed: a "legislature undertaking a redistricting must assess whether the new districts it contemplates (not the old ones it sheds) conform to the [Voting Rights Act']s requirements."²¹ This Committee will not be able to fulfill its legal obligations in the redistricting process if it attempts to ignore patterns of voting along racial lines in the drawing of electoral maps.

iv. Totality of Circumstances: Alabama's Voters of Color Have Less Opportunity to Elect Candidates of their Choice.

A consideration of the "totality of circumstances" surrounding voting in Alabama confirms that Black voters have "less opportunity than other members of the electorate to participate in the political process and to elect representatives of

Ala. Legis. Black Caucus v. Ala., 575 U.S. 254, 277 (2015); see also Greater Birmingham Ministries v. Merrill, 284 F. Supp. 3d 1253, 1258 (N.D. Ala. 2018) ("There was racially polarized voting in both the 2008 and 2010 [statewide] elections.") United States v. McGregor, 824 F. Supp. 2d 1339, 1346 (M.D. Ala. 2011).

See, e.g., United States v. Dallas Cty. Comm'n, 739 F.2d 1529, 1536 (11th Cir. 1984); United States v. Tallapoosa County, No. CV-93-D-1362-E (M.D. Ala. filed Nov. 12, 1993).

²¹ Cooper v. Harris, 137 S. Ct. 1455, 1471 (2017).

their choice" in Alabama's Congressional elections. ²² Several of the Senate Factors, which inform Section 2 liability, strongly indicate that vote dilution is occurring, including: the extent of the history of voting discrimination in Alabama (Factor 1); the extent of racially polarized voting in Alabama (Factor 2); the extent to which Alabama has used voting practices that may enhance the opportunity for discrimination against Black voters (Factor 3); the extent to which a candidate slating process has been used to deny Black voters in Alabama access to that process (Factor 4); the extent to which Black voters bear the effects of discrimination in a variety of areas of life (Factor 5); whether political campaigns in Alabama have been characterized by overt or subtle racial appeals (Factor 6); and the extent to which Black candidates have been elected to public office in Alabama (Factor 7). The following are just a few examples of circumstances impacting Black voters' ability to participate equally in Alabama's congressional elections:

- Alabama has a well-documented history of voting discrimination.²⁸ Among other violations, in 1985, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down Alabama's intentionally discriminatory misdemeanant disfranchisement law.²⁴ In 1986, a federal district court found that, from the late 1800s to the 1980s, the State Legislature had purposefully manipulated the method of electing local governments as needed to prevent Black residents from electing their preferred candidates.²⁵ The court also found that the state laws requiring numbered posts for nearly every at-large voting system in Alabama had been intentionally enacted to dilute Black voting strength.²⁶
- In 2010, as a part of a federal investigation into bribery, State Senators Scott Beason and Benjamin Lewis, and State Representative Barry Mask agreed to wear recording devices. At trial in 2011, these recordings became public and revealed that a cadre of prominent state legislators had plotted to stop a gambling-related referendum from appearing on the November 2010 ballot. These legislators were concerned that the referendum would increase Black voter turnout because, in general, Black Alabamians supported gambling.²⁷ While discussing their plot to suppress Black voter turnout, Senators Beason, Lewis, and other top legislators were recorded

²² Gingles, 478 U.S. at 36-37 (quoting 42 U.S.C. § 10301(b)).

²³ See Deuel Ross et al., Voting Rights in Alabama: 2006 to Present (Aug. 2021) (on file with author).

²⁴ Id. Hunter v. Underwood, 471 U.S. 222 (1985).

²⁵ Dillard v. Crenshaw Cty., 640 F. Supp. 1347, 1357 (M.D. Ala. 1986).

²⁶ Id. at 160.

²⁷ McGregor, 824 F. Supp. 2d at 1339.

deriding Black Alabamians. They called Black voters "Aborigines" and predicted that the referendum's presence would lead "[e]very black, every illiterate" to be "bused [to the polls] on HUD financed buses."²⁸

- In fall 2015, just after the state implemented a restrictive photo-ID law for in person voting, ²⁹ the Alabama Governor and Secretary of the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency ("ALEA") announced the closure of 31 driver's license-issuing offices. ³⁰ Eight of the eleven counties that were expected to lose driver's licensing offices were majority Black counties—which not only limited access to license-related services, but also reduced availability of one of the most convenient avenues for registering to vote. In December 2016, the U.S. Department of Transportation concluded that the Alabama driver's license office closures and reductions in hours had a disparate impact on Black people in violation of the Civil Rights Act. ³¹
- Although COVID-19 presented risks to the entire population, Black Alabamians were disproportionately more likely to die of COVID-19.32

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Compliance with the Voting Rights Act is a nuanced, fact-specific inquiry that requires an "intensely local appraisal" based "upon the facts of each case." While Alabama has made progress since 1965, the Reapportionment Committee must not fail to fulfill its affirmative obligations under Section 2 and the U.S. Constitution. As such, the Committee must proactively assess whether electoral lines dilute Black voters' ability to elect candidates of their choice or otherwise intentionally assign Black voters to districts in a way that minimizes their political power.

²⁸ *Id.* at 1345.

²⁹ Greater Birmingham Ministries v. Merrill, 284 F.Supp.3d 1253 (N.D. Ala. 2018).

Memorandum of Agreement Between the U.S. Dep't of Transp. and the Alabama L. Enf't Agency (Dec. 22, 2016), https://www.transportation.gov/sites/dot.gov/files/docs/ALEA US DOT Signed MOA_0.PDF.

⁸¹ Id.

People First of Ala. v. Merrill, 467 F.Supp.3d 1179 (N.D. Ala. 2020); Ramsey Archibald, Death Rate Due to Coronavirus Highest for Black Alabamians, AL.com (Apr. 8, 2020), https://www.al.com/news/2020/04/death-rate-due-to-coronavirus-highest-for-black-alabamians.html

³³ Gingles, 478 U.S. at 79.

B. The U.S. Constitution Requires the Committee Ensure the "One Person, One Vote" Requirement.

Article I, § 2 of the U.S. Constitution requires "equal representation for equal numbers of people" in the apportionment of Congressional districts. ⁸⁴ This "One Person, One Vote" principle provides that Congressional maps that weaken the voting power and representation of residents of one Congressional district compared to other residents of another Congressional district in the state are unconstitutional. ³⁵ The standard is 'as nearly as practicable,' to exact equality, which requires that each State make a good-faith effort to achieve precise mathematical equality. ⁸⁶ "Unless population variances among congressional districts are shown to have resulted despite such [good-faith] effort, the State must justify each variance, no matter how small." ⁸⁷

In drawing state legislative districts, population deviations within plus or minus 5% of the mathematical mean are presumptively constitutional.³⁸ Impermissible deviations from population equality among districts may elicit malapportionment lawsuits, requiring the Legislature to show that an adopted plan legitimately advances a rational state policy formulated "free from any taint of arbitrariness or discrimination."³⁹

II. The Reapportionment Committee Should Make All Phases of the Redistricting Process Transparent and Accessible to the Public.

The maps the Reapportionment Committee will draw in the upcoming special legislative session will determine how Alabamians are represented in Congress, the

⁸⁴ Wesberry v. Sanders, 376 U.S. 1, 18 (1964).

⁸⁵ See Reynolds v. Sims, 377 U.S. 533, 567-68 (1964).

⁸⁶ Id. at 577.

⁸⁷ Kirkpatrick v. Preisler, 394 U.S. 526, 530-31 (1969) (Article I, § 2, "permits only the limited population variances which are unavoidable despite a good-faith effort to achieve absolute equality, or for which justification is shown.").

See Reynolds, 377 U.S. at 568 ("The Equal Protection Clause demands no less than substantially equal state legislative representation for all citizens, of all places as well as of all races."); see also Gaffney v. Cummings, 412 U.S. 735, 744-45 (1973) (explaining that "minor deviations from mathematical equality among state legislative districts" are not constitutionally suspect, but "larger variations from substantial equality are too great to be justified by any state interest"); Brown v. Thomson, 462 U.S. 835, 842 (1983) (holding that apportionment plans with a maximum population deviation among districts of less than 10% are generally permissible, whereas disparities in excess of 10% most likely violate the "one person, one vote" principle).

Roman v. Sincock, 377 U.S. 695, 710 (1964); see Brown, 462 U.S. at 847–48 (stating that "substantial deference" should be given to a state's political decisions, provided that "there is no 'taint of arbitrariness or discrimination"); see also Brown, 462 U.S. at 852 (Brennan, J., dissenting) ("Acceptable reasons . . . must be 'free from any taint of arbitrariness or discrimination").

state legislature, and the Board of Education for the remainder of the decade. These maps will be the foundation of access to electoral power and to the right to vote for candidates of choice for federal and state governing bodies. They will also be vital to municipalities and counties with respect to funding allocations and to their own local redistricting efforts. These maps will also significantly impact how responsive local legislative delegations will be to local concerns. Given Alabama's lack of home rule, whether state legislative maps unnecessarily split counties will heavily determine—far more than in most other states—the fates of county budgets, hospitals, schools, and other intensively local projects. The public should have significant input into whether the Committee's proposed maps allow (or do not allow) communities of interest to have a voice in the process of electing their representatives. Accordingly, the Reapportionment Committee should consider and propose only those maps that adequately represent the diversity of Alabama. We recommend prioritizing public involvement and transparency throughout the process so that all Alabamians have the chance to participate.

The public hearings held from September 1 to September 19 took only a first step toward fulfilling this body's obligations to create meaningful opportunities for public engagement in the redistricting process—they were limited in their effectiveness because the hearings occurred before the legislature had proposed electoral maps and most were held during normal working hours rather than in the evenings. The Reapportionment Committee must pledge to hold a second round of public hearings in tandem with the upcoming special legislative redistricting session to solicit and incorporate community feedback when the public has access to proposed maps by the legislature to provide feedback and insight on. In addition, the Reapportionment Committee should ensure that the next public hearings allow for even more robust online engagement given the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and accommodate the schedules of working Alabamians. When collecting commentary on draft maps, the Committee should allow remote participants to share live testimony and to have their questions answered in real-time.

Without transparency and meaningful opportunities for public participation, informed involvement by all Alabamians is not possible. The upcoming special legislative redistricting session represents a crucial opportunity for the public to ensure that communities of interest in the state are kept intact and that the voting strength of protected minorities is not minimized or diluted. The Reapportionment Committee should also publicize all data used to inform state redistricting plans, publish answers to all questions received, and prohibit backroom negotiations.

Ultimately, this body must ensure the efficacy and fairness of all state electoral maps. You have heard and will continue to hear that this is a paramount concern for your constituents. Communities of color in Alabama, and particularly Black Alabamians, are already underrepresented in the political life of the state and have been left behind from many of the economic opportunities of the past decade. The Alabama Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment must make every effort to follow the mandates and spirit of Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the One Person, One Vote principal of the U.S. Constitution.

It is also critical that the Reapportionment Committee model best practices because redistricting by the Legislature sets the standard and tone for local redistricting in the state. As with state representative bodies, the Voting Rights Act requires that voters of color have equal opportunities to elect representatives of their choice to city and county councils, school boards, and other local elected bodies.

Please feel free to contact Kathryn Sadasivan at ksadasivan@naacpldf.org, Davin Rosborough at drosborough@aclu.org, or Tish Gotell Faulks at tgfaulks@aclualabama.org with any questions or to discuss these issues in more detail. We also urge you to review Power on the Line(s): Making Redistricting Work for Us, 40 a guide for community partners and policy makers who intend to engage in the redistricting process at all levels of government. The guide provides essential information about the redistricting process, such as examples of recent efforts to dilute the voting power of communities of color and considerations for avoiding such dilution.

Sincerely,

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See LDF, Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, and Asian Americans Advancing Justice | AAJC, Power on the Line(s): Making Redistricting Work for Us, (2021), https://www.naacpldf.org/press-release/civil-rights-organizations-release-redistricting-guide-to-support-black-latino-and-aapi-communities-participation-in-crucial-process/.

<u>/s/ Davin Rosborough</u>

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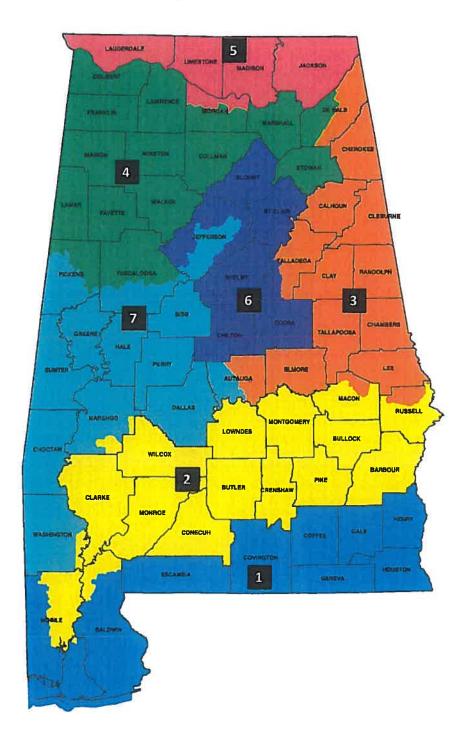
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cc: Rep. Artis J. McCampbell Chair, Alabama Legislative Black Caucus

APPENDIX ONE

Alabama Congressional Illustrative Map with Two Majority-Minority Opportunity Districts



APPENDIX TWO

Demographics

	Total	Total	ИН	%NH				
District	Pop.	VAP	WVAP	WVAP	HVAP	%HVAP	BVAP	%BVAP
1	717,754	556,317	419,994	75.50%	22,054	3.96%	81,856	14.71%
2	717,755	559,876	236,566	42.25%	16,035	2.86%	280,213	50.05%
3	717,753	563,228	395,193	70.17%	20,328	3.61%	118,142	20.98%
4	717,753	555,304	461,561	83.12%	28,517	5.14%	39,156	7.05%
5	717,755	562,504	394,164	70.07%	30,103	5.35%	100,311	17.83%
6	717,754	553,734	433,108	78.22%	26,211	4.73%	64,483	11.65%
7	717,755	566,203	223,958	39.55%	23,608	4.17%	297,562	52.55%

					NA/AN-	%NA/AN-
District	AP BVAP	%AP BVAP	AVAP	%AVAP	VAP	VAP
1	86,013	15.46%	8,088	1.45%	4,597	0.83%
2	286,576	51.19%	10,235	1.83%	3,482	0.62%
3	122,240	21.70%	10,313	1.83%	2,798	0.50%
4	41,887	7.54%	3,406	0.61%	4,966	0.89%
5	105,967	18.84%	11,052	1.96%	4,052	0.72%
6	67,621	12.21%	10,677	1.93%	2,164	0.39%
7	303,347	53.58%	6,737	1.19%	2,493	0.44%

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Subject: FYI

https://www.virginiamercury.com/2021/10/08/va-redistricting-commission-implodes-as-republicans-reject-compromise-and-democrats-walk-out/

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Subject: Reports

Jim and Chris.

Donna is sending to all Committee members today the population summary reports for total population and VAP population. Together, these two reports give each district's deviation and its population — total and VAP — by race (black and white only). She'll have a packet with more reports (e.g., precincts splits) tomorrow for Committee members. When she can, and probably after the Committee meeting, she'll send individual reports for each district to all Legislators. She also send the maps and reports to be posted on the web page after the Committee meeting.



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Subject:

Just to be certain you have this:

The activities and processes of the Committee are also governed by the Joint Rules of Order and Procedure of the Legislature of Alabama (the "Joint Rules"), specifically Rule 23, addressing amendments to redistricting plans after they are introduced as a bill, and Rule 24, addressing the submission of redistricting plans not prepared by the Reapportionment Office. The Guidelines specifically incorporate Rule 23 and Rule 24 of the Joint Rules. The full Joint Rules can be found at the following link: http://www.legislature.state.al.us/aliswww/ISD/legislature/Joint Rules.aspx.

Other rules also impact the redistricting process. Rule 20 of the Senate General Rules of Order and Procedure (the "Senate Rules") provides two methods by which debate on any measure presented in the Senate must cease and a vote be taken on the measure: (1) by the reporting of a special rule by the Committee on Rules, or (2) by a petition signed by 21 or more senators. Generally, such report or petition must be approved by three-fifths of the Senate. However, when the report or petition relates only to a bill to redistrict the Alabama Legislature, State Board of Education Districts, and/or Alabama Congressional Districts, such report or petition must be approved by only 18 votes. The full Senate Rules can be found at the following link: http://www.legislature.state.al.us/aliswww/

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Subject: TALK POINTS FOR LIKELY ISSUES, NO . 1(11386967.1)

Jim and Chris, Donna will have these and other talking points printed for you before Friday. Dorman

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Subject: Singleton.15.Amended Complaint

Jim, Chris, Donna, and Randy,

And here's an amended version of *Singleton v. Merrill*. It adds to that complaint's racial-gerrymandering claim a new claim for race discrimination because the Legislature did not adopt SB10.



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Subject: Talking Points for Sen. McClendon 11-9-21(11800024.1)

Jim,

Here are the talking points you asked for. My apology that the version I sent last night had multiple typos, which Randy kindly pointed out. I've proofed and reproofed this version, and I think it has no typos, but honestly proofreading is my particular bete noir.

Randy, you were right: I thought I had sent these this morning before going to the scheduling conference, but thy got hung up in the system.

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Subject: Quick talking points

Here are quick talking pints on the pending Congressional lawsuits.

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Subject: Census Bureau delays

Jim and Chris,

The Census Bureau announced this afternoon that it is encountering processing problems, and that it cannot meet the Dec. 31 deadline for reporting reapportionment data to the President. According to the NYT, the new deadline is expected to be somewhere between Jan. 26 and mid-February. I'm guessing, and Randy concurs, that this delay probably tends to move the dial towards 6 congressional seats for Alabama, and will require slippage of the expected April 1 date for reporting redistricting data.



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Subject: Message from the NCSL on H.R.1

Jim and Chris,

Below is the text of a message received today from the NCSL re H.R. 1, which passed the House this week. Please see the highlighted text.

Dorman
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Hello all,

As you may know, this week the U.S. House of Representatives passed H.R. 1, also known as the For the People Act. While well-intended, if enacted, this bill would make sweeping reforms in many areas, including elections, campaign finance and redistricting.

On redistricting, the bill would require states to establish state redistricting commissions to draw congressional districts and the redistricting provisions would apply to the current redistricting cycle.

On behalf of the states, NCSL has sent a memorandum to the U.S. Senate Committee on Rules and Administration as it takes up the bill expressing concerns and comments about the current form of H.R. 1. The bill poses potential hurdles, such as:

- The bill's timing provisions applying to the current redistricting cycle would be difficult, if not impossible, for compliance.
- Each state has its own redistricting criteria, and this bill would mandate that all state commissions be required to use uniform criteria requirements, including preserving communities of interest and a prohibition on the use of partisan data.

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indicated on the schedule. It may also be possible for members of the public to participate in hearings via the internet. Committee meetings will be scheduled in the Statehouse as needed, and are open to the public.

7. Was the last meeting of the Reapportionment Committee available to the public via video link? Is there a saved version of the video? Will future meetings be broadcast?

The last meeting held on May 5, 2021 was live streamed on the Legislative website for public viewing. The meeting was not video recorded internally. Anyone viewing the live stream has the option to record it on their personal device. Future meetings will be streamed live on the Legislative website.

8. Can members of the public provide oral or written testimony at the meetings of the Reapportionment Committee[?]

Yes. The Reapportionment Committee has scheduled _28_ public hearings at locations across the State to receive comments and other information in preparation for preparing new district plans for the State's Congressional, Legislative, and State Board of Education Districts. Committee members, including yourself, received a draft schedule for hearings in June and were invited to propose additional locations, times, and dates for hearings. Initially _22_ hearings were scheduled. In response to suggestions from Rep. Hall, a further _6_ hearings were added, making a total of _28_ hearings. A final hearing schedule will be published to the public by the end of the month.

9. What is the Reapportionment Office's plan to ensure transparency and public input in the redistricting Process?

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10. How can the public participate in the redistricting process?

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preparation for preparing new district plans for the State's Congressional, Legislative, and State Board of Education Districts. Committee members, including yourself, received a draft schedule for hearings in June and were invited to propose additional locations, times, and dates for hearings. Initially 22 hearings were scheduled. In response to suggestions from Rep. Hall, a further 6 hearings were added, making a total of 28 hearings. A final hearing schedule will be published to the public by the end of the month.

11. Can members of the public submit proposed maps?

Yes, members of the public can submit proposed maps at the public hearings. Submitted maps must fit into a complete statewide plan following the guidelines adopted by the committee.

12. How long will members of the public have to analyze a map proposed by the Office prior to a public hearing on the map?

The Reapportionment Office does not itself propose redistricting plans. The Committee assists Legislators in the preparation of redistricting plans. Redistricting plans prepared by a Legislator are confidential until the author of a plan tells the Office to make it public, or until a plan is introduced as a bill. After the Legislature has passed new Congressional, Alabama Senate, Alabama House, and State Board of Education plans, the Office will be available to support local jurisdictions.

13. What are the Reapportionment Office's deadlines to provide maps to the Legislature and to local governing bodies?

The deadline for introducing maps will be determined by when the Governor calls a special session of the Legislature to address redistricting, and by the rules of the Legislature. Plans that are not prepared on the Reapportionment Committee's redistricting system must be submitted to the Office at least 10 days before being introduced as a bill. A Legislator who authors a redistricting plan determines when that plan is introduced as a bill. After the Legislature has passed new Congressional, Alabama Senate, Alabama House, and State Board of Education plans, the Office will be available to support local jurisdiction.

Walker, Dorman

From:

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Sent:

Monday, November 1, 2021 2:41 PM

To:

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Subject:

TALK POINTS FOR LIKELY ISSUES NO. 4(11407205.1)

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TALK POINTS FOR LIKELY ISSUES, No. 4

- The Faulkner Congressional District Plan No. 1
 - o The Faulkner Congressional Plan No. 1 changes the Committee's Plan in Jefferson County only.
 - o The Faulkner Plan takes Homewood out of CD7, which is represented by Terri Sewell, and put it in CD6, represented by Gary Palmer.
 - o If this plan is passed, it will be sued as violating the Voting Right Act. In response to such a lawsuit, the State might argue that taking Homewood from CD7 and putting it in CD6 is politically motivated, but there is a strong possibility that a court would the change view it as racially motivated. If so, it's a fair conclusion that the court would find that the reassignment of Homewood was a race-conscious change made without the necessary "strong basis in evidence." This would lead to a holding that the plan violates the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause.
 - o In addition, the Faulkner Plan increases CD7's BVAP from 54.22% to 57.58%. This increase in Black BVAP is likely to draw an allegation that more Black residents have been put into CD7 than are necessary, which is called "packing," and which violates the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause.

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Sent: Thu, 21 Oct 2021 12:18:46

To: Donna Overton

Subject: Questions concerning Reapportionment

Importance: Normal Sensitivity: None Attachments:

Letter to Reapportionment .pdf edistricting Guidelines 5-5-21_FINAL.pdf

Good afternoon! I hope all is well. I want to thank you for all of the hard work you have put into this process. I know it hasn't been easy. I really appreciate you.

With that being said, I do have some questions. Please find attached to this email a letter with questions about Reapportionment. I have also attached a copy of the committee guidelines for reference purposes as well. Thank you for your prompt attention to this letter. I am looking forward to hearing back from you.

If you need any further clarification about the contents of the letter, please do not hesitate to call me. Also, please let me know when you receive this and if the attachments work.

Thank you!

Rep. Chris England

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

EVAN MILLIGAN, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,

Defendants.

No. 2:21-cv-01530-AMM

DECLARATION OF SCOTT DOUGLAS

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I, Scott Douglas, hereby declare as follows:

- 1. I am over the age of 21 and the testimony set forth in this Declaration is based on firsthand knowledge, information, and belief about which I could and would testify competently in open court if called upon to do so.
- 2. I am the Executive Director of Greater Birmingham Ministries ("GBM").
- 3. GBM was founded in 1969 in response to the challenges posed by the mid-twentieth century Civil Rights movement and its transformative impact in Birmingham, Alabama, and across the United States. It seeks to address urgent human rights and social justice needs in the greater Birmingham area. GBM is a multi-faith, multi-racial, non-profit membership organization that provides emergency services to people in need and engages people to build a strong, supportive, engaged community and a more just society for all people.
- 4. GBM is dedicated to advancing social justice through political participation across Alabama. It actively opposes state laws, policies, and practices that result in the exclusion of vulnerable groups or individuals from the democratic process. Toward that end, GBM regularly communicates with its members and works to register, educate, and increase voter turnout and efficacy, particularly among Black, Latinx, and low-income people and people with disabilities.

- 5. GBM has around 5,000 individual members located primarily throughout the greater Birmingham, Alabama area, including Jefferson County and Shelby County. GBM also has members in other areas of Alabama including Mobile, Tuscaloosa, Montgomery, and Madison Counties. Most GBM members are Black registered voters.
- 6. Members of GBM include Black registered voters who would reside in a remedial second majority-Black district under any of the plans I understand have been proposed by Plaintiffs in this case.
- 7. GBM also has members who are registered voters who live and vote in congressional districts ("CD") 1, 2, 3, and 7, which are being challenged in this case.
- 8. For example, Presdelane Harris is a GBM member who identifies as Black and resides in Montgomery County, Alabama. She is a U.S. citizen and is a lawfully registered voter who resides in CD 2. Under any of Plaintiffs' remedial plans, Ms. Harris would reside in a second majority-Black district.
- 9. Alice Paris is a GBM member who identifies as Black and resides in Macon County, Alabama. She is a U.S. citizen and is a lawfully registered voter who resides in CD 3. Under any of Plaintiffs' remedial plans, Ms. Paris would reside in a second majority-Black district.

10. Ronald Truss is a GBM member who identifies as Black and resides in Jefferson County, Alabama. He is a U.S. citizen and is a lawfully registered voter who resides in CD 7.

11. Frank Barragan is a GBM member who identifies as Latino and resides in Mobile County, Alabama. He is a U.S. citizen and is a lawfully registered voter who resides in CD 1.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on December 15, 2021, in Birmingham, Alabama.

Scott Douglas

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Defendants.

DECLARATION OF BENARD SIMELTON

- I, Benard Simelton, declare as follows based on my personal knowledge:
- 1. My name is Benard Simelton and I am the President of the Alabama State Conference of the NAACP ("Alabama NAACP"). The Alabama NAACP is a Plaintiff in this matter.
- 2. The Alabama NAACP is a non-profit and non-partisan organization and a state conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The Alabama NAACP was founded in 1913 and is the oldest civil rights organizations in the State. The Alabama NAACP works to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of African Americans, other minorities, and all residents of Alabama. We are committed to the removal of all discriminatory barriers to the democratic process, and the full enforcement of federal laws securing the right to vote.
- 3. The Alabama NAACP fulfills its mission by seeking to increase voter registration and voter turnout, engaging in voter registration and "get-out-the-vote" drives, and publicly advocating to address the adverse effects of racial discrimination in voting and to seek its elimination.

- 4. I have served as the President of the Alabama NAACP since October 2009. During my time as President, I have overseen the Alabama NAACP's voter registration, voter education and voter mobilization efforts.
- 5. As a non-profit organization, the Alabama NAACP raises money from private donors and membership fees. The Alabama NAACP has two paid staff member but relies primarily on the assistance of volunteers, such as myself, to meet its goals. As a result, the Alabama NAACP's monetary, personnel and time resources are very limited.
- 6. The Alabama NAACP has thousands of members in Jefferson County, the Black Belt and other counties across the state. Most of the members of the Alabama NAACP are Black registered voters. The Alabama NAACP's members include registered voters who reside and vote in CDs 1, 2, 3, and 7. Robert Clopton is a Black registered voter and President of the Mobile County NAACP Branch, currently located in CD 1. Bobby Mays is a Black registered voter and President of the NAACP Elmore County Branch #5026, currently located in CD 2. Alozo Bullie is a Black registered voter and President of the Macon County Branch NAACP, currently located in CD 3. Lisa Young is a Black registered voter and President of the Tuscaloosa County NAACP Branch, currently located in CD7.
- 7. Members of the Alabama NAACP include Black registered voters who I understand would reside in the illustrative second majority-Black district presented by Plaintiffs in this case.
- 8. The Alabama NAACP proposed a map in October that would provide for two majority-minority districts prior to the state legislature's special session to take up the redistricting issue.
- 9. The state's redistricting process was rushed and did not allow for adequate input from the Black community. Members of the NAACP attended reapportionment hearings and

reported that Black state representatives did not have much time to present their support for the NAACP's map. It was as if the Committee members minds were made up before public discussion took place. The plan proposing a second Black congressional district was rejected without much debate or attempt to understand the justification for it. It seemed as though acknowledging the NAACP's plan and listening to the opposition against HB-1 was a formality, but not seriously considered.

- 10. In the state's proposed maps, Black voters are packed into CD 7 where they are overrepresented. With two districts, economic and political interests would be better represented. Black voters need to have more than one representative from the state of Alabama to represent their interests in our US Congress.
- 11. The Black Belt is a community of interest that should be kept together as much as possible in redistricting. The Black Belt is a collection of majority-Black counties that runs through the middle of Alabama. The Black voters in the Black Belt share a rural geography, concentrated poverty, unequal access to government services, and lack of adequate healthcare.
- 12. Medicaid expansion is an economic interest that connects Black voters in the Black Belt and elsewhere in Alabama. It is estimated that there are over 300,000 total population in Alabama who do not have health care because Medicaid has not been expanded. Those who do not have affordable healthcare, are disproportionately African-American. Currently, Terri Sewell is the only Congressional representative advocating for Medicaid expansion.
- 13. Criminal justice reform is another issue that ties Black voters together. African-Americans are incarcerated more than any other race, based on percentage, and receive harsher sentences. With additional representation in Congress, Black voters in Alabama could exert more political pressure on the federal and state governments to develop a fairer criminal justice

system. Currently, Representative Sewell is the only representative from the state that

understands there is a problem.

14. Currently, Representative Sewell is the only one representative from the state

giving voice to the issue that the Black Belt and the other Black communities in Alabama need

more economic opportunity and funding.

15. Moreover, Black Alabamians continue to face higher rates of infection and death

from COVID-19 due to disparities in access to healthcare and other forms of structural

inequality.

16. None of the representatives, besides Representative Sewell, voted for the John

Lewis Advancement Act of 2021 that would improve voting opportunities for African-

Americans and other minorities.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best

of my knowledge, information, and belief.

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N.D. OF ALABAMA

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

EVAN MILLIGAN, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

VS.

No. 2:21-cv-01530-AMM

JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,

Defendants.

DECLARATION OF SHALELA DOWDY

- I, Shalela Dowdy, declare as follows based on my personal knowledge:
- 1. I am a resident of Mobile, Alabama and I am registered voter in the City of Mobile, Alabama. I thus reside and vote in elections for U.S. Congressional District 1.
- 2. I identify as Black or African-American.
- 3. I was born and raised in Mobile, Alabama which has allowed me to have a vested interest in the city and the state that I call home.
- 4. I earned my Bachelor's Degree from the United States Military at West Point. Following that, I served on active duty for 6 years. While attending college and serving on active duty, I lived in 5 different states and was deployed to the Middle East. I always remained a resident of Alabama and continued to vote in Alabama. Upon returning to Alabama, I immediately noticed the lack of representation in many areas of leadership and elected position in particularly at the Congressional Level.
- 5. For several years, I have been actively in engaged in Voter Outreach where I have focused on educating voters in my local community about the importance of participating in every

election, helping with registering Alabamians to vote, and assisting with the mobilizing voters by providing those without transportation with the means to access the polls to vote on election day.

- 6. For the past 6 months, I have participated in the CROWD (Community Redistricting Organizations Working for Democracy) Fellowship sponsored by the Southern Coalition of Social Justice, where I am assigned to Lower Alabama which consists of counties in Congressional District 1. The redistricting work that I do is centered around educating the community on the process, how it impacts them, and why they should be actively involved in the process.
- 7. I, along with other Black people in both the City of Mobile and Mobile County, can trace our family roots back to the Black Belt areas of Alabama such as Montgomery County, Dallas County, Lowndes County, Wilcox County and other counties in the area.
- 8. With many Black people in the Mobile area having family ties to the Black Belt, it is a clear indication that both areas are a community of interest and should be kept whole in one district. Black people in Mobile and Black people in the Black Belt share history and similar struggles when it comes to combating adversity and fighting inequality in the state of Alabama.
- 9. The issues of education, healthcare, and the equitably distribution of infrastructure have been devastating to the Black communities residing in the Black Belt and Mobile. All of this, in addition to not being able to elect someone who will fight for the things that Black people in the Black Belt and Mobile find important, results in the demographic that I belong to being helpless and disempowered.
- 10. I spoke at the public hearing that the State Reapportionment Committee held in Mobile in September 2021. My comments were about the packing and diluting of the Black vote in the Congressional District 7 and the need for an effort to be made for a second majoring minority Congressional District.

11. I virtually attended about twenty other public hearings that were held around the state and heard the same concerns mentioned by numerous other Black Alabamians. We made our issues known to the Committee leaders to no avail. Having a second Congressional District where a Black candidate of choice could be elected would allow for proper representation of what the demographics of Alabama truly look like. It will give a voice and hope to a group of people who have always had to fight for their voice to be heard.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Sworn to this 14 day of December, 2021.

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DECLARATION OF EVAN MILLIGAN

- I, Evan Milligan, declare as follows based on my personal knowledge:
- 1. I am a resident of Montgomery, Alabama and I am registered voter in the City of Montgomery. I thus reside and vote in elections for U.S. Congressional District 7.
- 2. I identify as Black or African-American.
- 3. I grew up in Birmingham and Montgomery, Alabama. While in Birmingham, I lived in the College Hills neighborhood, which is located across the street from Birmingham-Southern College. While in Montgomery, I primarily lived in predominately African-American communities located in the downtown and southwestern areas of the city, particularly Centennial Hill, Rosa Parks Combined Communities, Haardt Estates, and South Hull. Over my lifetime, these areas have been associated with Congressional Districts 2 and 7.
- 4. I am the Executive Director of Alabama Forward. Alabama Forward is a state-based 501(c)(3) civic engagement coordinating table committed to advancing movement towards greater freedom and progressive, solution-oriented policy among a diverse coalition of Alabama-based

partner organizations, so that every Alabamian can engage in the democratic process. In pursuit of this mission Alabama Forward prioritizes race and gender equity to engage every Alabamian in all aspects of our democracy.

- 5. The vision of the Alabama Forward 501(c)3 Network is to boost civic and political participation through collaborative voter engagement and election reform efforts while building the capacity of participating organizations to more effectively communicate about and engage in their work. Alabama Forward also prioritizes supporting compelling emerging leaders and organizations who have not historically received more traditional forms of support.
- 6. The Black community dispersed throughout Montgomery is a community of interest. While segregation and redlining policies initially concentrated the bulk of Montgomery's Black communities downtown, and immediately north, west, and south of there, as economic and residential opportunities have become more accessible, Black residents have settled in every zip code associated with Montgomery. Today, in addition to West and North Montgomery neighborhoods that have been predominately Black for all their existence, there are large pools of Black residents dispersed throughout the city in non-contiguous locations.
- 7. Black Montgomerians are often deeply connected to many of the military, government, educational, civic, and cultural institutions located in inner-city Montgomery, particularly in the downtown area. Black families gather at the downtown Crampton Bowl for Friday Night football, assorted sports championships, and multi-generational tailgating prior to big games. This community of interest educates their children at Valiant Cross Academy, a private Christian boy's academy located directly across the street from the Alabama Supreme Court and state appellate courts. Black Montgomerians have multigenerational and diverse ties to Alabama State University

("ASU") an HBCU, where they work, attend school, send their children to the Headstart and prekindergarten programs at Zeilia Stephens Early Childhood Center, enjoy football classics, and utilize the Dunn-Oliver Acadome and other campus venues for assorted cultural events including concerts, fraternity/sorority galas, high-school graduations, theater, and hosting notable public speakers. Social service providers and community development agencies pivotal to many Black Montgomery families are located in the downtown area, including the Community Action Agency that coordinates the Headstart programs located throughout the city; the Montgomery Public School Board offices; municipal government offices. Downtown Montgomery and the immediately adjacent areas also feature some of Montgomery's oldest and most vibrant Black faith communities, including Pilgrim Rest Baptist, First Avenue Baptist Church, Freewill Baptist Church, Dexter Avenue Baptist, St. John's AME Church, and Resurrection Catholic Church. Immediately west and east of downtown are Gunter and Maxwell Air Force Base where kids like me chose to serve their country in service of a brighter future for their country and themselves. These military installations provide considerable employment, educational, and recreational opportunities to Montgomery's Black servicemembers and civilians.

8. In addition, downtown Montgomery also features numerous civil rights museums and institutions, including the Dexter Avenue King Memorial Legacy Center and Parsonage, the Rosa Parks Museum and Library, the EJI Legacy Museum, and the National Memorial for Peace and Justice. These sites provide historical information that is important to the identities of Black Montgomerians and many family reunions organized by Black residents routinely feature trips to these sites. These sites recognize the profound consequences for both Black and white people of chattel slavery, racial terror lynchings, and racial segregation. Irrespective of what part of town people are sleeping in Montgomery, these are the places where the majority of Black residents are

educating their children, worshiping, working, recreating, and seeking cultural enrichment.

- 9. When I was a child, Representative Earl Hillard became the first Black congressperson to represent an Alabama district since Reconstruction and I recognized his importance in the creation of District 7. The subsequent election of Representative Artur Davis was also impactful due to his unique staff of diverse, passionate, and inspiring younger people.
- 10. I've experienced an intimate bond between Black communities in Montgomery and those based throughout the Black Belt. My first exposure to this connection was my own family. Our family routinely returned to our family cemetery in Lowndes County as a way of maintaining our connection to our origins. My wife and I chose to get married in the Lowndes County Courthouse due to our sense of cultural connection to this area. Our relationship with Lowndes County is not unique. Most Black families in Montgomery who are originally from this area have similar stories.
- 11. There are also civil rights and advocacy connections between Montgomery and the rural Black Belt communities. There are generations of connections between communities in Dallas, Wilcox, Hale, Greene, Choctaw, Lowndes, Marengo, and Perry counties; and institutions in Montgomery. For example, the Federation of Childcare Centers of Alabama was headquartered in Montgomery, but founded by childcare center program leaders based throughout the Black Belt; and the connections between civil rights advocates in Dallas, Wilcox, and Hale counties and Black churches based in Montgomery.
- 12. Montgomery's demographics are also shaped by the same legacy of plantation slavery that shapes the rural Black Belt. Black communities in the Black Belt have all experienced uniquely high rates of poverty, and poor health outcomes. These communities have relied on similar cultural and religious institutions for inspiration and resiliency. For many, Alabama State University has

served as a multigenerational transition space for people emerging from Black families in the Black Belt who are interested in gaining skills and overcoming historic barriers.

- 13. In August and September of 2021, I participated in several media forums with the League of Women Voters to discuss redistricting.
- 14. As Executive Director of Alabama Forward, I participated in bi-weekly briefing on the redistricting process beginning on April 30, 2021 to discuss public outreach and education around redistricting.
- 15. Between September 1 and 16, long before the Committee released any draft maps or proposals, the Legislative Reapportionment Office held 28 public hearings across the state. All but one hearing—held at 6:00 pm at the Statehouse in Montgomery—was held between the normal workday hours of 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, i.e., times when the general public was least able to attend.
- 16. Khadidah Stone and I submitted email testimony to the Reapportionment committee on Thursday, September 16, 2021, the last Thursday of the hearings.
- 17. After submitting a request for a public hearing to the Senate Finance and Taxation General Fund Committee, I arrived to testify before that committee when it met on Tuesday, November 2, but they were not taking public testimony.
- 18. On October 29, 2021, the Alabama House State Government Committee met to discuss the Reapportionment Committee's proposed districting plan for Alabama's U.S. House delegation.
- 19. During the hearing on the bill, I asked Representative Chris Pringle whether the Reapportionment Committee conducted racial polarization studies on any of the maps.

 Representative Chris Pringle said "some of the districts that we were concerned about," but that

they "were still working on it."

- 20. In November, I testified in person at the House hearing on how the Committee assessed and utilized the feedback from the public listening sessions. I asked if the Committee considered community maps and when the public could receive the results of the RPV research.
- 21. When I asked whether the Committee lacked sufficient data to determine whether the map they introduced would violate federal law, Representative Pringle did not answer.
- 22. Alabama's 2021 special redistricting legislative session began on October 28, 2021. By November 3, 2021, bills redistricting the Alabama U.S. Congressional map, Alabama Senate map and Alabama House of Representatives map were passed by both houses of the Alabama legislature and sent to Governor Kay Ivey's office for approval and signing.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Sworn to this 14th day of December, 2021.

Evan Milligan

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA

EVAN MILLIGAN, SHALELA DOWDY, LETETIA JACKSON, KHADIDAH STONE, ADIA WINFREY, GREATER BIRMINGHAM MINISTRIES, and the ALABAMA STATE CONFERENCE OF THE NAACP,

Civil Case No. 2:21-CV-01530-amm

Plaintiffs,

v.

JOHN H. MERRILL, in his official capacity as SECRETARY OF STATE OF ALABAMA, and JIM MCCLENDON AND CHRIS PRINGLE, in their official capacities as CO-CHAIRS OF THE ALABAMA PERMANENT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON REAPPORTIONMENT

DECLARATION OF LETETIA JACKSON

- I, Letetia Jackson, declare as follows based on my personal knowledge:
- I am a resident of Dothan, Alabama and I am registered voter in the City of Dothan,
 Alabama. I thus reside and vote in elections for Alabama U.S. Congressional District 2.
 - 2. I identify as Black or African American.
- 3. I am the Convener of the South Alabama chapter of the Black Women's Roundtable (BWR). The BWR serves as the National Coalition on Black Civic Participation's (NCBCP) intergenerational leadership development, mentoring, empowerment and power building arm for Black women and girls. The BWR is at the forefront of championing just and equitable public policies

that center racial, economic and gender justice to promote health and wellness, economic security and prosperity, education, and global empowerment as key elements of success.

- 4. I am also an active member of the following organizations: Les Vingt Socialete Club, a civic and social organization that offers mentoring, voter education, get out the vote efforts, and community service; the Dothan Chapter of the Alabama NAACP; Dothan Community Church; and the Dothan Association of Women's Clubs, an umbrella organization of women's clubs around the state of Alabama.
- 5. For the purposes of its work, the South Alabama chapter of BWR draws an invisible line through Montgomery County and identifies everything below Montgomery County as South Alabama. As a result, the membership of the South Alabama chapter of BWR is concentrated below Montgomery County.
- 6. Specific issues affecting BWR's members that the organization has embarked upon to address are: Alabama's restrictive legislation on reproductive rights; access to healthcare and expansion of Medicaid; criminal justice reform (particularly, advocating for the ability for incarcerated persons to vote prior to conviction and restoring the voting rights of the previously incarcerated); outreach around Covid, providing PPE to families with no disposable income, and vaccination; raising awareness around redistricting, gerrymandering, and vote dilution.
- 7. We have worked tirelessly to engage and encourage our Black voters to participate. However, with little chance of electing the Black candidate of their choice, Black voters in South Alabama are discouraged and disenfranchised by the gerrymandering of congressional districts.
- 8. At least two Black candidates have sought to be elected in Congressional District 2 in recent elections, but have been unsuccessful due to how diluted the Black voting population is in the gerrymandered congressional districts. Black voters are not being afforded the opportunity to elect a representative who reflects our policy priorities. We are experiencing taxation without representation.

- 9. With the exception of Terri Sewell, Alabama's congressional leaders do not engage the Black community and are not concerned about Black issues. Black voters are primarily invisible. Our issues are not currently at the forefront of any policy effort, which is why it is important for us to have our fair share of elected leaders to understand and advocate for our issues. Even though I do not live in Congresswoman Sewell's district, I look to her as my Congressperson because, when I am seeking access to resources or information relevant to the Black community, her office will have those answers as opposed to the office of my district's representative.
- 10. My district's representative is Barry Moore. I am a highly active citizen of my community. Since he has been my representative, I have not had a meeting with him or heard of any outreach that he has held with the Black community attempting to understand our concerns and issues. When he does hold meetings with constituents, they are typically at country clubs and restaurants frequented by white voters. He does not visit the restaurants, neighborhoods, and churches where Black people live. Additionally, his district office is on the predominantly white, west side of town, which is not accessible to the average Black voter in the district. A large population of Black people in Congressional District 2 live below the poverty line and do not own or have access to a car. While there is one public transportation service, which requires advanced scheduling at least 24 hours in advance, there is no public transportation system. In my experience, Congressman Moore is not interested in being accessible to his Black constituents. In fact, a simple view of his Congressional website list several meetings Congressman Moore has held that are at venues primarily frequented by white constituents, with many not accessible to his Black constituents without personal transportation or access to broadband for virtual meetings. Not a single meeting appears to be held in or accessible to his Black constituents' communities.
- 11. The Black voting population should have at least two Congressional districts where we are the majority. The way congressional district lines are currently drawn, they dilute the Black vote

and deny us an opportunity to elect representatives who will support and advance policies that improve our lives and communities.

12. In the most recent elections in Congressional District 2, police presence has been increased and, at any given time of the day, I have seen police cars stationed at polling places, especially those with a heavy Black voting population. I believe these actions are designed to intimidate and discourage voters from exercising their enfranchisement.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my

knowledge, information, and belief.

Sworn to this 15 day of December, 2021

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FEMALE 1: Senator Allen? Senator Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Yes

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Here.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Here.

FEMALE 1: Ms. Smitherman? Senator Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyd?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Clouse? Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn?

MALE 1: He's on his way. He's in traffic.

FEMALE 1: Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Here.

FEMALE 1: Representative South? Representative Wood?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Here.

FEMALE 1: We have 19 present. We have a quorum.

MALE 2: Thank you, members, if you would, please, you will see a copy of the Minutes from the last meeting, May 5th of this year. I would ask you to quickly look over those. We have a motion to approve and let's have a roll call on that please.

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen? Senator Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston?

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Smitherman? Senator Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyd?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Clouse? Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall? Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn? Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative South? Representative Wood?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: We have 17 yes. The motion passed.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you. I'd like to make just a preliminary statement about the workings of this committee. This time around has been rather unique because of the compactness of the time. Federal Law requires Census Bureau to provide the states with the data no later than March and the year after Census is conducted. In 2011, we received it in mid-February, about six weeks before their deadline. This time, the Census Bureau seriously lied. Instead of getting the data in February or March, we did not receive the data until August 12, actually became usable to us closer to the 17th or 18th of August. It took some amount of time to convert that data to match up our software. August 17 was the first time this committee and our staff, who I'm forever grateful for, for all their hard work was the first time that we actually hadn't data that we could work with and dealing with the Congressional plan, State Board plan, the Senate plan and the House plan.

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Since that time, since August 17, we have met with seven Congressional Representatives, our staff, eight Board of Education members and all the members of the Senate and the House that are running for reelection. In most cases, there was not just one meeting with any particular office holder. There were repeated meetings with individual officeholders and often with groups of officeholders, these meetings continued right up to the close of business last Friday. It took an enormous effort to prepare these plans in the short amount of time available. And unlike after the 2010 census, when we were able to split the redistricting over a two-year period, we did Congressional and State Board in 2011, and then we did the two legislative plans in 2012. This time, not only did we get the data late, but we had to prepare all four plans at the same time. And I will -- you those of us who worked in this room in this office have seen the dedication of our redistricting staff, of our attorney advising us, of our demographer drawing the maps, they have literally worked day and night and over the weekends in order to reach this point. And I think you'll soon see that they have done a heroic job. I am very grateful to their dedication. At this point, we are going to now go into consideration of these four maps I mentioned. We'll do them in this order for committee members. You'll see, you have an agenda in front of you that shows the order. We'll do this and we're going to start off with congressional districts. Representative Pringle will handle that in the House. Then we'll go to State Board districts. I'll handle that for introduction into the Senate. Then we'll go to the state Senate districts that will first be introduced into the Senate. And once it comes out of this committee, and finally, we'll do the committee plan for the State House, which Representative Pringle, of course, will handle and will introduce on Thursday into the House of Representatives. Let me recognize the House Chair for Redistricting Representative Chris Pringle turn your mic go.

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Thank you, Senator. Again, I am Chris Pringle, State Representative from House District 1 of Automobile. The members of the committee

would go to the congressional plan and open your folder. You'll see the proposed map that we're going to discuss here from this committee. You'll have it. If you'll note, this is a zero-deviation plan with a minimum number of split counties. There's a one-person difference between all seven districts. Som the deviations on this plan are zero. In developing this plan, all Congressional Representatives were met with in person and then subsequently over the phone our Microsoft teams until their concerns have been addressed. An exception in the Representative Mo Brooks was running for another office. He did not want to meet in person instead of staff member instead. All representatives have had input into this plan. This plan meets the Committee guidelines. It complies a Section 2 the Voting Rights Act and Equal Protection Clause. There's a minimal population deviation between the District 6.

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Between the District 6 are districts who had ideal population of 717,754 and the second district is one person over. In respects to counties that extend possibly given the requirement for equal population. I'll repeat, it respects counties to the extent possible given the requirements for equal population. It does not require any incumbents to run against each other. All districts are contiguous and reasonably compact. It respects communities of interests. It preserves the cores of existing districts. It splits a minimum number of counties and precincts. Six counties are split and seven are split to get to zero deviation an improvement over the current law which splits seven counties. Splits are, Lauderdale County is split between District 4 and 5. Tuscaloosa County is split between Districts 4 and 7. Jefferson County, between Districts 6 and 7. Chilton County between Districts 3 and 6. Montgomery County between Districts 2 and 7. Escambia County between Districts 1 and 2. This plan contains one majority black district with a black voting age population of 54.22%, thank you.

MALE 2: Motion to adopt.

MALE 3: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to speak to the motion.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I would too.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Mr. England.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: First of, thank you for recognition. I'm pretty sure Ms. Overton probably would doesn't like me very much right now because I harassed her for days on end. Because as a member of this committee, I did not see these maps until yesterday. I think we're undertaking a pretty massive task to be told to come in here with the amount of information presented to us to come here and say, "I need you to vote today." Personally, I may be just speaking for myself, but I think this is doing a disservice to the process and also to the people that we represent because they haven't seen this map either, unless you were following me on Twitter. So, I think it needs to be said that this process itself, there's got to be a better way to do this. I think it's flawed and I don't really think this is the best way for us to walk into this process without any information and to come in here today look at it and say, "I want you to approve it." With that being said, I'm not diminishing the fact this was probably a very difficult task. It's a lot of information to process, but I think it probably would have been better for all of

us have we all seen the whole entire map and not be drawn into short meetings individually where we can only see our district? For me, that's how the process worked. I was only told I could see the district. My district game me immediate area around my district, and I think it would have been better for the public and all of us to digest the information in front of us by just seeing the whole map so we could see how our district worked relative to the districts around us. And with that being said in your initial statement, you mentioned that this map complies with the Voting Rights Act. Several questions that I have about that. First, I'd like to know who drew the map. Was it drawn in-house or did somebody else draw it? Also, I'd like to know how it complies with the Voting Rights Act. Was there a racial polarization study done to figure out exactly how we comply with the Voting Rights Act? And I'd also like to know since I wasn't afforded an opportunity to see the entire map, I would like to know if anybody else was, whether it be staff, whether it be other members, or whether it be someone hired as a consultant to take a look at these maps. Those are my three initial questions. One, who drew it? Two, can you explain to all of us how it satisfies the Voting Rights Act and how this map was drawn? So, I just like to start there, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: You're not going to answer those question?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I've done listened to it, and we're going to get back with him, okay.

FEMALE 1: Oh Jesus.

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REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Point of order, so we're not answering questions today?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm going to answer your questions. We're just trying to get all the questions asked.

MALE 4: Ms. Chairman, point of order. The point is that I think that we opened ourselves up for confusion of responses and questions and confusions of focusing in on the specific points. So, we're going to take all these varying questions. And then after we take all the various questions, I think that the questions' point of order are to be in relationship to the questions. The answer should be in relationship to the questions as answered and they should be addressed. Questions that [INDISCERNIBLE 00:15:45] may have over there, I saw his hand, and I have is may be totally relevant, but maybe totally different at the same time in parts. So, I think in order to understand that -- and I'm going to make a special request that we put these maps on the board. We have a big old board up there, put the whole maps. Each one of these things we talk, it relates to a map. It needs to be sitting up there in large, of the map.

[OVERLAY]

FEMALE 2: --so we can it.

MALE 4: Yeah, we can see it. Not the small one where we don't know what it's touching and what it's doing, but actually a large one that deals which shows the precincts.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The map is on the board, ladies and gentlemen, I'm hoping the people online can see it. Can they see the map online?

MALE 5: Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: These maps are drawn in this room using the staff here and our lawyer that we've hired has done redistricting for 25 years, has worked with us and told us that he thinks these maps comply with section to the Voting Rights Act and the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Can you explain it now?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm not the attorney, but Dorman Walker sat here and went through every one of this our attorney. You know Dorman, he's done this for 25 years.

[OVERLAY]

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Again, can I say that I was appointed to this committee.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: You stated that it complies with the Voting Rights Act. You also stated that it complies with the Fourteenth Amendment Equal Protection, so I'm asking you how. I just want to make this -- that's obviously –

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay, representative. That's fine, let's do this.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: That's a very component of this.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I understand that and I see where you're going and let's do this. You tell me where it doesn't, how's that?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: First and foremost, if we didn't do a racial polarization study you don't know how it applies. I'll ask you this question, you and the attorney that you consulted, have you all done a racial polarization study?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, the guy in Georgia did one. It was sent to him Friday and he came back.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, who's the guy in Georgia? Can we see the results of that study?

MR. CHAIRMAN: The attorney has hired a consultant out of Georgia and he's looked at it.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Can we—

MR. CHAIRMAN: There's nothing that's going to be hidden. We're getting it to you as fast as we have it of course.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We don't have it. You understand, I had to do 28 public hearings. I had to meet with 105 house members, 35 senators, seven members of congress and eight members of the schoolboard and many of these people we met with multiple, multiple times to try and work this out, all in a very short period of time. We didn't have the luxury they had a couple of years ago, having two years to do this. We had about three months.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I could understand your frustration, but as the Chair, you're in charge with the responsibility of answering these questions.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, I sympathize with the smaller shortened timeframe, but I do still get as a response -- as part of my responsibility as being a member of this committee is to ask these questions and to get answers because I'm not just asking for me. Because remember, the entire State of Alabama, the first time they lay my eyes on this map was yesterday. I think it's pretty legitimate for us to have these questions since we could not get access to this information before. One of the ways --

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MR. CHAIRMAN: The first time I saw it was yesterday too.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: That makes me feel worse, but to be quite honest with you. So, you ask me, I'll point out just that one thing. I need you to help me understand if a racial polarization study was done. I need to know who did it. I need to know what the results are, so I can tell you if I believe that one that matches up with the standards that have been set by federal courts in the Supreme Court, because very recently we had issues with the Supreme Court. We just lost the lawsuit behind some of this stuff, so I need to have something so I can draw some comparative analysis between the two. So, on record, you're telling me that a racial polarization study has been done?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Our attorney looked at it and assured us that we are incompliance with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: The question I asked you, you're assuring me right now that a racial polarization study has been done?

MR. CHAIRMAN: According to my attorney, yes.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: According to the committee's attorney.

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It's the attorney that's done reapportionment for 25 years.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay. And you can provide that information to us so we can draw an analysis between the maps, the numbers and the study?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have no problem when you look at all of our reports.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right. You said also that this map was prepared here inhouse?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, it was drawn right here in this room.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I mean, you sat here with us, and I know several times why we drew these maps.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No. Actually, I've only seen my district up until yesterday when I got the maps.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. I sat here when you're on a call.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No. On that call, we looked at my district.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Period. I haven't seen a map. This is the first time I've actually seen a physical copy of the map since yesterday. Now, that I've answered your question, can you answer mine? What other ways does this map --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Let me report. On district seven, there was not a functional analysis done on it simply because it was drawn blind, the race was turned off on the drawing, and after the district was drawn and we looked at the black voting age population, it was determined there was no reason to do an analysis on it.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, you have not done analysis on that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I just found out seven because of the BVAP, no analysis was deemed necessary.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: So, we don't know if it complies with the Voting Rights Act just based on an attorney's opinion?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah. I mean, it complies.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: We don't know that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, the attorney that his committee hired says it does.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: But he also didn't do what's necessary to figure that out. Interestingly enough, the only district –

MR. CHAIRMAN: The BVAP of that district is 54.2%.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: But again, the study demonstrates how much of that actual percentage is a voting percentage. So, there's a difference between just throwing out a percentage and actually knowing if that's functional or not. And also, interestingly enough, the Seventh Congressional District is the only district that splits counties. Is there a particular reason for that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's not true. I just told you, I just run off of the county to split.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: There's one in District One, you have one in the Escambia County?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. Lauderdale is split between four and five, Tuscaloosa is split between four and seven, Jefferson is split between six and seven, Chilton is split between three and six, Montgomery is split between two and seven, Escambia is split between one and two.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'm sorry.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Every district has at least one split.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'll rephrase. Seven has the most splits. That correct?

MR. CHAIRMAN: One, two, three. Yes, sir.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right. Is there any particular reason why seven has the most splits?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No. Because four has got two, two has two, three has one, and one has one.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Is there any particular reason why seven has the most split districts? Including in Jefferson --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Trying to get the zero deviation, I'm assuming. We tried to respect -- we had to get to zero deviation.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Do you think it has anything to do with making sure that each split holds a particular percentage of African-Americans into it?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I have no knowledge of that now.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Okay.

MALE 3: Senator, I was hoping that we wouldn't be so contentious in here today, and I think I've been here with you gentlemen over the period of time trying to ask that we can get to this point. We sit around this table and I know that this is probably one of the most contentious sessions that we can have because everybody's for themselves. Everybody's looking out for what they got and it's all about territory. But I just wanted to ask a question about the map, and I guess go down the same line that Chris was representing England in terms of District Seven. In the last redistributing, we saw and heard from the United States Supreme Court that basically said that District Seven was the most gerrymandered district in the State of Alabama, and when you look at that, it almost looks like a salamander and the way it shaped, I see where you tried to come into your county boundaries to do that this time. But however, the Supreme Court has basically already ruled that, and so I just want this body to know that I will be introducing another map because when you look at the State School Board, it is representative of 26% of the African-American community giving it two districts. The house and the Senate also. The congressional district is the only district, the only map that we would draw as a body that does not represent the 26% of African-Americans. It only represents 13% of those African-American population. We believe that based on whole county, and what you can draw based on zero percentage, we can get two majority districts out of this, and I think that this body or the chairman has not tried to do that, just stay with what they were used to doing, and it's like we just drew over the same lines and didn't even try to come up with anything else different.

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And that's what you get when you don't get input from everybody else, and when everything is kind of hidden and indoor. And so, with that, I know this is not the proper time to introduce the map, but I would do it officially when we have the next meeting, I will introduce a map even if it gets voted down and we will introduce them again on the floor. It will be on the map to concept, and I just want to let you know that I think that we can get two districts out of here that will show favorably for African-Americans across the state outside of just gerrymandering in this district with the unnecessary splits that we've gotten. Thank you very much.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Senator. Did you say you have a map that has two majority black districts in it?

MALE 3: Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. All right. Senator Smithman.

SENATOR SMITHMAN: Thank you very much Mr. Chairman. Chairman's, let me say this first, I noticed the Senator mentioned a level of frustration, a level of uncomfortableness or whatever words you want to use is coming from our leader. Let me say this, that's what you get paid the big bucks for. You asked to be chairman, you asked. Now, you accepted it. So, get all that comes with it, so, relax and take a deep breath because it's coming. Questions coming, they're coming, they're coming. So, just relax and I understand, but you're the leader, so, that what comes with the territory. Let me piggyback first on starting with this map. In whether or not, -- let me just say this; I asked for a map that shows the precincts, I know we got them. And the reason I'm saying that to everybody in here to do that, yes. It's going to take more time. It's going to be detailed, because you're asking questions about this or that. But as a committee, and thank you for putting me on the committee. Whoever appointed me, I know who did; so thank you. But as a committee, we have to go through this mundane process if members have the question. We are in a committee meeting now; and in here, any of those questions that we have. the means of being able to provide, we have a right to get that information. Let's not vote it all up and down by memos, each member has that right to get that particular information. So, with that in mind, that's the first thing because I like to see what Senator was saying about the drawing to see what it brings in and what it doesn't. I can't tell a lick about Jefferson County, where the line cut off from this map. I don't know if it cut off on south side, if it cut off on far apart. I don't know if it cut off above Fire Park above Center Point. I don't know where it cuts off by looking at this, and along with being here, I'm a citizen in that particular district as well. So, I would like to see that number one. Number two, I think if that information is available that the representative requested, I think that it should be provided immediately if we operated off of it and didn't have the actual information here, then I think that needs to be known. But I think that any information in this meeting not a week later, not two days, not a month later, but should be provided in here. If it's on a computer, push a button, push print, print it out, and then give it to whoever else have requested it. So, I said that to say that it may not happen, but to count all these things right here, you might want to pipe in dinner[PH 00:29:00] because we need to go through these and to ask questions, is going to seem whatever you want to call it, but that's why I say get the frustration down because we have questions, I have questions, and I like to get answers as a committee member. Nobody else may not be concerned about these things, and I understand. But if one member is, we need to address that. The other thing I want to say is this is that there's two other things, and I'll move near the mic. Number one is that the Senator mentioned correctly about the 26% African-Americans. But we we're actually talking about 30 something percent of minorities. One third of them as it relates to minority population itself should be represented. We're talking about that it should be two as it relates to African-American population as a minority because it's a super population of minorities.

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But there are other minorities, Asians, there are Latinos, there are all these people in this State and men of my registered voters that make that percentage goes up to 30 something percent. The third thing is that I've had opportunities to see the map that Senator Singleton is talking about, and that map does not split one count, one county, the congressional map that he's talking about.

It keeps every county whole for all the congressional districts that exist on that map. So, I would think that as a committee, whether the committee ultimately votes it up that as he said, I think that as a committee, that we should consider any of those plans in this meeting if it made those 10 days, I think the requirement that you made that that would be submitted. If they were submitted there in the committee, should take those up -- that was committee rules, that's committee adopted and last, but not least, I'll say this is that I think that the process itself has not addressed the area of compromise, and I'm not talking about somebody's individual districts. I'm talking about the issues that's before you it relates to minorities. I know nobody sat down and talked about the concerns that I split and when we get to that area in the [INDISCERNIBLE 00:31:28] plans, I expressed that I had a concern about that area and no other conversation has been had about it. So, that kind of disappoints me because it's kind of saying that "I don't give a heck what you think or say. So, take me to court." That's what it says to me. I don't give a rip what you think, I don't want to talk to you. I don't want to compromise; this is what I'm going to do. So, take me, so I hope that isn't what it's saying, because I'm not saying anything but anything. I think past involvement says that that has happened. So, I would hope if we are trying to get around and work together in this situation, that we'll find some way to compromise with both sides. I know you've been working hard on your side because I've talked to some of my colleagues and I know some of those concerns, but I'm talking about all of us as a whole. Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Senator. Ms. Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and Chairman. I want to reiterate the comment that was made earlier in terms of the response when questions are raised. That we are all in here because we want to do what is right. So, I would hope that we would be considerate of that in light of the fact of the response that I've heard with the comments that have been made up to this point, I'd like to make a motion. I am going to make a motion. My motion is that we postpone the votes on these proposed maps until members of this committee and the public has had adequate time to review and consider the details as well as provide the ratio polarization data study that you said was done.

FEMALE 2: Mr. Chairman, I second the motion.

MALE 2: Mr. Chairman, I think that motion is inappropriate. We have business to tend to at this meeting. Everyone knows it and if it would be --

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MALE 2: Would you mind if I get to my comment, please without interrupting? I have not interrupted you and I don't want to be interrupted.

FEMALE 2: I appreciate that, but when you make a comment like that, I'm sorry. I should have held my --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Move to table. We have a motion to table. All in favor. Say, aye.

MALE 2: Aye.

FEMALE 2: I oppose.

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FEMALE 2: Roll call. I will ask that each vote just as you did on the minutes that you would have the roll call vote on each action, thank you. And I would ask that you reconsider at this time.

MR. CHAIRMAN: So, you have a motion to reconsider?

FEMALE 2: Yes, sir.

MALE 3: Second.

MALE 2: I second it.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All in favor, say, aye.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Nay?

[OVERLAY]

FEMALE 2: I did request a roll call on each motion hereon and that you didn't.

[OVERLAY]

FEMALE 2: No, you didn't, because you'd reconsider.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Oh, now we have a motion to give this plan a favorable report in a second.

MALE 4: Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Roll call, please.

MALE 4: Mr. Chairman?

CHAIRMAN: Yes, sir?

MALE 4: I'm ready. I'd like to be recognized.

CHAIRMAN: Okay, sure.

MALE 4: So, are we saying that, it doesn't matter what we think at all?

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We just come in here to go through the functions. We're not going to consider anything whatsoever that if we have a concern or anything, you're saying it don't matter that we're in here because that's what we're saying. I didn't say what the final vote after we go through the process of consideration. But we're not going to consider anything that we got to say?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

MALE 4: I mean, is this a segregated movement or something? Because you haven't considered nothing we're saying over here. So, I'm just asking you as a chairman, is that where we're going with this?

MR. CHAIRMAN: And I'm allowing each of you to speak. Ms. Boyd.

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: Thank you so much, Mr. Chairman. We've sat around this table many times. It's disgusting when you walk into a room for me and somebody approach me. "May I help you?" That was the first thing; but being as old as I am, and I haven't taught school 45 years and 6 months I've been here, I've learned a lot. At our very first meeting, I asked, "Is this one going to be better than any of those in the past that we do it fairly and collectively?" We know the process, we know who has the vote, all we want, Mr. Chairmans, is the opportunity to be heard fairly and from the way we are starting off here, it doesn't seem that way. Only God Almighty can change hearts. We can sit here forever and look at each other and do what we're told to do when it comes to voting. I would hope not. But we're speaking, I have people at home who are very much concerned about the senatorial. What is shown and as it relates to congressional seats. If that shoe was on the other foot, that's all I'm going to ask you to do when I close. Just think about if the shoe was on the other foot and you were sitting in my seat and my place, oh, our places here, would you act in the same manner? Thank you so much for the opportunity.

MALE 2: Roll call?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Another roll call vote on approving the congressional plan. Mr. Jones, [INDISCERNIBLE 00:38:05]

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: Thank you for the recognition, Mr. Chairman. I think on my visit here last week, I mentioned that this would be the way this process would turn out. It is not logical to think that we can digest the data that's here in the period of time that we received it. Nor is it logical to think that we would vote on something that we actually have no knowledge about and can't even talk to anyone in our district about because we don't know. How do you vote and then go back home and explain when someone asks, "Well, why did you vote for this?" and start asking the questions that's being asked here? What do we do with that? I understand the time. I understand how hard people have worked. I've been up here a couple of times, and I've seen the work that's taking place up here, and that's admirable. I've seen a lot of people working hard. The bottom line, though, we cannot disregard transparency based on urgency, especially in

this process. I know that there are some time periods we have to meet. To me, the questions that's been asked are logical questions. If someone is really interested in what they're doing and the people they represent, they are logical questions. Now maybe because this is my first time in this process, someone told, I think the attorney mentioned to me, "Well, they've been doing it like this a long time" and let me respond to what I told him. "That does not mean that that's right or fair regardless of whether Democrats did it or Republicans did it, the right way is the right way regardless to who's doing it."

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And I just think that we ought to give some concern for some of the questions that's being asked here, because those same questions are going to be asked to me as soon as I get back to mobile account and I have no answers. You give me a lot of data here, but it probably takes me a few days to read through it, but it's over then. I've already voted. So that's really my statement and I just want you to consider some of those things as I go forward.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Ladies and gentlemen, let me point out. What we have before today is simply a recommendation. It will be put in Bill Form. It will be introduced into both chambers of the house. It will be assigned to committee in both chambers, and then it will be debated fully on the floor of both chambers. We're just trying to get to the point where we've been called into extraordinary session. That deadline is set. We have to have something to put into a bill by 04:00 Thursday afternoon, and we need to get something out of here so LSA can put it into Bill Form so we can give it to everybody because it's not in Bill Form until it comes out of here. You will have the time in both the House Standing Committee and the Senate Standing Committee and the floor of the house and the floor of the senate to fully vet and look at these bills. But there's not a bill yet. I don't have a bill because I can't say anything to LSA until I get something from this committee. This is simply a recommendation to send to LSA for us to begin the full-scale debate on the floor. Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Are you saying, I said you go to the chairman and you're speaking. Are you saying that we can't vet it here wherein the committee itself that we denied the opportunity to vet it? I'm just asking a question. I didn't say you said it or not. You answer, we answer that. Are you telling me that what you just see, all that's going to happen out there -- are you saying that we -- but however, in this committee, we are denied that opportunity to do the same thing in our committee work on reapportionment?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: No.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well, if we did that like for it to be done. That's all I'm at right now. I like this [INDISCERNIBLE 00:42:09].

SENATOR MCCLENDON: You got the populations, the deviations of black age voting population in every different. You have all the information that I have.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: And I like to vet it in here. Me vet in at, we leave out here means nothing because the vote is going to be taken.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I don't have a bill before you because I can't get a bill draft until after it comes out to LSA, and I can't see anything to LSA until it comes out of here.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Unless I'm going to be on what -- we vote now. Whether we vote now today. I would like for it to be vetted the same way that you said that it could be vetted in those committees. Why? One of the main reasons we are supposed to have the experts in here. Our reapportionment director will not be on the floor. If it's not a public hearing, she cannot come on the senate floor. This lawyer cannot come on the senate floor itself. This is where the work has to be done to answer those questions in this committee. Not out there. You all know the rules. I don't have to even speak them. The people can't come out there. They are going to be out there. It's going to be somebody at the mic going to be saying the same thing. Well, they did it. And the answer is goes they did it. I would like to know how you came about it. Whatever the process to get to what you said that they say, "Okay to." And this is the place that it should be done right in here, and that's all that I'm asking. The exposure of the process and information be brought out in here so questions and follow up questions can be addressed to that information.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes, Ms. Hall.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I needed to go back to make sure I have the correct information as relates to what you said about the racially polarized voting study that was done. Did you say it was done?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Because of the black age voting population in Congressional District 7, there was not one needed because it was over 54% black voting age population.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So you're saying that we don't have a black, we don't have a polarization, racially polarization study?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: None. Because the voting age is 54. What is it? I got it right here.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And you use District 7 as the basis for not having such a study done?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The black voting age population of the district is sufficient enough to where you don't need a study done on it.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Are you saying that would not be a part or should not have been a part of this process?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Once we drew the process, once we drew the plan with no race on the computer --

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-- then after the plan was drawn, we turned on the race and we looked at District 7 and saw that it had a black voting age population that was sufficient enough to not require an analysis. And we put any more African-Americans on the race. We're afraid we'd be sued for packing.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So that was just District 7. What about the other districts? If we did those on these, I really would like -- I was trying to get that information. I'd like to have that information. I'm requesting that information.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The demographics of the district. Yeah. It's right here, it's in your folder.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So you're saying the data that we have makes of the --?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yeah. Here's the data right here. It's in your folder. It shows you the percentage of African-Americans of whites, the 18 plus populations, everything. It tells you to give you all that information.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I just want to make sure what you're saying that the data that we're receiving here today on each one of the districts provides us the data that we would have received or that would be received as a part of a racial polarization voting study.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I'm being told that at 54 plus percent of the African-American vote, it was high enough not to warrant a polarization study. It was a majority-minority district.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And that came from our attorney or the committee's attorney?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes. That came from the committee's attorney. Yes, ma'am.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And so, at this point, we do not have that.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Not on District 7. No, ma'am. Yes. Chris. The representative of England, I'm sorry.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: All right. You're referring to that -- as if the District 7 was the only district that you did not do that on. So did you do that on other districts?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We have the breakdown of black and white population.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No, not that. I'm talking about you mentioning that racial - that you didn't do the study on seven. Did you do it on any other district?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Can I ask something? The question you're asking, the answer is our attorney, mine and your attorney set that data off for districts that it looked like there might possibly be a racial issue. And we did that on all of these maps that we've done today. So he received the information on those districts where it looked like it could possibly be questionable, and wherever it was questionable, if necessary, we made adjustments. So the answer to your

question would be a general statement that in any districts where it looked like it possibly was an issue, we had those districts analyzed. And if necessary to make changes in those districts to try to stay in compliance with the Voting Rights Act, then we made those moves. So you can ask that question about any one district and I will answer that by saying any district that looked like it needed to be done, we did it.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: It would appear that District 7 would look like that would need to be done if the methodology that you said you used was, we didn't think about race and then we drew the map, and then we said, "Okay, well, this is a result." So it appears to me that if we're doing this in the logical way, that District 7 just -- as it appears on a map, would produce a certain percentage. Now, according to what you've been telling me, that the percentage is not the decision that you made looking at it on the paper and saying that 54% is enough, you actually consulted with an attorney to make sure. So it would appear to me that if you're applying the logic that you just gave me that if we just looked at the district to see if it was in compliance, we would actually do District 7 before we did the others. So I would like to request that study be done on District 7. And what is the relationship between the 54% that you're citing and the actual results or potential results of a racial polarization study? What is the relationship between those two?

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: I got no clue.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: And that's the point.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: That's, that's the reason why we have the expert.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Again, but hold on. That's point. If you can't explain to me why the 54% that you're telling us satisfies the threshold that you have not created or satisfied yet, that would probably make it necessary for you to conduct a study to see if that 54% actually represent, which represents what you think it does. So for -- I would like to request as a member of the committee that that study be done on the Congressional District 7. I would also like to request because the way you keep describing the map itself, is that Districts 1 through 6 may have caused the question or may not have caused to question so there is a situation where that same study may have been done on the other districts. I would also like to see that information as well. Can I get that? First, can I get the study done on Congressional District 7 to make sure that the 54% represents what you think you're saying? And then also, can I get this, the results of the studies that they've been done on other district? Because Senator McClendon, you represented that they had been. So I would like to see that data as well. Is that possible?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Is there a particular percentage you'd be interested in seeing in District 7?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: That's the whole point. I want the study done so I'll know. I'm not going to -- I can't just blindly tell you what are percentage I would need in an area to make sure that it complies with the Voting Rights Act, one, but two, it is a -- I guess what you

would consider a safe majority-minority district. That's the whole point of the study. So I would like the study to be done on Congressional District 7 and I would also like for you to give me the results of the other studies on the other districts that you mentioned may or may not have caused to you some consternation.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay, Mr. England, here's what I'll do. I'll request a study on District 7 for you, and I'll request the study be done on Senator Singleton's bill that he introduced also. How's that?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Yes.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: It's possible to do it. I mean, we're going to talk about it. Okay. I'll do on both of them.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: To also kind of take a step back, this process isn't resultoriented. Meaning, that we're not collected here to go over the data and the maps just to meet the deadline. We are actually supposed to do some qualitative work on the information that you provided us so we don't send maps or information to LRS to be drawn up into something that can't pass. I mean, and I get it. I mean, we work with deadlines all the time, but this committee structure was set up especially for this component because it's actually a joint committee for the house and the senate that goes over all four maps. So we can actually take a deep dive in that information, in the data and actually produce a map that actually satisfies all the things that you've been mentioning since the very beginning about keeping counties whole, about not splitting precincts, about making sure that equal protection is valid and making sure that the Voting Right Act is complied with. That's what this process is for, is to vet the information that we're getting. Because we may go through this process and discover that some of the is corrupted and it's not reliable or, we may actually if we had done a racial polarization study, we may actually find out that that 54% that you're talking about doesn't actually represent the information that you're giving us, and that you have made an assumption that could jeopardize an entire map. So again, not trying to diminish the effort, the herculean effort that you had to undertake to get us to this point, the point here isn't just to get it done so we can get a bill prepared. The point here is to actually vet the information so we know what we're actually doing in this process.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I understand, and I tell you we're going to spend a lot of time on this differential privacy, and that's going to come up sooner or later. Senator Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I would just -- if you all, I would like to know first on any of the congressional districts, did you all receive a written report regarding the study that he is requesting on 7? We say it that on some of them, it was done. All right. So whatever ones that were done, do we have a written report from that attorney, from whoever it is that we had to do it. We are saying that it was done on A B, C, or D. Do we have anything in writing that was sent to this committee to you all or sent to the community itself that would suggest that that is actually a fact? That's the first question. Do we have anything?

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: When we saw that 54% plus in the Seventh District majority-minority, we didn't think it needed a racial polarization analyzation and a lot to be analyzed and we didn't request racial voting polarization study on the majority of white districts.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. So we don't have that, that's the correct answer. We don't have anything in writing that's been sent to you all regarding that you should --

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I have not seen anything.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. All right. So we can't hold out then that that has been done. Okay. So that's the first thing. The second thing is this. We have an attorney that as you say very capable of being able to do what's necessary. I cannot understand the most important, the most important and really the only opportunity we as a committee member while we are going through these maps. I cannot understand for the love of life why he is not even sitting over there or he is not on Zoom. That doesn't make any sense. We are asking questions and we can't, you all cannot give the detail. I didn't say it to generalization, but you cannot give the detailed answer -- we keep telling them whether attorney need, an attorney and that's fine. Because if that's the answer. But then, that attorney need to be over there to answer what you just said that he did. I mean, that's an attorney for the committee and that is the most important meeting that he could ever be at being able to get him on there to give those responses as to the things that you all don't have first of all, documentation and secondly, that he in fact was the person who created, who suggested it and it was adopted to present to us by you all. So I'm asking to get him on here. I don't care if the phone.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: [INDISCERNIBLE 00:57:18]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah. I don't care if you get the phone or we can't Zoom, we deserve to have those people in here where we can ask those questions to get answers. Thank you.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes, Ms. Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Thank you. You indicated in your report about meeting with all of the members of congress, except for one. Are you able to tell me that once the maps were drawn, did they have an opportunity to view this map? And, what was their impression?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: They all saw. The one that we didn't meet was Mo Brooks because he's no longer running. But they've all had the opportunity to look at them and make suggestions, make requests in what they would like to see in their district, yes.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And did they indicate that they felt that what you've presented is fair and --?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: To the best of my knowledge, yes. I was not in the meetings.

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REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Thank you.

MALE 1: Mr. Chairman, our renewed motion for roll call vote.

M SENATOR MCCLENDON: We have a motion before us to adopt the congressional plan.

Clerk, recall the roll.

CLERK: Senator Holley?

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Allen?

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Levison?

SENATOR LEVISON: Aye.

CLERK: Senator McClendon?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

CLERK: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

CLERK: Senator Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No.

CLERK: Senator Williams?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah.

CLERK: Representative Boyd?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYD: No.

CLERK: Representative Clouse?

REPRESENTATIVE CLOUSE: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye.

CLERK: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No.

CLERK: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: No.

CLERK: Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: No.

CLERK: Representative Lovvorn?

REPRESENTATIVE LOVVORN: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE PRINGLE: Aye.

CLERK: Representative South?

REPRESENTATIVE SOUTH: Aye.

CLERK: Representative Wood?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Aye.

CLERK: Fifteen yeses, six nos. The motion passed.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Thank you committee members. Coming forth now is the State Board of Education in development of this plan. All state board members were met with in person or by phone, follow up meetings were held, sometimes by phone, some on Microsoft Team until all of their concerns were addressed. All board members had inputs. This plan meets our committee guidelines, complies with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and Equal Protection clause. There is a minimum population deviation between the districts, all population state board is 628,035 plus or minus five.

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Respects counties to the extent possible of taking into consideration requirements for equal population does not require incumbents to run against each other. District continuous and reasonably compact, respects communities of interest, preserves the course of existing districts, the precinct splits, five counties are splits, five counties with zero splits. It's an improvement over the current law with 12 versus 5 splits. Tuscaloosa County, Jefferson, Talladega, Montgomery and Mobile each have our split. Contains two majority-black, Districts 4 and 5. The BVAP for 4 is 51.2 1%. BVAP for 5 is 51.2 7% and the functionality studies that we've talked about indicate that Section 2 requires no further adjustment to these BVAPs in order to fulfill our obligation under the Voting Rights Act. With that introduction, I move adoption of the plan as you have received. I have a second on that, a motion and adoption and I recognize my good friend Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you Senator. I can't speak for anybody that's in here, but I have no knowledge of which changes had to be made in here. Is that I would like to go through the changes in each district adjustments. What is the adjustment that you had to make in drawing some out? We can start with warning going all the way to the last one there.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: The changes are detailed. You've got a folder Senator.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I would have to read.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: That's the changes in it and from -- let me tell you this.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Mr. Chairman, do you want me to -- if you recognize me, I'll take this folder and then read them out. But tell me, I got, so Smitherman is that last vote. I don't like them. I am not even seen none of these until I just walked in at one o'clock. So I don't understand. But I'm requesting either that we go over or I'm requesting the opportunity to -- if I got to read it, let me read it out loud and everybody sit here and we read and then we have discussions about it. I don't mind doing whatever you tell me to do. But I do want to go over these. I mean just to ram them down my throat, that is not right. If I can't go over them, then you're ramming it down my throat because I just got this. I mean, I came down here and you

meet you and nobody said nothing about change, anything, it was about this. Nobody gave me anything. I am not saying nothing until I got this right now. So I'm asking, please tell me whether we change in one? What we change in two, that's reasonable.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Would you like a little five-minute break to read over that thing Senator?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: It'd take more than five minutes to read because I still got questions. Reading don't eliminate the questions because I need a big old map up there. I need a map, I need the overlay. Since you all know what I need, I will need to overlay and then I could see where that is and I could say, "Well, what area is that and then what's the result of that? What impact did it have on initial?" So that I've been asking for the maps and I know that they have it because I saw overlay when I came in here. So I know we have the capability and that's all I'm asking.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I wish you'd let us know ahead of time. Well Senator, if you want to talk about this, this is your opportunity to go ahead and do that. Now, I will tell you as far as asking me a lot of details on the BOA map, I was not involved and I was involved peripherally but not in detail. So if there's things you would like to discuss and ask and talk about on this thing that you have the floor and you're just welcome to do so.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I could do a decent job of that if I got the map up there, well I can ask. That doesn't tell me anything. I'm looking at the one, it didn't tell me anything. It just tell me that these are the new lines. They didn't tell me what's the overlay, what we're taking out, what we had to add in anything like that in terms of the precincts.

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: So do you have specific questions about parts of the map and I'll see what I can find out.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yes sir.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I narrow it down and help me out here and I'll see what I can do.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: The basic question I like to overlay, like to see the comparison and contrast, either way that it's set up that you got to set up in the machine -- presently and what changes this.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay I'll see what you want. I don't know if we're capable of doing that but why don't you talk about any parts of this that catches your attention and I'll check and see what our IT folks can do as far as complying with your request. We might be able to put them side-by-side with the new one. We might be able to do that. I don't know, but I'll be glad to check on that and see what we can do.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well specific questions, I can't give them to you because I don't know the overlay. That's why I got to have it. I mean, this is the finished product and I'm asking about the contrast between old product and the finished and I don't even have that before me in this where I can do that sitting in, you can think of anything. I don't have it. That's why I'm asking for it and I know we got it because like I said, I was here and I saw that we have overlaying capabilities.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We did have, and I think we put online. I'm not sure, but I think we put online today old map, new map. We'll see.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I did the first time, I've seen this.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: While he makes that request, is anybody else. We'll get back to you Senator.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I have questions.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Under the current map that we're looking at now, was this drawn based on the 5% deviation plus-minus?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Yes, sir.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Could you tell me in District 4 and District 5 what was the population gain or population loss for you to be able to -- because in order for you to do the 5% deviation, you had to look at the gain or loss in that. So therefore, you had to move around in precincts.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I don't have a -- it's 27,686 people under that deal. It's 228,659 whites, 319,828 blacks.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: So there's about 27,000 population loss in that district?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: It's under population idea by 27, has a deviation of minus 4.61%. It's 38.9% white, 53.27% black.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Where would you have made that part pull more citizens black there in Jefferson County to make up that deviation?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'm not sure where it came from Senator. I'm sorry.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: See, that's the kind of stuff we would need to know in order to be able to approve maps when you start making these kinds of adjustments. I definitely would like to know that because it's not detailed on these maps where your adjustments came in terms of making adjustment to make up that. If you look at the next one and which covers most of the black built, I'm certainly there was some loss there.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: District 5?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Yes.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Which is 621,817 people which is a 6,218.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: How many?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: 6,218.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: 252,012 whites, 326,931 blacks. That's 40.53% white, 52.58 blacks. In fact, voting age population is 51.27%.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay. And again, you can't tell me where the makeup of that population, which direction you went to get the makeup in that population in your precincts?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I can't tell you right off the top of my head, no sir.

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SENATOR MCCLENDON: Thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Smitherman rest assured. We're over here chasing some electrons around trying to.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Representative Hall, did you have something to say in the event?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I do. I'd like to ask a question that I asked earlier as it relates to the school board plan. Did we do the ratio polarization polarized voting study on these districts?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. My answer would be the same as it was before. Any time there was any suspicion that there might be a racial issue, we did submit these to a political scientist to give us an analysis.

MALE 1: Mr. Chairman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Just a minute.

MALE 1: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You're still up.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Okay. Yeah. So you're saying that when you felt that was not a given, that was not part of the process of drawing the maps. So I'm going to get the same response on each one of the --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, ma'am we didn't. I'm sorry, I didn't mean to interrupt you, Ms. Hall. We didn't automatically do every district on every map. We only sent the district's offer analysis where it looked like there might be an issue. If there's any suspicion of an issue, we had them analyzed, and then using that data, we tried to make them -- that wouldn't be an issue where we comply with the voting rights there. Does that answer your question?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Yeah. I'm just trying to make sure I was understanding correctly. So, we didn't do that for congressional and we didn't do it for school boards. I've done it for any of the others.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. I'm going back if you'll hang on just a minute. Senator Smitherman, have we got the map up done? Okay. There you go.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Now, what's the overlay? I'm okay side by side or whatever you want to call it.

MR. CHAIRMAN: According to my expert, the blue lines are the old and the colors are the new.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay.

MR. CHAIRMAN: So he said there's been a good bit of rearranging. But there always is when you have the population changes like we've had in Alabama this past decade.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: My first question would be, why is Jefferson County split three different ways? I mean, we just split Chow for every one of these maps we got. Why come into our county and split it three different ways?

MR. CHAIRMAN: You know, these maps were created pretty much in the same style that the senate maps which you participated in and house maps, and that we worked with each of the existing board members, and so many times these changes were made in consultation with the existing board members. Just like you had input into your senate map, they had input into this map.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I appreciate you giving them input but I will say this, after the input and everything is done. They don't vote for this. We do.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Right.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So, the input all right, but the input are not like ours, because we don't want going to vote. And so that's why it's important for us to understand. They may like something. I got constituents that don't like it. I got a lot of them that don't like the fact that we

split up three ways in here. I'm talking about seriously. They don't want to be split up like that. That's why I said what I said in that regard. What about the other ones? What was the rationalization for the other changes that exist in the other ones? And this one, too. What was the rationalization? Why was it split three ways?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That was probably the biggest part of it is dealing with the existing members. That's where the most input came from.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. So, we took in consideration what individual people won't, and I'm not saying you didn't take it at all but it seems to me that, and you correct me if it's not right. I don't mind being corrected. Well, we seem that we were focusing more on what they wanted than what the citizens wanted or what the better way to draw that map without splitting those counties.

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Because I'm telling you what citizens are concerned about, they telling you what individual they want and don't want and that takes us out of the game, because we're represent those same citizens and we vote. So I would ask that you all go back and look at where you don't have to split Jefferson County like that, and then provide a map that does not do that. But now what's the other deviations and the changes? In the other deviations, what did you all have to pick up and what did you lose?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, the deviations of course are in compliance with the guidelines that this committee adopted and every district within plus or minus 5% of the target. So we've stayed -- this map is inside the deviations that we established really is our own guidelines to how to do this and how to do it in a sense of fairness.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. In regards to follow up on Senator Sings question, I know he mentioned something about one of those districts. It was 26% population. Can you tell us what population each one of those? On each one of them.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I think you've got that data.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I don't have it all in one though. I got what you say it is in the new district.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, because we know what the target. So we got that in this folder? Okay. It's in the back of your folder. You got it in writing.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: The old and under?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Well, you may have to add or subtract from the target to see what the difference is.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Well in that case, I move a 30 minutes recess. I got to do some math. [INDISCERNIBLE 1:17:03] some math. Give me time to do. The figure is all over that low. I mean, I know they are. You all could tell me about my own district. You know about every district in every plan it is.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right. I'm looking at the data that you've got in your folder, and I'm looking at district five. It gives the ideal population, gives the actual population then it gives the deviation. So, you've got all of that information in writing in your folder?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What's the ideal population? The actual population?

MR. CHAIRMAN: It's at the very back of your

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I see that part what you're saying right. I see it. Now, the other question there, where did we make of those numbers from? What precincts?

MR. CHAIRMAN: I was moved around to create the district.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't know the answer to that. Oh, no.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Do we have the answer in this room?

MR. CHAIRMAN: A lot of precincts. Well, it doesn't matter. What you know is what the old district is and now, before you, you have what the new district is. So now where some people came from, that is the overlay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: You said it don't matter, it does to me. I just wanted to say that it may not to nobody else, but it does. That's why I'm asking the question. I wouldn't ask the question being dealing --

MR. CHAIRMAN: Are you asking me and listen Senator Smitherman, I'm trying to get what you want here, but you want to know where people came from or where they went. That's what your overlay map shows us, where the changes were made, which precincts were in a district before and which ones are in our district now. Does that answer your question?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: It answers 50%.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: But the other part is that it does not talk about what area. [INDISCERNIBLE 1:18:56] and put it over here. That's what I'm saying. We don't have any writing up there. I wouldn't have to ask, and we do have maps that is that detail. You all know that. I know you do, because you all the chairman's. You know we do, and that's what I was asking. I mean, do we have capabilities of doing that? Yes. And that's all I'm asking. In every

one of these things, we're going to do -- I would like to see that. So that at the, we can make a better understanding of what we vote on and taking places from people, because people ask us especially up in mayor. They don't want to be over here. They want the county to be whole. And so when you make the moves, and that tells me what people will move and what people will left and that has a basis too of the way I feel about this plan because all of us, we are here to represent the people in our district, and these are concerns of people in the district. Is there any way to know that?

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MALE 1: No, sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: It's not? You sure now? I mean, I was here when we did it, when we provided it.

MALE 1: Well, it could be that.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So even in man, I saw precincts. You remember you were in here when I came. I saw precincts. So I'm not making up some, you was in there with me when we saw those precincts.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Now we can bring that down and we can get that to you but as far as it's coming before this committee, what we have presented and this is what we've got before us today.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: And I have no problem with you presented and that's what before us. I just want some answers of what's before us. That's all I'm asking.

MALE 1: All right, sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So, can we get that information? Can we break it down? Let me just say this, I understand that we can, all we have to do, even out there is take number one and then put the details in and put it across there. That's all we got to do and then we'll see where it comes from. We should put that old, that blue line or whatever that line over there and that's like it is right there. The old and new and put the detail in there and it's over there in that computer right there. That's all we got to do. It's right there. I ain't asking for the man who ain't that available lawyer we got. I'm asking him about that computer right there.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Okay, where we're examining on the capability of this system that we have now to the extent that we can.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. There we go. That's what I'm talking about. That's I'm saying pop up there.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Is there any particular area that you would like to look at?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I like to --

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Do you want to look at your area and --

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: First all [INDISCERNIBLE 01:22:03], I like to look at the one above and I think that's six or whatever that is above that, every part, me particularly every one of those districts that Jefferson County, I like to see that part, that district that touches. It's three of them and I like to be told what I'm looking at, so I'll be sure of what I see. Yeah, you getting it. I was looking over that Tarrant and I'm looking at Inglenook, Brownsville. I'm looking at those.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yes, sir.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We're going to spend, if you want to spend, we're going to spend about 10 minutes with you.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That's fine, I'll take it here.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:23:10] on this and then we're going to get you back on business.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: 10 is better than zero. Take the 10.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: You're always a 10 Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you, Senator. Sun Valley, so that the blue is the new, right?

MALE 1: That's right.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: The blue is old. Blue is old and the colors are new. Okay. What district is that green? What number district? Four? It's number four? Blue, that y 'all call it blue. Okay. All right. So, it's the color is a change? Let me see. And it's four, four is the C5 and what six is the majority of the districts, five and; no, five and what? What number Mr. Chairman? I was just trying to speed up the process. Which one is five and what's the other one you say is a majority? African-American district, [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:42] voting population? It's five and it's four and five?

MALE 2: Five, four is 51.2. Five is 51. [INDISCERNIBLE 01:24:57].

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SENATOR SMITHERMAN: How can we tighten it up that you don't have already splits in that county? Did y 'all look at that? Did you play with the map and look at it and see what it looked like?

SENATOR MCCLENDON: We played with a map and you certainly will have an opportunity if you've got a better plan for us. You'll have an opportunity to like that proposal to the legislator when we meet.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So, that's four, that all the four right there? I see some more at the bottom, is that part of four? And above four is what, seven? That's at the top of Jefferson County?

MALE 2: Yes, sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What percentage of seven is in Jefferson County? Anybody can tell me that? So we got three in Jefferson County and we got four and we got seven. Now, those are three at [INDISCERNIBLE 01:26:13] Jefferson County?

MALE 2: Yes.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Three, four and seven. It's seven, four and three. So in four, we went straight up. We did like the old seven in congressional. We went straight up in the Jefferson County to pull those people out, is that correct? Why we could not make Jefferson County whole or Tuscaloosa whole and keep those whole and satisfy that population? Did y 'all try to do that? And if you did - -

SENATOR MCCLENDON: I'm sure that was looked at and considered.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: But you're not sure though. Okay, I was going to ask why. I'm not going to put you on the spot if you don't know, you know. Okay. All right, Mr. Chair, I see what's been done and I know what the people want. Thank you very much on that.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Senator Smitherman, thank you for your participation and your comments. As always, a pleasure. Call a question. Roll call vote. There's no more discussion and let me see, Senator Singleton, do you have a question before we call roll? Call roll, please.

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen?

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Holly?

SENATOR HOLLY: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:27:59].

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston?

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SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator McCLendon?

SENATOR MCLENDON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR ROBERTS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield?

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Smitherman?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Williams?

SENATOR WILLIAMS: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:28:20].

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyte?

REPRESENTATIVE BOYTE: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Clouse?

REPRESENTATIVE CLOUSE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Ellis?

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative England?

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer?

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Jones?

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn?

REPRESENTATIVE 1: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Pringle?

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative South?

REPRESENTATIVE SOUTH: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Woolett?

REPRESENTATIVE WOOLETT: Aye.

FEMALE 1: 16 yes, 6 no. It's passed.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: BOE, bill to favorable report by this committee. We are now moving into the Senate bill. I'm going to take that bill. All senators were met with multiple times. Most of them wanted to. Sometimes we met on the phone, sometimes in person, sometime over Microsoft Team when there was a group. Senator Don, who is not running for re-election. We met with her representative speaking on her behalf. All senators had input into the plan. This plan follows our guidelines, compliance with Section 2. Minimal population deviation. Ideal pop is 143,551. All of the districts that are on this map that you have in your folder and which will get displayed are within plus or minus 5%.

[01:30:00]

We respect County Lowndes to the extent possible, given the requirement of equal population. We are not requiring any incumbents to run against each other; districts are continuous and they're not reasonably compact. We try to respect calamities of interest and we preserve the cores of the existing district. The existing plan, the one we're under right now splits 26 counties under the plan that is being proposed that you have on the Board now. We are split 19 counties. This plan contains eight majority black districts. These districts fulfill the state's obligation under the Voting Rights Act. I have a Motion for a favorable report and a second Senator Melson, are there any -- Senator Smitherman, it's about time you chimed in. Got involved in this.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: This is one that goes even deeper than that what I've been talking about. I got serious concerns about the fact -- let me say this first.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes sir.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I'm going to make a personal comment; and then I'm going to get into this. I enjoy very much working with my delegation, let me make sure you understand that. We've done a lot of good things together; so by no means that I have any problem with any individual in my district, I mean, in my delegation. But let me say this to you, there's no reason under the earth why Jefferson County is split among seven senators. We have a population of 670,000 people. When you do the math, just divide it into that, that's 4.7 senators. That's what we should have in terms of our county. Whole county, keeping the county whole. Number one, let me say this; and I think -- that's why I wish the lawyer was here because he wouldn't have a choice but to say you were right. The Constitution in Section 199 and Section 200 states and I state that the counties are to be maintained to be kept whole in terms of drawing these districts. The only deviation that it talks about is simply this; is that where you have to provide a minority district; then you go outside of the counties to succeed to do that. In Jefferson County, that does not apply. All three minority districts are inside of the county. So, as a result of that, there is no reason that that county should have those splits, based on the constitution, not based on an opinion or how I feel. I've mentioned that when I was in here, I mentioned that my concern, when I was asked the question that you satisfied, not the word satisfied, but that's with the district, and my comment is that I was concerned about whole counties, and I say that even if the Supreme Court ruled that way that I had to have this district then I will live with it, that's what my comment so I don't want to be misconstrued or what I say it in there. I'm saying it officially here. But in terms of Jefferson County, there's no reason why we should be split seven ways and I mentioned that to it made that known, no effort was made to deal with that issue. No effort was made to deal with that issue based on the constitution. So, I want to make that known that I put it out there, nothing was done about it, so, that is my concern. If you remember, that last time that we went to the Supreme Court, they took up the house issue and they addressed it in the house and said that the house should be a certain way because of dealing with this issue. Now, we're looking at the senate district that the committee has made no changes whatsoever and as a result of that, as I said, we have seven senators who represent one county. So, I'm asking the committee to go back to address section 199 and section 200 of the constitution that talks about whole counties and has laid out the proper legal basis of why we should do that especially as it relates to Jefferson County where all three minority districts encompass inside of the county.

[01:35:00]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay, anyone else? Seeing no other discussion, I call for the roll call vote. Representative England, I missed you over there, hold that roll call vote. Representative England, you are recognized sir.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I'm just trying to figure out almost the same lines that Senator Smitherman identified that's Lucy County for whatever reason has three senators and it is carved up. It's going to be 200,000 people total and it has three senators that come from -don't really represent the same sort of communities of interest and Senator Singleton is my friend. He is my senator, but his district goes from Tuscaloosa County all the way down to Choctaw. Senator Reed who is also a friend, his district goes from Tuscaloosa County all the way to the northern tip of Walker all the way to Lamar. These are not communities of interest. The City of Tuscaloosa proper only has average three-member senate delegation; only one of the senators live actually inside of Tuscaloosa County. So, the people in Tuscaloosa County, there are people who have more influence or just as much influence of his own city in county business that live outside the county as members that who do. Now, we're not talking about the house delegation yet, but the house delegation is worse. So, I am just as many other senators and representatives, where you have a major city, it is often sacrificed in order to make up population for other districts. As a result, it sacrifices the amount of representation that we have. So, I just want to go on record once again to state that Tuscaloosa County is possible to draw a map without splitting it into three different districts, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you Representative England for your remarks. Senator Smitherman, back to you.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: At the proper time, I have a substitute motion.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Let's see, anyone else have anything else to say? Yes, sir, Mr. [PH 01:37:24] Myer. Did you want to get in on this?

MR. MYER: I'm just concerned about, I guess the Senate District 33 is now in Baldwin County but it's traditionally all in Mobile County and then some of the Baldwin County senators are now in Mobile County; I didn't quite understand that. The Baldwin County is the largest grove county around the state. How did we get a senator from Baldwin County in Mobile and then the senators from Mobile in Baldwin? Who are they coming to cross path like that?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Is that a question?

MR. MYER: Yes, it is.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You know, the answer is pretty easy, isn't it? Just like in the house districts, we had to sit down and work with each of the incumbents to resolve their issues and that appears to be the resolution. Senator Smitherman, are you back?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yes sir, I'm back.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes sir, I recognize you. You're okay?

MALE 1: No, I'm not okay but -- Senator Smitherman.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes sir, Senator Smitherman, you're recognized.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I like to make a substitute motion that we carry over this plan and the motion ask the committee to go back and to look at making the basis for drawing this plan to perseveration of this provision of the constitution which is Section 199, 200 deals with whole counties and that in particular, the counties who have an excess amount of representation as it relates to the population in reference I'm talking to primarily Jefferson County, but all other counties that we would not go forward with this until that issue is addressed and corrected to reflect out of the 678 -- 70 something thousand people that the proper number of representation in the senate honoring whole counties would be five senators, 4.7 or 5 senators, thank you.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you Senator Smitherman. Now, my commotion to table, I would ask that you all vote aye all in favor, say aye.

[01:40:00]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That's a rollcall, remember --

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Smitherman, you're recognized.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: A request was made for rollcall on all the votes from --

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, sir, the chairman decided to make that a voice vote.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So you're not honoring her request for -- she made a formal request.

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's okay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay, what's the rule does a committee regarding? I know on the floor what you had two or three hands up. Is there any rules that we can -- as a committee be recognize so that we can have a roll call vote?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's a discretion of the chairman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: So they go back to what I say. Okay. All right, thank you.

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MR. CHAIRMAN: Senator Singleton, did you decide you want to join in?

SENATOR SINGLETON: Obviously not now.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: You have time later, don't worry, you have time later. You have

some time.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Do you want the floor Senator Singleton?

SENATOR SINGLETON: No sir.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you. Let's roll call vote. Please call the room.

FEMALE 1: [PH 01:41:10] Barry Allen.

MALE 1: Let's make it a voice vote.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen.

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Holley.

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Livingston.

SENATOR LIVINGSTON: Aye.

FEMALE: Senator McClendon.

SENATOR MCCLENDON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Melson.

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Orr?

SENATOR ORR: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Roberts?

SENATOR MELSON: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Scofield.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Senator Singleton.

SENATOR SINGLETON: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Smitherman

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No.

FEMALE 1: Senator Williams.

SENATOR WILLIAMS: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Boyte.

REPRESENTATIVE BOYTE: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative [PH 01:41:45] Clouse.

REPRESENTATIVE CLOUSE: Aye

FEMALE 1: Representative Ellis.

REPRESENTATIVE ELLIS: Aye

FEMALE 1: Representative England.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Greer.

REPRESENTATIVE GREER: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Hall.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Jones.

REPRESENTATIVE JONES: No.

FEMALE 1: Representative Lovvorn.

REPRESENTATIVE LOVVORN: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Pringle.

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS PRINGLE: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative South

REPRESENTATIVE SOUTH: Aye.

FEMALE 1: Representative Wood.

REPRESENTATIVE WOOD: Aye.

FEMALE 1: 16 yeses, 6 nos. It's passed.

MALE 1: Thank you, senator. Ladies and gentlemen, now we move to the House of Representatives plan. In developing this plan, house members were met with in person. And subsequently over the phone on Microsoft teams and told many of their concerns have been addressed. All representatives had input into this plan. The exceptions are a handful of members who are not running for re-election and who chose not to meet with us. This plan meets our committee guidelines. It complies of section two of the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause for the Constitution. There is a minimal population deviation between the districts, ideal population for house district is 47,850. All districts are within plus or minus 5% of ideal population. It respects counties to the extent possible, given the requirements for population on the 14th Amendment of the Constitution. It is not required incumbents to run against each other however there are a few members who are not running who are in other districts. All districts are continuous and reasonably compact under the Gingles test. It respects communities of interest and preserves the course of existing districts. It splits a minimum number of counties in voting precincts, 39 counties for split and 57 voting precincts for split to get the deviation. This is improvement of the current law which split 46 counties. This plan contains 27 majority minority black districts including the creation of a new majority black district in Montgomery which is House District 74. In addition, House District 53 held by minority leader Daniels has a black voting population of 48.15% which he said he was comfortable having. Well that ladies and gentlemen, are there any questions?

MALE 2: Motion to adopt.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I have a question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Okay, Representative England.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: Its seems like the whole county constitutional requirement applies everywhere but Tuscaloosa County. Again, there are 200% people inside the Tuscaloosa County and as it stands, there are seven members in that delegation. Of the seven, only four live

within the county. You mentioned in your discussions, you said we try to keep communities of interest together, representative Ralph Howards, district now draws all the way into Tuscaloosa - not only Tuscaloosa County but in the city limits. He goes into the west side of Tuscaloosa which is majority minority.

[01:45:08]

MR. CHAIRMAN: And he is very happy with that by the way because he told me how excited he was.

REPRESENTATIVE ENGLAND: I appreciate you offering editorial for me. Secondly, District 71 goes into downtown or to the west side of Tuscaloosa. It also encompasses Pickens, Sumter and Marengo counties. It also goes into the west of Tuscaloosa and it captures the other half of the black population on the west side of Tuscaloosa. I don't think that's by accident. As it stands, the City of Tuscaloosa also now has a seven-member delegation of which three do not live anywhere near the county. The minority majority area of the city is represented by representatives that live an hour and hour and a half away. It is carved up in the City of Tuscaloosa to the point where it is very difficult to say for us to suggest that people that live in the county that the people that live outside the county don't have as much influence on what we do as the people who live inside of the county, especially the city limits. You also mentioned that it [PH 01:46:35] complies with the Voting Rights Act. I would also like to request the same information that I have requested all day long. I would like the same results from the same studies that we're conducting and that there has not been a study done on my District, District 70, 71, 72 or any district within the city of Tuscaloosa, I would like to have the results of those studies but not only that, I would like to also know who conducted the study and I would like to see the results. As far as across the state, I get the whole concept of try to keep counties whole and whatnot. But it does not appear that that was a guiding principle whenever you got to areas that where districts were minority. It seems like you dove into cities just to capture the black population and to pack them into districts to re-establish a population but to make sure that their influence does not spread outside to potentially impact an election in what would be a traditionally white or republican district specifically, in Tuscaloosa. So as I said, I would love to see -- I'm requesting the same information I have requested about the congressional districts and also, if there's any districts out where there are racial polarization studies were done, I would also like to see those as well.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you and duly noted, we will get back to you. [PH 01:48:06] Senator Smitherman.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Two questions, one statement one question. I would request the same thing for all senator districts, okay. That study that they are trying to get, I would like for all senator districts. So I wanted to say that, I'm not saying you would but don't make a judgment [INDISCERNIBLE 01:48:28]. As a member, I am entitled to and I would ask for that. If we don't have it, spend the money and why we [PH 01:48:36] appropriate it. So any savings of money, either is about getting the necessary stuff that we need to get. The other question I would ask because I kind of heard you. Un your statement you said, you went on like you spoke to in your statement but I would like to know how many districts have been combined to where you

have now someone who is either waiting for a position that's open, that's obviously right now or who is -- or has been placed where two incumbents are now having to run against each other?

MR. CHAIRMAN: In the house plan, there is zero.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: What about that [INDISCERNIBLE 01:49:20]?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: There is not?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Okay. So he is not in the district with -- what's the other [PH 01:49:27] sister that's in Montgomery?

MR. CHAIRMAN: He passed away but the candidate -- there are no two candidates that I know off. I don't know if he is going to run but no.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Can she run? Ms. [PH 01:49:40] Morris and that's --

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't know the name of anybody.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: No, I was just saying Ms. Morris, that's [INDISCERNIBLE 01:49:49] putting Ms. Morris' district. Not understanding. Is that right? Am I wrong or right? Correct me if I'm wrong because I try to make statements that's right.

[01:50:00]

MALE 2: Yeah, couple of house district.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Right. So, you know, what are we going to do to correct that? And I'll stop when you said it, I want to make a comment. All I want to say is this and the records speak for itself and if Senator [INDISCERNIBLE 01:50:16] was in here, he would, I think vouch for that. We made sure that no districts when we were in the majority ever, to republicans or to democrats that they had to run against each other. That's traditionally what we've done in here. All the time that I've been had the blessings and opportunity to be on Reapportionment and that since 1994. So now why are we doing that? And why are we doing it in a minority district? I mean, we got 105 seats out there now, why are we picking these minority district? They have two of them run against each other.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Not that I'm aware of in Montgomery County. And I know when I ran in 94, I defeated -- two incumbents were put in the same district and I beat two of them. Not to get two incumbents.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: There was a 94 run. Remember I said I've been here since 1994, it hasn't happened. He will vouch how much I folded in my [INDISCERNIBLE 01:51:10] and make sure that wouldn't happen.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We did not place any incumbents together.

MALE 2: Mr. Chairman, why you may say you didn't have any incumbents together, but you did have a candidate that was out there running in 76. That are currently running in 76. You have candidates that are currently running and 76 who would now not be in 76 because if they wanted them, they would not represent 76.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't believe that's the best the case anymore.

MALE 2: That is the case.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I don't believe it is anymore.

MALE 2: Explain the new district 74 if Represented [INDISCERNIBLE 01:51:50] was living today.

MR. CHAIRMAN: He would be in another district but--

MALE 2: It will be in another district, so he wouldn't be in 76.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah but the person running his district is in that district.

MALE 2: In what district in the new district?

MR. CHAIRMAN: [INDISCERNIBLE 01:52:01].

[BACKROUND CONVERSATION]

MALE 2: No but now, they are tagged with another incumbent, who lives in that area now.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm aware of what you believe, but I promise you the plan has been changed.

MALE 2: The plan has been changed?

MALE 1: Can you show us a change?

MALE 2: Could you explain the changes?

[OVERLAY]

MALE 1: We can't see it. It doesn't clearly show here. Yeah, help me out with that.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MALE 1: 76 is the new 74 that's been fixed.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

MR. CHAIRMAN: While we're doing that, Mr. Clouse is there anything you would like to say? We are going to pull that.

MALE 2: Yeah, well you can be seen.

MR. CLOUSE: I just want to make a clarification on my friend Senator Smitherman. It might have been after 2000 census when the democrats were in the majority there were no republicans put together in the Senate.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That's what I'm talking about.

MR. CLOUSE: Right. But in the house, there were two districts, where two republican incumbents were put together.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Yeah well let me come down and I'll [PH 01:53:45] refer it.

MR. CLOUSE: Yeah okay.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Republican Senate did that they won. See, we'll be fair about this thing. That's what I'm talking about. They'll tell you, I'll hide them for them. There isn't anybody allowing for them right now, but us.

[BACKGROUND CONVERSATION]

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: Is that a new district now?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That's a new district.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That district?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: That has been in the county though but that is?

MR. CHAIRMAN: That is. That's whole precincts. So are there any more questions? Now we have a motion? Move to have a final approval to this.

FEMALE 1: Question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yeah, I have done that once. Call roll.

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: She had a question.

MR. CHAIRMAN: All right, let Ms. Hall ask her question.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I was just trying to follow up with what you were saying in terms of the counties. Are we clear and what you're saying in reference to the county that Singleton and Smitherman mentioned as it relates to the candidates, whether the candidate is alive or not does that --

[01:55:00]

MR. CHAIRMAN: Where is perfectly thought.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: All right, and so the -- this is the last activity that we are doing, right?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Yes, ma'am.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I would also like to request precincts for each one of these proposals that you provided today. I'd like to have that.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I will be more than happy to give you all breakdowns with all this stuff.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And then as we look at the rules, it says a legislator shall try to minimize the number of counties in each district. It seems like we're being a bit confused here with what we've heard today. We use the word "shall," it says that you must follow, trial indicates that you might not. And so, would you tell me based on what we have today and what instant would you not minimize the number of counties or the process that you've used here today?

MR. CHAIRMAN: Ma'am we did our very best to respect voting precincts and county lines and keep as many counties hold as possible but the overriding principle of reapportionment is one man one vote. When we went by whole counties in the State of Alabama -- in 1947 the United Supreme Court said the redistricting was a judicial ticket in which the court should not weighed and declared it non-despicable. Until the State of Alabama came and rentals [PH 01:56:37] via sims and our whole our whole county plan where they ruled that it was so egregious that denied people their constitutional right to fair representation. And that's the lawsuit just started all redistricting and the Fourteenth Amendment requires one man one vote and we respect county lines as much as we could but the overriding principle is to draw districts that each person in this room represents the [PH 01:56:59] apportionment the same number of people as every other person.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So it still appears that we've still dividing counties and it's just - and so you're saying that process was necessary.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We split counties and precincts solely for the purpose of population deviations.

MALE 3: Mr. Chairman?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: But we did not do the population study on all of these counties?

MR. CHAIRMAN: No, well, we're going to do the voting studies on the ones we think are necessary, but you don't need a voting study on my district. It's just not needed.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: But I'm saying if we're being fair, when you do a study, you study all you don't study what you think.

MR. CHAIRMAN: No reason.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So help me to understand what the standard is.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Why would you study racial polarized voting in my district?

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I don't know.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I mean, you just --

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: Other than in fact you want a process --

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: I mean the reason we do this to ensure we don't run up against a regression on law suit and violate section two of the Voting Rights Act.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: I shouldn't have said I don't know. I would think you don't do it because you would --

MR. CHAIRMAN: We were doing everything we can to prevent a regression problem and violate section two of the Voting Rights Act. I mean we're trying to follow the law and we don't have a retrogression issue and violate section two.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: So would you violate the law if you did all of this information --

[OVERLAY]

MR. CHAIRMAN: We asked for polarized voting analysis on districts that we were concerned about whether we whether intentionally or unintentionally diminish the ability of a protected class of minority citizens from electing or defeating the candidate of their choice. That's what

we're looking at. We are making sure a protected class minor and compact and cohesive but minority class is able to elect to defeat the candidates of their choosing.

REPRESENTATIVE HALL: And I want to make sure that the record is clear. I'm not asking you to violate the law but I would ask you to be consistent and fair and across the board in the process.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We have met with every member trying to make him happy. Yes, senator?

SENATOR SMITHERMAN: I would just add that you quoted [INDISCERNIBLE 01:59:12] but if you go further it addresses what I see it. You did say what you said but you see what I see it after they said all that bizarre stuff they said however, counties should be made whole where there's possibility except one of the criteria was when you were trying to create a minority district. Unless you're getting ready to give up four in Jefferson County instead of three then we got out inside the county and that does not apply.

MR. CHAIRMAN: I'm a humble contractor and you're a scholared attorney. Well, that we had a question before us, I believe we have a roll call vote, clerk call the roll.

FEMALE 1: Senator Allen

SENATOR ALLEN: Aye.

FEMALE: Senator Holley.

SENATOR HOLLEY: Aye.

FEMALE: Senator Livingston

SENATOR LEVISTON: Aye.

[02:00:00]



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Defendant.

DECLARATION OF LAURA HALL

- I, Laura Hall, declare as follows to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief:
- 1. I am a resident of Huntsville and I am a registered voter in Congressional District 5, located in Madison County, Alabama. I've been a resident of the State of Alabama for 48 years.
 - 2. I am Black or African American.
- 3. I was first elected to the Alabama House of Representatives as the Democratic nominee for Alabama House District 19 in 1993. I was reelected to represent District 19 in 1994, 1998, 2002, 2006, 2010, 2014 and 2018.
- 4. Since being elected to the Alabama House, I have been a member of the Alabama Legislative Black Caucus.
- 5. I currently serve on the Alabama Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment (the "Reapportionment Committee").
- 6. The Reapportionment Committee is responsible for preparing and developing redistricting plans for the Alabama Legislature and Congressional delegation after each U.S. census. The 2021 Reapportionment Committee includes 21 members 15 white Republicans and six Black Democrats.
 - 7. On May 5, 2021, the Reapportionment Committee enacted guidelines for the 2021

redistricting cycle. Senator Jim McClendon and Representative Chris Pringle, the co-chairs of the Committee (the "Co-Chairs"), sent the guidelines to me via email the weekend before May 5. During the meeting, the Co-Chairs asked the Reapportionment Committee, including myself, to vote to approve the guidelines without amendment at the May 5 meeting.

- 8. During my time on the Reapportionment Committee, I requested that the Committee undertake a racial polarization study and otherwise ensure compliance with the Voting Rights Act and U.S. Constitution, but the Co-Chairs allowed very little discussion even with respect to the guidelines.
 - 9. The U.S. Census Bureau released the results of the 2020 Census on August 12, 2021.
- 10. Once census data was released, the Reapportionment Committee, under the leadership of the Co-Chairs, began to develop redistricting plans for Alabama's congressional districts.
- draft maps or proposals, the Committee held 28 public hearings across the state. All public hearings were held on weekdays between the normal workday hours of 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, except for one hearing held at 6:00 pm at the Statehouse in Montgomery. The Reapportionment Committee's decision to hold public hearings on weekdays during workday hours made it difficult for the general public to attend or otherwise participate in the meetings.
- 12. On October 19, 2021, the Alabama State Conference of the NAACP, Greater Birmingham Ministries and other civic groups sent a letter to the Reapportionment Committee. The letter reminded the Reapportionment Committee of our obligations under Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and highlighted the Committee's obligation to conduct a racial-polarization analysis. The letter also stated that redistricting should comply with the Voting Rights Act and the Constitution and ensure that the use of race in redistricting was narrowly tailored to comply with a compelling state interest.
- 13. The Reapportionment Committee did not release the maps to the public until the day of the second, and last, Committee meeting. I did not see the full proposed maps beyond my own district

and those surrounding it until the day before the Reapportionment Committee's second meeting on October 26, 2021.

- 14. No racial-polarization analysis for any districts was provided to the Reapportionment Committee's members before or during our October 26, 2021 meeting. Reapportionment Committee members only received racial demographic and population data for each district under the proposed maps.
- 15. At the October 26 meeting, the Co-Chairs stated that the Reapportionment Committee's lawyer, Dorman Walker, reviewed the maps presented and introduced, including the map for U.S. Congressional districts that became H.B. 1, and determined that they all complied with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the Fourteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. The Co-Chairs did not explain what, if any, factual or legal analysis had been undertaken to reach this conclusion.
- 16. I asked the Co-Chairs whether a racially polarized voting study was done. Other members of the Reapportionment Committee asked the same question. Rep. Pringle told me and other Reapportionment Committee members that no racially polarized voting analysis was conducted for Congressional District 7. He told us this was unnecessary.
- 17. Rep. Pringle told the Reapportionment Committee that Dorman Walker had advised him that a racial-polarization analysis was unnecessary because Congressional District 7 has a Black voting-age population ("BVAP") of around 54%. Rep. Pringle did not explain the significance of that number to the Reapportionment Committee. When Rep. England asked Sen. McClendon to explain the relationship between a BVAP of 54% and the actual or potential results of a racial polarization study, Sen. McClendon replied, "I got no clue."
- 18. During that October 26th meeting, Sen. McClendon explained that Dorman Walker advised him that racial-polarization analyses were only done for state legislative districts—by an unnamed consultant in Georgia—where "it looked like there might possibly be a racial issue" because the district fell below 54% BVAP. Sen. McClendon said that the Georgia consultant had not done a

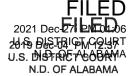
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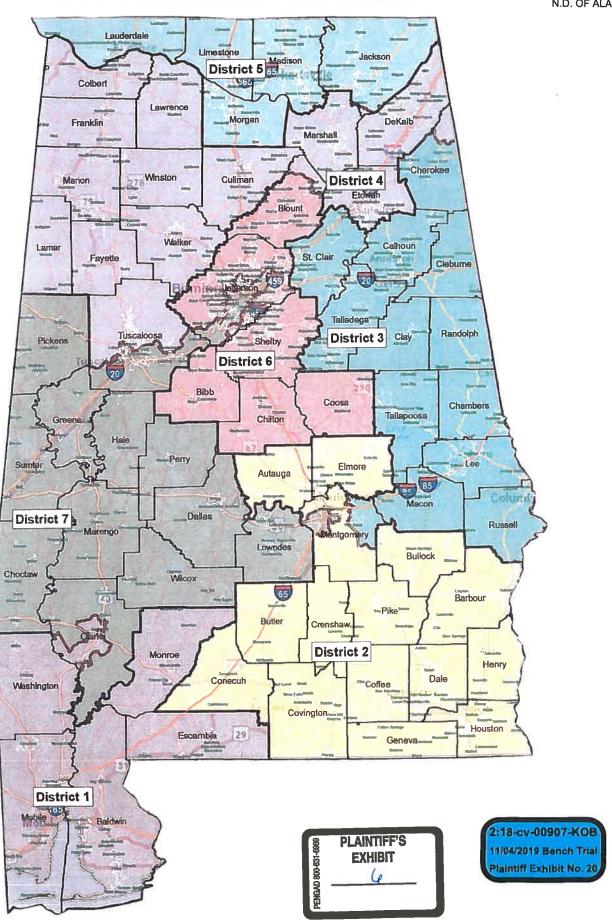
- 19. Neither Mr. Walker nor the Georgia consultant attended any Committee meetings.
- 20. I moved to postpone any vote on the proposed Congressional and state legislative maps until all Reapportionment Committee members and the public had time to review the maps and any related racial-polarization analyses. My motion failed—all six of the Reapportionment Committee's Black members voted for my motion while all white Reapportionment Committee members voted against it.
- 21. The Congressional and State legislative maps also passed the Reapportionment Committee along Black/white lines—with all six of the Black members of the Reapportionment Committee voting against the maps and all 15 white members voting for the maps.
- 22. The Special Legislative Session for redistricting began a mere two days later, on October 28, 2021.
- 23. On November 1, 2021, I wrote a note of dissent in the legislative Journal following the House floor vote on HB 1, the Congressional redistricting map.

Pursuant to 28 U.S. Code § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

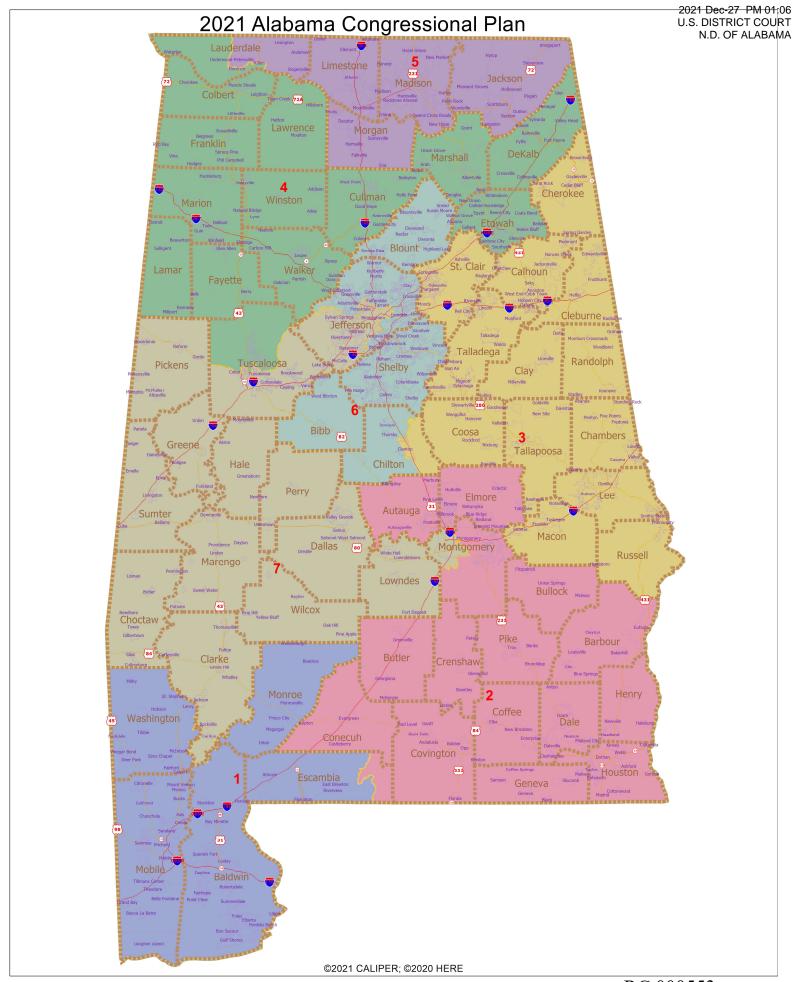
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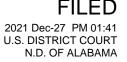
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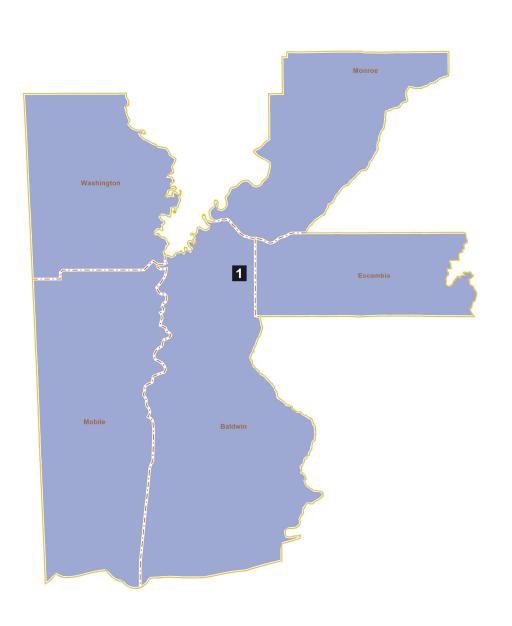






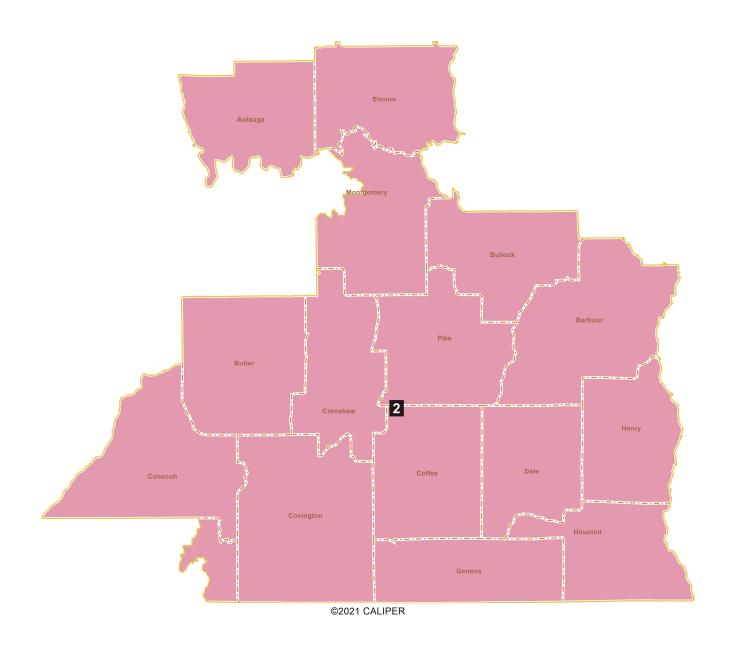




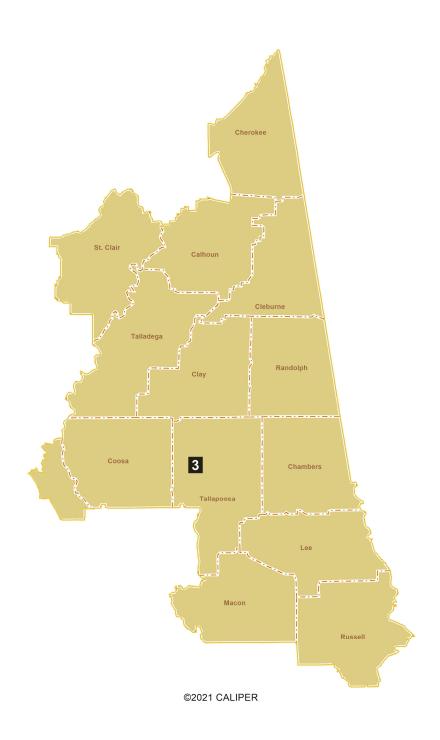


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District	1
Population	717754
Deviation	0
% Deviation	0%
White	461324
% White	64.27%
Black	186921
% Black	26.04%
18+_Pop	557535
% 18+_Pop	77.68%
18+_Wht	371902
% 18+_Wht	66.7%
18+_Blk	138128
% 18+_Blk	24.77%
18+_Ind	6381
% 18+_Ind	1.14%
18+_Asn	8395
% 18+_Asn	1.51%
18+_Hwn	290
% 18+_Hwn	0.05%
18+_Oth	7947
% 18+_Oth	1.43%
AP_Wht	496638
% AP_Wht	69.19%
AP_Blk	196827
% AP_Blk	27.42%
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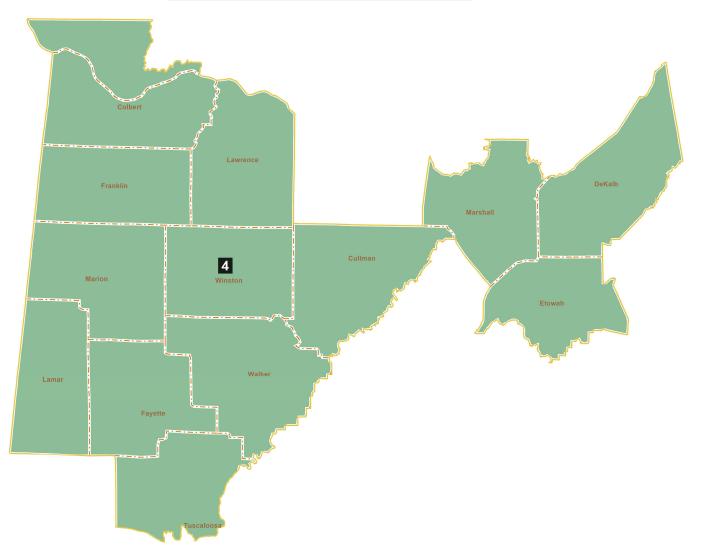
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Deviation	1
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Black	217392
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18+_Pop	557677
% 18+_Pop	77.7%
18+_Wht	350279
% 18+_Wht	62.81%
18+_Blk	162714
% 18+_Blk	29.18%
18+_Ind	2628
% 18+_Ind	0.47%
18+_Asn	10399
% 18+_Asn	1.86%
18+_Hwn	307
% 18+_Hwn	0.06%
18+_Oth	9802
% 18+_Oth	1.76%
AP_Wht	464682
% AP_Wht	64.74%
AP_Blk	228648
% AP_Blk	31.86%
18+_AP_Wht	369833
% 18+_AP_Wht	66.32%
18+_AP_Blk	167971
% 18+_AP_Blk	30.12%



Field	Value
District	3
Population	717754
Deviation	0
% Deviation	0%
White	479432
% White	66.8%
Black	176953
% Black	24.65%
18+_Pop	564281
% 18+_Pop	78.62%
18+_Wht	386048
% 18+_Wht	68.41%
18+_Blk	136382
% 18+_Blk	24.17%
18+_Ind	2048
% 18+_Ind	0.36%
18+_Asn	9869
% 18+_Asn	1.75%
18+_Hwn	340
% 18+_Hwn	0.06%
18+_Oth	8505
% 18+_Oth	1.51%
AP_Wht	509986
% AP_Wht	71.05%
AP_Blk	187284
% AP_BIk	26.09%
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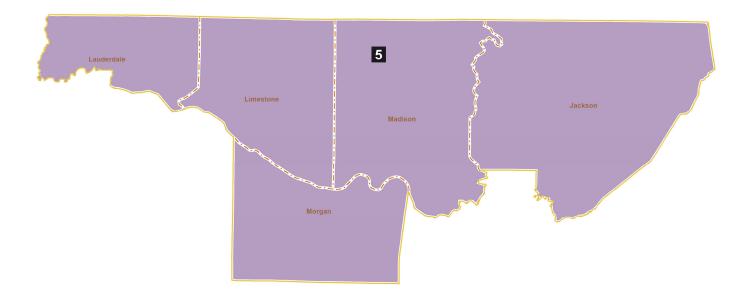
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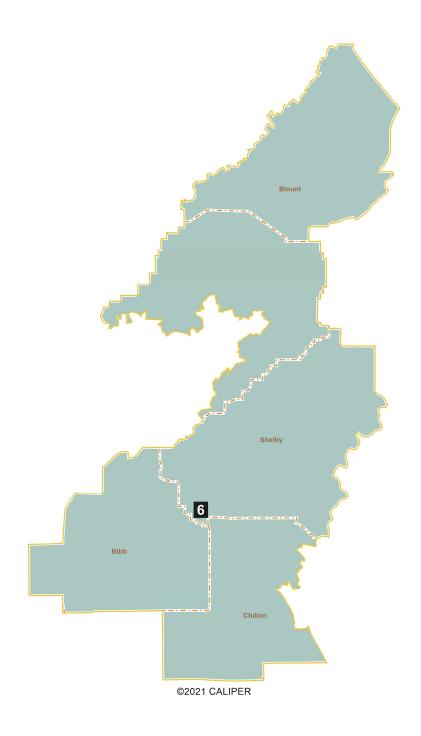
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% White	81.18%
Black	51929
% Black	7.23%
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% 18+_Pop	77.48%
18+_Wht	463433
% 18+_Wht	83.33%
18+_Blk	39834
% 18+_Blk	7.16%
18+_Ind	5475
% 18+_Ind	0.98%
18+_Asn	3427
% 18+_Asn	0.62%
18+_Hwn	245
% 18+_Hwn	0.04%
18+_Oth	18651
% 18+_Oth	3.35%
AP_Wht	619856
% AP_Wht	86.36%
AP_Blk	59655
% AP_Blk	8.31%
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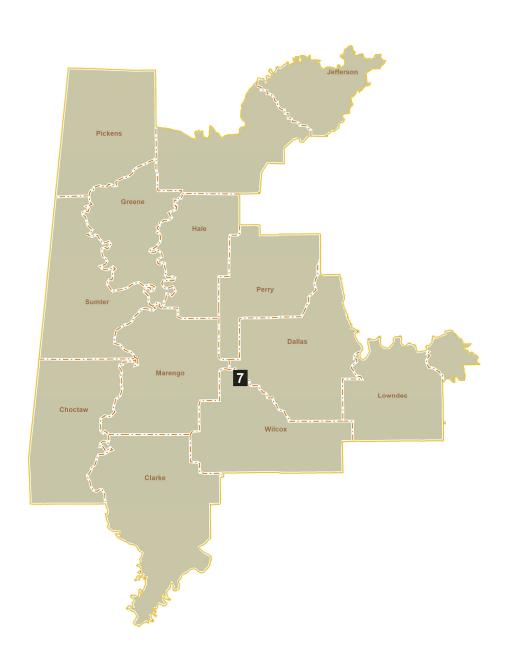
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District	5
Population	717754
Deviation	0
% Deviation	0%
White	499707
% White	69.62%
Black	124642
% Black	17.37%
18+_Pop	561187
% 18+_Pop	78.19%
18+_Wht	403155
% 18+_Wht	71.84%
18+_Blk	95757
% 18+_Blk	17.06%
18+_Ind	4130
% 18+_Ind	0.74%
18+_Asn	10814
% 18+_Asn	1.93%
18+_Hwn	447
% 18+ Hwn	0.08%
 18+_Oth	15080
% 18+ Oth	2.69%
AP Wht	546329
% AP_Wht	76.12%
AP Blk	136782
% AP Blk	19.06%
18+ AP Wht	432690
% 18+_AP_Wht	77.1%
18+ AP Blk	101339
% 18+_AP_Blk	18.06%



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% White 6	9.5%
Black 13	38019
% Black 19	.23%
18+_Pop 55	52286
% 18+_Pop 76	.95%
18+_Wht 39	7498
% 18+_Wht 71	.97%
18+_Blk 10	00878
% 18+_Blk 18	.27%
18+_Ind	2183
% 18+_Ind	0.4%
18+_Asn	10568
% 18+_Asn 1	.91%
18+_Hwn	254
% 18+_Hwn 0	.05%
18+_Oth	16611
% 18+_Oth 3	.01%
AP_Wht 53	34271
% AP_Wht 74	.44%
AP_Blk 14	15897
% AP_Blk 20	.33%
18+_AP_Wht 42	20311
% 18+_AP_Wht 7	6.1%
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Value	Field
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717754	Population
0	Deviation
0%	% Deviation
265204	White
36.95%	% White
400306	Black
55.77%	% Black
568067	18+_Pop
79.15%	% 18+_Pop
222731	18+_Wht
39.21%	% 18+_Wht
308030	18+_Blk
54.22%	% 18+_Blk
1707	18+_Ind
0.3%	% 18+_Ind
7036	18+_Asn
1.24%	% 18+_Asn
232	18+_Hwn
0.04%	% 18+_Hwn
10629	18+_Oth
1.87%	% 18+_Oth
287088	AP_Wht
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409643	AP_Blk
57.07%	% AP_Blk
238100	18+_AP_Wht
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Coastal Alabama	Monroeville campus	Monroeville, AL 36460	Wednesday, September 8th - 11 AM	Coastal Alabama Meeting
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Gadsden State	Ayers Campus	Anniston, AL 36202	Thursday, September 9th - 9 AM	Gadsden State Ayers Meeting
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Coastal Alabama	Brewton campus	Brewton, AL 36426	Thursday, September 9th - 2 PM	Coastal Alabama Meeting
	Southern Room	301 Lake Condy Road		
Southern Union	Opelika campus	Opelika, AL 36801	Thursday, September 9th - 4 PM	Southern Union Meeting
	AL Tombigbee Room	30755 US Highway 43		
Coastal Alabama	Thomasville campus	Thomasville, AL 36784	Wednesday, September 15th - 9 AM	Coastal Alabama Meeting

Wallace-Hanceville	Auditorium, main campus	801 Main Street NW Hanceville, AL 35077	Wednesday, September 15th - 11 AM	Wallace-Hanceville Meeting
	New Science Building Auditorium, Main	101 George Wallace Dr		
Gadsden State	campus	Gadsden, AL 35902	Wednesday, September 15th - 2 PM	Gadsden State Meeting
		21578 US Hwy 82		
National Guard Armory	Richard Stone Building	Union Springs, AL 36089	Wednesday, September 15th - 4 PM	National Guard Meeting
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- 1 HB621
- 2 132205-5
- 3 By Representative McClendon
- 4 RFD: Constitution, Campaigns and Elections
- 5 First Read: 24-MAY-11



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2	ENROLLED, An Act,
3	To repeal and reenact Section 16-3-1.1, Code of
4	Alabama 1975, relating to the division of the state into State
5	Board of Education districts, so as to redistrict the state's
6	State Board of Education districts based upon the 2010 federal
7	census.
8	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:
9	Section 1. Section 16-3-1.1 of the Code of Alabama
10	1975, is repealed.
11	Section 2. Section $16-3-1.1$ is added to the Code of
12	Alabama 1975, to read as follows:
13	§16-3-1.1.
14	The state is divided into eight State Board of
15	Education districts as follows:
16	District 1: Baldwin County, Butler County, Conecuh
17	County, Covington County, Crenshaw County, Escambia County,
18	Mobile County: Tract 902, Tract 2502, Tract 2800, Tract 3100,
19	Tract 3202, Tract 3203, Tract 3204, Tract 3205, Tract 3301,
20	Tract 3302, Tract 3502, Tract 3606, Tract 3607, Tract 3703,
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<u> </u>	the event of any conflict, it is the intention of the
2	Legislature that the boundary descriptions provided by the
3	official maps shall prevail over the boundary descriptions
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7	immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor, or
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STATE OF ALABAMA

REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

FOR CONGRESSIONAL, LEGISLATIVE, AND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION REDISTRICTING

May 2011

Pursuant to the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Alabama, the Alabama State Legislature is required to review 2010 Federal Decennial Census data provided by the U.S. Bureau of the Census to determine if it is necessary redistrict Alabama's congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education districts because of population changes since the 2000 Census. Accordingly, the following guidelines for congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education redistricting have been established by the Legislature's Permanent Joint Legislative Committee on Reapportionment, (hereinafter referred to as the "Reapportionment Committee").

I. POPULATION

The total Alabama resident state population of 4,779,736 persons, and the population of defined subunits thereof, as reported by the 2010 Census, shall be the permissible data base used for the development, evaluation, and analysis of proposed redistricting plans. It is the intention of this provision to exclude from use any census data, for the purpose of determining compliance with the one person, one vote requirement, other than that provided by the United States Census Bureau.

II. EQUAL POPULATION REQUIREMENT: ONE PERSON-ONE VOTE

The goal of redistricting is equality of population of congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education districts as defined below.

1. Congressional Districts

The Apportionment Clause of Article I, Section 2, of the United States Constitution requires that the population of a state's congressional districts in a state be "as nearly equal in population as practicable." Accordingly, Congressional redistricting plans must be as mathematically equal in population as is possible.

2. Legislative And State Board of Education Districts

In accordance with the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, legislative and State Board of Education districts will be drawn to achieve "substantial equality of population among the various districts."

- a. Any redistricting plan considered by the Reapportionment Committee will comply with all relevant case law regarding the one person, one vote principle of the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution, including but not limited to the cases of Larios v. Cox, 300 F. Supp. 2d 1320 (N.D. Ga. 2004) aff'd sub nom Cox v. Larios, 542 U.S. 947 (2004), and White v. Regester, 412 U.S. 755 (1973). When presenting plans to the Reapportionment Committee, proponents should justify deviations from the ideal district population either as a result of the limitations of census geography, or as a result of the promotion of a consistently applied rational state policy.
- b. In keeping with subpart a, above, a high priority of every legislative and State Board of Education redistricting plan must be minimizing population deviations among districts. In order to ensure compliance with the most recent case law in this area and to eliminate the possibility of an invidious discriminatory effect caused by population deviations in a final legislative or State Board of Education redistricting plan, in every redistricting plan submitted to the Reapportionment Committee, individual district populations should not exceed a 2% overall range of population deviation. The Reapportionment Committee will not approve a redistricting plan that does not comply with this requirement.

III. VOTING RIGHTS ACT

- 1. Districts shall be drawn in accordance with the laws of the United States and the State of Alabama, including compliance with protections against the unwarranted retrogression or dilution of racial or ethnic minority voting strength. Nothing in these guidelines shall be construed to require or permit any districting policy or action that is contrary to the United States Constitution or the Voting Rights Act of 1965.
- 2. Redistricting plans are subject to the preclearance process established in Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act.

IV. CRITERIA FOR CONGRESSIONAL, LEGISLATIVE, AND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICTS

- 1. All congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education districts will be single-member districts that comply with the population-equality standards discussed above.
- 2. A redistricting plan will not have either the purpose or the effect of diluting minority voting strength, shall not be retrogressive, and shall otherwise comply with Sections 2 and 5 of the Voting Rights Act and the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments to the Constitution.

- 3. No district will be drawn in a manner that subordinates race-neutral districting criteria to considerations that stereotype voters on the basis of race, color, or membership in a language-minority group.
- 4. All legislative and congressional districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact geography.
- 5. The following legislative redistricting requirements prescribed by the Alabama Constitution shall be complied with:
 - a. Sovereignty resides in the people of Alabama, and all districts should be drawn to reflect the democratic will of all the people concerning how their governments should be restructured.
 - b. House and Senate districts shall be drawn on the basis of total population.
 - c. The number of Senate districts is set by statute at 35 and, under the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 35.
 - d. The number of Senate districts shall be not less than one-fourth or more than one-third of the number of House districts.
 - e. The number of House districts is set by statute at 105 and, under the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 106.
 - f. The number of House districts shall not be less than 67.
- 6. The following redistricting policies contained in the Alabama Constitution shall be observed to the extent that they do not violate or conflict with requirements prescribed by the Constitution and laws of the United States:
- a. Each House and Senate district should be composed of as few counties as practicable.
- b. Every part of every district shall be contiguous with every other part of the district. Contiguity by water is allowed, but point-to-point contiguity and long-lasso contiguity is not.
- c. Every district should be compact.
- 7. The following redistricting policies are embedded in the political values, traditions, customs, and usages of the State of Alabama and shall be observed to the extent that they do not violate or subordinate the foregoing policies prescribed by the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Alabama:
 - a. Contests between incumbent members of Congress, the Legislature, and the State Board of Education will be avoided when ever possible.
 - b. The integrity of communities of interest shall be respected. For purposes of these Guidelines, a community of interest is defined as an area with recognized similarities of interests, including but not limited to racial, ethnic, geographic, governmental, regional, social, cultural, partisan, or historic

interests; county, municipal, or voting precinct boundaries; and commonality of communications. Public comment will be received by the Reapportionment Committee regarding the existence and importance of various communities of interest. The Reapportionment Committee will attempt to accommodate communities of interest identified by people in a specific location. It is inevitable, however, that some interests will be advanced more than others by the choice of particular district configurations. The discernment, weighing, and balancing of the varied factors that contribute to communities of interest is an intensely political process best carried out by elected representatives of the people.

- c. Local community and political leaders and organizations and the entire citizenry shall be consulted about new district lines.
- d. In establishing congressional and legislative districts, the Reapportionment Committee shall give due consideration to all the criteria herein. However, priority is to be given to the compelling state interests requiring equality of population among districts and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, should the requirements of those criteria conflict with any other criteria.

V. PLANS PRODUCED BY LEGISLATORS

- 1. The confidentiality of any Legislator developing plans or portions thereof will be respected. The Reapportionment Office staff will not release any information on any Legislator's work without written permission of the Legislator developing the plan, subject to paragraph two below.
- 2. A proposed redistricting plan will become public information upon its introduction as a bill in the legislative process, or upon presentation for consideration by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 3. Access to the Legislative Reapportionment Office Computer System, census population data, and redistricting work maps will be available to all members of the Legislature upon request. Reapportionment Office staff will provide technical assistance to all Legislators who wish to develop proposals.
- 4. In accordance with Rule 23 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature (2011) all amendments or revisions to redistricting plans, following introduction as a bill, shall be drafted by the Reapportionment Office.
- 5. Drafts of all redistricting plans which are presented for introduction at any session of the Legislature, and which are not prepared by the Reapportionment Office, must be presented to the Reapportionment Office for review of proper form and for entry into the Legislative Data Bank.

VI. REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. All meetings of the Reapportionment Committee and its sub-committees will be open to the public and all plans presented at committee meetings will be made available to the public.

- 2. Minutes of all Reapportionment Committee meetings shall be taken and maintained as part of the public record. Copies of all minutes shall be made available to the public.
- 3. Transcripts of all public hearings shall be made and maintained as part of the public record, and shall be available to the public.
- 4. The Reapportionment Committee will hold public hearings at different locations throughout the State in order to actively seek public participation and public input.
- 5. All interested persons are encouraged to appear before the Reapportionment Committee and to give their comments and input regarding congressional, legislative, and State Board of Education redistricting. Reasonable opportunity will be given to such persons, consistent with the criteria herein established, to present plans or amendments redistricting plans to the Reapportionment Committee, if desired, unless such plans or amendments fail to meet the minimal criteria herein established.
- 6. Notices of all Reapportionment Committee meetings will be posted on the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth floors of the Alabama State House, the Reapportionment Committee's website, and on the Secretary of State's website. Individual notice of Reapportionment Committee meetings will be sent by email to any citizen or organization who requests individual notice and provides the necessary information to the Reapportionment Committee staff. Persons or organizations who want to receive this information should contact the Reapportionment Office.

VII. PUBLIC ACCESS

- 1. The Reapportionment Committee seeks active and informed public participation in all activities of the Committee and the widest range of public information and citizen input into its deliberations. Public access to the Reapportionment Office computer system is available every Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please contact the Reapportionment Office to schedule an appointment.
- 2. A redistricting plan may be presented to the Reapportionment Committee by any individual citizen or organization by written presentation at a public meeting or by submission in writing to the Committee. All plans submitted to the Reapportionment Committee will be made part of the public record and made available in the same manner as other public records of the Committee.
- 3. Any proposed redistricting plan drafted into legislation must be offered by a member of the Legislature for introduction into the legislative process.
- 4. A redistricting plan developed outside the Legislature or a redistricting plan developed without Reapportionment Office assistance which is to be presented for consideration by the Reapportionment Committee must:
 - a. Be clearly depicted on maps which follow 2010 Census geographic boundaries:
 - b. Be accompanied by a statistical sheet listing total population and minority

population for each district and listing the census geography making up each proposed district;

- c. Stand as a complete statewide plan for redistricting, or, if presenting a partial plan, fit back into the plan which is being modified, so that the proposal can be evaluated in the context of a statewide plan (i.e., all places of geography must be accounted for in some district);
- d. Comply with the guidelines adopted by the Reapportionment Committee.

Electronic Submissions

- a. Electronic submissions of redistricting plans will be accepted by the Reapportionment Committee.
- b. Plans submitted electronically must also be accompanied by the paper materials referenced in this section.
- c. See the Appendix for the technical documentation for the electronic submission of redistricting plans.

6. Census Data And Redistricting Materials

- a. Census population data and census maps will be made available through the Reapportionment Office at a cost determined by the Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.
- b. Summary population data at the precinct level and a statewide work maps will be made available to the public through the Reapportionment Office at a cost determined by the Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.
- c. All such fees shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the general fund and shall be used to cover the expenses of the legislature.

Appendix.

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF REDISTRICTING PLANS REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE - STATE OF ALABAMA

The Legislative Reapportionment Computer System supports the electronic submission of redistricting plans. The electronic submission of these plans must be on either a flash drive or CD ROM. The software used by the Reapportionment Office is the Esri Redistricting Online (RO) Solution.

The electronic file should be in DOJ format (Block, district # or district #, Block). This should be a two column, comma delimited file containing the FIPS code for each block, and the district number. The Esri RO Solution has an automated plan import that creates a new plan from the block/district assignment list.

Web services that can be accessed directly with a URL and ArcView Shapefiles can be viewed as overlays. A new plan would have to be built using this overlay as a guide to assign units into a blank RO Solution plan. In order to analyze the plans with our attribute data, edit, and report on, a new plan will have to be built in the RO Solution.

In order for plans to be analyzed with our attribute data, to be able to edit, report on, and produce maps in the most efficient, accurate and time saving procedure, electronic submissions are REQUIRED to be in DOJ format.

Example (DOJ FORMAT BLOCK, DISTRICT #)

SSCCCTTTTTTBBBB,D

SS is the 2 digit state FIPS code

CCC is the 3 digit county FIPS code

TTTTTT is the 6 digit census tract code

BBBB is the 4 digit census block code

, a comma goes before the district number

DDDD is the district number

(The above format is also acceptable with a blank space in place of the comma).

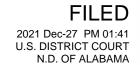
Contact Information:

Legislative Reapportionment Office Room 811, State House 11 South Union Street Montgomery, Alabama 36130 (334) 242-7941

For questions relating to reapportionment and redistricting, please contact:

Ms. Bonnie Shanholtzer Supervisor Legislative Reapportionment Office district@al-legislature.gov

Please Note: The above e-mail address is to be used only for the purposes of obtaining information regarding redistricting. Political messages, including those relative to specific legislation or other political matters, cannot be answered or disseminated to members of the Legislature. Members of the Permanent Legislative Committee On Reapportionment may be contacted through information contained on their Member pages of the Official Website of the Alabama Legislature.



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I. POPULATION	I. POPULATION	I. POPULATION
The total Alabama resident	The total Alabama resident	The total Alabama state
state population of 4,779,736	state population of 4,779,736	population, and the population of
persons, and the population of	persons, and the population of	defined subunits thereof, as
defined subunits thereof, as	defined subunits thereof, as	reported by the 2020 Census, shall
reported by the 2010 Census, shall	reported by the 2010 2020 Census,	be the permissible data base used
be the permissible data base used for	shall be the permissible data base	for the development, evaluation,
the development, evaluation, and	used for the development,	and analysis of proposed
analysis of proposed redistricting	evaluation, and analysis of	redistricting plans. It is the intention
plans. It is the intention of this	proposed redistricting plans. It is	of this provision to exclude from use
provision to exclude from use any	the intention of this provision to	any census data, for the purpose of
census data, for the purpose of	exclude from use any census data,	determining compliance with the
determining compliance with the	for the purpose of determining	one person, one vote requirement,
one person, one vote requirement,	compliance with the one person,	other than that provided by the
other than that provided by the	one vote requirement, other than	United States Census Bureau.
United States Census Bureau.	that provided by the United States	
	Census Bureau.	
<u>donna</u>	II. CRITERIA FOR REDISTRICTIG	II. CRITERIA FOR REDISTRICTING
II. EQUAL POPULATION	II. EQUAL POPULATION	
REQUIREMENT: ONE PERSON, ONE	REQUIREMENT: ONE PERSON, ONE	
VOTE	VOTE	
	a. The populations of	a. Districts shall comply with
	congressional districts shall be as	the United States Constitution,
	equal .as is practicable. Districts	including the requirement that they
	shall comply with the United States	equalize total population.

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	Constitution, including the	
	requirement that they equalize	
	total population.	
In accordance with the Equal	<u>b. In accordance with the</u>	b. Legislative and state board of
Protection Clause of the Fourteenth	Equal Protection Clause of the	education districts shall be drawn
Amendment to the United States	Fourteenth Amendment to the	to achieve substantial equality of
Constitution, legislative districts will	United States Constitution,	population among the districts
be drawn to achieve "substantial	legislative Legislative and state board	and shall not exceed an overall
equality of population among the	of education districts will shall be	population deviation range of 5%.
various districts."	drawn to achieve "substantial	
	equality of population among the	
	various districts." and shall not	:
	exceed an overall population	<u> </u>
	deviation range of 5%.	
a. A redistricting plan	a. c. A redistricting plan	c. A redistricting plan
considered by the Reapportionment	considered by the	considered by the Reapportionment
Committee shall comply with the one	Reapportionment Committee shall	Committee shall comply with the
person, one vote principle of the	comply with the one person, one	one person, one vote principle of
Equal Protection Clause of the 14th	vote principle of the Equal	the Equal Protection Clause of the
Amendment of the United States	Protection Clause of the 14th	14th Amendment of the United
Constitution.	Amendment of the United States	States Constitution.
	Constitution.	
b. In every redistricting plan	b. In every redistricting	<u>d</u> e. The Reapportionment
submitted to the Reapportionment	plan submitted to the	Committee shall not approve a
Committee, individual district	Reapportionment Committee,	redistricting plan that does not

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populations should not exceed a 2% overall range of population deviation. The Reapportionment Committee will not approve a	individual district populations should not exceed a 2% overall range of population deviation. d. The Reapportionment Committee	comply with these population requirements.
redistricting plan that does not comply with this requirement.	will shall not approve a redistricting plan that does not comply with this requirement. these population requirements.	
III. VOTING RIGHTS ACT	III. VOTING RIGHTS ACT	
Districts shall be drawn in in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965. A redistricting plan will not have either the purpose or the effect of diluting minority voting strength, and shall comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the United States Constitution.	e. Districts shall be drawn in in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended. A redistricting plan will not have either shall have neither the purpose or nor the effect of diluting minority voting strength, and shall comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the United States Constitution.	e. Districts shall be drawn in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended. A redistricting plan shall have neither the purpose nor the effect of diluting minority voting strength, and shall comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and the United States Constitution.
IV. CRITERIA FOR LEGISLATIVE	IV. CRITERIA FOR LEGISLATIVE	
<u>DISTRICTS</u>	DISTRICTS	
1. No district will be drawn in a manner that subordinates raceneutral districting criteria to considerations that stereotype	1. f. No district will be drawn in a manner that subordinates raceneutral districting criteria to considerations that stereotype	f. No district will be drawn in a manner that subordinates race- neutral districting criteria to considerations of race, color, or

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voters on the basis of race, color, or membership in a language-minority group, except that race may predominate over other districting criteria, if necessary, to comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.	voters on the basis of race, color, or membership in a language-minority group, except that race, color, or membership in a language-minority group may predominate over other race-neutral districting criteria, if necessary, to comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, provided there is a strong basis in evidence in support of such a race-based choice. A strong basis in evidence exists when there is good reason to believe that race must be used in order to satisfy the Voting Rights Act.	membership in a language-minority group, except that race, color, or membership in a language-minority group may predominate over race-neutral districting criteria to comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, provided there is a strong basis in evidence in support of such a race-based choice. A strong basis in evidence exists when there is good reason to believe that race must be used in order to satisfy the Voting Rights Act.
2. Legislative districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact geography.	2. g. Legislative districts Districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact geography.	g. Districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact geography.
3. The following requirements of the Alabama Constitution shall be complied with:	3.h. The following requirements of the Alabama Constitution shall be complied with:	h. The following requirements of the Alabama Constitution shall be complied with:

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a. Sovereignty resides in the	a. (i) Sovereignty resides in	(i) Sovereignty resides in the
people of Alabama, and all districts	the people of Alabama, and all	people of Alabama, and all districts
should be drawn to reflect the	districts should be drawn to reflect	should be drawn to reflect the
democratic will of all the people	the democratic will of all the people	democratic will of all the people
concerning how their governments	concerning how their governments	concerning how their governments
should be restructured.	should be restructured.	should be restructured.
b. House and Senate districts	b. (ii) House and Senate	(ii) Districts shall be drawn on
shall be drawn on the basis of total	districts Districts shall be drawn on	the basis of total population, except
population, except that voting age	the basis of total population,	that voting age population may be
population may be considered, if	except that voting age population	considered, as necessary to comply
necessary, to comply with Section 2	may be considered, if as necessary,	with Section 2 of the Voting Rights
of the Voting Rights Act.	to comply with Section 2 of the	Act or other federal or state law.
	Voting Rights Act or other federal	
	<u>or state law</u> .	
c. The number of Senate	e. (iii) The number of	(iii) The number of Alabama
districts is set by statute at 35 and,	Alabama Senate districts is set by	Senate districts is set by statute at
under the Alabama Constitution,	statute at 35 and, under the	35 and, under the Alabama
may not exceed 35.	Alabama Constitution, may not	Constitution, may not exceed 35.
	exceed 35.	
d. The number of Senate	d. (iv) The number of	(iv) The number of Alabama
districts shall be not less than one-	Alabama Senate districts shall be	Senate districts shall be not less
fourth or more than one-third of the	not less than one-fourth or more	than one-fourth or more than one-
number of House districts.	than one-third of the number of	third of the number of House
	House districts.	districts.

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e. The number of House	e. (v) The number of	(v) The number of Alabama
districts is set by statute at 105 and,	Alabama House districts is set by	House districts is set by statute at
under the Alabama Constitution,	statute at 105 and, under the	105 and, under the Alabama
may not exceed 106.	Alabama Constitution, may not	Constitution, may not exceed 106.
	exceed 106.	
f. The number of House	f(vi) The number of	(vi) The number of Alabama
districts shall not be less than 67.	Alabama House districts shall not	House districts shall not be less than
	be less than 67.	67.
g. All legislative districts will be	g. (vii) All legislative districts	(vii) All districts will be single-
single-member districts.	will be single-member districts.	member districts.
h. Every part of every district	h. (viii) Every part of every	(viii) Every part of every
shall be contiguous with every other	district shall be contiguous with	district shall be contiguous with
part of the district.	every other part of the district.	every other part of the district.
4. The following redistricting	4i. The following	i. The following redistricting
policies are embedded in the political	redistricting policies are embedded	policies are embedded in the
values, traditions, customs, and	in the political values, traditions,	political values, traditions, customs,
usages of the State of Alabama and	customs, and usages of the State of	and usages of the State of Alabama
shall be observed to the extent that	Alabama and shall be observed to	and shall be observed to the extent
they do not violate or subordinate	the extent that they do not violate	that they do not violate or
the foregoing policies prescribed by	or subordinate the foregoing	subordinate the foregoing policies
the Constitution and laws of the	policies prescribed by the	prescribed by the Constitution and
United States and of the State of	Constitution and laws of the United	laws of the United States and of the
Alabama:	States and of the State of Alabama:	State of Alabama:

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a. Contests between	a. (i) Contests between	(i) Contests between
incumbent members of the	A CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTOR	incumbents will be avoided
Legislature will be avoided whenever	Legislature will be avoided	whenever possible.
possible.	whenever possible.	***
b. Contiguity by water is	b(ii) Contiguity by water is	(ii) Contiguity by water is
allowed, but point-to-point	allowed, but point-to-point	allowed, but point-to-point
contiguity and long-lasso contiguity	contiguity and long-lasso contiguity	contiguity and long-lasso contiguity
is not.	is not.	is not.
c. The integrity of	e. (iii) The integrity of	(iii) Districts shall respect
communities of interest shall be	communities of interest shall be	communities of interest,
respected. For purposes of these	respected. For purposes of these	neighborhoods, and political
Guidelines, a community of interest	Guidelines, a community of interest	subdivisions to the extent
is defined as an area with recognized	is defined as an area with recognized	practicable and after compliance
similarities of interests, including but	similarities of interests, including but	with paragraphs g through i. A
not limited to racial, ethnic,	not limited to racial, ethnic,	community of interest is defined
geographic, governmental, regional,	geographic, governmental, regional,	as an area with recognized
social, cultural, partisan, or historic	social, cultural, partisan, or historic	similarities of interests, including
interests; county, municipal, or	interests; county, municipal, or	but not limited to ethnic, racial,
voting precinct boundaries; and	voting precinct boundaries; and	economic, tribal, social,
commonality of communications.	commonality of communications.	geographic, or historical identities.
The Reapportionment Committee	The Reapportionment Committee	The term communities of interest
will attempt to accommodate	will attempt to accommodate	may, in certain circumstances,
communities of interest identified by	communities of interest identified by	include political subdivisions such
people in a specific location. It is	people in a specific location. It is	as counties, voting precincts,
inevitable, however, that some	inevitable, however, that some	municipalities, tribal lands and

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interests will be advanced more than others by the choice of particular district configurations. The discernment, weighing, and balancing of the varied factors that contribute to communities of interest is an intensely political process best carried out by elected representatives of the people.	- 1 AV	The discernment, weighing, and balancing of the varied factors that contribute to communities of interest is an intensely political process best carried out by elected
	and reservations, or school districts.	

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	The discernment, weighing, and balancing of the varied factors that	
	contribute to communities of	
	interest is an intensely political	
	process best carried out by elected representatives of the people	
d. The Legislature shall try to	d. (iv) The Legislature shall try	(iv) The Legislature shall try
minimize the number of counties in	to minimize the number of counties	to minimize the number of
each district.	in each district.	counties in each district.
	e(v) The Legislature shall try	(v) The Legislature shall try
	to preserve the cores of existing	to preserve the cores of existing
	districts.	districts.
e. In establishing legislative	e (vi) In establishing legislative	(vi) In establishing
districts, the Reapportionment	districts, the Reapportionment	
Committee shall give due	Committee shall give due	Reapportionment Committee shall
consideration to all the criteria	consideration to all the criteria	give due consideration to all the
herein. However, priority is to be	herein. However, priority is to be	criteria herein. However, priority is
given to the compelling state	given to the compelling state State	to be given to the compelling State
interests requiring equality of	interests requiring equality of	interests requiring equality of
population among districts and	population among districts and	population among districts and
compliance with the Voting Rights	compliance with the Voting Rights	compliance with the Voting Rights
Act of 1965, as amended, should the	Act of 1965, as amended, should the	Act of 1965, as amended, should
requirements of those criteria	requirements of those criteria	the requirements of those criteria
conflict with any other criteria.	conflict with any other criteria.	conflict with any other criteria.

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f. The criteria identified in	f_g. The criteria identified in	g. The criteria identified in
subsections (a)-(d) of this paragraph	subsections paragraphs (a)-(d) i(i)-	paragraphs i(i)-(vi) are not listed in
are not listed in order of precedence,	(vi) of this paragraph are not listed in	order of precedence, and in each
and in each instance where they	order of precedence, and in each	instance where they conflict, the
conflict, the Legislature shall at its	instance where they conflict, the	Legislature shall at its discretion
discretion determine which takes	Legislature shall at its discretion	determine which takes priority.
priority.	determine which takes priority.	
V. PLANS PRODUCED BY	₩ III. PLANS PRODUCED BY	III. PLANS PRODUCED BY
LEGISLATORS	LEGISLATORS	LEGISLATORS
1. The confidentiality of any	1. The confidentiality of any	1. The confidentiality of any
Legislator developing plans or	Legislator developing plans or	Legislator developing plans or
portions thereof will be respected.	portions thereof will be respected.	portions thereof will be respected.
The Reapportionment Office staff	The Reapportionment Office staff	The Reapportionment Office staff
will not release any information on	will not release any information on	will not release any information on
any Legislator's work without written	any Legislator's work without written	any Legislator's work without
permission of the Legislator	permission of the Legislator	written permission of the
developing the plan, subject to	developing the plan, subject to	Legislator developing the plan,
paragraph two below.	paragraph two below.	subject to paragraph two below.
2. A proposed redistricting	2. A proposed redistricting	2. A proposed redistricting
plan will become public information	plan will become public information	plan will become public
upon its introduction as a bill in the	upon its introduction as a bill in the	information upon its introduction
legislative process, or upon	legislative process, or upon	as a bill in the legislative process,
presentation for consideration by	presentation for consideration by the	or upon presentation for
the Reapportionment Committee.	Reapportionment Committee.	consideration by the
		Reapportionment Committee.

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3. Access to the Legislative	3. Access to the Legislative	3. Access to the Legislative
Reapportionment Office Computer	Reapportionment Office Computer	Reapportionment Office
System, census population data, and	System, census population data, and	Computer System, census
redistricting work maps will be	redistricting work maps will be	population data, and redistricting
available to all members of the	available to all members of the	work maps will be available to all
Legislature upon request.	Legislature upon request.	members of the Legislature upon
Reapportionment Office staff will	Reapportionment Office staff will	request. Reapportionment Office
provide technical assistance to all	provide technical assistance to all	staff will provide technical
Legislators who wish to develop	Legislators who wish to develop	assistance to all Legislators who
proposals.	proposals.	wish to develop proposals.
4. In accordance with Rule 23	4. In accordance with Rule 23	4. In accordance with Rule
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		Partial plans are not allowed.
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prepared by the Reapportionment	prepared by the Reapportionment	introduction at any session of the

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Reapportionment Office for review	Reapportionment Office for review	prepared by the Reapportionment
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6	Alabama Legislature, "[d]rafts of all	entry into the Legislative Data
	redistricting plans which are for	System at least ten (10) days prior
	introduction at any session of the	to introduction."
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	Office, shall be presented to the	
	Reapportionment Office for review	
	of proper form and for entry into the	
	Legislative Data System at least ten	
	(10) days prior to introduction."	
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available to the public.	available to the public.	will be made available to the public.

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public.	public.	the public.	
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Reapportionment Committee and to	Reapportionment Committee and to	Reapportionment Committee and	
give their comments and input	give their comments and input	to give their comments and input	
regarding legislative redistricting.	regarding legislative redistricting.	regarding legislative redistricting.	
Reasonable opportunity will be	Reasonable opportunity will be	Reasonable opportunity will be	
given to such persons, consistent	given to such persons, consistent	given to such persons, consistent	
with the criteria herein established,	with the criteria herein established,	with the criteria herein	
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amendments fail to meet the	amendments fail to meet the	amendments fail to meet the	
minimal criteria herein established.	minimal criteria herein established.	minimal criteria herein	
		established.	
6. Notices of all	6. Notices of all	6. Notice of all Reapportionment	
Reapportionment Committee	Reapportionment Committee	Committee meetings will be	
meetings will be posted on the fifth,	meetings will be posted on the fifth,	posted on monitors throughout	
sixth, seventh, and eighth floors of	sixth, seventh, and eighth floors of	the Alabama State House, the	
the Alabama State House, the	monitors throughout the Alabama Reapportionment Comn		
Reapportionment Committee's	State House, the Reapportionment website, and on the Secret		
website, and on the Secretary of	Committee's website, and on the State's website. Individual		
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meetings will be sent by email to	Reapportionment Committee	any citizen or organization who	
any citizen or organization who	meetings will be sent by email to	requests individual notice and	
requests individual notice and	any citizen or organization who	provides the necessary	
provides the necessary information	requests individual notice and	information to the	
to the Reapportionment Committee	provides the necessary information	Reapportionment Committee	
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Reapportionment Office.	should contact the	Reapportionment Office.	
	Reapportionment Office.		
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8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please	8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please	every Friday from 8:30 a.m. to	
contact the Reapportionment Office	contact the Reapportionment Office	4:30 p.m. Please contact the	
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		schedule an appointment.	

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2. A redistricting plan may be presented to the Reapportionment Committee by any individual citizen or organization by written presentation at a public meeting or by submission in writing to the Committee. All plans submitted to the Reapportionment Committee will be made part of the public record and made available in the same manner as other public	2. A redistricting plan may be presented to the Reapportionment Committee by any individual citizen or organization by written presentation at a public meeting or by submission in writing to the Committee. All plans submitted to the Reapportionment Committee will be made part of the public record and made available in the same manner as other public	2. A redistricting plan may be presented to the Reapportionment Committee by any individual citizen or organization by written presentation at a public meeting or by submission in writing to the Committee. All plans submitted to the Reapportionment Committee will be made part of the public record and made available in the
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3. Any proposed redistricting plan drafted into legislation must be offered by a member of the Legislature for introduction into the legislative process.	3. Any proposed redistricting plan drafted into legislation must be offered by a member of the Legislature for introduction into the legislative process.	3. Any proposed redistricting plan drafted into legislation must be offered by a member of the Legislature for introduction into the legislative process.
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for consideration by the	for consideration by the	the Reapportionment Committee	
Reapportionment Committee must:	Reapportionment Committee must:	must:	
a. Be clearly depicted on maps	a. Be clearly depicted on maps	a. Be clearly depicted on	
which follow 2010 Census	which follow 2010 <u>2020</u> Census	maps which follow 2020 Census	
geographic boundaries;	geographic boundaries;	geographic boundaries;	
b. Be accompanied by a	b. Be accompanied by a	b. Be accompanied by a	
statistical sheet listing total	statistical sheet listing total	statistical sheet listing total	
population for each district and	population for each district and	population for each district and	
listing the census geography making	listing the census geography making	listing the census geography	
up each proposed district;	up each proposed district;	making up each proposed district;	
c. Stand as a complete	c. Stand as a complete	c. Stand as a complete	
statewide plan for redistricting, or, if	statewide plan for redistricting , or, if	statewide plan for redistricting.	
presenting a partial plan, fit back	presenting a partial plan, fit back		
into the plan which is being	into the plan which is being		
modified, so that the proposal can	modified, so that the proposal can		
be evaluated in the context of a	be evaluated in the context of a		
statewide plan (i.e., all places of	statewide plan (i.e., all places of		
geography must be accounted for in	geography must be accounted for in		
some district);	some district);.		
d. Comply with the guidelines	d. Comply with the guidelines	d. Comply with the	
adopted by the Reapportionment	adopted by the Reapportionment	guidelines adopted by the	
Committee.	Committee.	Reapportionment Committee.	
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Committee.	Committee.	Committee.	
b. Plans submitted	b. Plans submitted	b. Plans submitted	
electronically must also be	electronically must also be	electronically must also be	
accompanied by the paper materials	accompanied by the paper materials	accompanied by the paper	
referenced in this section.	referenced in this section.	materials referenced in this	
		section.	
c. See the Appendix for the	c. See the Appendix for the	c. See the Appendix for the	
technical documentation for the	technical documentation for the	technical documentation for the	
electronic submission of	electronic submission of redistricting	electronic submission of	
redistricting plans.	plans.	redistricting plans.	
6. Census Data And	6. Census Data And	6. Census Data And	
Redistricting Materials	Redistricting Materials	Redistricting Materials	
a. Census population data and	a. Census population data and	a. Census population data	
census maps will be made available	census maps will be made available	and census maps will be made	
through the Reapportionment Office	through the Reapportionment Office	available through the	
at a cost determined by the	at a cost determined by the	Reapportionment Office at a cost	
Permanent Legislative Committee	Permanent Legislative Committee	determined by the Permanent	
on Reapportionment.	on Reapportionment.	Legislative Committee on	
		Reapportionment.	
b. Summary population data	b. Summary population data	b. Summary population	
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Legislative Committee on	Legislative Committee on	Permanent Legislative Committee	
Reapportionment.	Reapportionment.	on Reapportionment.	
c. All such fees shall be	c. All such fees shall be	c. All such fees shall be	
deposited in the state treasury to	deposited in the state treasury to	deposited in the state treasury to	
the credit of the general fund and	the credit of the general fund and	the credit of the general fund and	
shall be used to cover the expenses	shall be used to cover the expenses	shall be used to cover the	
of the legislature.	of the legislature Legislature.	expenses of the Legislature.	
Appendix.	Appendix.	Appendix.	
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REDISTRICTING PLANS	REDISTRICTING PLANS	REDISTRICTING PLANS	
REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE -	REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE -	REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE	
STATE OF ALABAMA	STATE OF ALABAMA	- STATE OF ALABAMA	
The Legislative	The Legislative	The Legislative	
Reapportionment Computer System	Reapportionment Computer System	Reapportionment Computer	
supports the electronic submission	supports the electronic submission	System supports the electronic	
of redistricting plans. The electronic	of redistricting plans. The electronic	submission of redistricting plans.	
submission of these plans must be on	submission of these plans must be on	The electronic submission of these	
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For questions relating to	For questions relating to	(334) 269-0706	
reapportionment and redistricting,	reapportionment and redistricting,	For questions relating to	
please contact:	please contact:	reapportionment and	
Donna Shanholtzer	Donna Overton Loftin	redistricting, please contact:	
Supervisor	Supervisor	Donna Overton Loftin	
Legislative Reapportionment	Legislative Reapportionment	Supervisor	
Office	Office	Legislative	
donna@al-legislature.gov	donna.overton@alsenate.gov	Reapportionment Office	
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the Official Website of the Alabama			
Legislature.	Website of the Alabama Legislature,	contacted through information	

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	legislature.state.al.us/aliswww/default.aspx.	contained on their Member pages of the Official Website of the Alabama Legislature, legislature.state.al.us/aliswww/de fault.aspx.

REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE REDISTRICTING GUIDELINES

2 May 5, 2021

I. POPULATION

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- 4 The total Alabama state population, and the population of defined subunits
- 5 thereof, as reported by the 2020 Census, shall be the permissible data base used
- 6 for the development, evaluation, and analysis of proposed redistricting plans. It is
- 7 the intention of this provision to exclude from use any census data, for the purpose
- 8 of determining compliance with the one person, one vote requirement, other than
- 9 that provided by the United States Census Bureau.

II. CRITERIA FOR REDISTRICTING

- 11 a. Districts shall comply with the United States Constitution, including the
- 12 requirement that they equalize total population.
- b. Congressional districts shall have minimal population deviation.
- 14 c. Legislative and state board of education districts shall be drawn to achieve
- substantial equality of population among the districts and shall not exceed an
- overall population deviation range of $\pm 5\%$.
- 17 d. A redistricting plan considered by the Reapportionment Committee shall
- comply with the one person, one vote principle of the Equal Protection Clause of
- 19 the 14th Amendment of the United States Constitution.
- 20 e. The Reapportionment Committee shall not approve a redistricting plan that
- 21 does not comply with these population requirements.
- 22 f. Districts shall be drawn in compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as
- amended. A redistricting plan shall have neither the purpose nor the effect of
- 24 diluting minority voting strength, and shall comply with Section 2 of the Voting
- 25 Rights Act and the United States Constitution.
- 26 g. No district will be drawn in a manner that subordinates race-neutral
- 27 districting criteria to considerations of race, color, or membership in a language-
- 28 minority group, except that race, color, or membership in a language-minority
- 29 group may predominate over race-neutral districting criteria to comply with
- 30 Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, provided there is a strong basis in evidence in
- 31 support of such a race-based choice. A strong basis in evidence exists when there
- is good reason to believe that race must be used in order to satisfy the Voting Rights
- 33 Act.

- 1 h. Districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact
- 2 geography.
- 3 i. The following requirements of the Alabama Constitution shall be complied
- 4 with:
- 5 (i) Sovereignty resides in the people of Alabama, and all districts should be
- 6 drawn to reflect the democratic will of all the people concerning how their
- 7 governments should be restructured.
- 8 (ii) Districts shall be drawn on the basis of total population, except that voting
- 9 age population may be considered, as necessary to comply with Section 2 of the
- 10 Voting Rights Act or other federal or state law.
- 11 (iii) The number of Alabama Senate districts is set by statute at 35 and, under
- 12 the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 35.
- 13 (iv) The number of Alabama Senate districts shall be not less than one-fourth or
- more than one-third of the number of House districts.
- 15 (v) The number of Alabama House districts is set by statute at 105 and, under
- the Alabama Constitution, may not exceed 106.
- 17 (vi) The number of Alabama House districts shall not be less than 67.
- 18 (vii) All districts will be single-member districts.
- 19 (viii) Every part of every district shall be contiguous with every other part of the
- 20 district.
- 21 j. The following redistricting policies are embedded in the political values,
- traditions, customs, and usages of the State of Alabama and shall be observed to
- 23 the extent that they do not violate or subordinate the foregoing policies prescribed
- by the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Alabama:
- 25 (i) Contests between incumbents will be avoided whenever possible.
- 26 (ii) Contiguity by water is allowed, but point-to-point contiguity and long-lasso
- 27 contiguity is not.
- 28 (iii) Districts shall respect communities of interest, neighborhoods, and political
- 29 subdivisions to the extent practicable and in compliance with paragraphs a
- 30 through i. A community of interest is defined as an area with recognized
- 31 similarities of interests, including but not limited to ethnic, racial, economic, tribal,
- social, geographic, or historical identities. The term communities of interest may,
- 33 in certain circumstances, include political subdivisions such as counties, voting

- precincts, municipalities, tribal lands and reservations, or school districts. The
- discernment, weighing, and balancing of the varied factors that contribute to
- 3 communities of interest is an intensely political process best carried out by elected
- 4 representatives of the people.
- 5 (iv) The Legislature shall try to minimize the number of counties in each district.
- 6 (v) The Legislature shall try to preserve the cores of existing districts.
- 7 (vi) In establishing legislative districts, the Reapportionment Committee shall
- 8 give due consideration to all the criteria herein. However, priority is to be given to
- 9 the compelling State interests requiring equality of population among districts and
- 10 compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, should the
- requirements of those criteria conflict with any other criteria.
- 12 g. The criteria identified in paragraphs j(i)-(vi) are not listed in order of
- precedence, and in each instance where they conflict, the Legislature shall at its
- 14 discretion determine which takes priority.

15 III. PLANS PRODUCED BY LEGISLATORS

- 16 1. The confidentiality of any Legislator developing plans or portions thereof
- 17 will be respected. The Reapportionment Office staff will not release any
- information on any Legislator's work without written permission of the Legislator
- 19 developing the plan, subject to paragraph two below.
- 20 2. A proposed redistricting plan will become public information upon its
- 21 introduction as a bill in the legislative process, or upon presentation for
- 22 consideration by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 23 3. Access to the Legislative Reapportionment Office Computer System, census
- 24 population data, and redistricting work maps will be available to all members of
- 25 the Legislature upon request. Reapportionment Office staff will provide technical
- 26 assistance to all Legislators who wish to develop proposals.
- 27 4. In accordance with Rule 23 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature
- 28 "[a]ll amendments or revisions to redistricting plans, following introduction as a
- 29 bill, shall be drafted by the Reapportionment Office." Amendments or revisions
- must be part of a whole plan. Partial plans are not allowed.
- 31 5. In accordance with Rule 24 of the Joint Rules of the Alabama Legislature,
- 32 "[d]rafts of all redistricting plans which are for introduction at any session of the
- 33 Legislature, and which are not prepared by the Reapportionment Office, shall be
- 34 presented to the Reapportionment Office for review of proper form and for entry
- into the Legislative Data System at least ten (10) days prior to introduction."

1 IV. REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 3 1. All meetings of the Reapportionment Committee and its sub-committees
- 4 will be open to the public and all plans presented at committee meetings will be
- 5 made available to the public.
- 6 2. Minutes of all Reapportionment Committee meetings shall be taken and
- 7 maintained as part of the public record. Copies of all minutes shall be made
- 8 available to the public.
- 9 3. Transcripts of any public hearings shall be made and maintained as part of
- the public record, and shall be available to the public.
- 11 4. All interested persons are encouraged to appear before the
- 12 Reapportionment Committee and to give their comments and input regarding
- 13 legislative redistricting. Reasonable opportunity will be given to such persons,
- 14 consistent with the criteria herein established, to present plans or amendments
- 15 redistricting plans to the Reapportionment Committee, if desired, unless such
- plans or amendments fail to meet the minimal criteria herein established.
- 17 5. Notice of all Reapportionment Committee meetings will be posted on
- 18 monitors throughout the Alabama State House, the Reapportionment Committee's
- 19 website, and on the Secretary of State's website. Individual notice of
- 20 Reapportionment Committee meetings will be sent by email to any citizen or
- organization who requests individual notice and provides the necessary
- 22 information to the Reapportionment Committee staff. Persons or organizations
- 23 who want to receive this information should contact the Reapportionment Office.

24 V. PUBLIC ACCESS

- 25 1. The Reapportionment Committee seeks active and informed public
- 26 participation in all activities of the Committee and the widest range of public
- 27 information and citizen input into its deliberations. Public access to the
- 28 Reapportionment Office computer system is available every Friday from 8:30 a.m.
- 29 to 4:30 p.m. Please contact the Reapportionment Office to schedule an
- 30 appointment.
- 31 2. A redistricting plan may be presented to the Reapportionment Committee
- 32 by any individual citizen or organization by written presentation at a public
- 33 meeting or by submission in writing to the Committee. All plans submitted to the
- 34 Reapportionment Committee will be made part of the public record and made
- 35 available in the same manner as other public records of the Committee.

- 1 3. Any proposed redistricting plan drafted into legislation must be offered by a
- 2 member of the Legislature for introduction into the legislative process.
- 3 4. A redistricting plan developed outside the Legislature or a redistricting plan
- 4 developed without Reapportionment Office assistance which is to be presented for
- 5 consideration by the Reapportionment Committee must:
- 6 a. Be clearly depicted on maps which follow 2020 Census geographic
- 7 boundaries;
- 8 b. Be accompanied by a statistical sheet listing total population for each district
- 9 and listing the census geography making up each proposed district;
- 10 c. Stand as a complete statewide plan for redistricting.
- d. Comply with the guidelines adopted by the Reapportionment Committee.
- 12 5. Electronic Submissions
- a. Electronic submissions of redistricting plans will be accepted by the
- 14 Reapportionment Committee.
- 15 b. Plans submitted electronically must also be accompanied by the paper
- 16 materials referenced in this section.
- 17 c. See the Appendix for the technical documentation for the electronic
- submission of redistricting plans.
- 19 6. Census Data and Redistricting Materials
- 20 a. Census population data and census maps will be made available through the
- 21 Reapportionment Office at a cost determined by the Permanent Legislative
- 22 Committee on Reapportionment.
- 23 b. Summary population data at the precinct level and a statewide work maps
- 24 will be made available to the public through the Reapportionment Office at a cost
- 25 determined by the Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment.
- 26 c. All such fees shall be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the
- 27 general fund and shall be used to cover the expenses of the Legislature.
- 28 Appendix.
- 29 **ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION OF REDISTRICTING PLANS**
- 30 **REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE STATE OF ALABAMA**

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The Legislative Reapportionment Computer System supports the electronic submission of redistricting plans. The electronic submission of these plans must be via email or a flash drive. The software used by the Reapportionment Office is Maptitude.

The electronic file should be in DOJ format (Block, district # or district #, Block). This should be a two column, comma delimited file containing the FIPS code for each block, and the district number. Maptitude has an automated plan import that creates a new plan from the block/district assignment list.

Web services that can be accessed directly with a URL and ArcView Shapefiles can be viewed as overlays. A new plan would have to be built using this overlay as a guide to assign units into a blank Maptitude plan. In order to analyze the plans with our attribute data, edit, and report on, a new plan will have to be built in Maptitude.

In order for plans to be analyzed with our attribute data, to be able to edit, report on, and produce maps in the most efficient, accurate and time saving procedure, electronic submissions are REQUIRED to be in DOJ format.

- 18 Example: (DOJ FORMAT BLOCK, DISTRICT #)
- 19 SSCCCTTTTTTBBBBDDDD
- 20 SS is the 2 digit state FIPS code
- 21 CCC is the 3 digit county FIPS code
- 22 TTTTTT is the 6 digit census tract code
- 23 BBBB is the 4 digit census block code
- 24 DDDD is the district number, right adjusted
- 25 **Contact Information:**
- 26 Legislative Reapportionment Office
- 27 Room 317, State House
- 28 11 South Union Street
- 29 Montgomery, Alabama 36130
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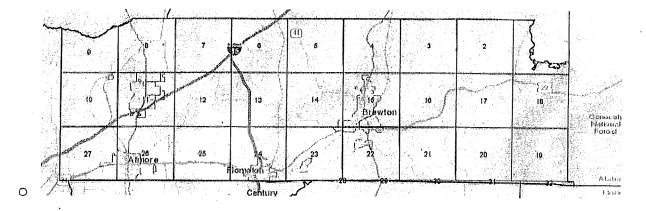
- 1 For questions relating to reapportionment and redistricting, please contact:
- 2 Donna Overton Loftin, Supervisor
- 3 Legislative Reapportionment Office
- 4 donna.overton@alsenate.gov
- 5 Please Note: The above e-mail address is to be used only for the purposes of
- 6 obtaining information regarding redistricting. Political messages, including those
- 7 relative to specific legislation or other political matters, cannot be answered or
- 8 disseminated via this email to members of the Legislature. Members of the
- 9 Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment may be contacted through
- information contained on their Member pages of the Official Website of the
- Alabama Legislature, legislature.state.al.us/aliswww/default.aspx.

TALK POINTS FOR LIKELY ISSUES, No. 1

• The Barry Moore Congressional Plan

- o Sen. Will Barfoot (SD25, Crenshaw, Elmore, and Montgomery) and Rep. Mike Holmes (HD31, Elmore) are sponsoring an alternative Congressional Plan for Congressman Barry Moore.
- o This plan, called "The Preferred Congressional Plan for Alabama," originally differs from the Committee' plan in several respects, but Rep. Holmes will offer an improved version called the "Holmes Congressional Plan 1," that is identical to the Committee's plan except that takes a county split that the Committee's plan has in Moore's district, CD2, and transfers it to Terri Sewell's district, CD7.
- o In the Committee's plan, Moore has a sliver of east Escambia County populated by 739 people. In Moore's plan, that county split is moved to Monroe County, where it gives Sewell an additional 739 voters.
- Under the Committee's plan, Moore has 2 county splits and Sewell has
 Under Moore's plan, he has only 1 county split and Sewell has 4 –
 more than any other Member of Congress.
- o Moore's only stated argument for relocating the split is that with Escambia County, his district has the most counties of all districts donna: 16. The unstated argument, of course, is that Sewell is a Democrat and too bad if she gets dumped on.
- o The problem, of course, is that Sewell is not only a Democrat, she's Black, and this may look like race discrimination to a federal court. In fact, the number of splits in Terri Sewell's district was the first

- objection brought up by Black Committee members when the Reapportion Committee met Tuesday.
- o Bill Harris, Moore's District Director explained why Moore did not want the Escambia County split: it's an additional county that Moore has to service and each additional county takes more work for Moore and his staff, and he already has 15 counties. But this same argument works for Sewell. Each new county split is more work for her, no less than Moore, and she already has 3 splits. No other Member has more than 2.
- o Also, the part of Escambia County given to Moore has no incorporated cities, and a great deal of it is in the Conecuh National Forest:



- o The burden of representing this sparsely populated, unorganized area of Escambia County is a light one. There is no civic group or city council, *etc.*, that has to be courted.
- There's no doubt that adding another county split to Sewell's district especially if done in committee or on the floor will be argued as racially discriminatory by plaintinffs attacking the Moore Plan if the Legislature adopts it in favor of the Committee Plan.

o We can't say if that claim will be successful. It depends in large part on how skillfully it is argued, but clearly, if the Legislature adopts the Moore Plan instead of the Committee Plan, it puts an unnecessary lighting rod on CD7 that is sure to draw attention from the three-judge court or the Supreme Court, and will give them one more reason to see the plan as racially biased. Should that happen, we'll be having a special session to correct the plan, and possibly new elections.

TALK POINTS FOR LIKELY ISSUES, No. 3

- The League of Women Voter's Plan
- The League of Women Voter's Plan is a whole-county plan. It does not split any county. But it has a lot of problems.
- The plan puts two incumbents in the same district, CD3. Rep. Mike Rogers lives in Calhoun County, and Rep. Gary Palmer lives in Shelby County. Both counties are in CD3. This violates section II(j)((i), which says: "Contest between incumbent swill be avoided whenever possible."
- Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act requires the Legislature to draw a majority-Black district when it's possible to do so, generally speaking, and the Reapportionment Committee's Congressional Plan demonstrates that it's possible to draw one. In the Committee's plan, CD7 is majority Black and has a strong Black Voting Age Population, or "BVAP" of 54.__% The LWV's plan has no majority-Black district. Instead, it has only two districts CD6 and CD7 with high BVAPs compared to the other Congressional Districts. Thus the LWV Plan violates Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.
- CD6 consists of 4 whole counties: Jefferson, Bibb, Hale, and Perry. Terri Sewell lives in this district. The BVAP for CD6 is 40.44%, which is well below a majority.
- CD7 is made up of 18 counties: Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Clarke, Conecuh,
 Crenshaw, Dallas, Greene, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Monroe,
 Montgomery, Pickens, Sumter, Tuscaloosa, Washington, and Wilcox.
 Eighteen counties is far more than any other districts has.
 - o CD1 has only 4,

- o CD2 has 12,
- o CD3 has 11,
- o CD4 has 12,
- CD 5 has 6, and , as I've mentioned,
- o CD 6 has only 4.
- o The BVAP for CD7 is only 45.82% better than CD6 but still less than a majority. And unlike CD6, in which Representative Terri Sewell resides, there is no incumbent in CD7. It seems unlikely that a Black Democrat candidate without the strength of incumbency will carry a district that is only 45.82% BVAP. It seems more than likely that CD7 is not a Black district at all.
- CD7 violates the race-neutral criteria in the Reapportionment Committee's Redistricting Guidelines in several ways:
 - o Guideline II(h) says: "Districts will be composed of contiguous and reasonably compact geography." CD7 is contiguous, but it is not reasonably compact. It starts in Tuscaloosa and executes a huge curve south and then east, ending in Macon and Bullock Counties, just short of the Georgia line.
 - O Guideline II(j)(iv) says: "The Legislature shall try to minimize the number of counties in each district." It's apparent that no attempt was made to minimize the number of counties in CD7. To the contrary, the LWV maximized the number of counties in CD7 in order to get as many Black persons in the districts as possible.

- o Guideline II(j)(iv) says: "The Legislature shall try to preserve the cores of existing districts." CD 7 as drawn by the LWV does not do that. Existing CD7 has 10 whole counties and 4 split counties. The LWV plan adds to CD7 7 completely new counties Bullock, Butler, Conecuh, Crenshaw, Macon, Monroe, and Washington and removes 3 counties Hale, Jefferson, which is the population core of the existing CD7, and Perry. So, the LWV's CD7 does not preserve the core of the existing CD7.
- The LWV Plan does not preserve the core of existing CD2. At present, CD 2 has 14 whole counties and part of another, Montgomery. The whole counties are: Autauga, Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Crenshaw, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington, Dale, Elmore, Geneva, Henry, Houston, and Pike. The LWV's proposed CD2 loses 7 of these counties Autauga, Bullock, Butler, Crenshaw, Conecuh, Elmore, and Montgomery. It retains only 7 of its current counties Barbour, Covington, Coffee, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, and Pike. And it picks up an additional 5 completely new counties Chambers, Elmore, Lee, Russell, and Tallapoosa. The LWV's CD2 does not preserve the core of the existing district.
- o The LWV plan also does not preserve the core of CD3. Presently, CD 3 has 11 whole counties Calhoun, Chambers, Clay, Cleburne, Lee, Macon, Randolph, Russell, St. Clair, Talladega, and Tallapoosa and parts of two other counties Cherokee and Montgomery. But as drawn by the LVW, CD# has 11 whole counties, of which only 6 are in the present CD6. These are Calhoun, Cherokee, Clay, Cleburne, Randolph, and Talladega. CD 3 gains 5 entirely new counties Autauga, Chilton, Coosa, Etowah, and Shelby, and loses 7 that it currently includes Lee, Chambers, Macon, Montgomery, Russell,

St. Clair, and Tallapoosa. The LWV's CD3 does not preserve the core of the existing district.

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- CD6 and CD7 are both racial gerrymanders. A district is racially gerrymandered when a substantial number of people have been included in it, or excluded from it, because of race. There is no way these districts were drawn race-blind. In fact, CD6 and CD7 are drawn as they are because of race. Not only that, but in order to draw these districts, as we've just seen the LWV trampled on or subordinated the Legislature's race-neutral criteria.
- Drawing districts to have a Black population majority might be OK if it were done in order to comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and there were a strong basis in evidence to support it. But the Voting Rights Act does not apply to districts like CD6 and CD7 that are below 50% BVAP. CD6 and CD7 are not majority-Black districts; they are what are called "influence districts," and the Voting Rights Act does not apply to them. It necessarily follow that CD6 and CD7 violate the Equal Protection Clause, because they classify voters by race without a compelling state interest in doing so.
- The LWV Plan violates the Guidelines, and the law, in another way. Guideline II(b) says: "Congressional districts shall have minimal population deviation." The Committee's plan complies with this requirement. Six of the Committee's Congressional Districts has the same population, and the other Congressional District has one additional person. But instead of minimal deviation, the LWV Plan has a total deviation of 2.47%. That would be OK if it were any type of plan *except* a Congressional plan, but Congressional plans must have zero deviation. 2.47% is well in excess of what the Guidelines and Supreme Court case law allow. This deviation will not pass muster in federal court.

The LWV is aware of the problem caused by their plan's excessive total deviation. And they will make the argument that this excessive total deviation is allowed by a case the Supreme Court decided in 2012 called Tennant v. Jefferson County [West Virginia] Commission. The Tarrant case is very specific to the facts the Court was considering in that case, and that case does not apply to Alabama. The LWV argues in the complaint they filed in federal court that their plan's excessive total deviation "can be justified as a remedy of the racial gerrymander preserved in the 2011 plan and by Alabama's historic policy of preserving whole counties." This is just an argument, and it's one that have not been tested in federal court. We believe it's wrong, and that in Alabama, congressional plan must have minimal deviation.

TALK POINTS FOR LIKELY ISSUES, No. 4

- The Faulkner Congressional District Plan No. 1
 - The Faulkner Congressional Plan No. 1 changes the Committee's Plan in Jefferson County only.
 - o The Faulkner Plan takes Homewood out of CD7, which is represented by Terri Sewell, and put it in CD6, represented by Gary Palmer.
 - o If this plan is passed, it will be sued as violating the Voting Right Act. In response to such a lawsuit, the State might argue that taking Homewood from CD7 and putting it in CD6 is politically motivated, but there is a strong possibility that a court would the change view it as racially motivated. If so, it's a fair conclusion that the court would find that the reassignment of Homewood was a race-conscious change made without the necessary "strong basis in evidence." This would lead to a holding that the plan violates the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause.
 - o In addition, the Faulkner Plan increases CD7's BVAP from 54.22% to 57.58%. This increase in Black BVAP is likely to draw an allegation that more Black residents have been put into CD7 than are necessary, which is called "packing," and which violates the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause.

The Jabo Waggoner Substitute Plan

Q: Why was it OK to have Homewood in CD6 and the Centerpoint precincts in CD7 in 2010 but now it's not OK?

A: Two factors are involved. First, in three cases after the 2010 Census, the Supreme Court required that districts be drawn race-blind, and so the Congressional Plan was. Second, there was a need to add 53,000+ people to CD7, and most of them had to come from Jefferson County, given that many of the other counties in CD7 lost population under the 2020 Census. Together, these factors led to the inclusion of population-dense Homewood into CD7. In addition, it was necessary to give the CD7 incursion into Jefferson County more of an East-West shape, rather than a North South shape, in order to prevent claims that this part of Jefferson County was a racial gerrymander. This is a consequence of the fact that Section 5 is no longer enforceable, and explains why what was OK in 010 and was approved by the Justice Department then is not OK in 2020, and would not be approved by the Justice Department today. Consequently, when these changes were made, the tip of the 2010 incursion – the Centerpoint Precincts – were not needed and were put into C6.

Q: Why can't they just be switched back?

A: The two Homewood Precincts are majority white. The four Centerpointarea precincts are majority black. Switching black and white precincts it at this point, after the plan was drawn race-blind, would be a race-conscious action that would violate Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act unless it were done in fulfillment of a "compelling state interest.' Under the Voting Rights Act, the State has no compelling interest in making these race-conscious reassignments.

Hassell Senate Plan No. 1 Compared with McClendon Senate Plan No. 1

Pairing Incumbents in the Same Districts

The Hassell Plan pairs 8 incumbent Senators in 4 districts:

- 14 Pairs Senators Chambless and Weaver
- 27 Pairs Senators Price and Watley
- 17 Pairs Senators Reed and Shellnut
- 8 Pairs Senators Butler and Givhan

The McClendon Pan, which the Senate has passed, does not pair any incumbents.

County and Precincts Splits

The Hassell Plan splits 31 counties and 320 precincts.

The McClendon Plan spits 19 counties and 13 precincts.

The McClendon Plan does a much better job of respecting communities of interest and keeping counties whole.

Significantly Changes Shapes of Senate Districts

A cursory look at the Hassell Plan shows that it makes major changes to Senatorial Districts, from top to bottom of the State. Just a few examples:

McClendon's SDs 4, 5, and 6 are largely combined into Hassell SD 2

The Jefferson County Districts are more or less redrawn

SD 34 goes from being part of Mobile County to including parts of Clarke, Choctaw, and Mobile Counties and all of Washington County Many more changes are apparent merely by looking at the two maps. The McClendon Pan is based on repeated meetings with Senators over the past 2 and a half months; working with Senators to give them what they wanted or to work out compromises. There's no indication that Hassell met with anyone, or has Senatorial buy-in to his plan. If the House starts changing Senate Districts that Senators have agreed to, it can only expect that the Senate will do likewise to House Districts.

Committee Draft Congressional Plan

Talking Points

- 1. In developing this plan, all Congressional Representatives were met with in person and then subsequently over the phone or on Microsoft Teams until their concerns had been addressed. An exception is Representative Mo Brooks, who is running for another office. He did not want to meet in person and sent a staff member in his stead. All Representatives had input into this plan.
- 2. This plan meets our Committee Guidelines.
 - a. It complies with Section II of the Voting Rights Act and the Equal Protection Clause.
 - b. There is minimal population deviation between the districts. Six of the districts are at ideal population -- 717,754 and the 2nd District is one person over.
 - c. It respects counties to the extent possible given the requirement for equal population.
 - d. It does not require any incumbents to run against each other.
 - e. All districts are contiguous and reasonably compact.
 - f. It respects communities of interest.
 - g. It preserves the cores of existing districts.
- 3. It splits a minimum number of counties and VTDs (or precincts) 6 counties are split and 7 VTDs are split to get to zero deviation. An improvement over current law which splits 7 counties.

Splits are:

Lauderdale County between districts 4 and 5 Tuscaloosa County between districts 4 and 7 Jefferson County between districts 6 and 7 Chilton County between districts 3 and 6 Montgomery County between districts 2 and 7 Escambia County between districts 1 and 2

4. This plan contains one majority-black district with a BVAP of 54.22%.

Hatcher Congressional Plan No. 1

- •This plan purports to have two majority-Black districts. These are CDs 2 and 7. CD7 has a BVAP of 52.55%, but CD2's BVAP is only 50.05%. That means CD2 is a majority-Black district by only .05%. This is not a functional majority, and given the margin of error in the Census data, it may not even be a majority-Black district at all. By comparison, the Reapportionment Committee's plan, which the House has passed, has one majority-Black district with a strong BVAP of 54.22. So the Hatcher Congressional Plan reduces the BVAP of CD7 in order to draw a district, CD2, as only marginally majority-Black. Reducing the BVAP of CD7 to create a majority-Black district that may not in fact be majority-Black is likely to draw a "cracking" lawsuit in violation of the Voting Rights Act.
- The Hatcher Congressional Plan No. 1 splits 13 counties. The Reapportionment Committee's plan has only 6 county splits.
- The Hatcher Congressional Plan No. 1 puts two pairs of incumbents in the same district. CD1 contains the residences of both Rep. Carl and Rep. Moore. In addition, it puts Rep. Sewell and Rep. Palmer both in CD6.

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1. The finger into Jefferson County is a racial gerrymander. It's a lot like what was in the 2010 plan, which also was a racial gerrymander but was protected by the non-retrogression standard of Section 5. Section 5 in no longer in effect, it is necessary to correct the CD7-Jefferson County racial gerrymander. The Committee's plan does that. The Coleman plan does not do that, and I believe that there's a strong risk that a federal Court will look at CD7 in the Coleman plan and say redraw that district.

2. Congressional plans require minimal deviation from ideal population. So do the Guidelines. The Coleman plan does not meet minimum deviation: CD1 has +7 people, CD4 has +42, CD6 has -71, and CD7 has +22. These deviations from ideal population

are not constitutional in a Congressional plan.

3. The Black Voting Age Population of CD7 is 61.07, which is more that is needs for that district to perform as a majority Black district. That level of BVCAP will lead to a packing charge in federal court.



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Proposed Alabama Senate District 18 Functionality Examination

2020 Presidential Election

Using a statistical method known as Ecological Inference we can derive vote estimates by racial group from precinct-level data. The estimates in Table 1 below for proposed Senate District 18 are based on the results from the 2020 presidential contest.

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Table 1. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2020 Presidential Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	Independent Vote
	(Biden)	(Trump)	(Jorgenson)
Black	.9756	.0206	.0038
	[.9630, .9851]	[.0112, .0330]	[.0017, .0066]
White	.5513	.4374	.0113
	[.5281, .5742]	[.4144, .4607]	[.0060, .0178]
Other	.2204	.5689	.2107
	[.0640, .4586]	[.3157, .7473]	[.1318, .3012]

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Notes: Entries are EI point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

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2018 Gubernatorial Election

The estimates in Table 2 below for proposed House District 83 are based on the results from the 2018 gubernatorial contest.

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Table 2. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2018 Gubernatorial Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	
	(Maddox)	(Ivey)	
Black	.9690	.0310	
	[.9545, .9806]	[.0194, .0455]	
White	.6618	.3382	
	[.6401, .6869]	[.3131, .3599]	
Other	.3812	.6188	
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17 18 19 Notes: Entries are EI point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

Summary

- From the analyses run, there is no racially polarized voting present in proposed SD 18. A
- 21 majority of both black and white voters supported Biden in 2020 and Maddox in 2018. Thus,
- there is no empirical support to substantiate the second prong of the Gingles test.

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Proposed Alabama House District 32 Functionality Examination

2020 Presidential Election

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Using a statistical method known as Ecological Inference we can derive vote estimates by racial group from precinct-level data. The estimates in Table 1 below for proposed House District 32 are based on the results from the 2020 presidential contest.

Table 1. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2020 Presidential Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	Independent Vote
	(Biden)	(Trump)	(Jorgenson)
Black	.9493	.0468	003910.
	[.8923, .9839]	[.0124, .1035]	[.0010, .0086]
White	.1103	.8872	.0024
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Other	.3415	.3077	.3508
	[.0955, .5951]	[.0833, .5610]	[.2039, .5234]

Notes: Entries are EI point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

As displayed in Table 2 below, the proposed HD 32 is 48.81% black voting age population; 46.04% white voting age population, and 5.15% other voting age population. These figures represent the potential voting electorate for HD 32.

Table 2. Racial Breakdown for Proposed HD 32

Racial Group	Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	48.81%	17.75739
White VAP	46.04%	16,749
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Total w Tornian	e e e e e	36,380n order to

Next, I will make use of historical registration and turnout data from the Alabama Secretary of State in order to estimate the number of each racial group. Data in Table 3 below are from the 2020 general election. The table below indicates what the electorate in proposed HD 32 might resemble in a general election scenario.

Table 3. Turnout by Race for Proposed HD 32

Racial Group	Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	17,757	53.75%	9,544
White VAP	16,749	62.51%	10,470
Other VAP	1,874	42.15%	790
Total	36,380		20,804

Having come up with an estimate of what the electorate for proposed HD 32 might resemble, one can now combine these data with the estimated vote percentages by race in Table 1 in order to estimate vote shares by party (see Table 4).

Table 4. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed HD 32

	(D)	(R)	(I)
Black	9,061	447	37
White	1,155	9,288	25
Other	270	243	277
Total	10,485	9,978	339
Vote Percentage	50.40%	47.96%	1.63%

Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (10,485/20,804) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed HD 32. At 48.81% BVAP, proposed HD 32 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of 50.40% based on the results of the 2020 presidential election.

2018 Gubernatorial Election

 The estimates in Table 5 below for proposed House District 32 are based on the results from the 2018 gubernatorial contest.

Table 5. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2018 Gubernatorial Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	The second secon
	(Maddox)	(Ivey)	e e . Si me
Black	.9386	.0614	
	[.8800, .9805]	[.0195, .1200]	The second secon
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Notes: Entries are EI point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

As displayed in Table 6 below, the proposed HD 32 is 48.81% black voting age population; 46.04% white voting age population, and 5.15% other voting age population. These figures represent the potential voting electorate for HD 32.

Table 6. Racial Breakdown for Proposed HD 32

Racial Group	Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	48.81%	17,757
White VAP	46.04%	16,749
Other VAP	5.15%	1,874
Total		36,380

Next, I will make use of historical registration and turnout data from the Alabama Secretary of State in order to estimate the number of each racial group. Data in Table 7 below are from the 2018 general election. The table below indicates what the electorate in proposed HD 32 might resemble in a general election scenario.

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Table 7. Turnout by Race for Proposed HD 32

Racial Group	Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	17,757	0.4397	7,808
White VAP	16,749	0.4834	8,097
Other VAP	1,874	0.3007	563
Total	36,380		16,468

Having come up with an estimate of what the electorate for proposed HD 32 might resemble, one can now combine these data with the estimated vote percentages by race in Table 5 in order to estimate vote shares by party (see Table 8).

Table 8. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed HD 32

	(D)	(R)	
Black	7,328	479	
White	1,556	6540	
Other	293	270	
Total	9,178	7,290	the second second
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Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (9,178/16,468) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed HD 32. At 48.81% BVAP, proposed HD 32 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of 55.73% based on the results of the 2018 gubernatorial election.

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El point estimates do come with a degree of uncertainty. Knowing this, a 95% confidence interval can be calculated (the assumption being that one can be 95% certain that the true value of the point estimate lies within the range of the confidence interval). If we recalculate the Democratic vote share for proposed HD 32 using the lower bounds for the Democratic vote share estimates by racial group (see Tables 1 and 5), then the estimated Democratic vote in the district drops to 45.29% using 2020 election data or 50.43% using 2018 election data.

If the Black VAP percentage of HD 32 is increased to 51.00% (and the white VAP concomitantly lowered to 43.85%), using the 2020 presidential election as an example, the estimated Democratic vote share in proposed HD 32 would increase to 52.09%.

Proposed Alabama House District 68 Functionality Examination

2020 Presidential Election

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Using a statistical method known as Ecological Inference we can derive vote estimates by racial group from precinct-level data. The estimates in Table 1 below for proposed House District 68 are based on the results from the 2020 presidential contest.

Table 1. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2020 Presidential Election

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Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	Independent Vote
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White	.0322	.9652	.0026
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Other	.4680	.3717	1603
	[.1909, .7229]	[.1313, .6484]	[.0786, .2751]

Notes: Entries are El point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

As displayed in Table 2 below, the proposed HD 68 is 48.30% black voting age population; 11

48.23% white voting age population, and 3.47% other voting age population. These figures 12 Promise AT YOUSE

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resemble in a general election scenario.

Table 3. Turnout by Race for Proposed HD 68

Racial Group	Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	18,311	59.01%	10,806
White VAP	18,285	69.19%	12,651
Other VAP	1,316	40.99%	539
Total	37,912		23,996

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Table 4. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed HD 68

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Black	10,485	276	45
White	407	12,211	33
Other	252	200	86
Total	11,144	12,687	165
Vote Percentage	46.44%	52.87%	0.69%

Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (11,144/23,996) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed HD 68. At 48.30% BVAP, proposed HD 68 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of 46.44% based on the results of the 2020 presidential election.

2018 Gubernatorial Election

The estimates in Table 5 below for proposed House District 68 are based on the results from the 2018 gubernatorial contest.

Table 5. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2018 Gubernatorial Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	
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As displayed in Table 6 below, the proposed HD 68 is 48.30% black voting age population; 48.23% white voting age population, and 3.47% other voting age population. These figures represent the potential voting electorate for HD 68.

Table 6. Racial Breakdown for Proposed HD 68

Racial Group	Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	48.30%	18,311
White VAP	48.23%	18,285
Other VAP	3.47%	1,316
Total		37,912

Next, I will make use of historical registration and turnout data from the Alabama Secretary of State in order to estimate the number of each racial group. Data in Table 7 below are from the 2018 general election. The table below indicates what the electorate in proposed HD 68 might resemble in a general election scenario.

Table 7. Turnout by Race for Proposed HD 68

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Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
18,311	50.45%	9,239
18,285	57.21%	10,461
1,316	32.44%	427
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Having come up with an estimate of what the electorate for proposed HD 68 might resemble, one can now combine these data with the estimated vote percentages by race in Table 1 in order to estimate vote shares by party (see Table 8).

Table 8. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed HD 68

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Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (10,015/20,127) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed HD 68. At 48.30% BVAP, proposed HD 68 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of 49.76% based on the results of the 2018 gubernatorial election.

Summary

Extremely high levels of racially polarized voting are present in proposed HD 68. In addition, analysis using turnout data indicate that using the 2020 presidential returns or the 2018 gubernatorial returns would result in a Democratic vote share of less than 50.01%.

One additional point to mention concerns the Census Bureau's use of differential privacy as related to various types of data, including racial data. Due to the application of this technique, the actual racial makeup in a specific Census geography is not ascertainable. So, a district drawn to be 51.0% black voting age population may in reality fall above or below that figure. There is no margin of error for the Census Bureau's redistricting data, so it is impossible to know the precision of these data.

If the Black VAP percentage is increased to 54.00% (and the white VAP concomitantly lowered to 42.53%), using the 2020 presidential election as an example, the estimated Democratic vote share in proposed HD 68 would increase to 51.39%.

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Proposed Alabama House District 82 Functionality Examination

2020 Presidential Election

Using a statistical method known as Ecological Inference we can derive vote estimates by racial group from precinct-level data. The estimates in Table 1 below for proposed House District 82 are based on the results from the 2020 presidential contest.

Table 1. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2020 Presidential Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	Independent Vote
	(Biden)	(Trump)	(Jorgenson)
Black	.9495	.0450	
the second	[.8909, .9833]	[.0122, .1033]	[.0008, .0175]
White	.2321	.7634	.0045
	[.1822, .2880]	[.7076, .8133]	[.0004, .0419]
Other	.3469	.3632	.2899
	[.0703, .6552]	[.0808, .6700]	[.1052, .4935]

Notes: Entries are EI point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

As displayed in Table 2 below, the proposed HD 82 is 50.85% black voting age population;

39.28% white voting age population, and 9.87% other voting age population. These figures represent the potential voting electorate for HD 82.

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2020 general election. The table below indicates what the electorate in proposed HD 82 might

resemble in a general election scenario.

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Table 3. Turnout by Race for Proposed HD 82

Racial Group	Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	19,609	48.75%	9,560
White VAP	15,148	59.87%	9,069
Other VAP	3,806	40.38%	1,537
Total	38,563		20,166

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Having come up with an estimate of what the electorate for proposed HD 82 might resemble, one can now combine these data with the estimated vote percentages by race in Table 1 in order to estimate vote shares by party (see Table 4).

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Table 4. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed HD 82

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Black	9,077	430	52
White	2105	6,923	41
Other	533	558	446
Total	11,715	7,912	538
Vote Percentage	58.09%	39.23%	2.67%

Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (11,715/20,166) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed HD 82. At 50.85% BVAP, proposed HD 82 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of 58.09% based on the results of the 2020 presidential election.

2018 Gubernatorial Election

 The estimates in Table 5 below for proposed House District 82 are based on the results from the 2018 gubernatorial contest.

Table 5. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2018 Gubernatorial Election

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Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	Table 1
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	[.1154, .8904]	[.1096, .8846]	The second second second second second second second second second second second second second second second se

Notes: Entries are EI point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

As displayed in Table 6 below, the proposed HD 82 is 50.85% black voting age population; 39.28% white voting age population, and 9.87% other voting age population. These figures represent the potential voting electorate for HD 82.

Table 6. Racial Breakdown for Proposed HD 82

Racial Group	Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	50.85%	19,609
White VAP	39.28%	15,148
Other VAP	9.87%	3,806
Total	•	38,563

Next, I will make use of historical registration and turnout data from the Alabama Secretary of State in order to estimate the number of each racial group. Data in Table 7 below are from the 2018 general election. The table below indicates what the electorate in proposed HD 82 might resemble in a general election scenario.

Table 7. Turnout by Race for Proposed HD 82

Racial Group	Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	19,609	39.74%	7,793
White VAP	15,148	44.99%	6,815
Other VAP	3,806	29.53%	1,124
Total	38,563		15,732

Having come up with an estimate of what the electorate for proposed HD 82 might resemble, one can now combine these data with the estimated vote percentages by race in Table 1 in order to estimate vote shares by party (see Table 8).

Table 8. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed HD 82

	(D)	(R)	
Black	7,186	607	
White	2,222	4,593	
Other	566	558	•
Total	9,973	5,759	
Vote Percentage	63.39%	36.61%	

Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (9,973/15,732) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed HD 82. At 50.85% BVAP, proposed HD 82 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of 63.39% based on the results of the 2018 gubernatorial election.

One additional point to mention concerns the Census Bureau's use of differential privacy as related to various types of data, including racial data. Due to the application of this technique, the actual racial makeup in a specific Census geography is not ascertainable. So, a district drawn to be 51.0% black voting age population may in reality fall above or below that figure. There is no margin of error for the Census Bureau's redistricting data, so it is impossible to know the precision of these data.

Summary

Proposed HD 82, drawn race-blind, is 50.85% BVAP. Racially polarized voting patterns are present in proposed HD82. Nevertheless, based on analyses of the 2020 presidential and the 2018 gubernatorial election, the estimated Democratic vote share ranged between 58.1% and 63.4%.

Proposed Alabama House District 83 Functionality Examination

2020 Presidential Election

Using a statistical method known as Ecological Inference we can derive vote estimates by racial group from precinct-level data. The estimates in Table 1 below for proposed House District 83 are based on the results from the 2020 presidential contest.

Table 1. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2020 Presidential Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	Independent Vote
	(Biden)	(Trump)	(Jorgenson)
Black	.9394	.0541	.0065
	[.8648, .9844]	[.0098, .1290]	[.0012, .0150]
White	.2034	.7921	.0046
	[.1373, .2728]	[.7228, .8577]	[.0007, .0107]
Other	.4136	.3761	.2103
	[.1233, .7056]	[.1076, .6755]	[.0688, .3735]

Notes: Entries are EI point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

As displayed in Table 2 below, the proposed HD 83 is 50.27% black voting age population; 40.31% white voting age population, and 9.42% other voting age population. These figures represent the potential voting electorate for HD 83.

Table 2. Racial Breakdown for Proposed HD 83

Racial Group	Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	50.27%	18,87630
White VAP	40.31%	15,136
Other VAP	9.42%	a de la la la la la la la la la la la la la
Total		37,549

Next, I will make use of historical registration and turnout data from the Alabama Secretary of State in order to estimate the number of each racial group. Data in Table 3 below are from the 2020 general election. The table below indicates what the electorate in proposed HD 83 might resemble in a general election scenario.

Table 3. Turnout by Race for Proposed HD 83

Racial Group	Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	18,876	49.67%	9,375
White VAP	15,136	59.92%	9,069
Other VAP	3,537	40.59%	1,436
Total	37,549		19,880

Having come up with an estimate of what the electorate for proposed HD 83 might resemble, one can now combine these data with the estimated vote percentages by race in Table 1 in order to estimate vote shares by party (see Table 4).

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Table 4. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed HD 83

	(D)	(R)	(I)
Black	8,807	507	61
White	1,845	7,184	42
Other	594	540	302
Total	11,245	8,231	405
Vote Percentage	56.57%	41.40%	2.04%

Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (11,245/19,880) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed HD 83. At 50.27% BVAP, proposed HD 83 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of 56.57% based on the results of the 2020 presidential election.

2018 Gubernatorial Election

 The estimates in Table 5 below for proposed House District 83 are based on the results from the 2018 gubernatorial contest.

Table 5. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2018 Gubernatorial Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	
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Black	.9486	.0514	
	[.8910, .9848]	[.0152, .1090]	
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Table 6. Racial Breakdown for Proposed HD 83

Racial Group	Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	50.27%	18,876
White VAP	40.31%	15,136
Other VAP	9.42%	3,537
Total		37,549

Next, I will make use of historical registration and turnout data from the Alabama Secretary of State in order to estimate the number of each racial group. Data in Table 7 below are from the 2018 general election. The table below indicates what the electorate in proposed HD 83 might resemble in a general election scenario.

Table 7. Turnout by Race for Proposed HD 83

Racial Group	Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	18,876	39.62%	7,479
White VAP	15,136	47.07%	7,124
Other VAP	3,537	31.80%	1,125
Total	37,549		15,728

Having come up with an estimate of what the electorate for proposed HD 83 might resemble, one can now combine these data with the estimated vote percentages by race in Table 1 in order to estimate vote shares by party (see Table 8).

Table 8. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed HD 83

	(D)	(R)	
Black	7,095	384	
White	1,505	5,619	
Other	553	572	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Total	9,153	6,575	
Vote Percentage	58.19%	41.81%	

Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (9,153/15,728) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed HD 83. At 50.27% BVAP, proposed HD 83 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of **58.19%** based on the results of the 2018 gubernatorial election.

One additional point to mention concerns the Census Bureau's use of differential privacy as related to various types of data, including racial data. Due to the application of this technique, the actual racial makeup in a specific Census geography is not ascertainable. So, a district drawn to be 51.0% black voting age population may in reality fall above or below that figure. There is no margin of error for the Census Bureau's redistricting data, so it is impossible to know the precision of these data.

Summary

Proposed HD 83, drawn race-blind, is 50.27% BVAP. Racially polarized voting patterns are present in proposed HD 83. Nevertheless, based on analyses of the 2020 presidential and the 2018 gubernatorial election, the estimated Democratic vote share ranged between 56.6% and 58.2%.

Proposed Alabama SBOE District 4 Functionality Examination

2020 Presidential Election

 Using a statistical method known as Ecological Inference we can derive vote estimates by racial group from precinct-level data. The estimates in Table 1 below for proposed SBOE District 4 are based on the results from the 2020 presidential contest.

Table 1. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2020 Presidential Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	Independent Vote
	(Biden)	(Trump)	(Jorgenson)
Black	.9814	.0160	.0026
	[.9749, .9866]	[.0108, .0225]	[.0018, .0035]
White	.2150	.7796	.0053
4. *	[.2014, .2288]	[.7659, .7934]	[.0039, .0068]
Other	.3328	.3493	.3179
	[.1263, .5388]	[.1587, .5305]	[.2365, .4541]

Notes: Entries are EI point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

As displayed in Table 2 below, the proposed SBOE 4 is 51.21% black voting age population; 41.03% white voting age population, and 7.76% other voting age population. These figures represent the potential voting electorate for SBOE 4.

Table 2. Racial Breakdown for Proposed SBOE 4

Racial Group	Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	51.21%	243,017
White VAP	41.03%	194,707
Other VAP	7.76%	36,825
Total		474,549

Next, I will make use of historical registration and turnout data from the Alabama Secretary of State in order to estimate the number of each racial group. Data in Table 3 below are from the 2020 general election. The table below indicates what the electorate in proposed SBOE 4 might resemble in a general election scenario.

Table 3. Turnout by Race for Proposed SBOE 4

Racial Group	Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	243,017	60.50%	147,026
White VAP	194,707	61.72%	120,167
Other VAP	36,825	46.77%	17,223
Total	474,549		284,415

Having come up with an estimate of what the electorate for proposed SBOE 4 might resemble, one can now combine these data with the estimated vote percentages by race in Table 1 in order to estimate votes shares by party (see Table 4).

Table 4. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed SBOE 4

	(D)	(R)	(1)
Black	144,292	2,352	382
White	25,836	93,682	637
Other	5,732	6,016	5,475
Total	175,859	102,050	6,494
Vote Percentage	61.83%	35.88%	2.28%

Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (175,859/284,415) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed SBOE 4. At 51.21% BVAP, proposed SBOE 4 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of 61.83% based on the results of the 2020 presidential election.

Summary

Proposed SBOE 4, drawn race-blind, is 51.21% BVAP. Racially polarized voting patterns are present in proposed SBOE 4. Based on the analysis of the 2020 presidential election, the estimated Democratic vote share is 61.83%.

Proposed Alabama SBOE District 5 Functionality Examination

2020 Presidential Election

 Using a statistical method known as Ecological Inference we can derive vote estimates by racial group from precinct-level data. The estimates in Table 1 below for proposed SBOE District 5 are based on the results from the 2020 presidential contest.¹

Table 1. Estimated Vote Share by Race, 2020 Presidential Election

Racial Group	Democratic Vote	Republican Vote	Independent Vote
	(Biden)	(Trump)	(Jorgenson)
Black	.9844	.0119	.0036
	[.9809, .9874]	[.0092, .0154]	[.0028, .0046]
White	.0775	.9185	.0040
	[.0680, .0880]	[.9080, .9280]	[.0030, .0051]
Other	.5175	.2032	.2792
	[.3277, .6669]	[.0626, .3858]	[.2368, .3325]

Notes: Entries are EI point estimates with 95% confidence intervals in brackets.

As displayed in Table 2 below, the proposed SBOE 5 is 51.27% black voting age population; 42.70% white voting age population, and 6.03% other voting age population. These figures represent the potential voting electorate for SBOE 5.

Table 2. Racial Breakdown for Proposed SBOE 5

Racial Group	- 10	Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP		51.27%	247,203 00
White VAP		42.70%	205,882
Other VAP	9.0	6.03%	29,0745cmi.e.
Total			482,159 in only

Next, I will make use of historical registration and turnout data from the Alabama Secretary of State in order to estimate the number of each racial group. Data in Table 3 below are from the 2020 general election. The table below indicates what the electorate in proposed SBOE 5 might resemble in a general election scenario.

Table 3. Turnout by Race for Proposed SBOE 5

Racial Group	Electorate	Turnout Percent	Number of Voters
Black VAP	247,203	54.70%	135,208
White VAP	205,882	65.00%	133,827
Other VAP	29,074	44.13%	12,830
Total	482,159		281,866

Having come up with an estimate of what the electorate for proposed SBOE 5 might resemble, one can now combine these data with the estimated vote percentages by race in Table 1 in order to estimate votes shares by party (see Table 4).

135.827

¹Due to data limitations, Washington County was included in the analysis as a pseudo-precinct.

Table 4. Estimated Vote by Party for Proposed SBOE 5

	(D)	(R)	(I)
Black	133,099	1,609	487
White	10,372	122,921	535
Other	6,640	2,607	3,582
Total	150,110	127,137	4,604
Vote Percentage	53.26%	45.11%	1.63%

Having produced an estimate of the number of Democratic votes, the last step in the process would be to simply divide this number by the size of the estimated electorate (150,110/281,866) in order to determine the percentage of votes a Democratic candidate would receive in proposed SBOE 5. At 51.27% BVAP, proposed SBOE 5 would yield an estimated Democratic vote percentage of **53.26%** based on the results of the 2020 presidential election.

Summary

Proposed SBOE 5, drawn race-blind, is 51.21% BVAP. Extremely high levels of racially polarized voting are present in proposed SBOE 5. Based on the analysis of the 2020 presidential election, the estimated Democratic vote share is 53.26%.²

²If we recalculate the Democratic vote share for proposed SBOE 5 using the lower bounds for the Democratic vote share estimates by racial group (see Tables 1 and 5), then the estimated Democratic vote in the district still constitutes a majority (51.76%) using 2020 election data.

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House approves congressional redistricting plan



Written by

Brian Lyman

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The Alabama House of Representatives approved a congressional redistricting plan Wednesday despite protests from the Montgomery County delegation over the map splitting the county among three congressional districts.

The map divides Montgomery County between the 2nd, 3rd and 7th districts. The county is currently split between the 2nd and 3rd districts.

The House approved the map 65-37. The Senate approved a similar plan last week, but a conference committee replaced that version with an older map; the Senate must concur in the changes.

Reps. Joe Hubbard, D-Montgomery; John Knight, D-Montgomery; and Jay Love, R-Montgomery all voted against the proposal. Rep. Greg Wren, R-Montgomery, did not vote.

Members of the Montgomery delegation in the House and Senate have complained that that dividing the county between three districts would dilute Montgomery's voice in Congress.

"You deal with three different people who are unlikely to agree on different things," said Hubbard.

Wren voiced similar sentiments.

"You wouldn't want to see your county cut into three districts, but that's what's happened here," he said.

Montgomery representatives offered several alternatives that would have split Montgomery County between two districts, but were voted down. Rep. James Buskey, D-Mobile, offered another alternative that, he said, does not "crack" Montgomery and would increase minority represen tation in the 2nd Congressional District. Under the approved plan, the 7th Congressional District would be about 63 percent black, which Buskey objected to.

"That's stacking," he said. "That's stacking



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blacks in a congressional district, (and) there's no need to do so."

Rep. Jim McClendon, R-Springville, who carried the plan in the House, said the Buskey plan would lead to "retrogression," or a retreat from minority population benchmarks set by the Justice Department.

Under the Voting Rights Act, the DOJ must approve the state's redistricting plan before it can be implemented. If the redistricting plan retreats from Justice Department benchmarks -- such as re ducing minority population in a previously-approved congressional district -- the state must show that it had no discriminatory purpose in the move and did not reduce minority voters' "effective exercise of the electoral franchise."

"This plan, as far as the Justice Department and Voting Rights Act goes, it's a failure," McClendon said.

The Senate plan passed last Thursday was changed late in the day by Senate Rules Chairman Scott Beason, who made alterations to a map sponsored by Rep. Micky Hammon, R-Decatur. Beason's work altered the boundaries of the 6th Con gressional District, where he lives.

A conference committee removed Beason's changes this week, restoring Hammon's version.

Members of the Legislature from other locations have also raised objections to the map. Shoals-area officials are concerned about splitting Lauderdale and Colbert

County in two congressional districts. Tuscaloosa representatives have at tempted to adjust the congressional boundaries embracing their county.



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Subject: Re: REAPPORTIONMENT...Adopted Guidelines and Public Hearing Schedule

On Tue, Jun 29, 2021 at 10:03 PM Laura Hall <annihal119@gmail.com> wrote:

<u>Please note that I sought input and the following information is provided as it relates to the Hearing Schedule.</u>

Thanks,

Laura Hall

256.656.2301

Alabama Reapportionment Committee's Proposed Public Hearing Schedule

The proposed public hearing locations are insufficient. While the city/county composition mirror those used in 2011, the proposed locations are not representative of the state's voting demographic and do not provide adequate opportunity for public input.

During the May 5^a committee meeting, members agreed to hearing locations that would not require constituents to travel more than one county. However, the proposed location map will require interested parties to travel significant distances – at least an hour each way, in some instances – to participate.

The proposed schedule shows 4 or 5, consecutively scheduled, hearings each day over *four* calendar days. Many of these hearings are scheduled only two hours apart, leaving committee members who would like to attend multiple hearings in a region inadequate time to meaningfully participate in one hearing and then travel to the next. In 2011, the public hearings were spaced over *eight* calendar days, with 3 hearings at most, each day. While it may not be feasible for all committee members to attend every public hearing, the proposed schedule requires members to "pick and choose" hearings and will not have the full benefit of the public hearing testimony and discussion of any alternative maps introduced.

In addition, the timing of each hearing is unsatisfactory. Hearings held during working hours cannot be viewed objectively as providing the opportunity for public input. Only one hearing (Randolph County) is scheduled to begin at 5 pm. Whereas, seven of the 2011 hearings were scheduled at 6:30 p.m. (one at 6:45).

Three of the current Senate districts have no public hearing in any county within the district:

- O SD4 (Gudger) Lawrence, Marion, Winston, and Cullman
- O SD10 (Jones) Etowah and Cherokee
- O SD28 (Beasley) Macon, Russell, Bullock, Barbour, and Henry

Two of the current Senate districts have nominal coverage in the proposed locations:

- SD22 (Albritton) Clarke, Washington, Baldwin (most), Escambia and Monroe (sliver)
 - → The interests of constituents in Escambia Countyand the small portion of Monroe contained in this district -- where there are proposed hearings -- are distinctly different from those of constituents in Washington, Clarke, or Baldwin.
- O SD24 (Singleton) Pickens, Greene, Hale, Choctaw, and Marengo (portion)

 → This district covers half of Marengo, the only county in this district with a proposed hearing

Of the top 10 counties with the highest Black population, only two are covered in the proposed:

- o Macon (80.7%)
- o Greene (80.1%)
- o Lowndes (72.5%)
- o Sumter (71.8%)
- o Wilcox (71.3%)
- o Bullock (70.5%)
- o Dallas (70.5%)
- o Perry (67.9%)
- o Montgomery (59%)
- o Hale (51.4%)

Finally, the proposed public hearing locations raise a few accessibility concerns.

We commend the decision to use community colleges as the venue for redistricting public hearings. They are typically well known and welcoming community spaces that residents feel comfortable visiting in addition to being physically accessible to community members with disabilities. However, the desire to use community colleges should not override other important considerations when choosing locations for these hearings. If there is not a suitably located community college in a county, other spaces should be considered. Two examples:

Hoover was chosen as the Shelby County location – this is an affluent area in north Shelby County that is less than 30 minutes from the hearing location in Jefferson County but more than thirty miles from communities in the south of the county location in Calera (where this is

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a community college) or Columbiana (the county seat) would be muchmore accessible to other parts of the county

The State House is identified for two public hearings in Montgomery. At least one location should be moved to a space more accessible to community residents.

On Fri, Jun 4, 2021 at 12:12 PM Donna Overton < donna.overton@alsenate.gov > wrote: Good Morning All,

I have attached the guidelines that were adopted on our meeting May 5, 2021 and a copy of the Public Hearing dates and locations. The hearings will be held in person (at the listed community colleges) and virtually from the Statehouse in Conference room 317. Any member who wishes to attend the hearing either in person or virtually from the statehouse is welcome to do so.

Look over the schedule and if you would like to add to the list, please, let me know. I will be glad to work with you in setting that up. The plan is to publish the schedule the first of July 2021. I would need your request for any additional_hearing locations and dates by June 28 so I can get them finalized.

Thanks and Have a Great Day!

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Plaintiffs,))
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THE STATE OF ALABAMA, et al.,) WKW-MITI-WHP)
Defendants.)

DECLARATION OF RANDY HINAMAN

- 1. My name is Randy Hinaman. I am over the age of 21 years, have personal knowledge of the facts set forth, and am competent to testify regarding them.
- 2. I have substantial experience in drafting redistricting plans in Alabama, including drawing the congressional plan adopted by the three-



- 4. In drawing the lines for all the new districts, I used information conveyed to me by Senator Dial, Representative McClendon, and individual legislators to try to make sure we accommodated the legislators' wishes to the extent possible. I did make recommendations, including the recommendations to move HD 53 from Birmingham to Huntsville and to make HD 85 a majority-black district thereby increasing the total number of black-majority districts under the House plan to 28, but the decision to follow those recommendations was made by Representative McClendon, not by me.
- 5. Senator Dial gave me a map of the Birmingham-area black-majority Senate districts (SDs 18, 19, and 20) that I understood came from Senator Rodger Smitherman. That map did not include any demographic information with it, but when I looked at the neighborhoods included in the new district boundaries, I saw that the black population in the proposed new districts was about the same percentage as in the old districts. That map also split a number of precincts, which I input into the draft Senate plan as they came to me. I estimate that I used 90-95% of that map in drawing the lines for the Senate plan, with the changes coming around the edges of the districts. The decision to follow these recommendations was made by Senator Dial.

Even so, I estimate that I used a great deal of the map that I received from Representative McClendon. HD 73 was moved to Shelby County, the fastest growing county in Alabama and one whose existing House districts were all over-populated. Again the decision to follow these recommendations, including the recommendation to move HD 73 to Shelby County, was made by Representative McClendon, not by me.

8. I recommended that HD 53 be moved from Birmingham to
Huntsville because all of the black-majority districts in Jefferson County
were significantly under-populated, while there was a compact, contiguous
group of black voters in the Huntsville area that was large enough to be a
majority in a Shaw-compliant House district. While the black-majority
districts in Jefferson County needed to gain population, adding white voters
from the rest of Jefferson County posed a serious problem with
retrogression. Something had to be done, and the solution was to move the
population from one of the black-majority districts into the adjoining
districts and ripple it through to the other black-majority districts. I was told
that Representative Demetrius Newton was retiring, so I suggested rolling up
HD 53, which he represented. Again, the decision to move HD 53 to
Madison County, where it became a new black-majority House district with

majority districts, and the best place to get the additional population was by pushing south into SD 22 and east into SD 30. That would cause less disruption to other districts than pushing north and east toward Tuscaloosa. This also kept the African-American percentages nearly identical to what they had been. Pushing south had the additional benefit of putting the extra 19,000 people in SD 32 in Baldwin County into a district that met the allowable population deviation. As a result, the changes I proposed included pushing SD 22 further into Baldwin County. Senator Dial made the decision on how to fit these districts into the Senate plan, not me.

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1746, I affirm that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

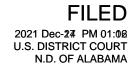
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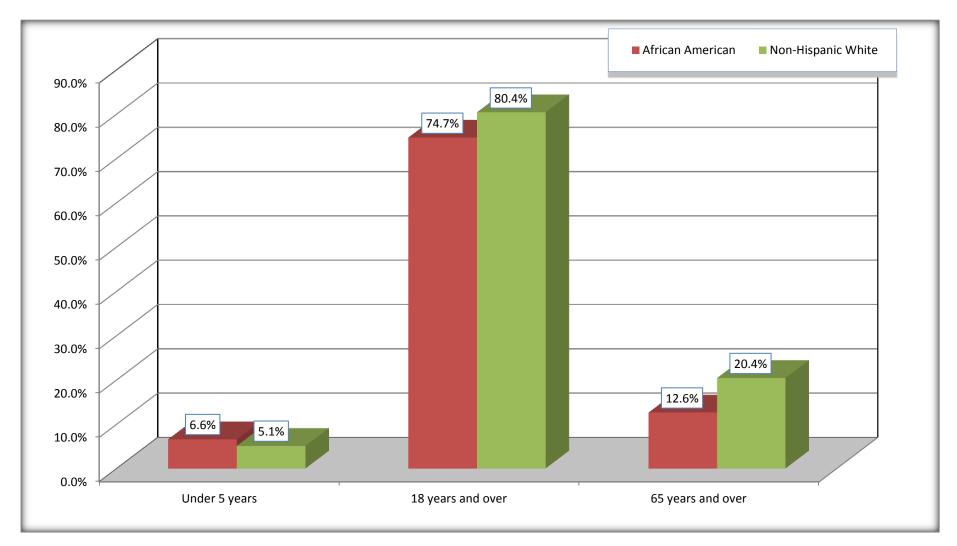
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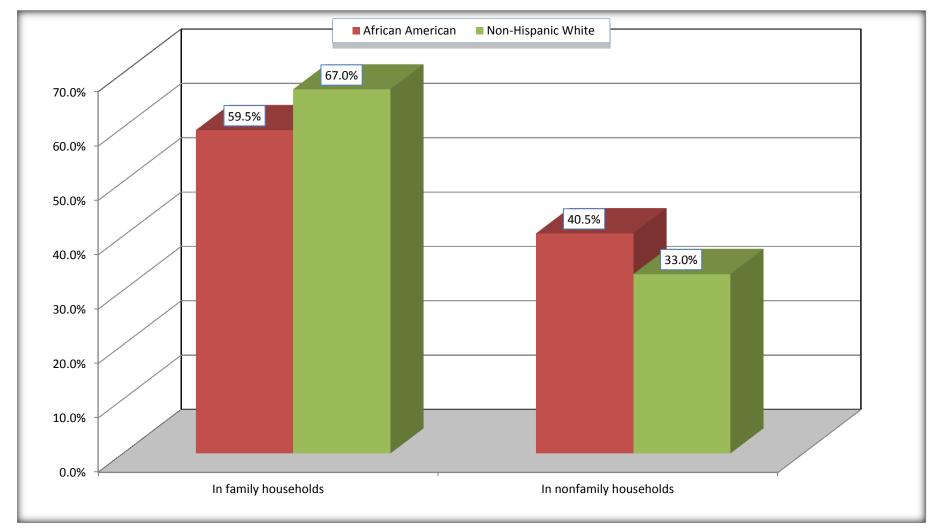
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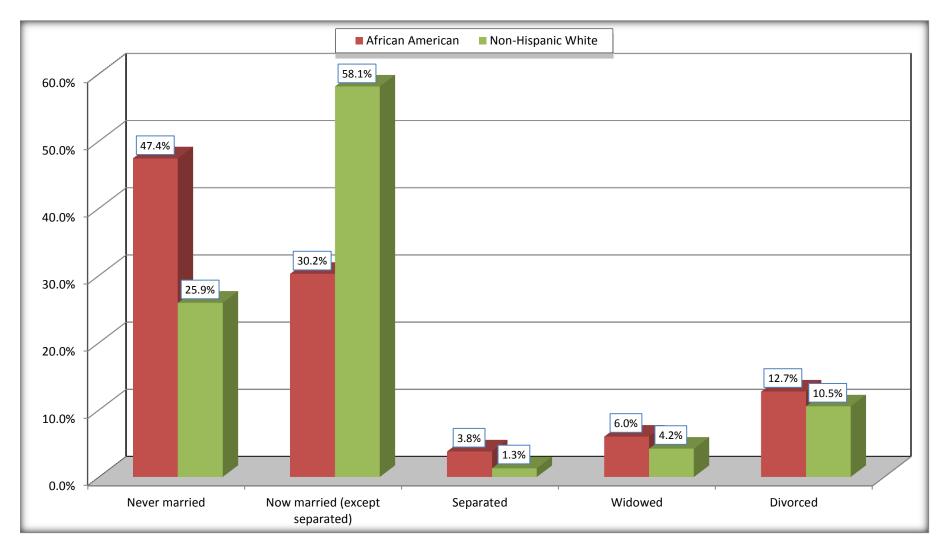
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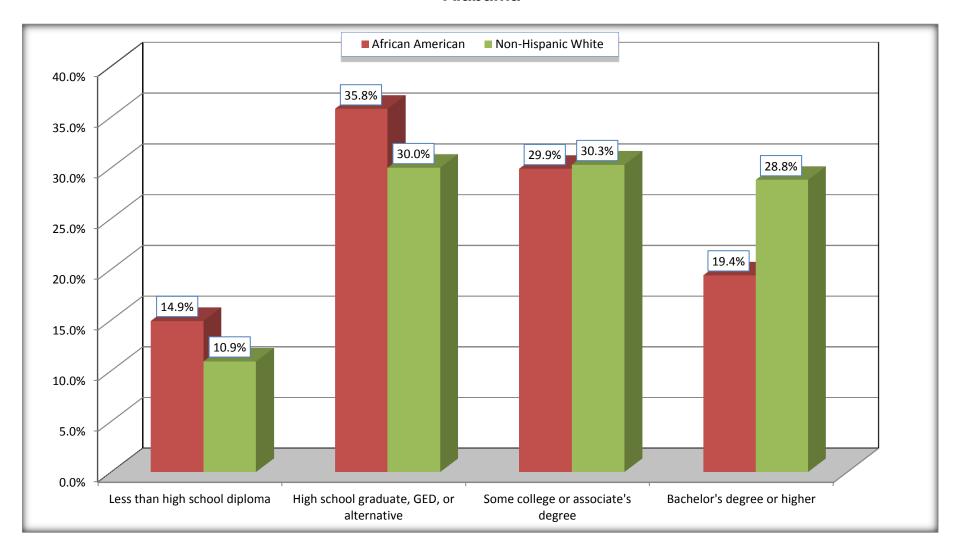
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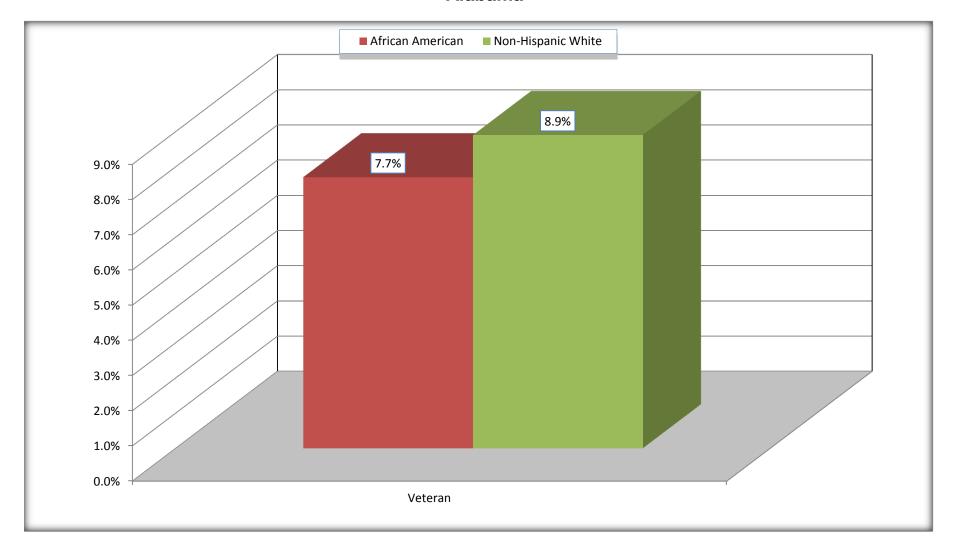
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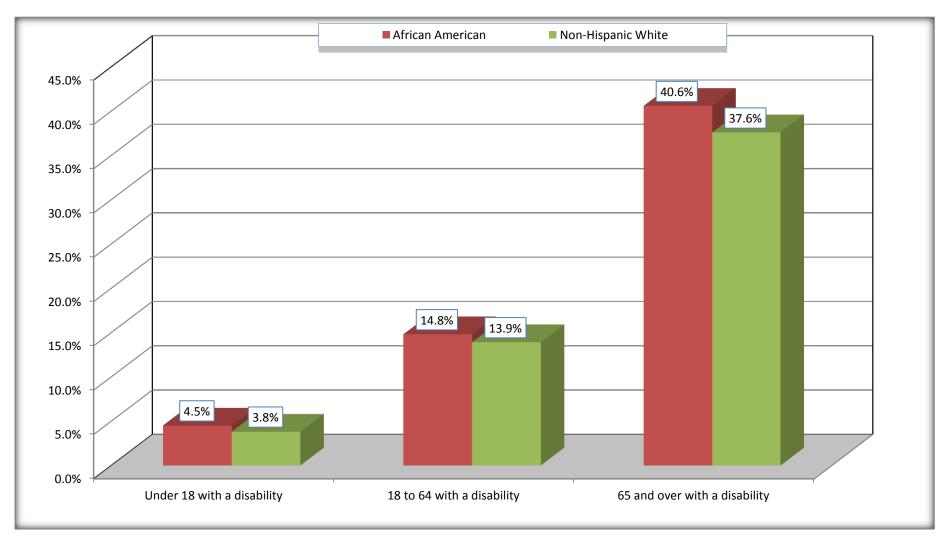
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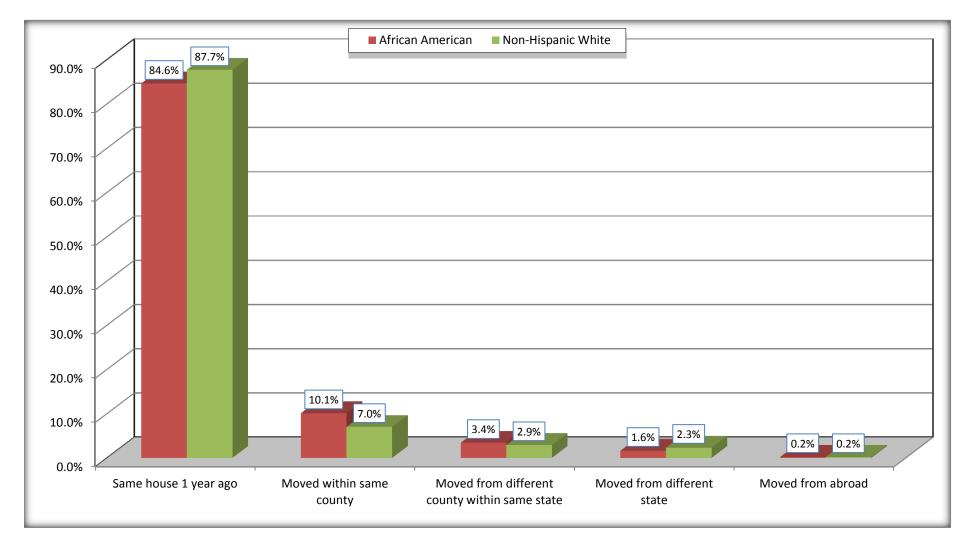
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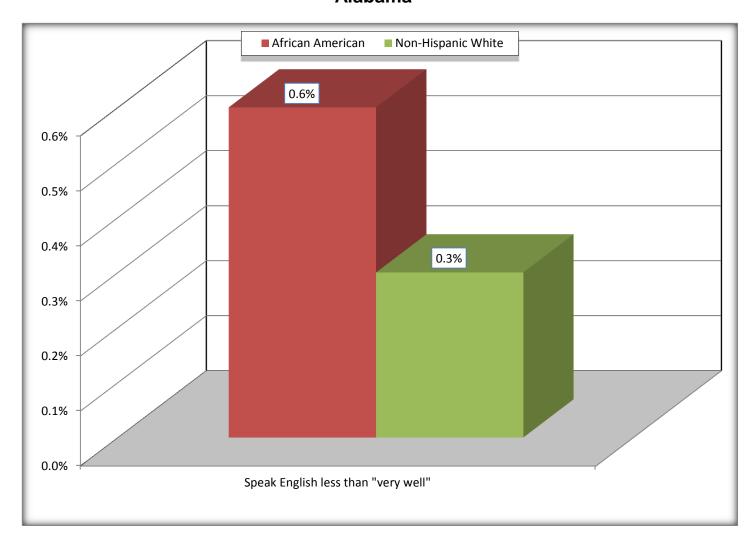
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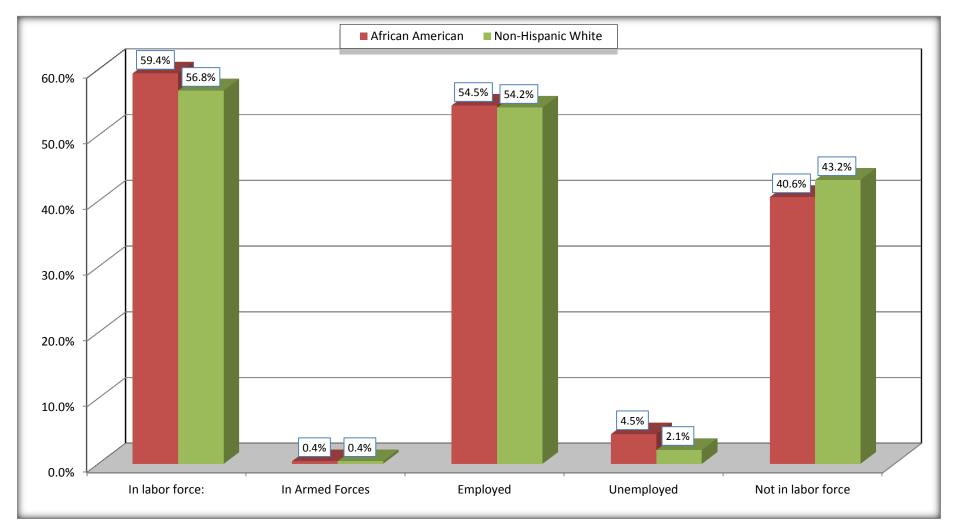
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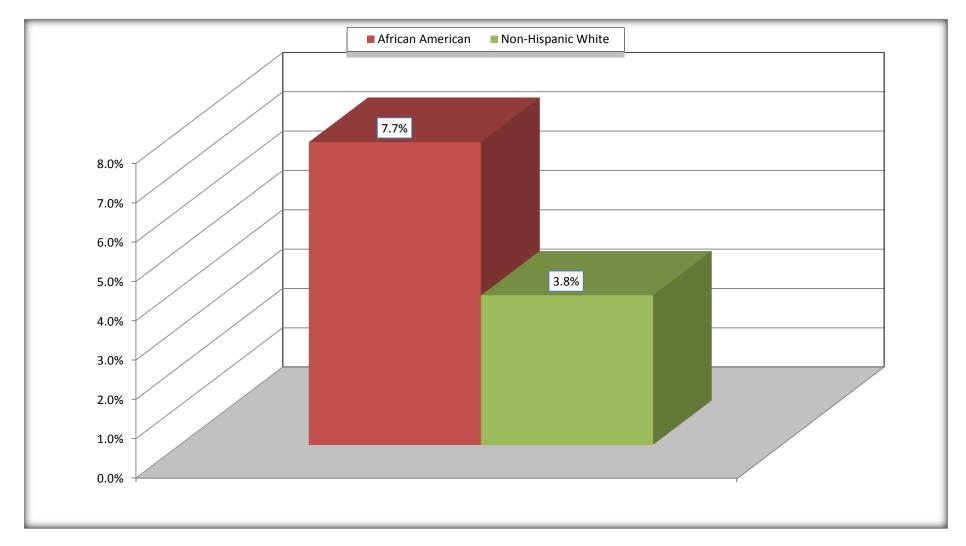
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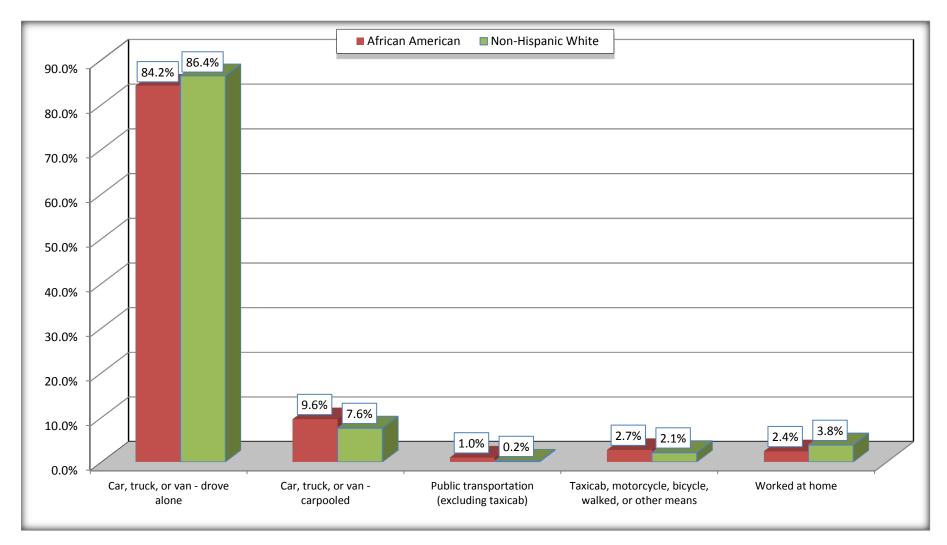
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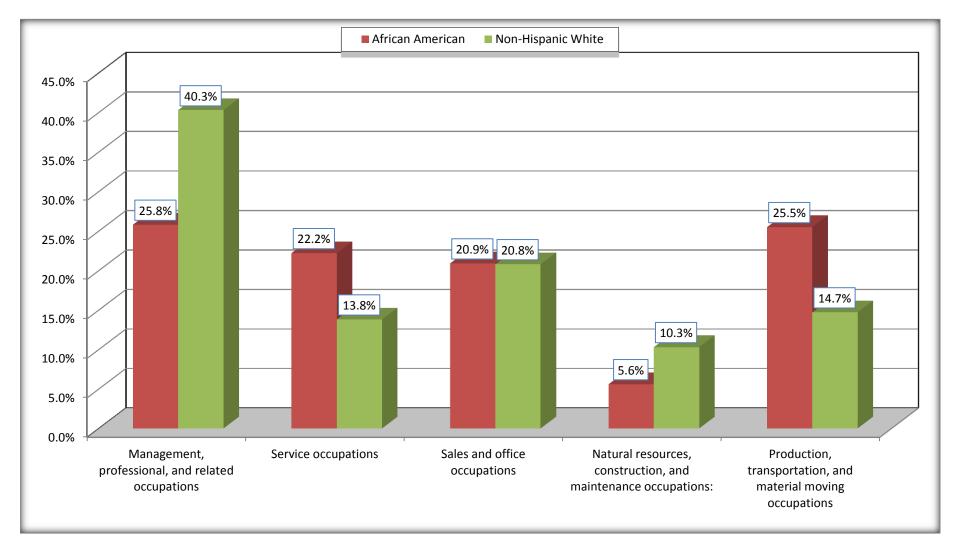
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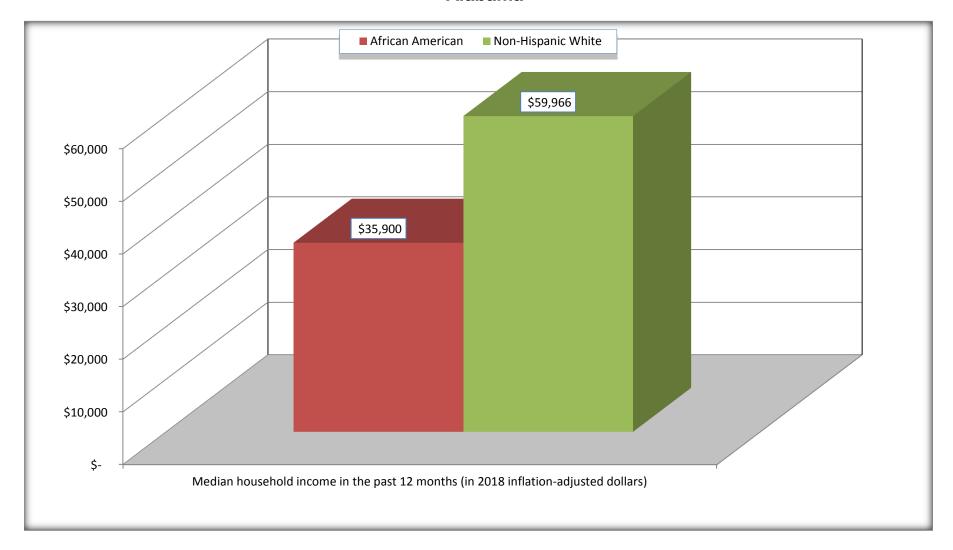
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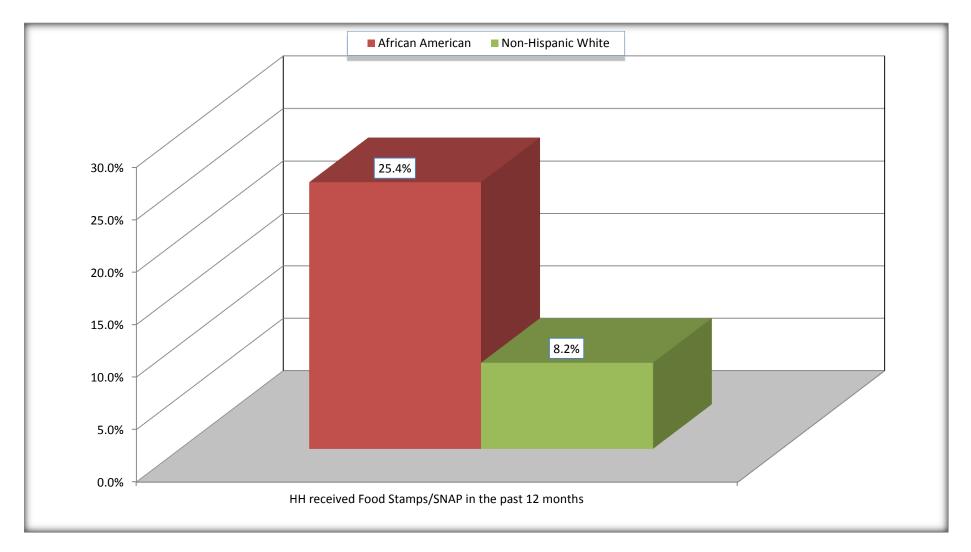
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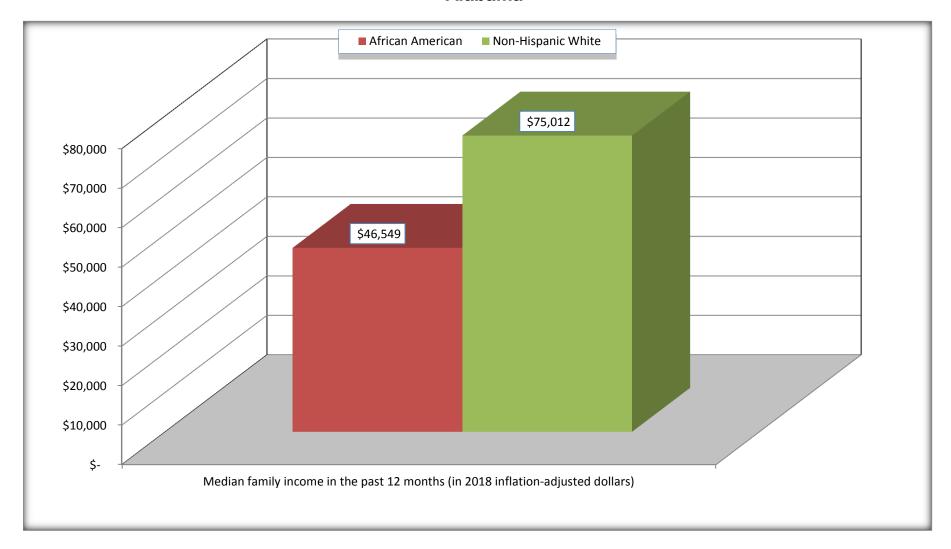
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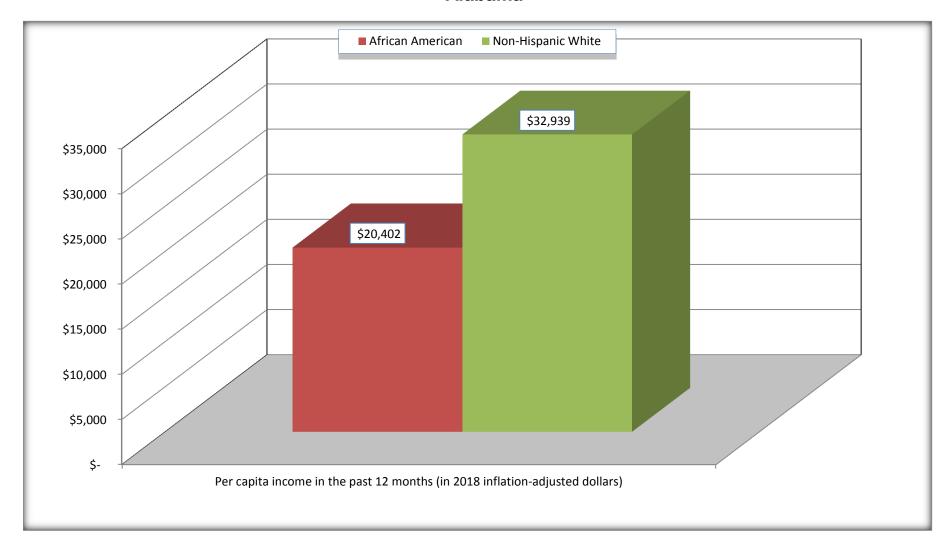
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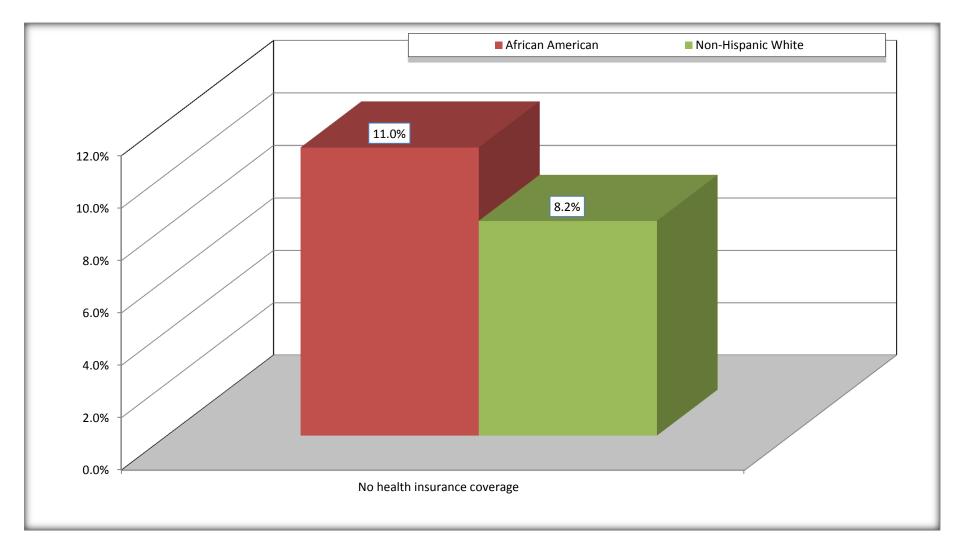
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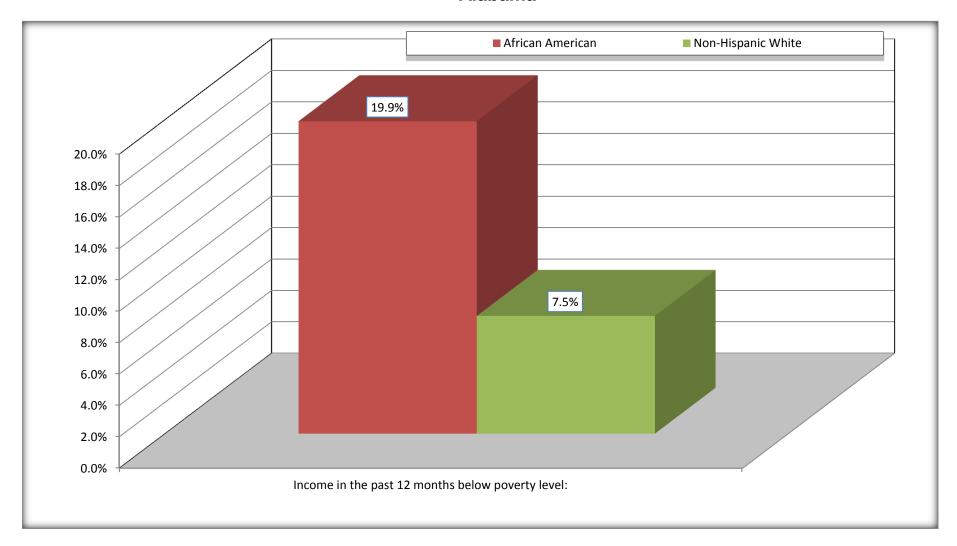
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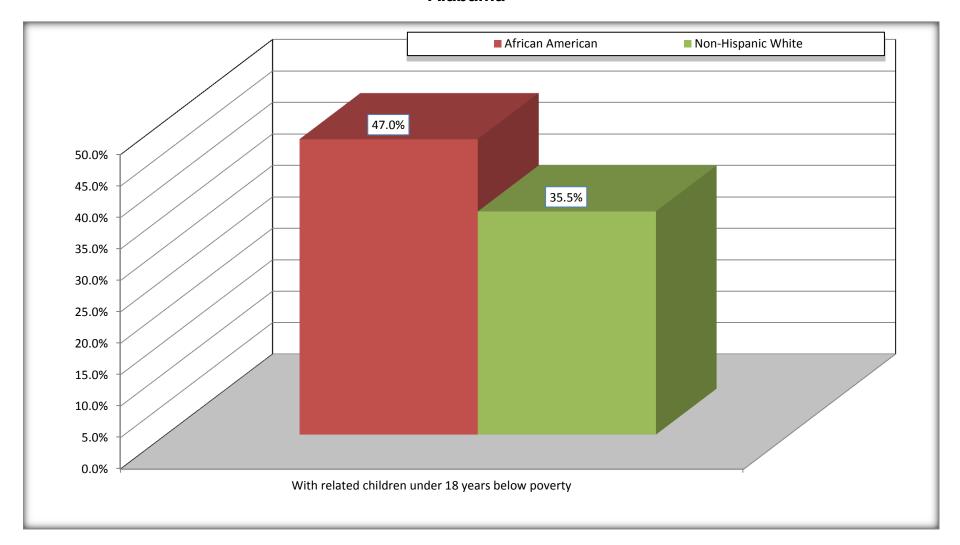
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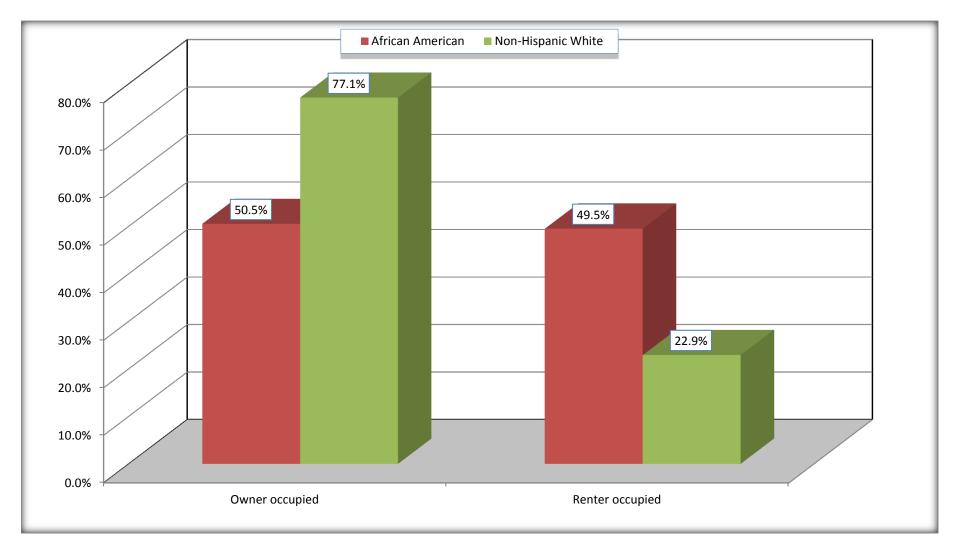
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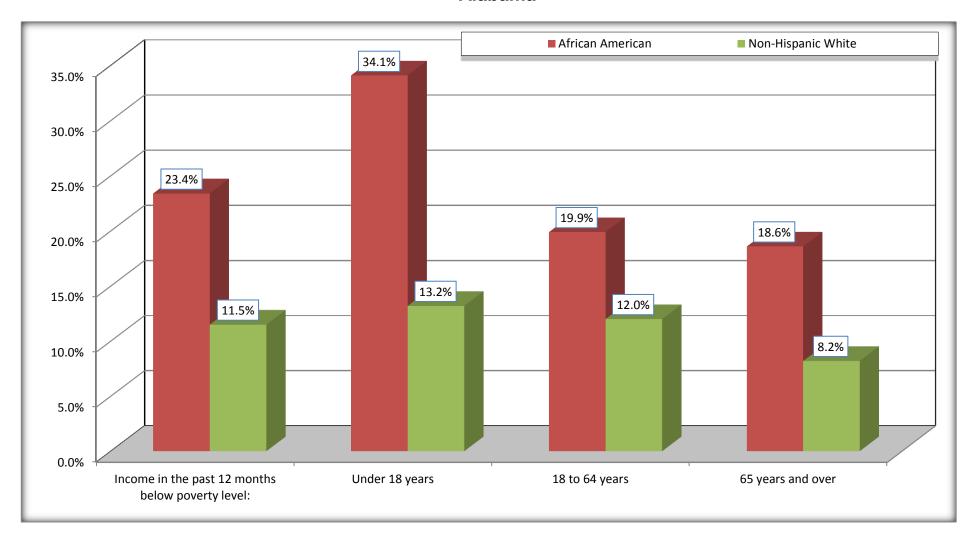
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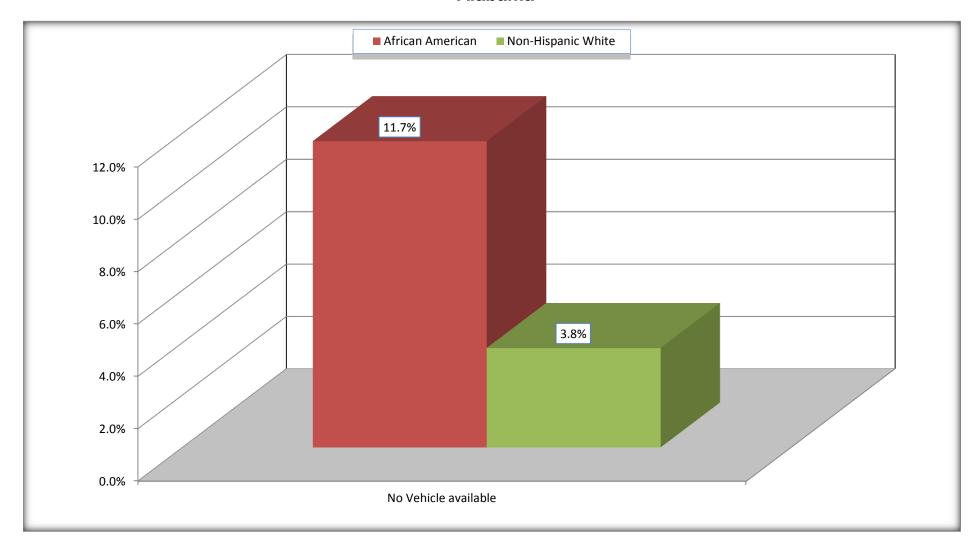
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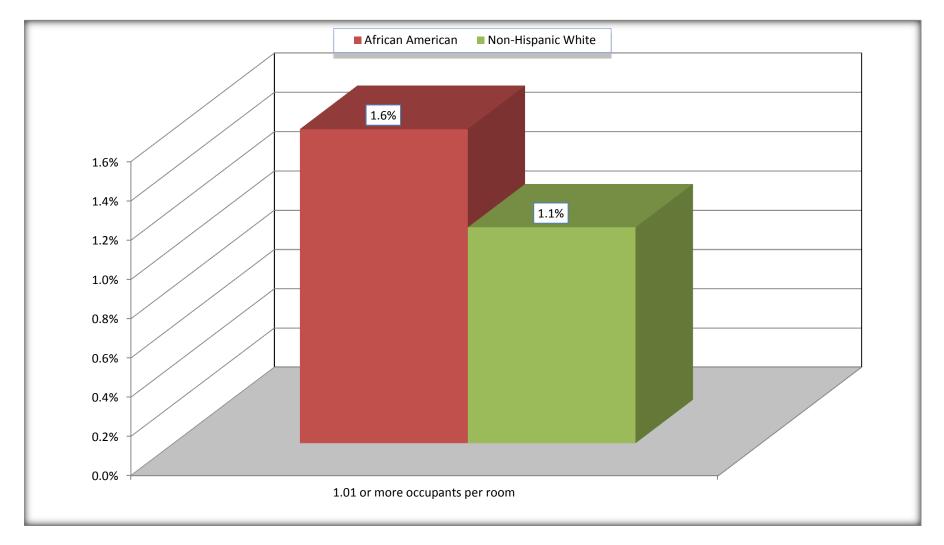
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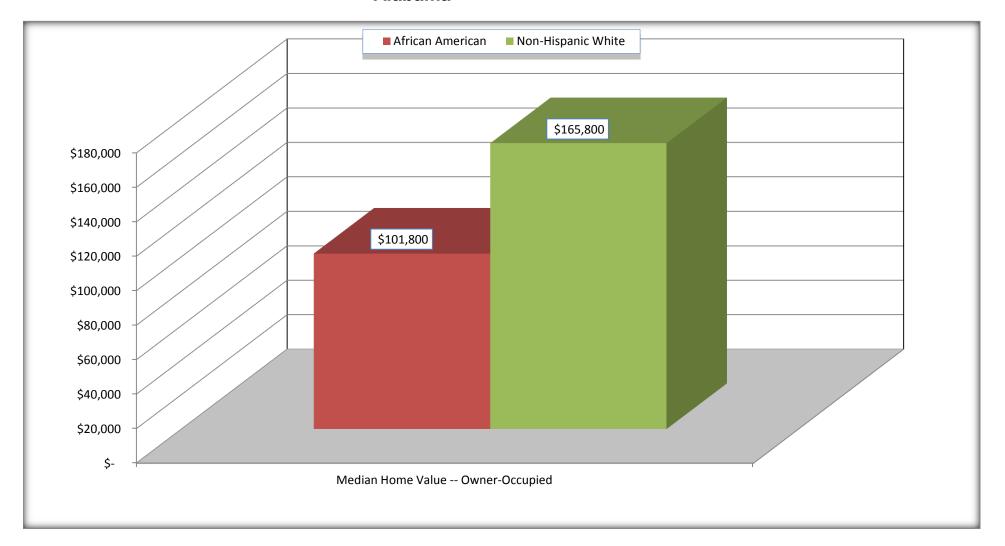
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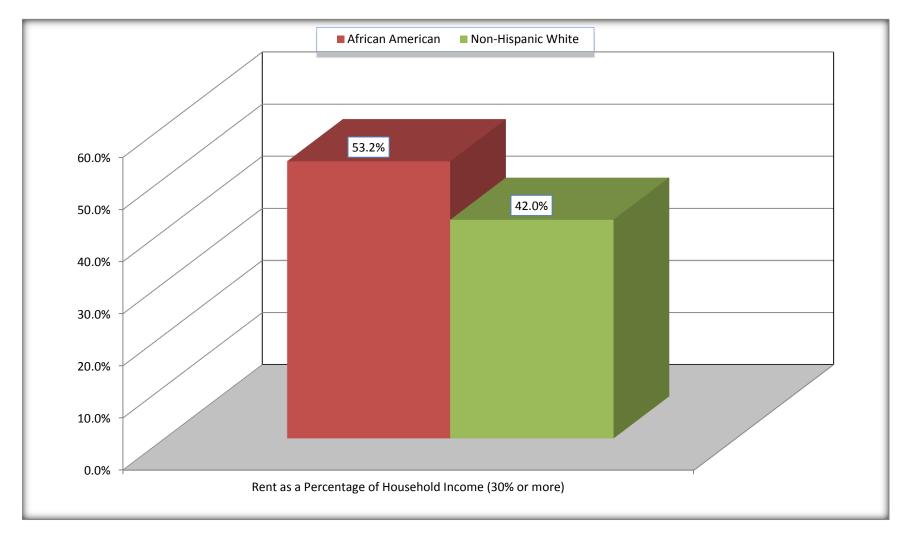
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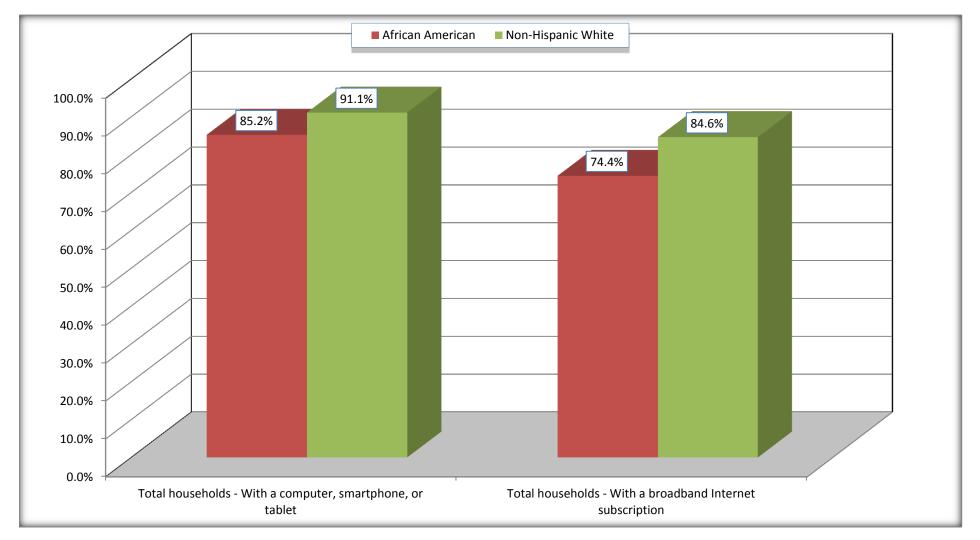
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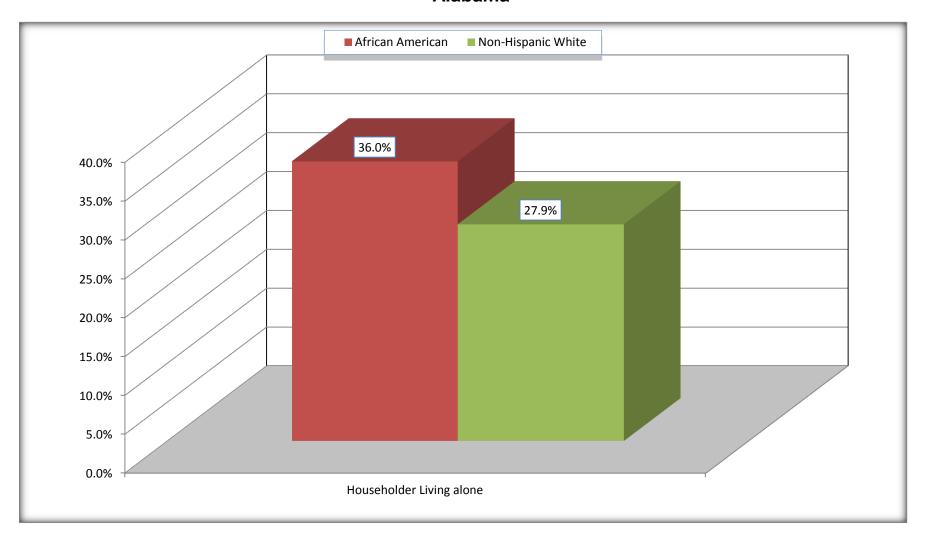
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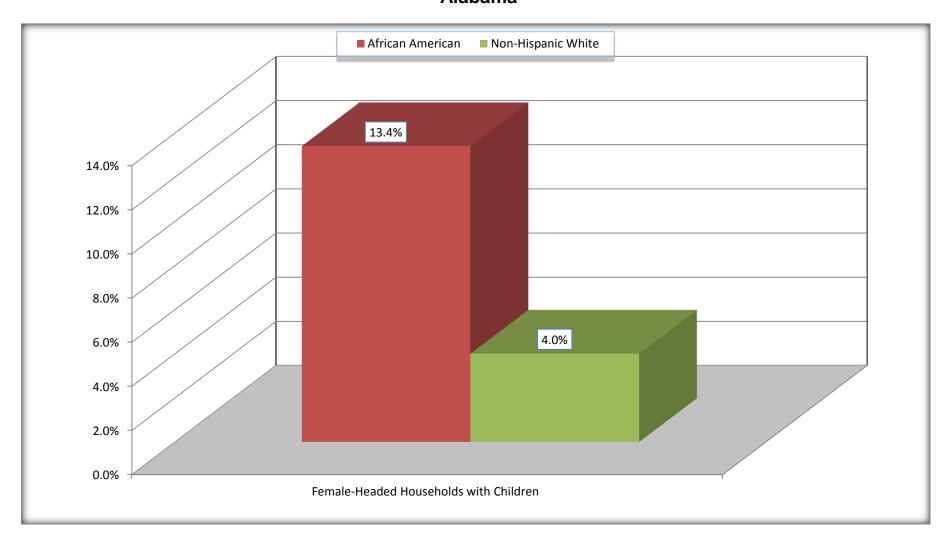
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Female-Headed Households with Children Under 18 (As a Percentage of all Households) Alabama



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Alabama -- 2019 ACS -- Table S0201 2021 Dec-27 PM U.S. DISTRICT COURT **Black or African** N.D. OF ALABAMA American alone White alone, or in not Hispanic or **All Persons** combination Latino **Estimate Estimate Estimate TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED** 4,903,185 1,364,474 3,192,955 Total population One race 98.1% 96.7% 100.0% 1.7% 2.9% Two races (X) Three races 0.1% 0.3% (X) Four or more races 0.0% 0.1% (X) **SEX AND AGE** 4,903,185 Total population 1,364,474 3,192,955 Male 48.3% 47.0% 48.8% Female 51.7% 53.0% 51.2% 5.8% 5.1% Under 5 years 6.6% 16.3% 18.7% 14.4% 5 to 17 years 9.3% 11.2% 8.4% 18 to 24 years 13.0% 14.2% 12.3% 25 to 34 years 35 to 44 years 12.4% 13.1% 11.8% 45 to 54 years 12.4% 11.5% 13.0% 55 to 64 years 13.3% 12.1% 14.5% 10.3% 8.1% 65 to 74 years 11.8% 7.1% 4.6% 8.7% 75 years and over Median age (years) 39.4 34.5 43.2 18 years and over 77.9% 74.7% 80.4% 73.6% 76.7% 21 years and over 69.4% 21.4% 16.3% 24.7% 62 years and over 17.4% 12.6% 20.4% 65 years and over Under 18 years 1,085,597 345,372 624,431 51.3% 52.0% 51.3% Male 48.7% Female 48.7% 48.0% 18 years and over 3,817,588 1,019,102 2,568,524 Male 47.5% 45.3% 48.2% **Female** 52.5% 54.7% 51.8%

1,094,933

1,868,343

49.6%

50.4%

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346,362

47.7%

52.3%

45.3%

54.7%

500,317

660,000

50.2%

49.8%

49.1%

50.9%

1,255,973

18 to 34 years

35 to 64 years

Male

Male Female

Female

		Black or African American alone or in	White alone,
	All Persons	combination	Latino
65 years and over	Estimate 854,312	Estimate 172,423	Estimate 652,551
Male	43.7%	40.8%	44.5%
Female	56.3%	59.2%	55.5%
RELATIONSHIP			
Population in households	4,786,560	1,318,719	3,128,232
Householder or spouse	58.2%	50.4%	62.8%
Unmarried partner	1.9%	2.4%	1.7%
Child	29.0%	33.4%	26.3%
Other relatives	8.1%	11.4%	6.5%
Other nonrelatives	2.7%	2.4%	2.7%
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE			
Households	1,897,576	517,634	1,278,435
Family households	65.2%	59.5%	67.0%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	24.3%	25.2%	22.9%
Married-couple family	47.0%	28.2%	54.1%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	15.7%	9.2%	17.4%
Female householder, no spouse present, family	14.0%	25.9%	9.5%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	6.7%	13.4%	4.0%
Nonfamily households	34.8%	40.5%	33.0%
Male householder	16.2%	18.2%	15.4%
Living alone	13.3%	15.6%	12.4%
Not living alone	2.9%	2.6%	3.0%
Female householder	18.6%	22.3%	17.6%
Living alone	16.6%	20.4%	15.5%
Not living alone	2.0%	1.9%	2.1%
Average household size	2.52	2.49	2.49
Average family size	3.15	3.31	3.06
MARITAL STATUS			
Population 15 years and over	4,004,468	1,076,269	2,678,631
Now married, except separated	47.6%	30.2%	54.3%
Widowed	6.8%	6.0%	7.4%
Divorced	12.5%	12.7%	12.9%
Separated	2.1%	3.8%	1.4%
Never married	31.1%	47.4%	24.0%
Male 15 years and over	1,909,410	491,434	1,295,691
Now married, except separated	49.9%	33.6%	56.2%

Black or African

		Black or African	
		American alone	White alone,
	All Persons	or in combination	not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Widowed	2.9%	2.6%	3.2%
Divorced	11.4%	10.9%	12.0%
Separated	1.8%	3.5%	1.1%
Never married	34.0%	49.4%	27.4%
Female 15 years and over	2,095,058	584,835	1,382,940
Now married, except separated	45.5%	27.3%	52.5%
Widowed	10.3%	8.8%	11.4%
Divorced	13.4%	14.2%	13.6%
Separated	2.4%	4.0%	1.6%
Never married	28.4%	45.8%	20.8%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT			
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	1,164,195	375,990	676,127
Nursery school, preschool	5.6%	6.0%	5.7%
Kindergarten	5.2%	5.7%	4.5%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	42.0%	41.3%	41.7%
High school (grades 9-12)	21.3%	20.9%	21.6%
College or graduate school	25.9%	26.2%	26.5%
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school	575,054	184,431	334,598
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	72.0%	73.1%	70.4%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	22.1%	20.9%	23.3%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school	589,141	191,559	341,529
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	65.1%	62.8%	65.3%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	29.5%	31.3%	29.7%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT			
Population 25 years and over	3,360,058	866,916	2,299,781
Less than high school diploma	12.9%	14.9%	10.9%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	30.9%	35.8%	30.0%
Some college or associate's degree	29.8%	29.9%	30.3%
Bachelor's degree	16.3%	12.1%	17.8%
Graduate or professional degree	10.0%	7.2%	10.9%
High school graduate or higher	87.1%	85.1%	89.1%
Male, high school graduate or higher	85.9%	83.1%	88.2%
Female, high school graduate or higher	88.2%	86.6%	89.9%
Bachelor's degree or higher	26.3%	19.4%	28.8%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	25.6%	16.1%	28.7%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	27.0%	22.0%	28.9%

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			not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
FERTILITY			500.050
Women 15 to 50 years	1,142,520	354,595	698,868
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	58,542	20,075	33,428
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	26,127	15,341	8,880
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	44.6%	76.4%	26.6%
RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS			
Population 30 years and over	3,034,720	765,095	2,099,298
Grandparents living with grandchild(ren)	4.1%	5.5%	3.6%
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren as a percentage of living with grandchildren	47.9%	48.4%	48.3%
VETERAN STATUS			
Civilian population 18 years and over	3,800,695	1,015,281	2,557,434
Civilian veteran	8.4%	7.7%	8.9%
DISABILITY STATUS			
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	4,822,514	1,335,293	3,145,214
With a disability	15.9%	15.4%	16.7%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	1,084,062	344,489	623,831
With a disability	4.0%	4.5%	3.8%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	2,903,613	822,607	1,883,922
With a disability	13.8%	14.8%	13.9%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older	834,839	168,197	637,461
With a disability	38.3%	40.6%	37.6%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO			
Population 1 year and over	4,849,509	1,347,002	3,163,175
Same house	86.6%	84.6%	87.7%
Different house in the U.S.	13.2%	15.2%	12.2%
Same county	8.0%	10.1%	7.0%
Different county	5.2%	5.0%	5.2%
Same state	3.0%	3.4%	2.9%
Different state	2.2%	1.6%	2.3%
Abroad	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY			
Native	4,728,233	1,351,222	3,161,727
Male	48.3%	47.1%	48.9%
Female	51.7%	52.9%	51.1%
Foreign born	174,952	13,252	31,228
Male	49.0%	45.4%	46.4%
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	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female	51.0%	54.6%	53.6%
Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen	76,963	8,477	18,152
Male	45.8%	48.2%	46.7%
Female	54.2%	51.8%	53.3%
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen	97,989	4,775	13,076
Male	51.5%	40.6%	46.0%
Female	48.5%	59.4%	54.0%
Population born outside the United States	174,952	13,252	31,228
Entered 2010 or later	30.3%	36.3%	25.3%
Entered 2000 to 2009	29.9%	26.6%	23.7%
Entered before 2000	39.8%	37.0%	51.0%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN			
Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea	174,952	13,252	31,228
Europe	11.5%	5.7%	61.1%
Asia	32.2%	0.0%	15.7%
Africa	5.5%	59.1%	5.4%
Oceania	0.4%	0.0%	1.5%
Latin America	48.1%	31.7%	6.0%
Northern America	2.3%	3.5%	10.3%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH			
Population 5 years and over	4,616,588	1,274,505	3,028,695
English only	94.5%	98.2%	98.6%
Language other than English	5.5%	1.8%	1.4%
Speak English less than "very well"	2.2%	0.6%	0.3%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS			
Population 16 years and over	3,937,453	1,054,369	2,641,813
In labor force	58.0%	59.4%	56.8%
Civilian labor force	57.5%	59.1%	56.4%
Employed	54.7%	54.5%	54.2%
Unemployed	2.8%	4.5%	2.1%
Unemployment Rate	4.9%	7.7%	3.8%
Armed Forces	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Not in labor force	42.0%	40.6%	43.2%
Females 16 years and over	2,063,101	575,288	1,364,381
In labor force	52.7%	58.8%	50.1%
Civilian labor force	52.6%	58.6%	50.0%
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	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Employed	49.9%	54.4%	48.0%
Unemployed	2.7%	4.2%	2.0%
Unemployment Rate	5.1%	7.2%	3.9%
COMMUTING TO WORK			
Workers 16 years and over	2,134,022	566,235	1,422,548
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	85.2%	84.2%	86.4%
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	8.7%	9.6%	7.6%
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	0.4%	1.0%	0.2%
Walked	1.2%	1.4%	1.1%
Other means	1.1%	1.3%	1.0%
Worked from home	3.4%	2.4%	3.8%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	25.4	23.3	26.3
OCCUPATION			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	2,153,467	575,016	1,432,937
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	35.9%	25.8%	40.3%
Service occupations	16.5%	22.2%	13.8%
Sales and office occupations	20.3%	20.9%	20.8%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	9.4%	5.6%	10.3%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	17.9%	25.5%	14.7%
Male civilian employed population 16 years and over	1,123,381	262,156	777,925
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	30.7%	17.8%	35.3%
Service occupations	13.4%	18.4%	11.5%
Sales and office occupations	13.0%	12.7%	13.6%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	17.2%	11.6%	18.3%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	25.7%	39.4%	21.4%
Female civilian employed population 16 years and over	1,030,086	312,860	655,012
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	41.6%	32.5%	46.4%
Service occupations	19.8%	25.3%	16.6%
Sales and office occupations	28.4%	27.7%	29.4%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	0.9%	0.7%	0.7%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	9.3%	13.8%	6.9%
INDUSTRY			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	2,153,467	575,016	1,432,937
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	1.2%	0.4%	1.4%
Construction	6.9%	3.7%	7.6%
Manufacturing	14.5%	17.6%	12.8%
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	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Wholesale trade	2.6%	1.9%	3.0%
Retail trade	11.1%	11.5%	11.2%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	5.4%	5.8%	5.5%
Information	1.3%	1.0%	1.5%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	5.6%	4.2%	6.3%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management	€ 9.6%	8.5%	10.1%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	22.5%	23.8%	22.6%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	8.9%	10.9%	7.5%
Other services (except public administration)	4.8%	4.1%	5.1%
Public administration	5.4%	6.6%	5.1%
CLASS OF WORKER			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	2,153,467	575,016	1,432,937
Private wage and salary workers	78.5%	78.9%	78.1%
Government workers	16.2%	18.4%	15.9%
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	5.1%	2.7%	5.8%
Unpaid family workers	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2019 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)			
Households	1,897,576	517,634	1,278,435
Median household income (dollars)	51,734	35,900	59,966
With earnings	72.4%	72.6%	71.4%
Mean earnings (dollars)	73,434	51,969	82,702
With Social Security income	35.9%	33.0%	38.3%
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	19,328	15,373	20,811
With Supplemental Security Income	6.5%	10.8%	5.0%
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	9,087	8,106	9,973
With cash public assistance income	1.4%	2.1%	1.2%
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	3,424	3,979	3,143
With retirement income	26.4%	20.7%	29.7%
Mean retirement income (dollars)	25,004	20,952	26,037
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits	13.0%	25.4%	8.2%
Families	1,237,883	307,904	857,008
Median family income (dollars)	66,171	46,549	75,012
Married-couple family	72.1%	47.4%	80.7%
Median income (dollars)	81,393	70,593	84,970
Male householder, no spouse present, family	6.5%	9.1%	5.2%
Median income (dollars)	44,879	39,299	47,642
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All Persons	combination	Latino
Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female householder, no husband present, family 21.5%	43.5%	14.1%
Median income (dollars) 32,360	28,329	38,514
Individuals 4,903,185	1,364,474	3,192,955
Per capita income (dollars) 28,650	20,402	32,939
With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male 917,533	209,540	642,323
Female 709,437	225,708	444,458
Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:		
Male 64,038	45,095	71,096
Female 45,569	37,803	49,569
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:		
Male 50,018	37,180	53,258
Female 37,161	31,222	40,971
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE		
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 4,822,514	1,335,293	3,145,214
With private health insurance 66.9%	55.3%	73.1%
With public coverage 37.3%	44.4%	34.7%
No health insurance coverage 9.7%	11.0%	8.2%
POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED		
All families 11.2%	19.9%	7.5%
With related children of the householder under 18 years 18.5%	30.5%	12.0%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only 18.6%	35.5%	11.1%
Married-couple family 5.1%	6.6%	4.2%
With related children of the householder under 18 years 6.9%	7.1%	5.3%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only 6.9%	6.7%	4.9%
Female householder, no spouse present, family 29.7%	34.5%	23.6%
With related children of the householder under 18 years 42.1%	47.0%	35.5%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only 48.7%	56.9%	42.1%
All people 15.5%	23.4%	11.5%
Under 18 years 21.4%	34.1%	13.2%
Related children of the householder under 18 years 21.1%	33.9%	12.9%
Related children of the householder under 5 years 24.1%	39.9%	14.0%
Related children of the householder 5 to 17 years 20.1%	31.8%	12.6%
18 years and over 13.8%	19.7%	11.1%
18 to 64 years 14.7%	19.9%	12.0%
65 years and over 10.5%	18.6%	8.2%

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	All Person		Latino
	Estimate		Estimate
People in families	12.3%		8.1%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	29.3%	6 33.5%	27.0%
HOUSING TENURE			
Occupied housing units	1,897,57		1,278,435
Owner-occupied housing units	68.89		77.1%
Renter-occupied housing units	31.29	49.5%	22.9%
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.60	2.63	2.56
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.39	2.35	2.28
UNITS IN STRUCTURE			
Occupied housing units	1,897,57	5 517,634	1,278,435
1-unit, detached or attached	72.29	63.1%	76.5%
2 to 4 units	4.6%	8.2%	3.1%
5 or more units	10.9%	6 19.3%	7.3%
Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.	12.3%	9.4%	13.1%
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT			
Occupied housing units	1,897,57	517,634	1,278,435
Built 2014 or later	4.9%	3.8%	5.3%
Built 2010 to 2013	3.7%	3.6%	3.6%
Built 2000 to 2009	15.3%	6 10.9%	16.8%
Built 1980 to 1999	33.2%	29.5%	34.5%
Built 1960 to 1979	27.19	32.7%	25.1%
Built 1940 to 1959	11.49	4 14.6%	10.3%
Built 1939 or earlier	4.5%	4.8%	4.5%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE			
Occupied housing units	1,897,57	5 517,634	1,278,435
None	6.0%	6 11.7%	3.8%
1 or more	94.0%	88.3%	96.2%
HOUSE HEATING FUEL			
Occupied housing units	1,897,57	5 517,634	1,278,435
Gas	32.19	35.5%	31.2%
Electricity	66.4%	63.6%	67.0%
All other fuels	1.19	6 0.4%	1.3%
No fuel used	0.4%	6 0.4%	0.4%
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS			
Occupied housing units	1,897,57	5 517,634	1,278,435
No telephone service available	1.49	2.2%	1.0%
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	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
1.01 or more occupants per room	1.5%	1.6%	1.1%
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME	IN THE PAST 1	2 MONTHS	
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOC cannot be computed)	717,054	148,959	534,135
Less than 30 percent	77.3%	68.4%	80.1%
30 percent or more	22.7%	31.6%	19.9%
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS			
Owner-occupied housing units	1,305,223	261,342	985,381
Median value (dollars)	154,000	101,800	165,800
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,172	1,063	1,201
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	362	352	365
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTH	IS		
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	515,098	226,567	250,219
Less than 30 percent	52.9%	46.8%	58.0%
30 percent or more	47.1%	53.2%	42.0%
GROSS RENT			
Occupied units paying rent	530,685	233,606	256,865
Median gross rent (dollars)	807	780	827
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE			
Total households	1,897,576	517,634	1,278,435
With a computer	89.4%	85.2%	91.1%
With a broadband Internet subscription	81.6%	74.4%	84.6%

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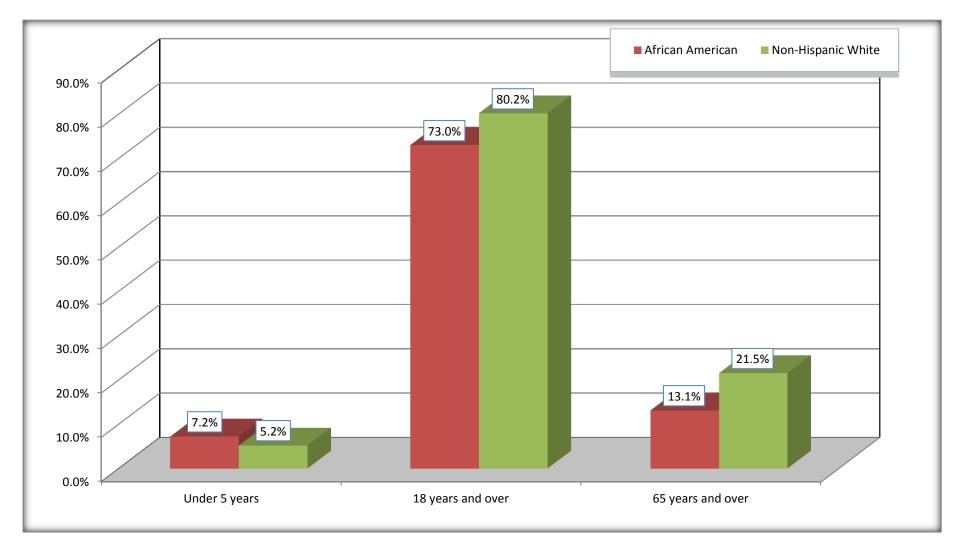


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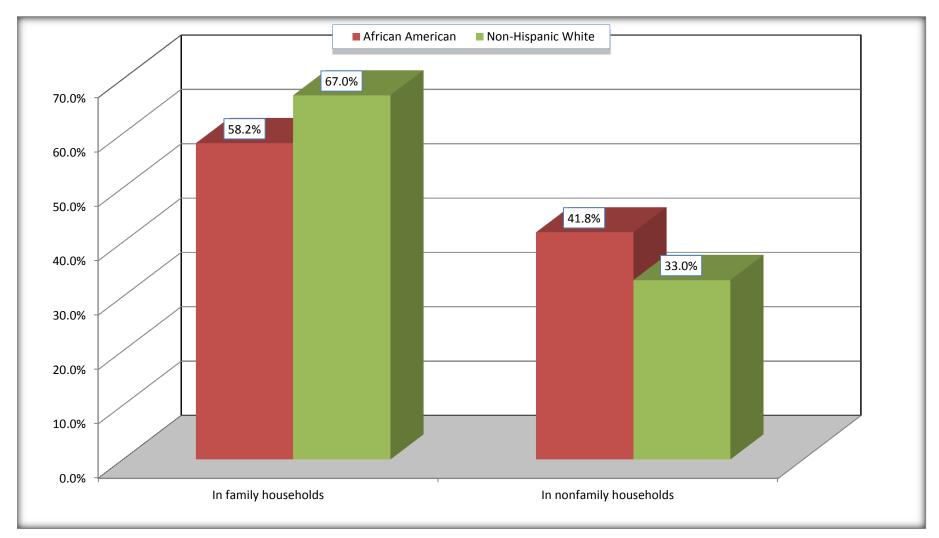
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Population by Age Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



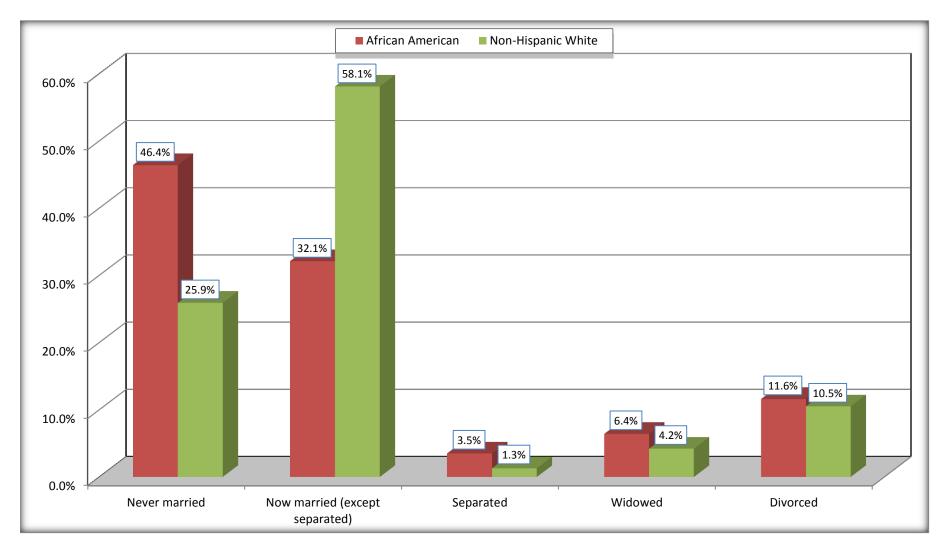
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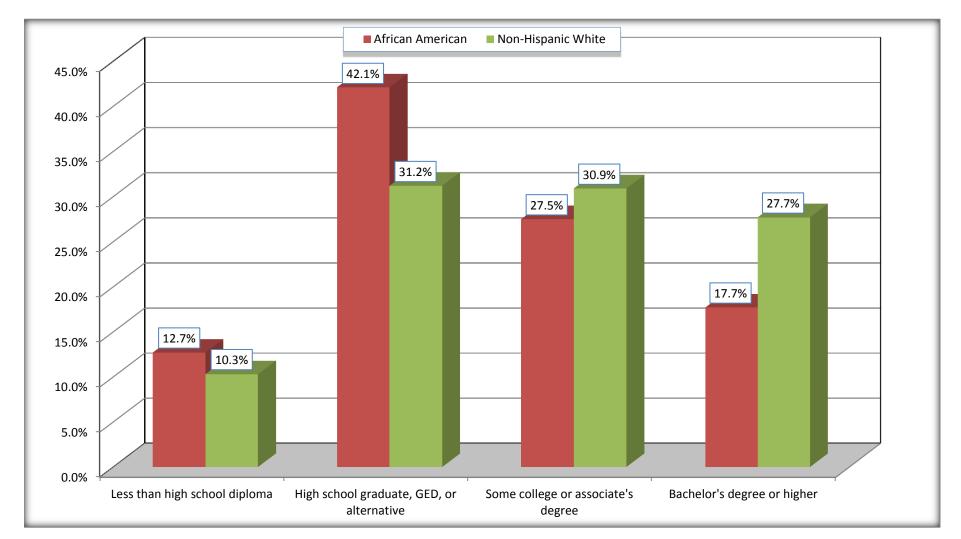
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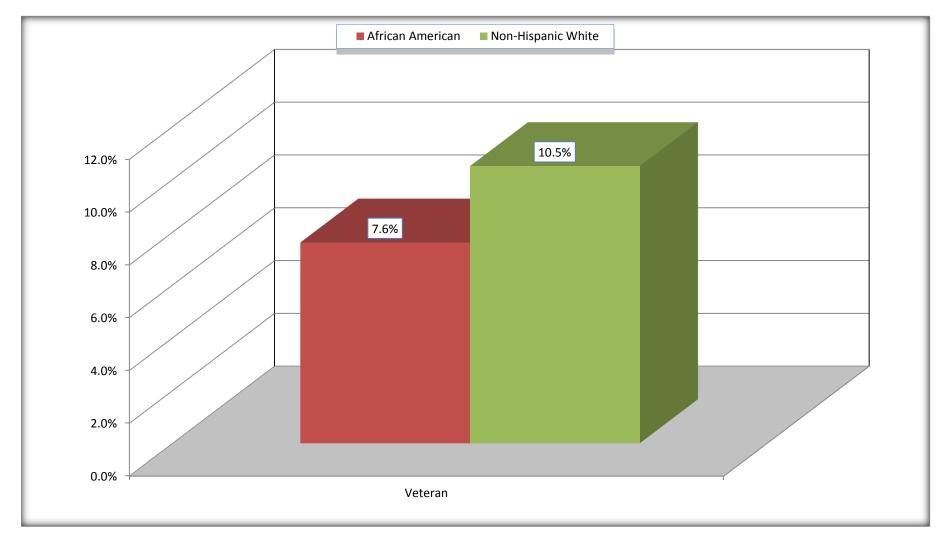
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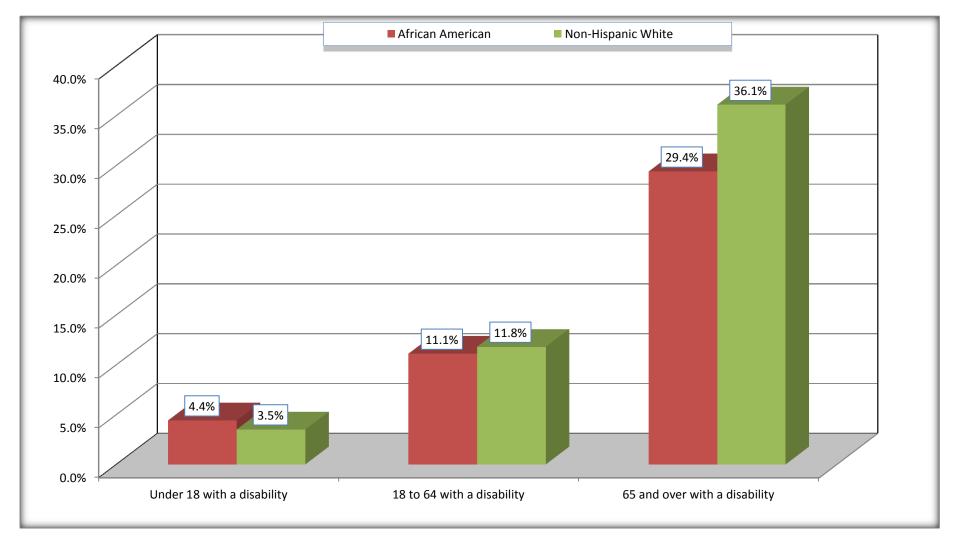
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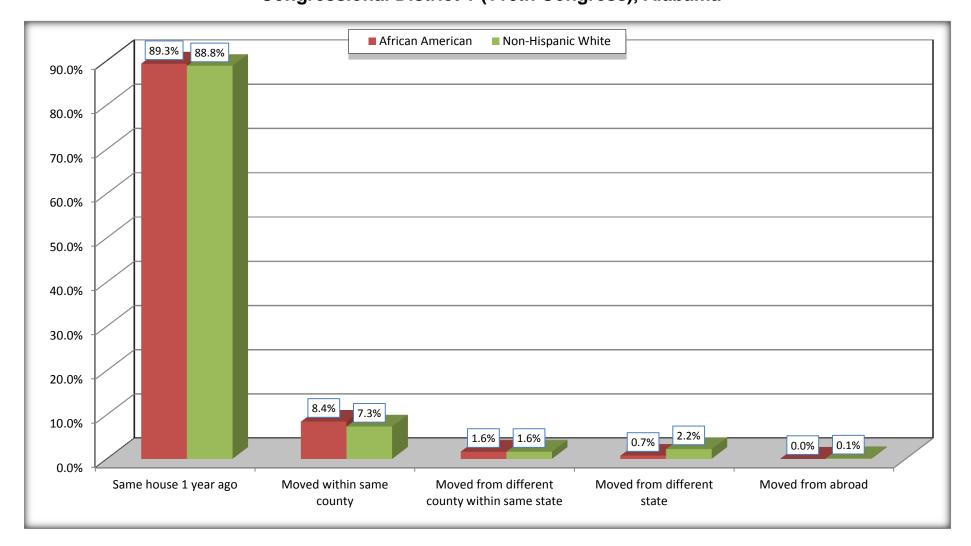
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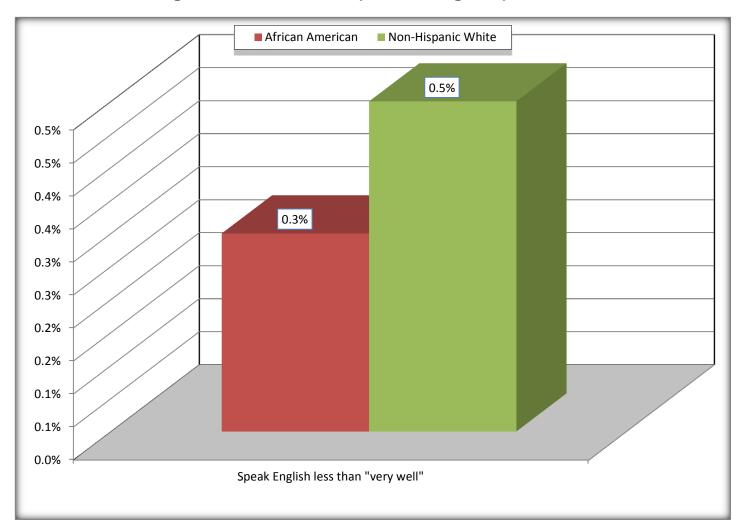
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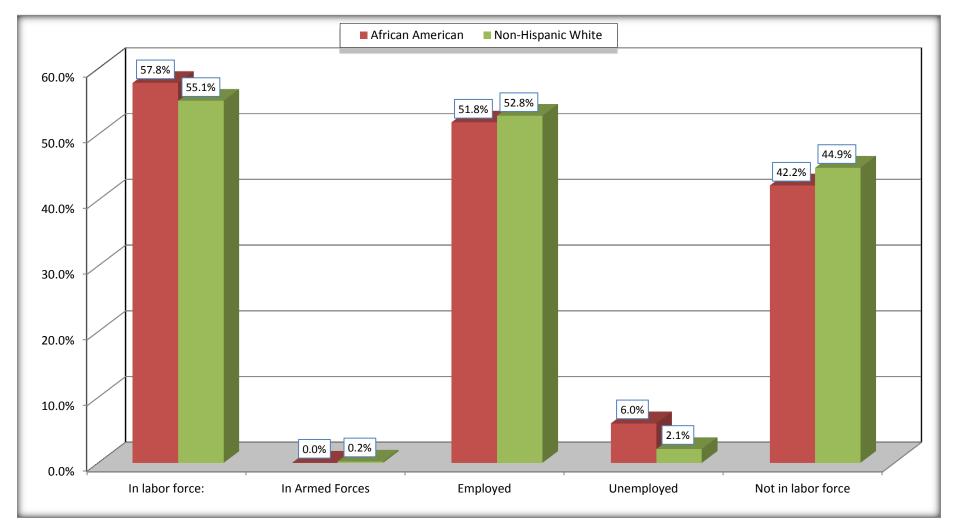
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Speak English Less than "Very Well" (Population 5 Years and Over) Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



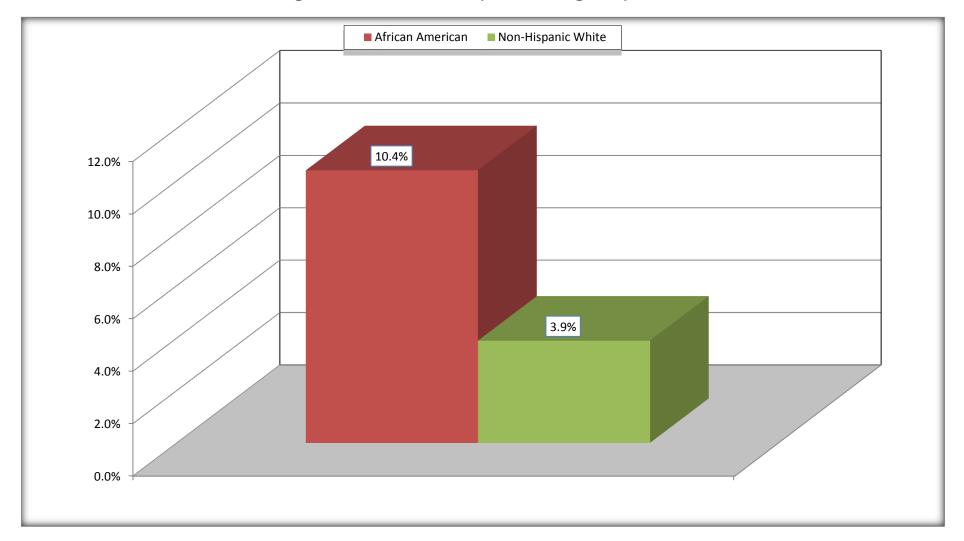
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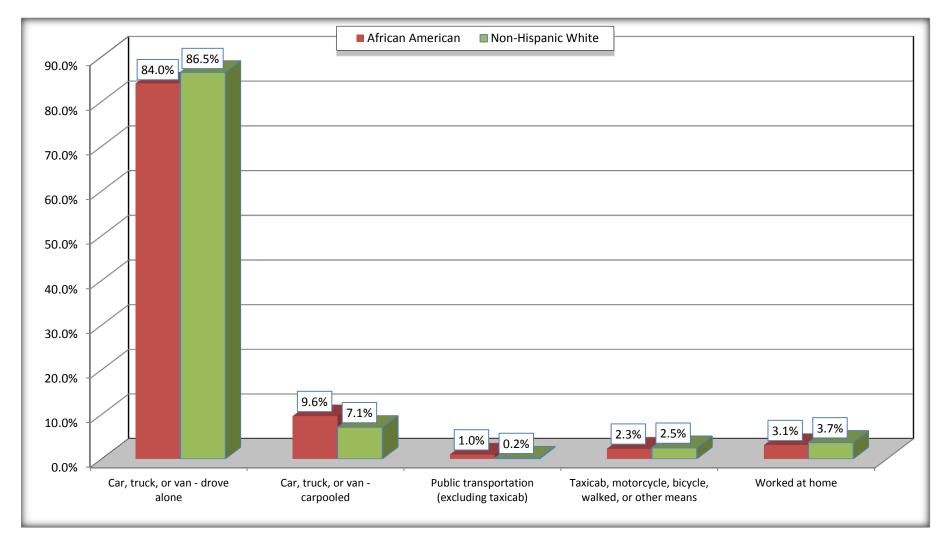
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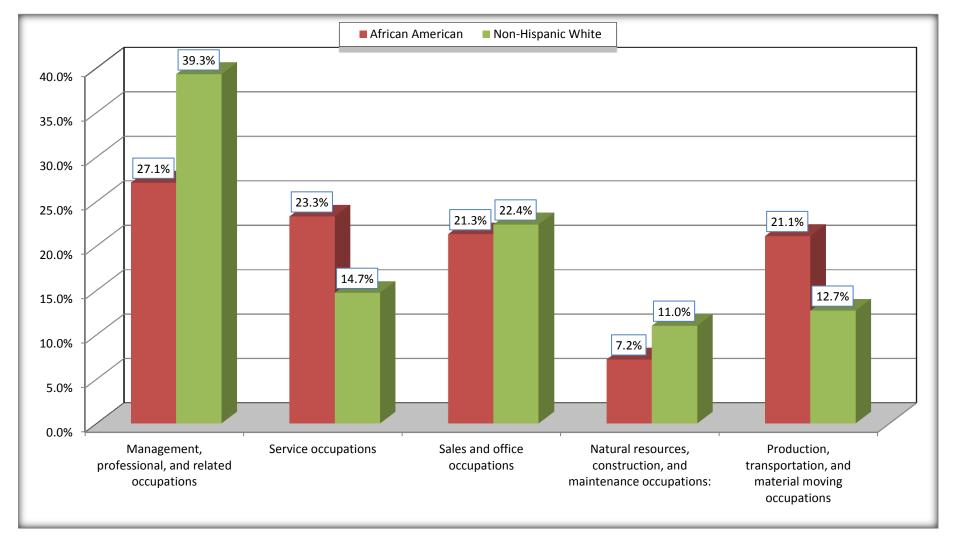
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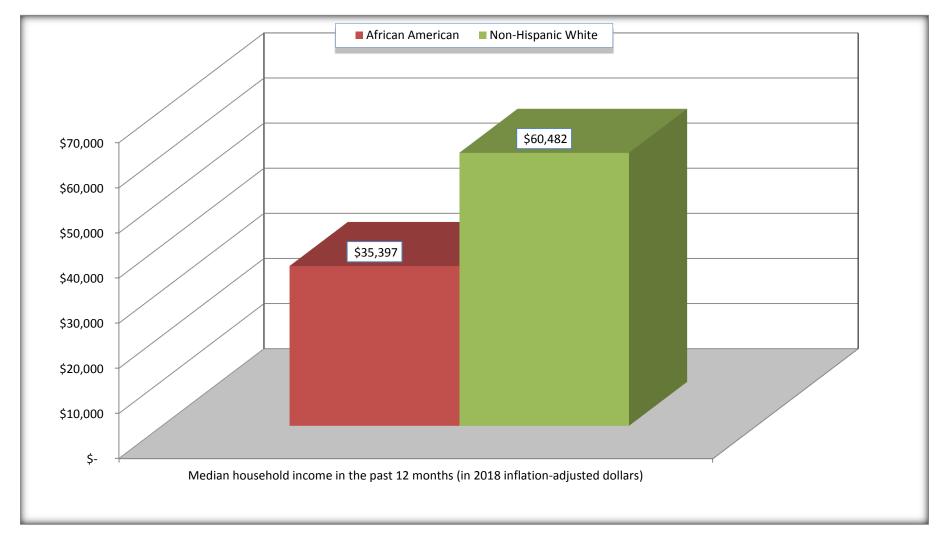
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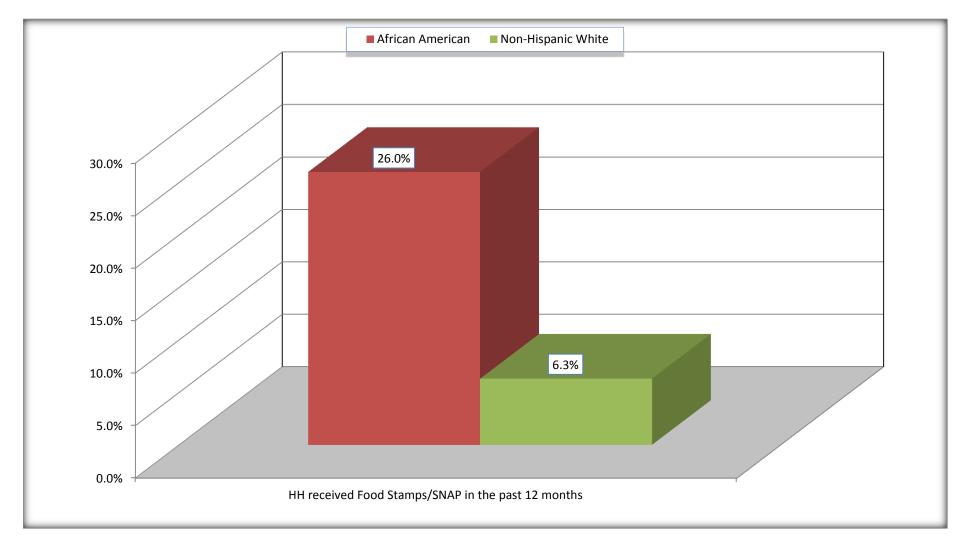
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Median Household Income in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



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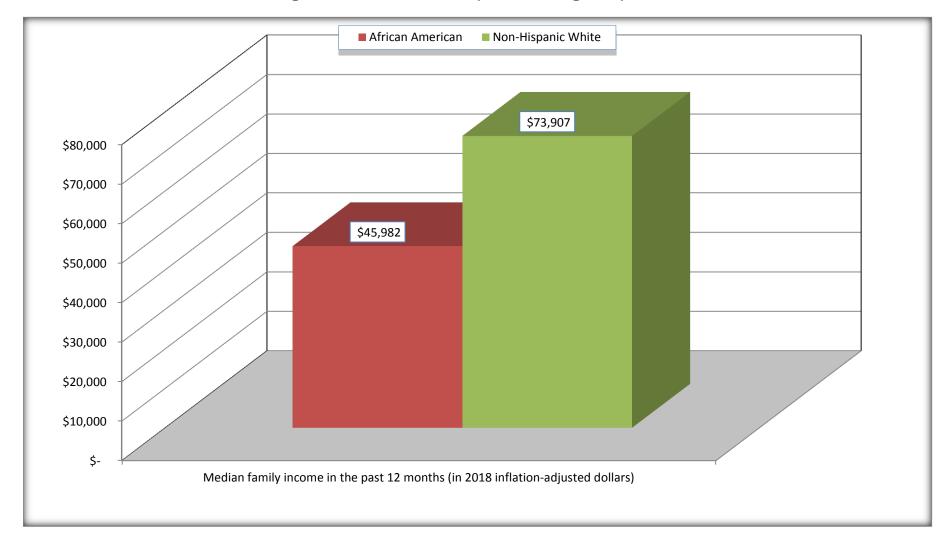
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Median Family Income in the Past 12 Months

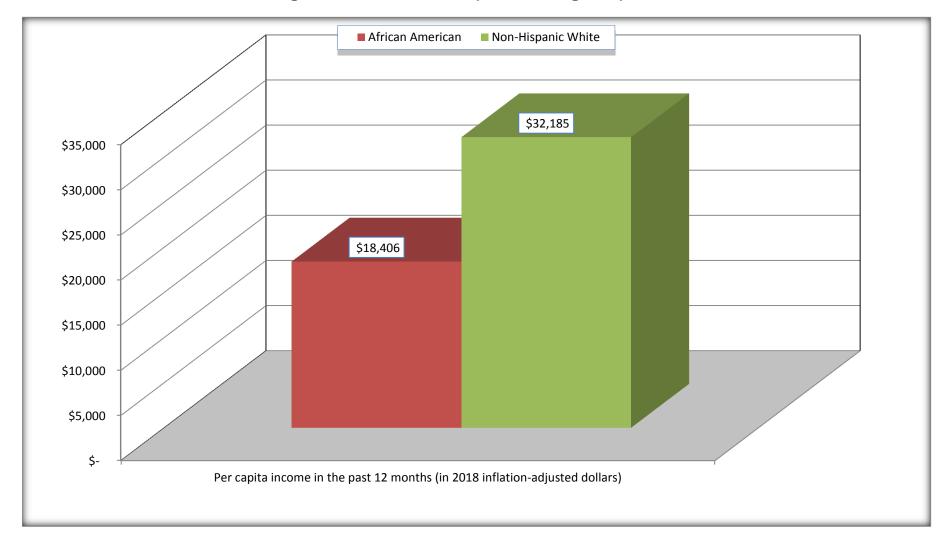
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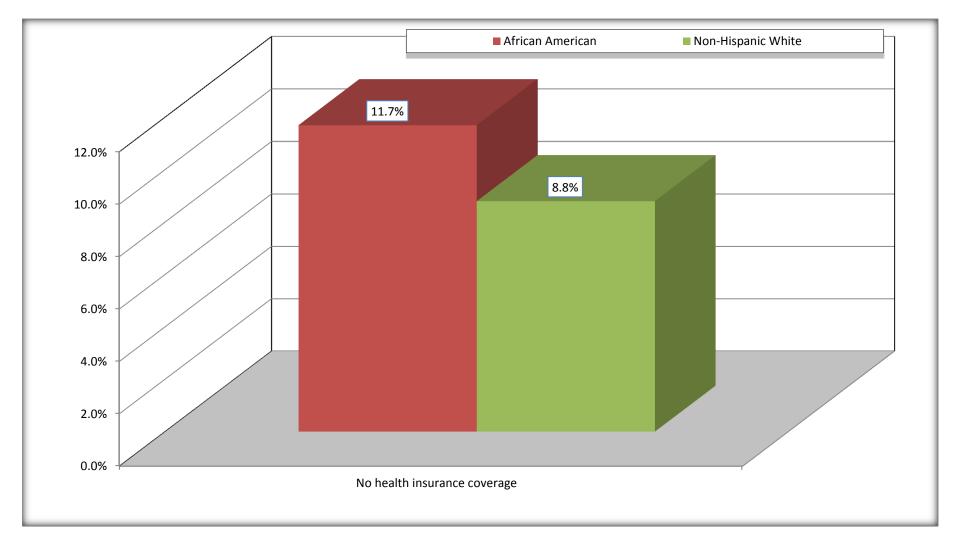
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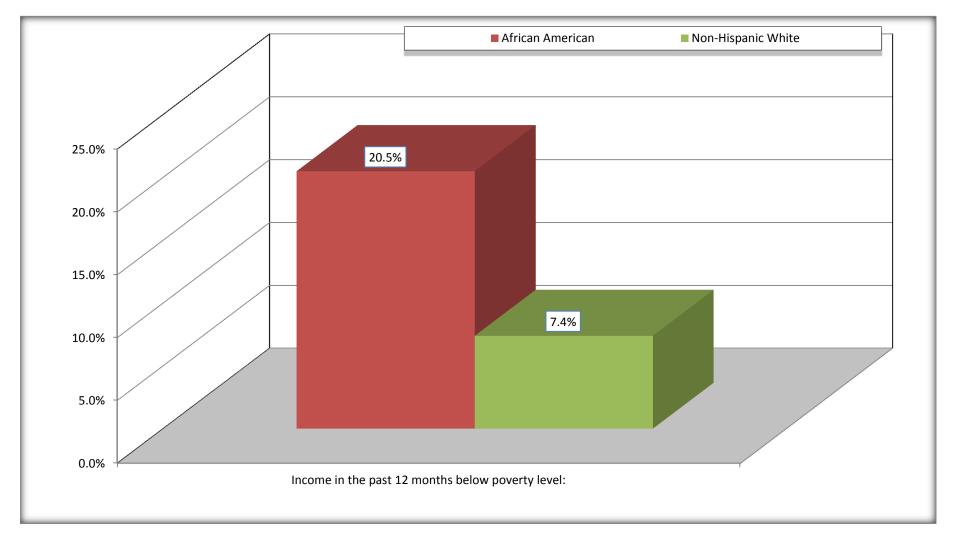
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Lack of Health Insurance Coverage -- Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



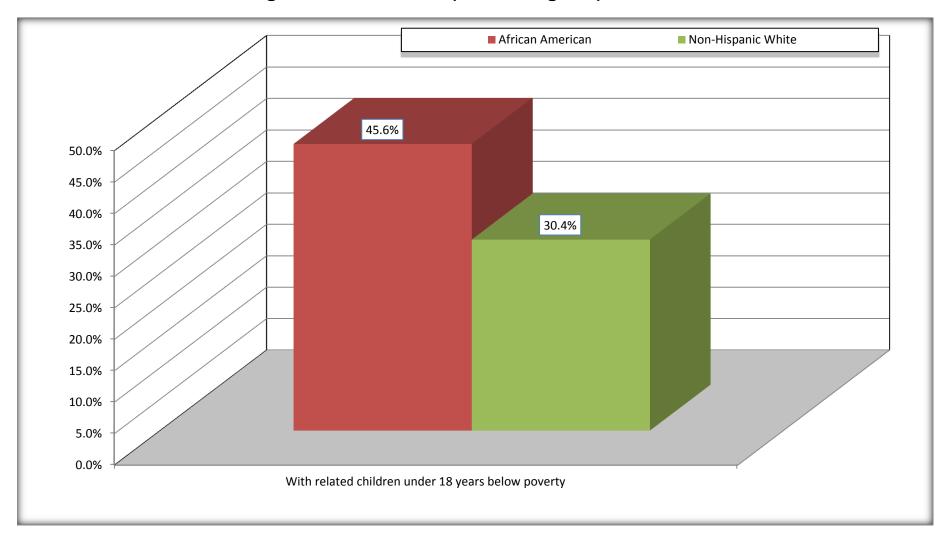
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Family Households Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



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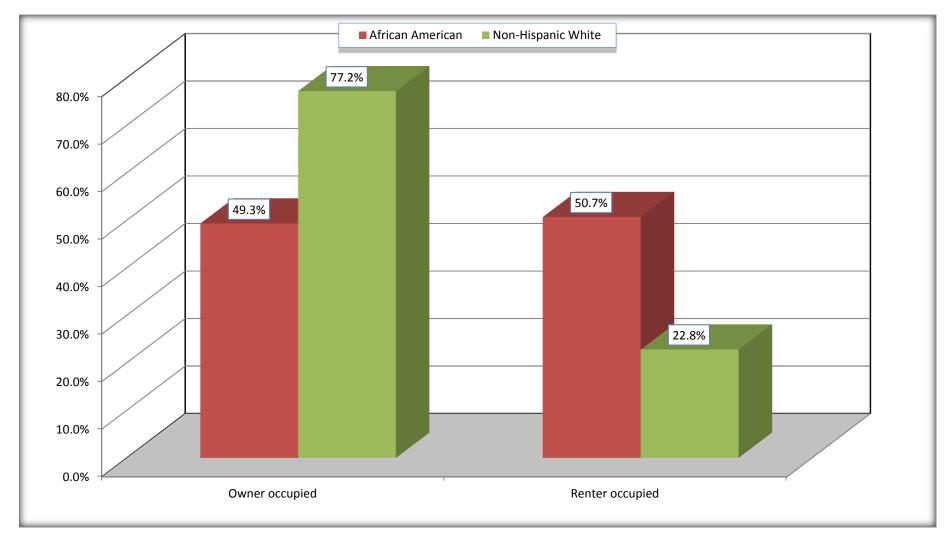
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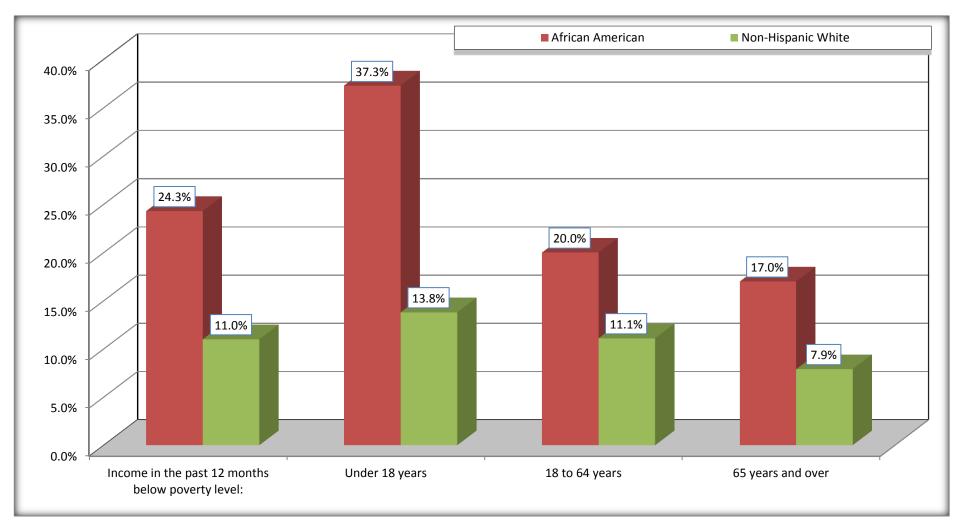
Home Owners and Renters by Household

Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



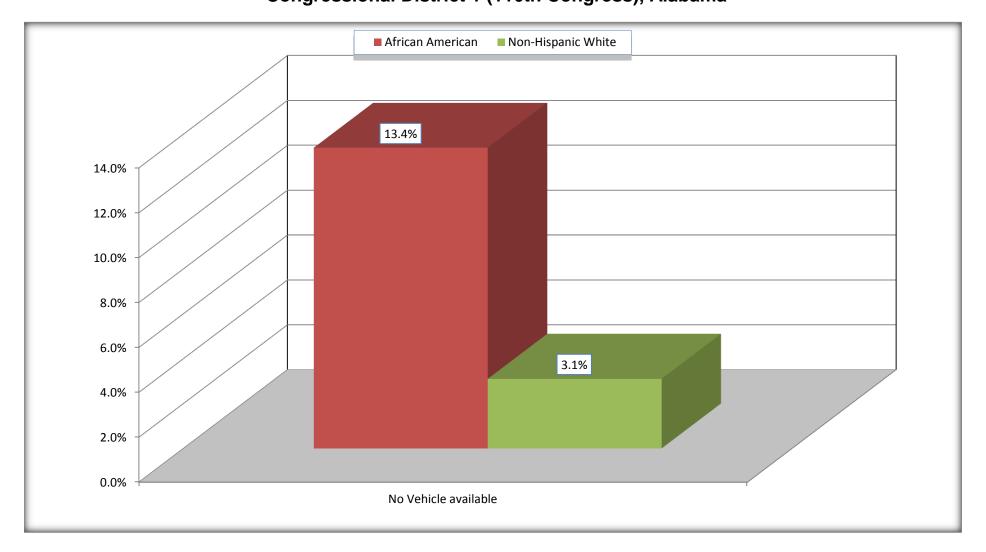
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Population Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



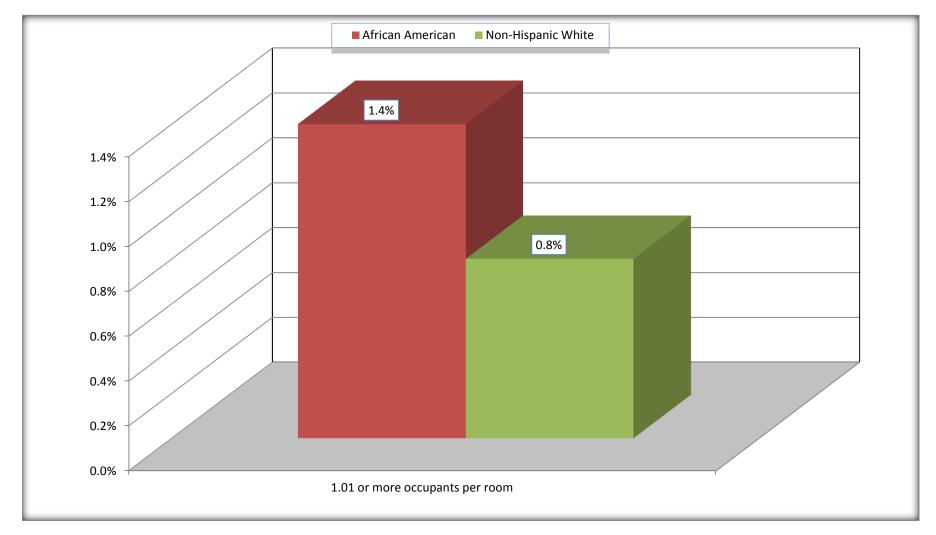
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No Vehicles Available by Household Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



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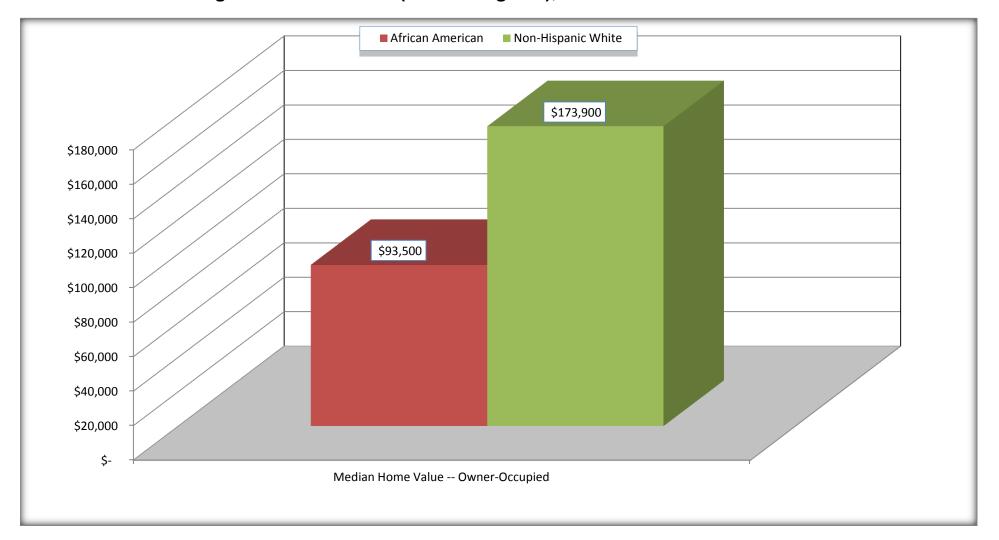
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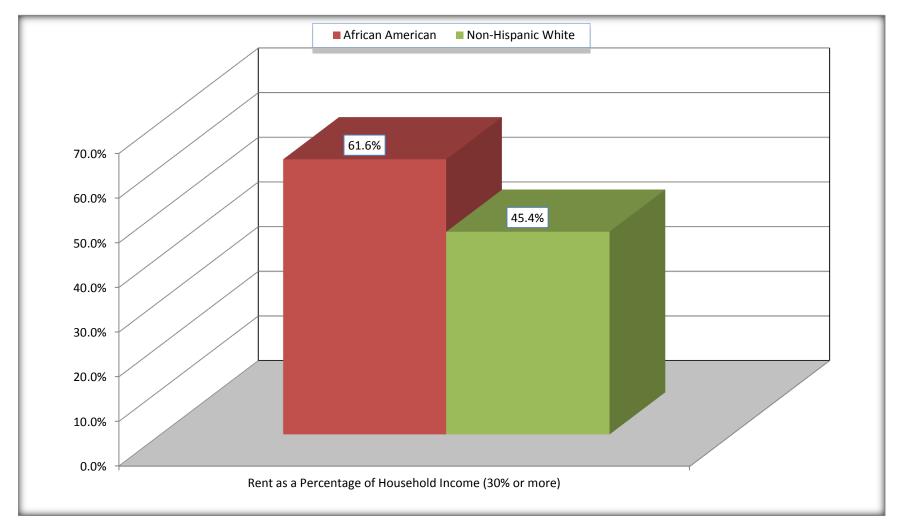
Median Home Value -- Owner-Occupied

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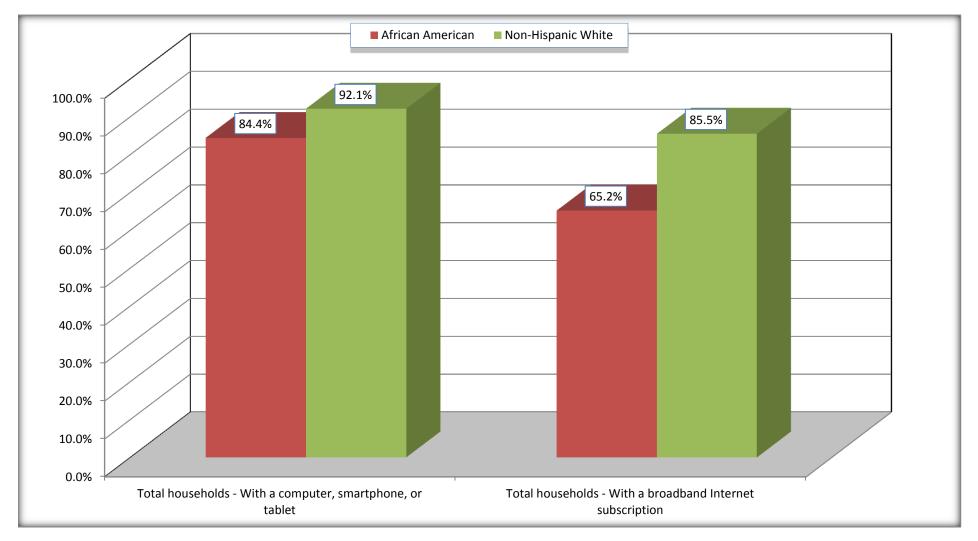
Rent as a Percentage of Household Income (30% or more) -- Renter-Occupied Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



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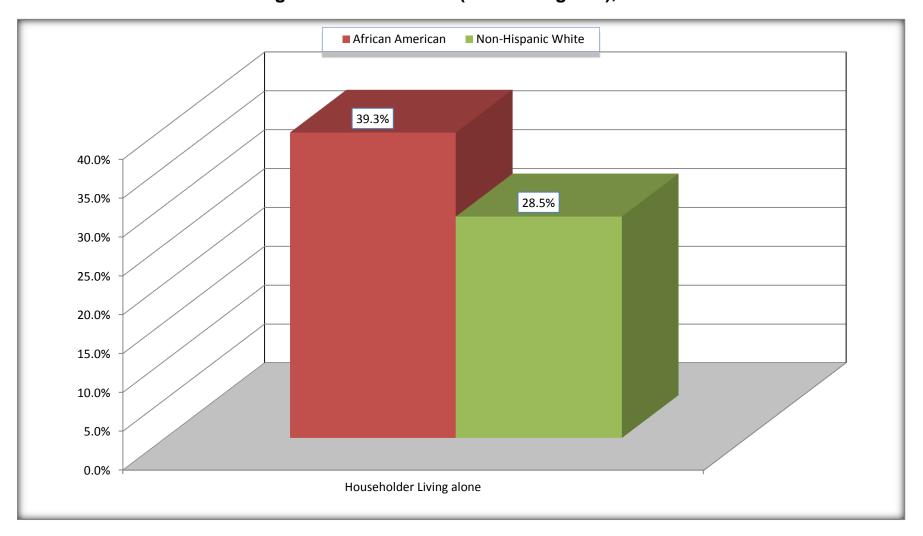
Computers and Internet Use

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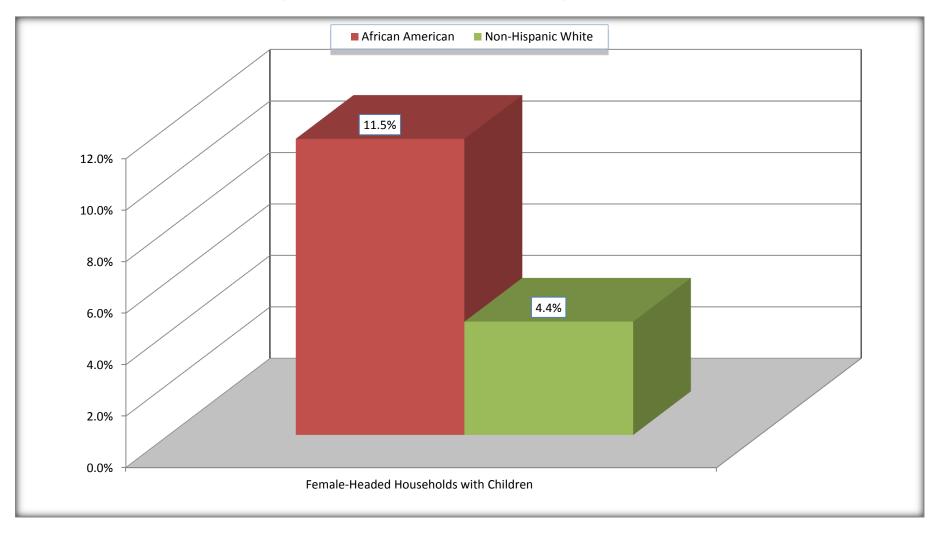
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Households with Householder Living Alone Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Female-Headed Households with Children Under 18 (As a Percentage of all Households) Congressional District 1 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Black or African

		American alone	White alone, not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED			
Total population	717,438	203,394	466,435
One race	97.9%	96.7%	100.0%
Two races	1.9%	2.7%	(X)
Three races	0.2%	0.6%	(X)
Four or more races	0.0%	0.0%	(X)
SEX AND AGE			
Total population	717,438	203,394	466,435
Male	48.2%	47.4%	48.5%
Female	51.8%	52.6%	51.5%
Under 5 years	6.0%	7.2%	5.2%
5 to 17 years	16.5%	19.7%	14.6%
18 to 24 years	8.1%	9.4%	7.3%
25 to 34 years	12.9%	14.3%	11.9%
35 to 44 years	12.4%	13.3%	11.8%
45 to 54 years	12.2%	10.9%	13.0%
55 to 64 years	13.6%	12.1%	14.7%
65 to 74 years	11.0%	8.6%	12.6%
75 years and over	7.3%	4.5%	8.9%
Median age (years)	40.4	34.5	44.3
18 years and over	77.5%	73.0%	80.2%
21 years and over	74.0%	68.8%	77.2%
62 years and over	22.4%	16.8%	26.0%
65 years and over	18.3%	13.1%	21.5%
Under 18 years	161,427	54,911	92,525
Male	52.2%	55.0%	51.0%
Female	47.8%	45.0%	49.0%
18 years and over	556,011	148,483	373,910
Male	47.0%	44.6%	47.9%
Female	53.0%	55.4%	52.1%
18 to 34 years	150,667	48,125	89,729
Male	48.8%	46.3%	49.8%
Female	51.2%	53.7%	50.2%
35 to 64 years	274,193	73,790	183,828
Male	47.4%	45.1%	48.3%
Female	52.6%	54.9%	51.7%

		Black or African	
		American alone	White alone,
			not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
65 years and over	Estimate 131,151	Estimate 26,568	Estimate 100,353
Male	44.2%	40.1%	45.3%
Female	55.8%	59.9%	54.7%
RELATIONSHIP	33.3,3	55.575	3,
Population in households	704,903	198,114	459,494
Householder or spouse	55.6%	48.7%	59.7%
Unmarried partner	1.6%	1.4%	1.6%
Child	29.2%	34.5%	26.5%
Other relatives	10.9%	13.7%	9.5%
Other nonrelatives	2.8%	1.7%	2.8%
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE			
Households	268,033	73,945	180,156
Family households	64.3%	58.2%	67.0%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	22.4%	22.3%	21.7%
Married-couple family	46.1%	28.8%	53.1%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	14.2%	8.9%	15.8%
Female householder, no spouse present, family	13.9%	24.8%	9.8%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	6.6%	11.5%	4.4%
Nonfamily households	35.7%	41.8%	33.0%
Male householder	15.7%	16.9%	14.8%
Living alone	13.3%	15.8%	12.2%
Not living alone	2.4%	1.1%	2.7%
Female householder	20.0%	24.9%	18.2%
Living alone	18.2%	23.5%	16.3%
Not living alone	1.8%	1.4%	1.9%
Average household size	2.63	2.63	2.62
Average family size	3.36	3.65	3.24
MARITAL STATUS			
Population 15 years and over	584,366	156,772	390,089
Now married, except separated	46.2%	32.1%	51.9%
Widowed	7.0%	6.4%	7.6%
Divorced	13.2%	11.6%	14.7%
Separated	2.3%	3.5%	1.7%
Never married	31.2%	46.4%	24.2%
Male 15 years and over	276,153	70,276	186,938
Now married, except separated	48.7%	35.4%	54.1%

	All Dorcons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	All Persons Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Widowed	3.2%	2.2%	3.7%
Divorced	11.9%	11.2%	13.1%
Separated	1.8%	2.8%	1.3%
Never married	34.4%	48.4%	27.7%
Female 15 years and over	308,213	86,496	203,151
Now married, except separated	44.0%	29.5%	49.8%
Widowed	10.5%	9.7%	11.1%
Divorced	14.4%	11.9%	16.1%
Separated	2.7%	4.0%	2.0%
Never married	28.4%	44.8%	21.0%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT			
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	156,759	51,255	91,237
Nursery school, preschool	4.3%	4.7%	4.0%
Kindergarten	6.2%	4.7%	7.0%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	44.8%	48.1%	44.4%
High school (grades 9-12)	23.9%	24.0%	22.5%
College or graduate school	20.8%	18.4%	22.2%
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school	76,847	26,048	43,583
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	79.0%	82.2%	77.6%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	15.9%	12.8%	17.4%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school	79,912	25,207	47,654
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	71.0%	71.2%	70.4%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	25.6%	24.2%	26.6%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT			
Population 25 years and over	498,018	129,445	339,778
Less than high school diploma	11.8%	12.7%	10.3%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	33.6%	42.1%	31.2%
Some college or associate's degree	29.6%	27.5%	30.9%
Bachelor's degree	16.1%	10.9%	18.1%
Graduate or professional degree	8.9%	6.8%	9.6%
High school graduate or higher	88.2%	87.3%	89.7%
Male, high school graduate or higher	86.3%	85.9%	88.4%
Female, high school graduate or higher	89.8%	88.4%	90.9%
Bachelor's degree or higher	25.0%	17.7%	27.7%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	24.3%	15.5%	27.7%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	25.5%	19.5%	27.7%

			White alone,
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
FERTILITY			
Women 15 to 50 years	162,225	50,700	99,153
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	7,259	3,285	3,622
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	3,950	2,860	1,035
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	54.4%	87.1%	28.6%
RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS			
Population 30 years and over	450,801	113,686	311,720
Grandparents living with grandchild(ren)	5.5%	7.3%	5.1%
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren as a percentage of living with grandchildren	49.1%	59.0%	44.4%
VETERAN STATUS			
Civilian population 18 years and over	555,386	148,483	373,285
Civilian veteran	9.5%	7.6%	10.5%
DISABILITY STATUS			
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	707,906	199,583	460,813
With a disability	13.9%	11.7%	15.3%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	161,230	54,828	92,428
With a disability	3.8%	4.4%	3.5%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	418,008	118,375	270,327
With a disability	11.6%	11.1%	11.8%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older	128,668	26,380	98,058
With a disability	34.2%	29.4%	36.1%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO			
Population 1 year and over	710,884	201,175	462,481
Same house	88.5%	89.3%	88.8%
Different house in the U.S.	11.4%	10.7%	11.1%
Same county	8.0%	8.4%	7.3%
Different county	3.4%	2.3%	3.8%
Same state	1.6%	1.6%	1.6%
Different state	1.8%	0.7%	2.2%
Abroad	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY			
Native	694,841	201,572	461,308
Male	48.2%	47.5%	48.4%
Female	51.8%	52.5%	51.6%
Foreign born	22,597	1,822	5,127
Male	48.8%	41.1%	53.5%
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	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female	51.2%	58.9%	46.5%
Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen	11,233	844	3,351
Male	41.2%	38.6%	61.2%
Female	58.8%	61.4%	38.8%
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen	11,364	978	1,776
Male	56.3%	43.3%	38.8%
Female	43.7%	56.7%	61.2%
Population born outside the United States	22,597	1,822	5,127
Entered 2010 or later	30.7%	54.1%	20.1%
Entered 2000 to 2009	33.3%	22.7%	30.4%
Entered before 2000	36.0%	23.2%	49.5%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN			
Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea	22,597	1,822	5,127
Europe	14.5%	N	N
Asia	29.5%	N	N
Africa	6.1%	N	N
Oceania	0.8%	N	N
Latin America	47.3%	N	N
Northern America	1.8%	N	N
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH			
Population 5 years and over	674,348	188,650	442,038
English only	95.8%	98.6%	98.7%
Language other than English	4.2%	1.4%	1.3%
Speak English less than "very well"	1.7%	0.3%	0.5%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS			
Population 16 years and over	575,641	153,700	385,630
In labor force	56.2%	57.8%	55.1%
Civilian labor force	56.1%	57.8%	55.0%
Employed	52.9%	51.8%	52.8%
Unemployed	3.2%	6.0%	2.1%
Unemployment Rate	5.7%	10.4%	3.9%
Armed Forces	0.1%	0.0%	0.2%
Not in labor force	43.8%	42.2%	44.9%
Females 16 years and over	303,708	85,362	200,666
In labor force	51.2%	57.4%	48.1%
Civilian labor force	51.2%	57.4%	48.1%

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	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Employed	48.3%	51.8%	46.0%
Unemployed	2.9%	5.6%	2.0%
Unemployment Rate	5.7%	9.7%	4.2%
COMMUTING TO WORK			
Workers 16 years and over	301,308	78,453	201,778
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	85.2%	84.0%	86.5%
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	8.2%	9.6%	7.1%
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	0.4%	1.0%	0.2%
Walked	0.8%	1.4%	0.7%
Other means	1.6%	0.9%	1.8%
Worked from home	3.8%	3.1%	3.7%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	25.0	22.5	26.1
OCCUPATION			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	304,338	79,565	203,696
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	35.2%	27.1%	39.3%
Service occupations	17.5%	23.3%	14.7%
Sales and office occupations	21.8%	21.3%	22.4%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	10.5%	7.2%	11.0%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	15.1%	21.1%	12.7%
Male civilian employed population 16 years and over	157,724	35,363	111,297
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	29.5%	21.5%	33.4%
Service occupations	13.6%	15.3%	12.9%
Sales and office occupations	14.8%	14.2%	14.8%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	18.8%	14.3%	19.6%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	23.3%	34.7%	19.3%
Female civilian employed population 16 years and over	146,614	44,202	92,399
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	41.2%	31.7%	46.3%
Service occupations	21.7%	29.7%	16.8%
Sales and office occupations	29.3%	27.0%	31.4%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	1.5%	1.4%	0.6%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	6.3%	10.2%	4.8%
INDUSTRY			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	304,338	79,565	203,696
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	1.4%	0.2%	1.7%
Construction	8.8%	5.2%	9.5%
Manufacturing Page 6 of 10	10.9%	12.5%	9.6%

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	All Davisana	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	All Persons		
Wholesale trade	Estimate 2.4%	Estimate 1.7%	Estimate 2.9%
Retail trade	13.0%	1.7%	12.6%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	5.6%	6.9%	5.4%
Information	1.0%	0.1%	1.3%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	5.7%	2.1%	6.8%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management		8.5%	9.7%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	22.3%	25.9%	22.0%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	9.3%	11.6%	7.7%
Other services (except public administration)	5.0%	3.9%	5.6%
Public administration	5.6%	6.8%	5.1%
CLASS OF WORKER	3.070	0.075	3.170
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	304,338	79,565	203,696
Private wage and salary workers	78.7%	81.5%	78.1%
Government workers	15.7%	16.9%	15.8%
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	5.4%	1.6%	5.9%
Unpaid family workers	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2019 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)			
Households	268,033	73,945	180,156
Median household income (dollars)	50,663	35,397	60,482
With earnings	70.4%	68.6%	70.6%
Mean earnings (dollars)	71,071	46,630	82,338
With Social Security income	37.4%	33.6%	39.8%
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	19,902	16,821	21,031
With Supplemental Security Income	5.9%	10.8%	3.9%
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	9,084	8,942	9,293
With cash public assistance income	0.8%	0.9%	0.8%
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	2,247	3,017	2,038
With retirement income	27.1%	23.0%	29.6%
Mean retirement income (dollars)	25,028	23,114	26,073
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits	11.8%	26.0%	6.3%
Families	172,441	43,036	120,688
Median family income (dollars)	62,805	45,982	73,907
Married-couple family	71.7%	49.5%	79.2%
Median income (dollars)	78,497	60,863	84,911
Male householder, no spouse present, family	6.7%	8.0%	6.1%
Median income (dollars)	42,416	34,396	45,519

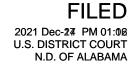
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	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female householder, no husband present, family	21.7%	42.6%	14.7%
Median income (dollars)	33,937	28,656	39,485
Individuals	717,438	203,394	466,435
Per capita income (dollars)	27,463	18,406	32,185
With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	127,508	28,363	91,523
Female	102,739	31,945	63,969
Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	61,608	42,922	69,025
Female	44,522	33,909	49,346
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	47,929	36,365	52,150
Female	36,476	29,138	41,296
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE			
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	707,906	199,583	460,813
With private health insurance	63.7%	51.0%	69.7%
With public coverage	39.0%	46.7%	36.4%
No health insurance coverage	10.2%	11.7%	8.8%
POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS	S DETERMINED		
All families	11.1%	20.5%	7.4%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	19.0%	33.5%	12.1%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	21.8%	40.7%	14.5%
Married-couple family	4.3%	6.4%	3.6%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	6.7%	12.2%	4.5%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	7.8%	N	N
Female householder, no spouse present, family	27.7%	34.0%	20.6%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	38.2%	45.6%	30.4%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	45.1%	56.8%	38.2%
All people	15.4%	24.3%	11.0%
Under 18 years	22.4%	37.3%	13.8%
Related children of the householder under 18 years	22.2%	37.2%	13.4%
Related children of the householder under 5 years	27.1%	45.6%	17.0%
Related children of the householder 5 to 17 years	20.4%	34.1%	12.1%
18 years and over	13.4%	19.4%	10.3%
18 to 64 years	14.4%	20.0%	11.1%
65 years and over	10.2%	17.0%	7.9%

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	All Persons		Latino
	Estimate		Estimate
People in families	12.7%		8.2%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	27.8%	32.7%	24.2%
HOUSING TENURE	252.000		400 450
Occupied housing units	268,033		180,156
Owner-occupied housing units	69.1%		77.2%
Renter-occupied housing units	30.9%		22.8%
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.73		2.69
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.40	2.42	2.38
UNITS IN STRUCTURE			
Occupied housing units	268,033	73,945	180,156
1-unit, detached or attached	75.4%	70.0%	78.9%
2 to 4 units	3.3%	5.1%	2.5%
5 or more units	10.8%	17.3%	8.1%
Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.	10.5%	7.5%	10.6%
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT			
Occupied housing units	268,033	73,945	180,156
Built 2014 or later	5.3%	3.2%	5.9%
Built 2010 to 2013	3.3%	3.0%	3.2%
Built 2000 to 2009	15.2%	8.1%	18.1%
Built 1980 to 1999	33.9%	29.6%	35.2%
Built 1960 to 1979	27.8%	37.5%	24.2%
Built 1940 to 1959	10.8%	15.9%	9.0%
Built 1939 or earlier	3.8%	2.7%	4.3%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE			
Occupied housing units	268,033	73,945	180,156
None	6.0%	13.4%	3.1%
1 or more	94.0%	86.6%	96.9%
HOUSE HEATING FUEL			
Occupied housing units	268,033	73,945	180,156
Gas	27.6%	38.5%	23.6%
Electricity	70.9%	60.9%	74.6%
All other fuels	0.9%	0.2%	1.1%
No fuel used	0.6%	0.4%	0.7%
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS			
Occupied housing units	268,033	73,945	180,156
No telephone service available	2.3%	5.3%	0.9%
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		Black or African American alone or in	White alone, not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
1.01 or more occupants per room	1.2%	1.4%	0.8%
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME	IN THE PAST 1	2 MONTHS	
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOC cannot be computed)	102,458	18,468	78,198
Less than 30 percent	76.3%	65.2%	80.1%
30 percent or more	23.7%	34.8%	19.9%
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS			
Owner-occupied housing units	185,109	36,456	139,104
Median value (dollars)	160,600	93,500	173,900
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,220	1,068	1,259
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	365	349	376
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTH	IS		
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	66,285	28,837	33,832
Less than 30 percent	47.6%	38.4%	54.6%
30 percent or more	52.4%	61.6%	45.4%
GROSS RENT			
Occupied units paying rent	70,269	30,421	35,573
Median gross rent (dollars)	872	783	935
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE			
Total households	268,033	73,945	180,156
With a computer	90.0%	84.4%	92.1%
With a broadband Internet subscription	79.6%	65.2%	85.5%

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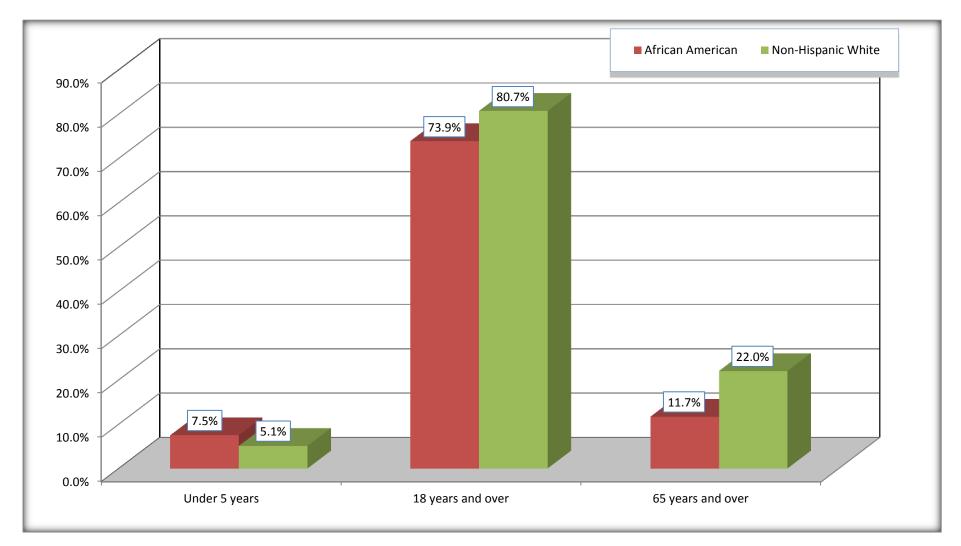


Selected Socio-Economic Data

Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama

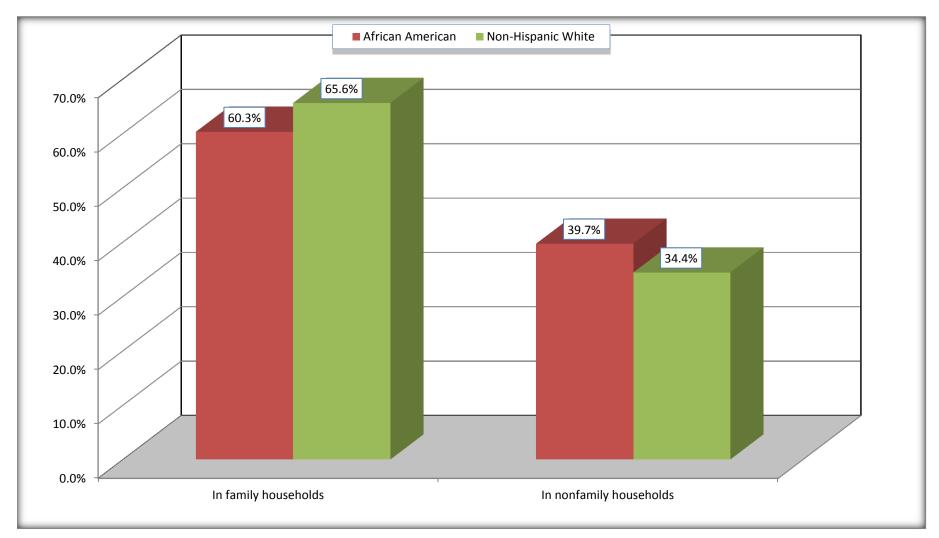
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Population by Age Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



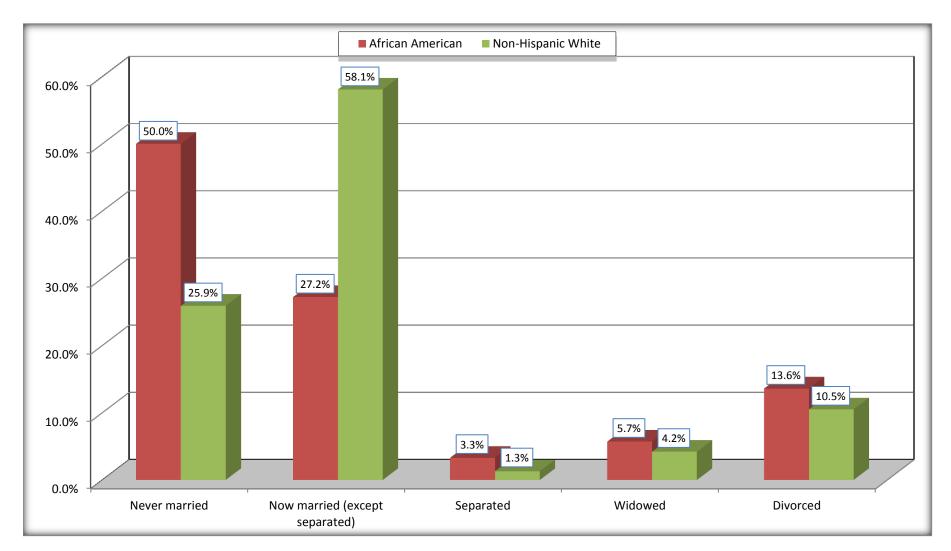
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Household Type for Population in Households Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



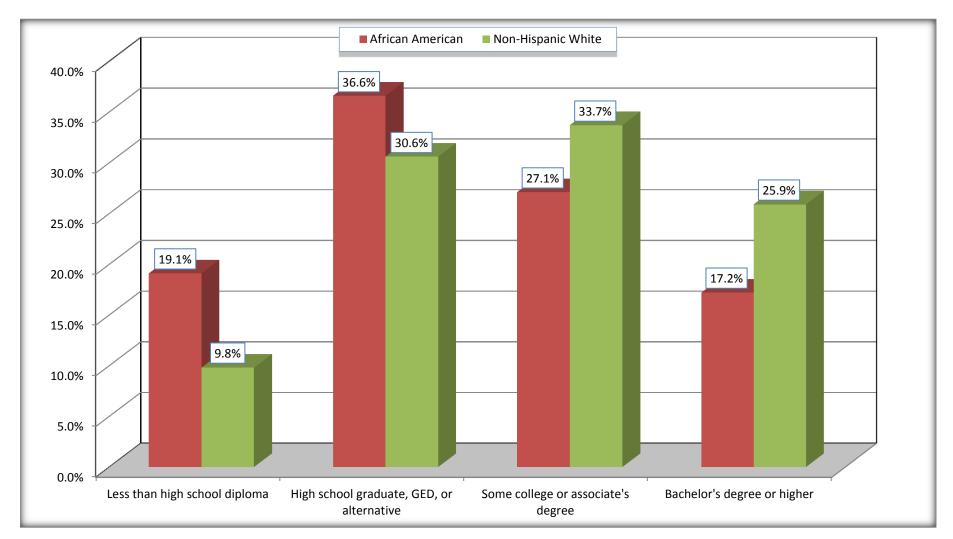
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Marital Status for the Population 15 Years and Over Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



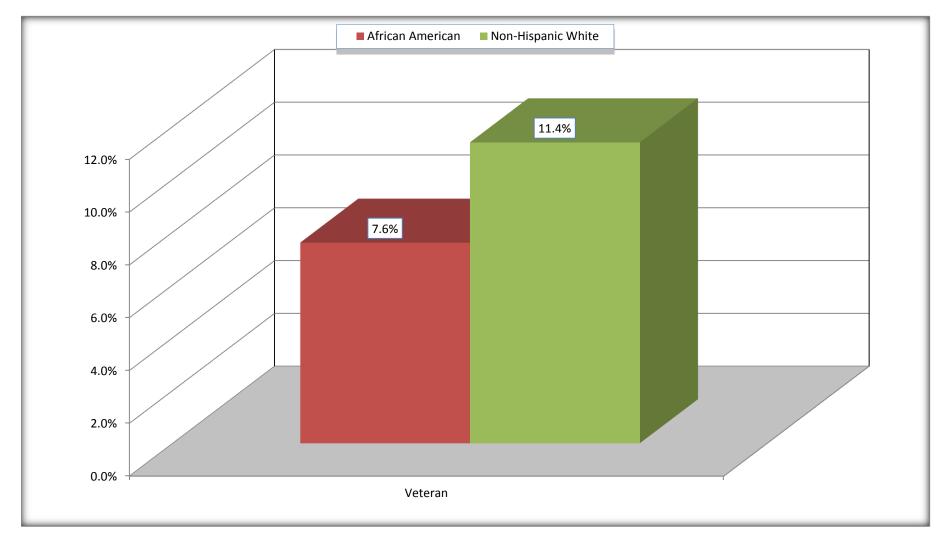
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Educational Attainment for the Population 25 Years and Older Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



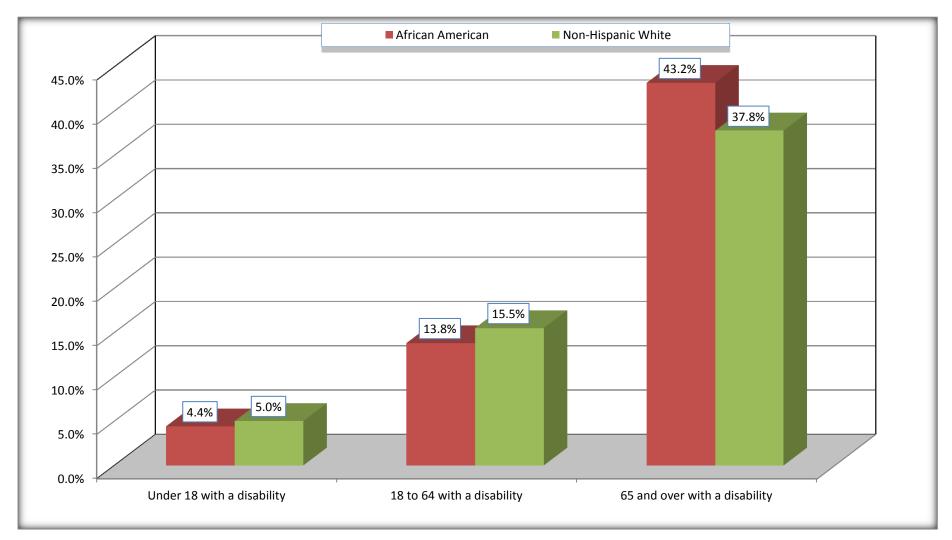
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Veterans in the Civilian Population 18 Years and Over Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



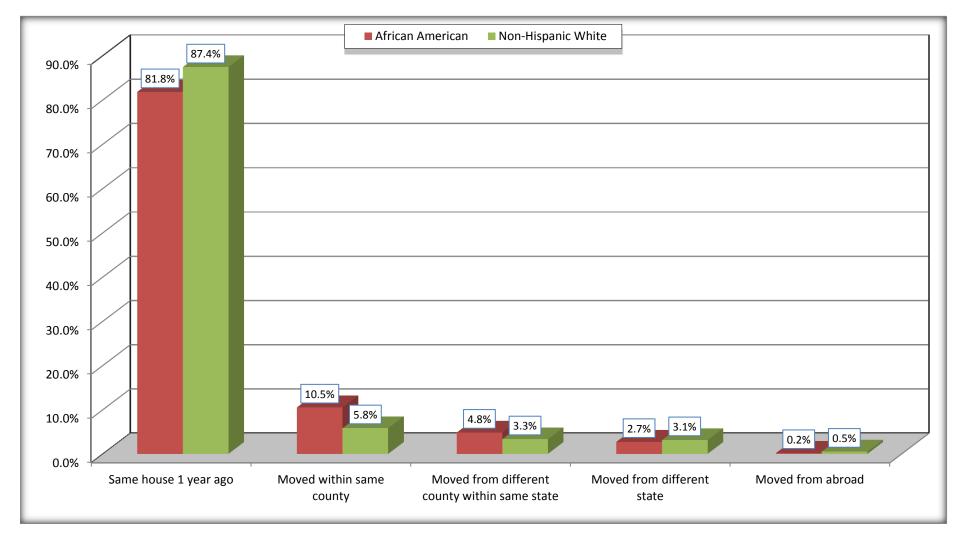
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Disability by Age -- Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



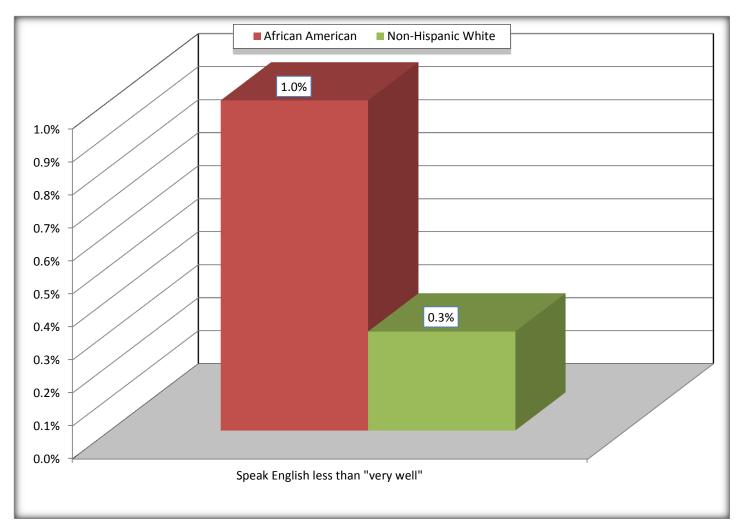
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Geographical Mobility in the Past Year (Population 1 Year and Over) Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



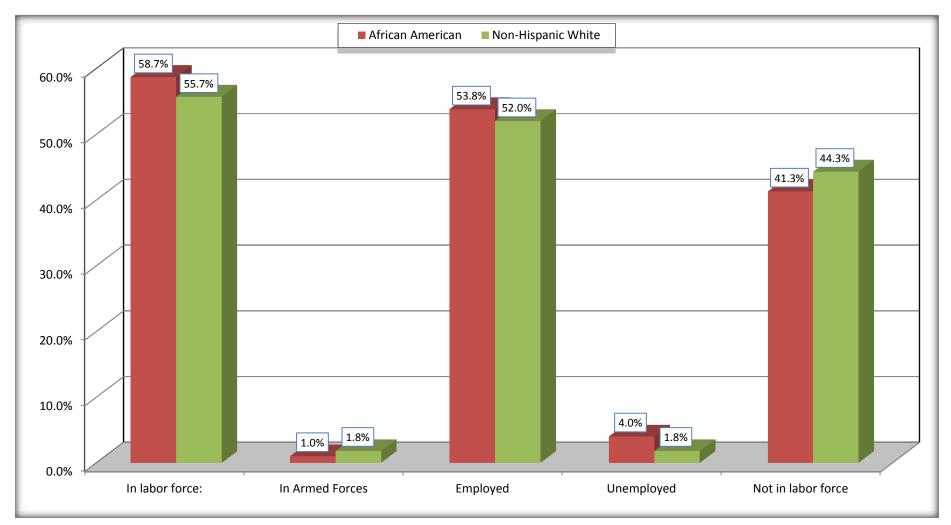
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Speak English Less than "Very Well" (Population 5 Years and Over) Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



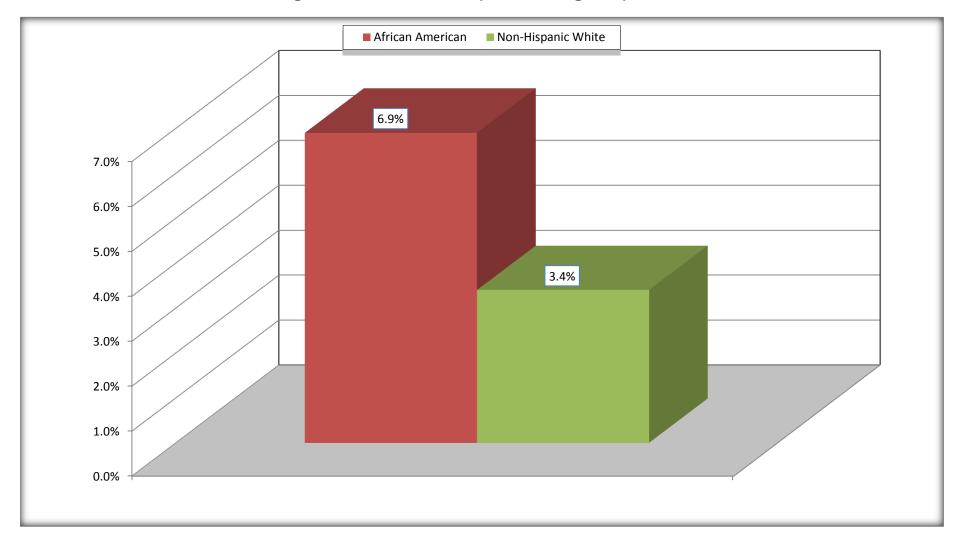
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Employment Status for the Population 16 years and over Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



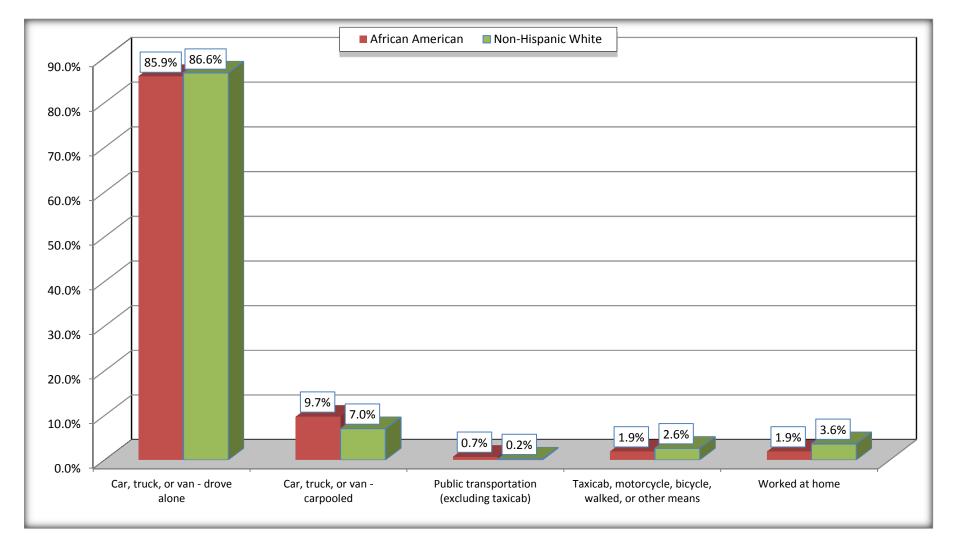
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Unemployment (Civilian Labor Force -- Ages 16 and Over) Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



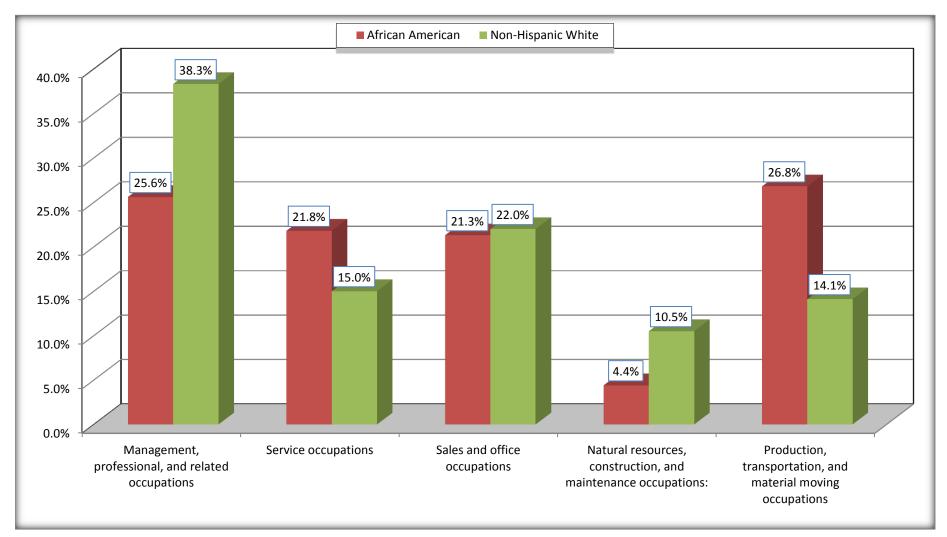
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Means of Transportation to Work (Workers 16 Years and Over) Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



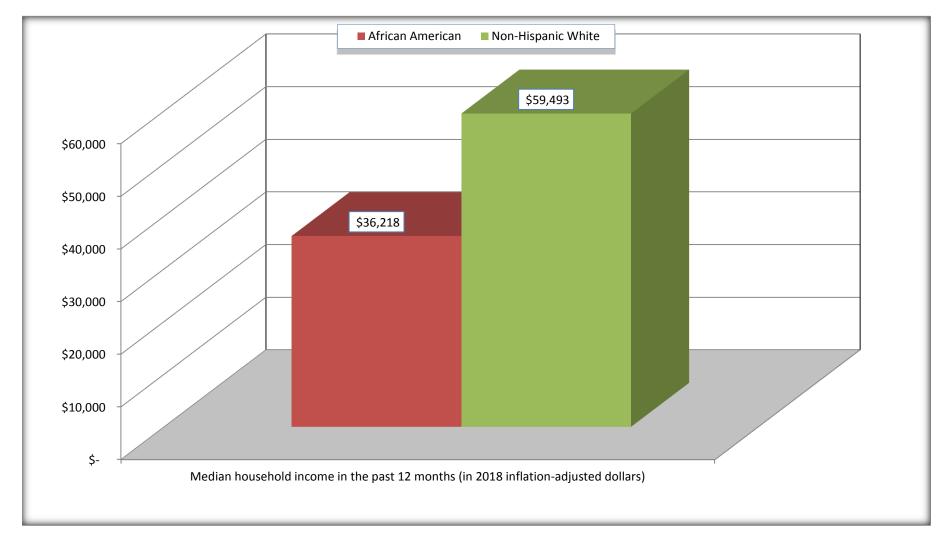
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Occupation for the Civilian Employed 16 Years and Over Population Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



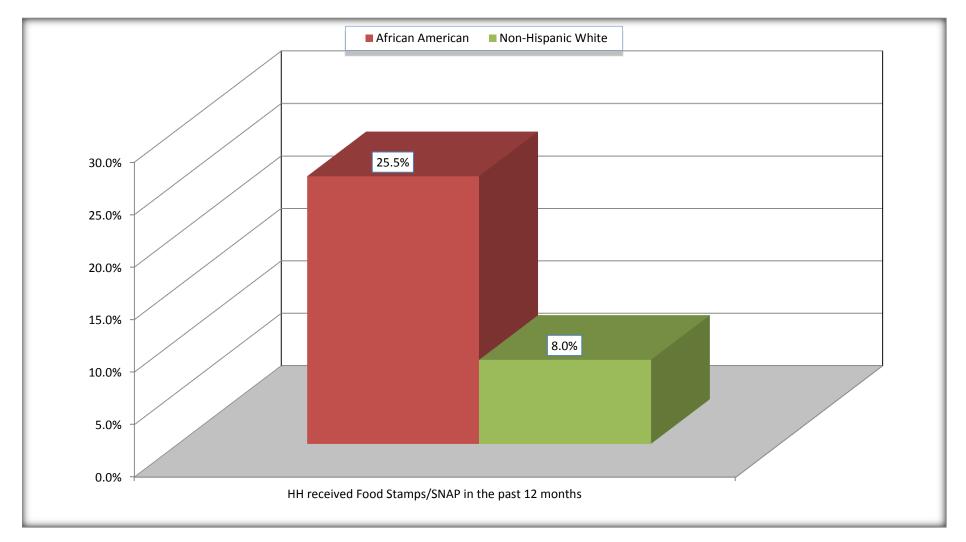
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Median Household Income in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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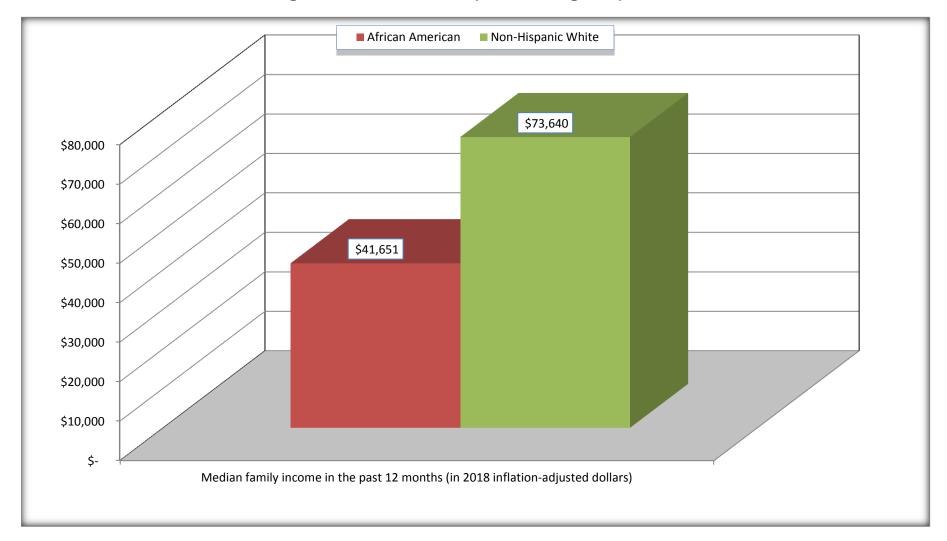
Receipt of Food Stamps/SNAP in the Past 12 Months by Household Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Median Family Income in the Past 12 Months

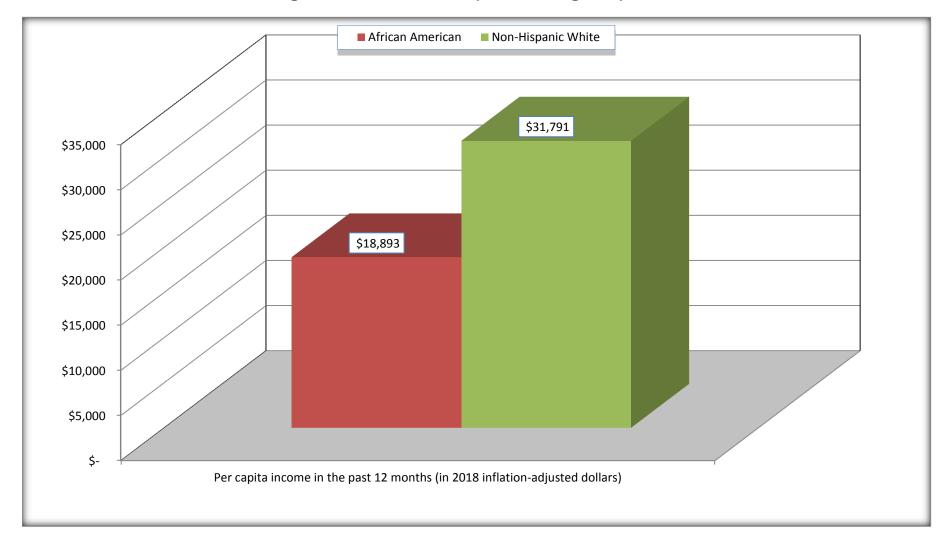
Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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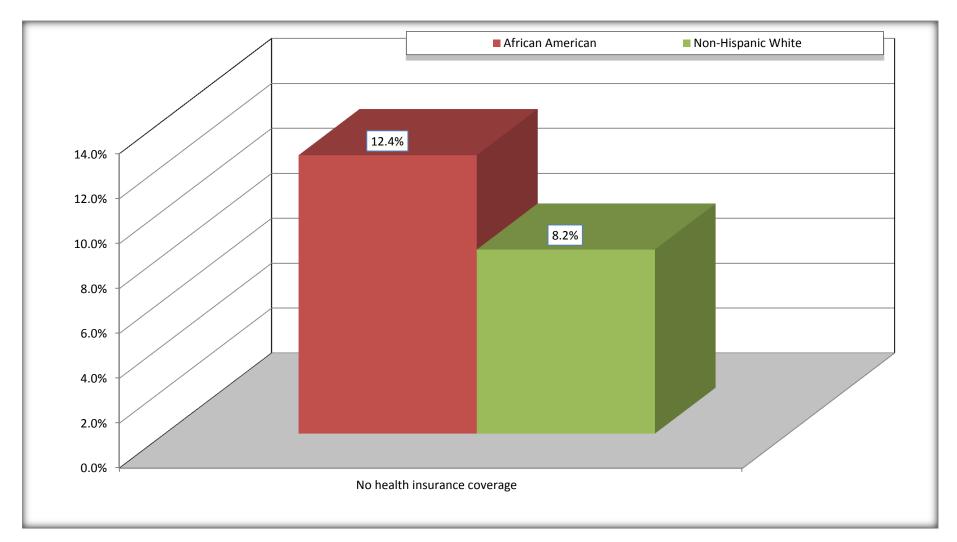
Per capita Income in the Past 12 Months

Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



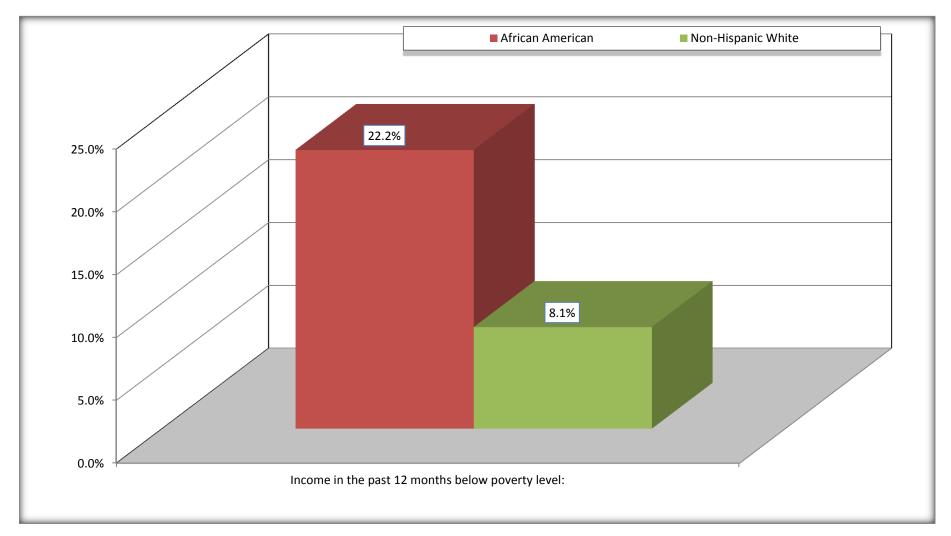
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Lack of Health Insurance Coverage -- Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



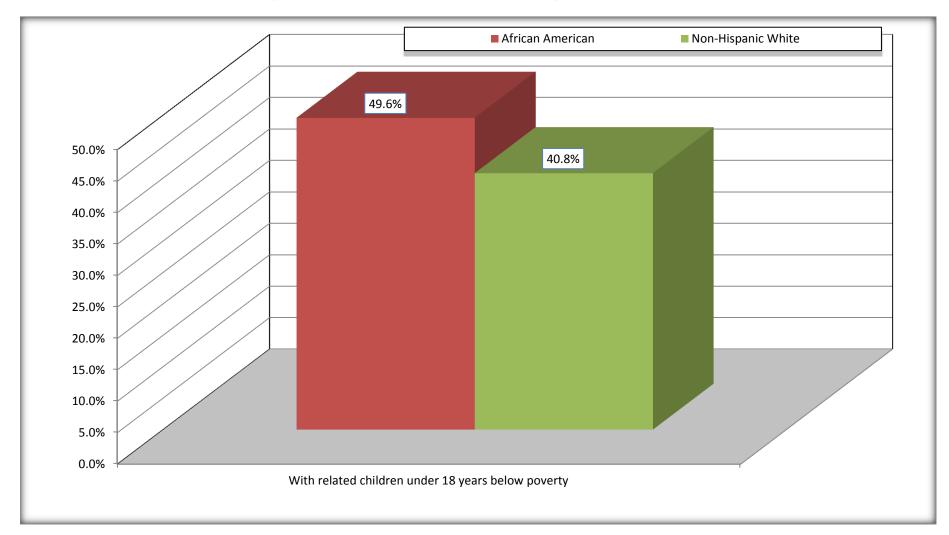
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Family Households Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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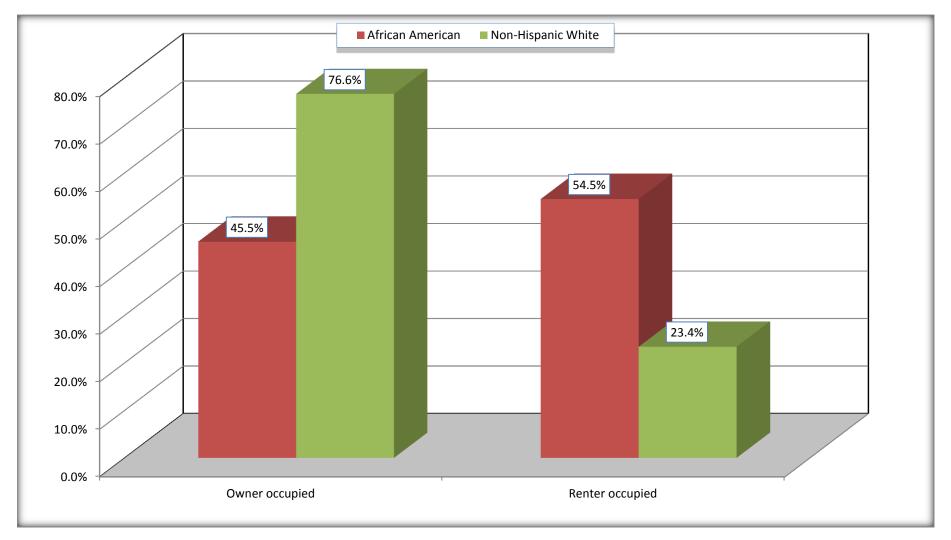
Female-headed Households with Related Children Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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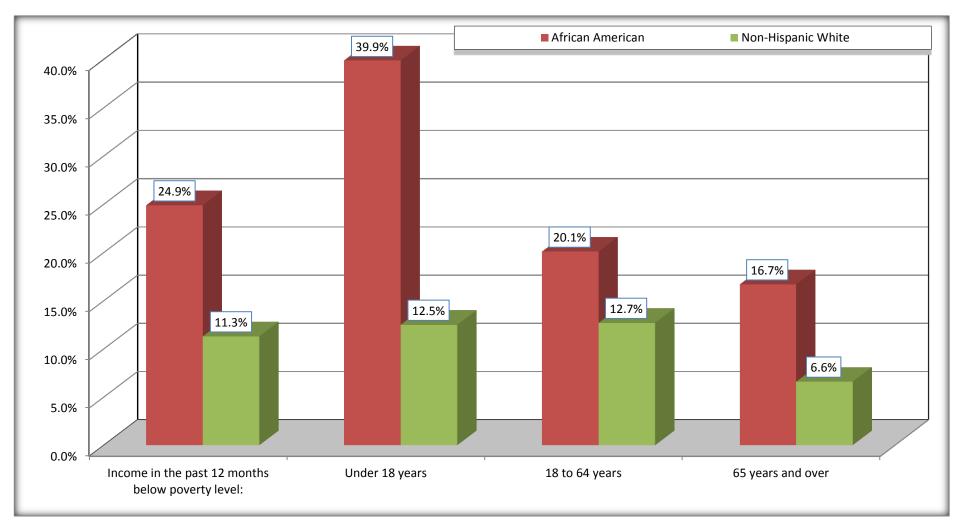
Home Owners and Renters by Household

Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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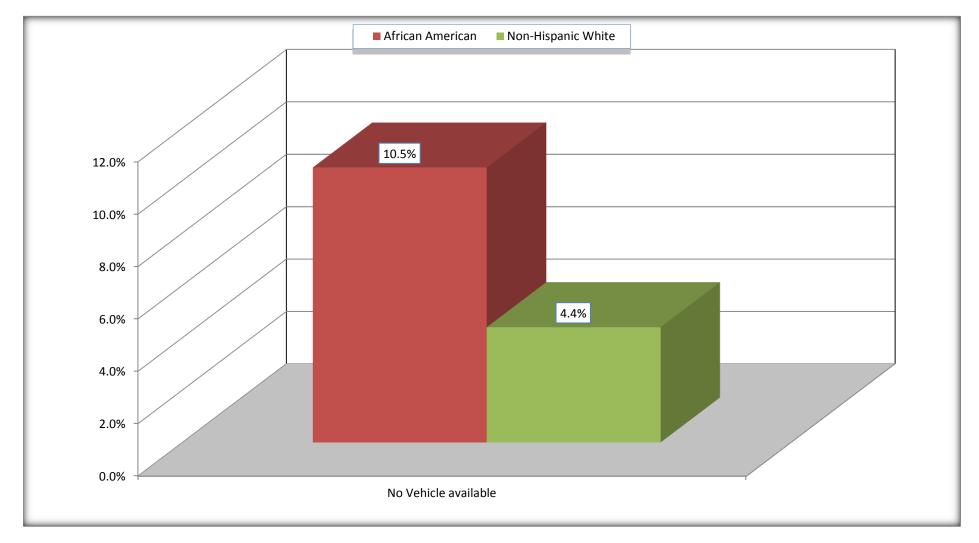
Population Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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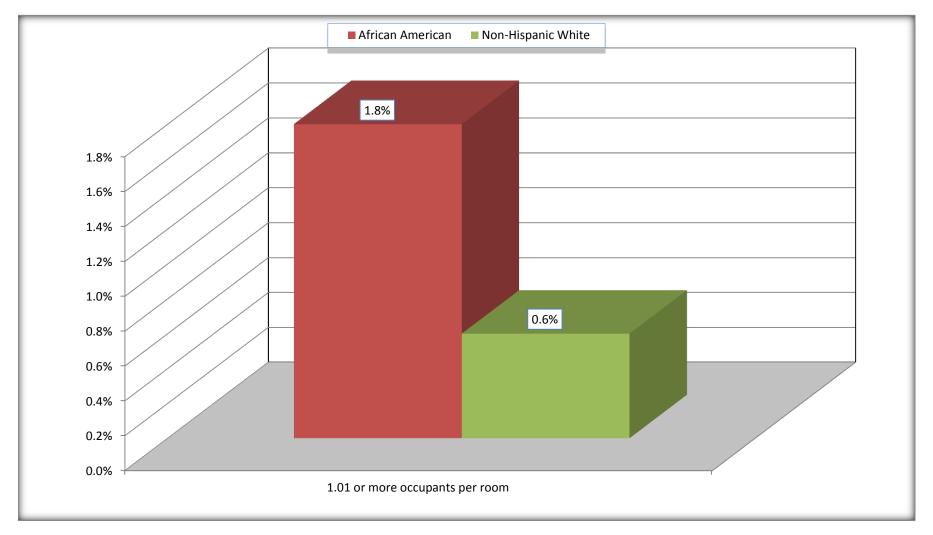
No Vehicles Available by Household

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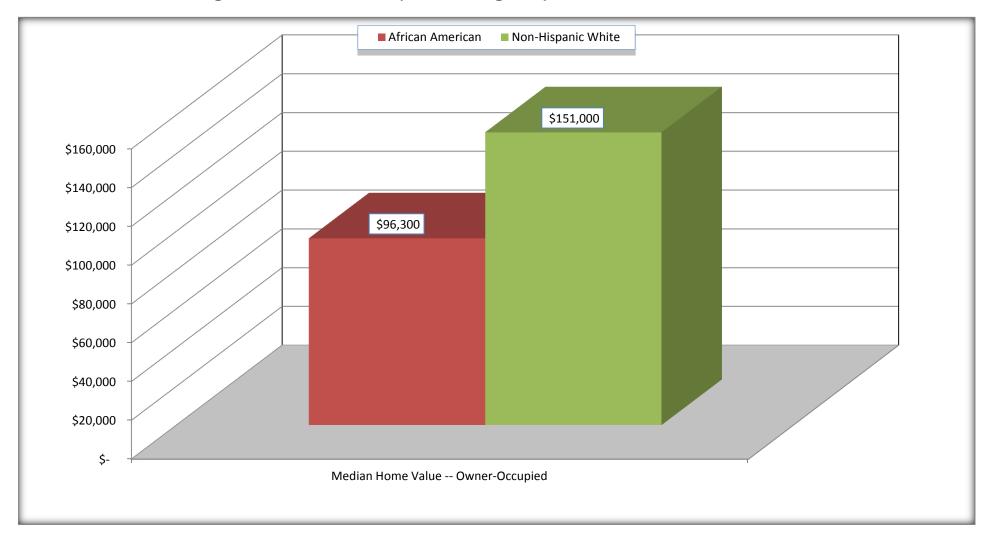
More than One Person per Room (Crowding) by Household Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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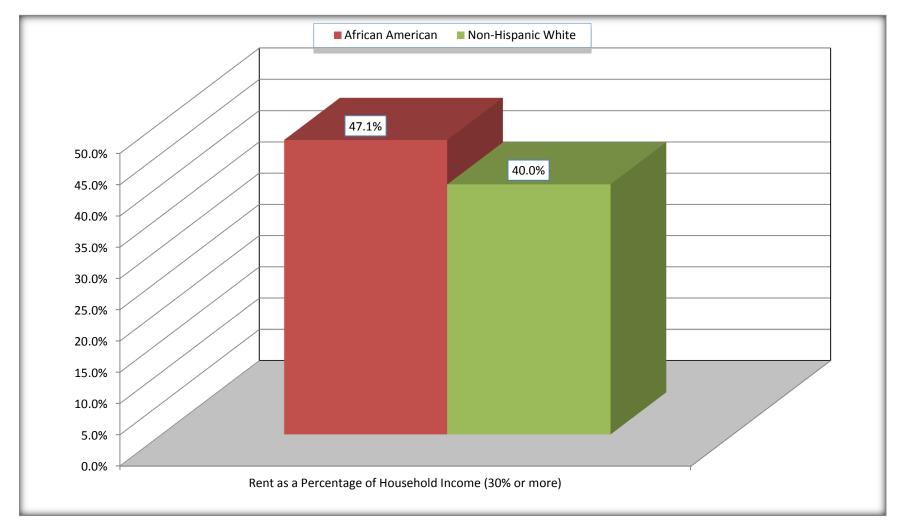
Median Home Value -- Owner-Occupied

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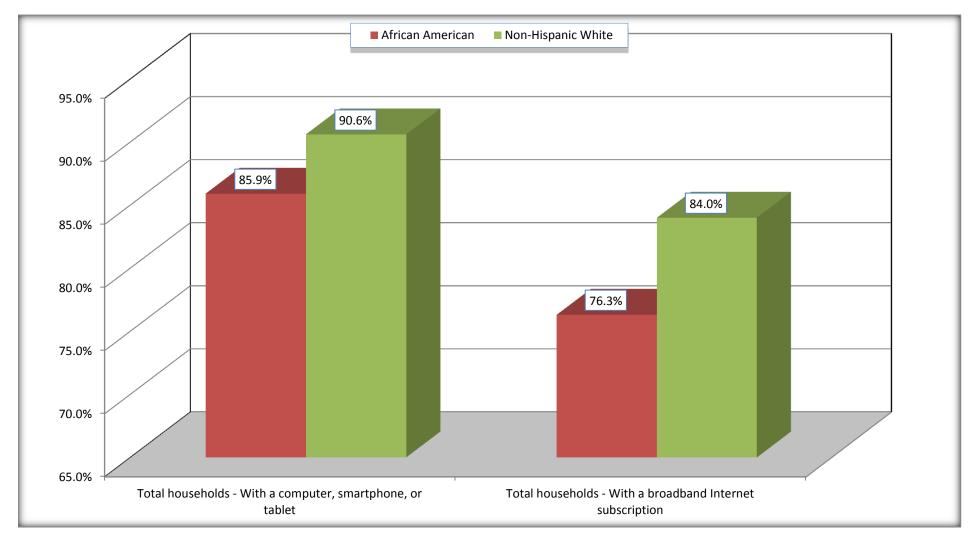
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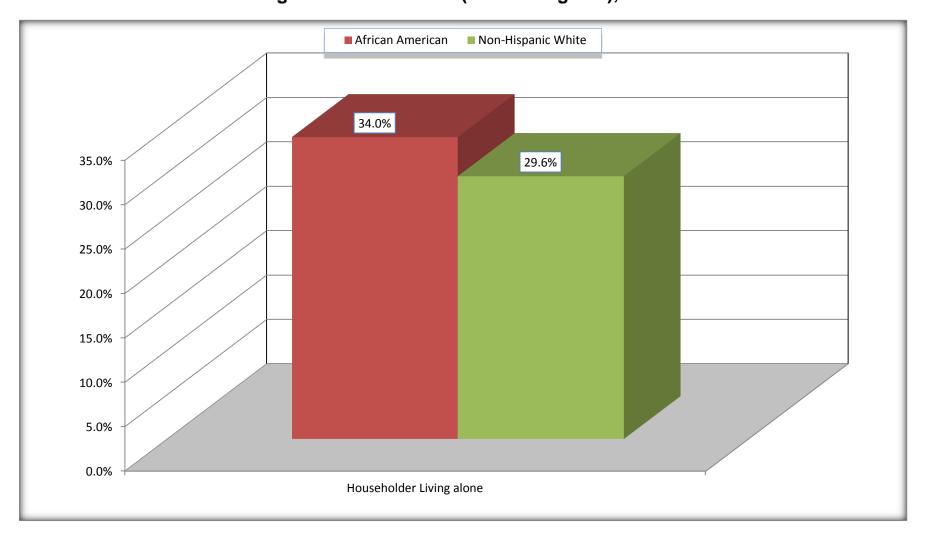
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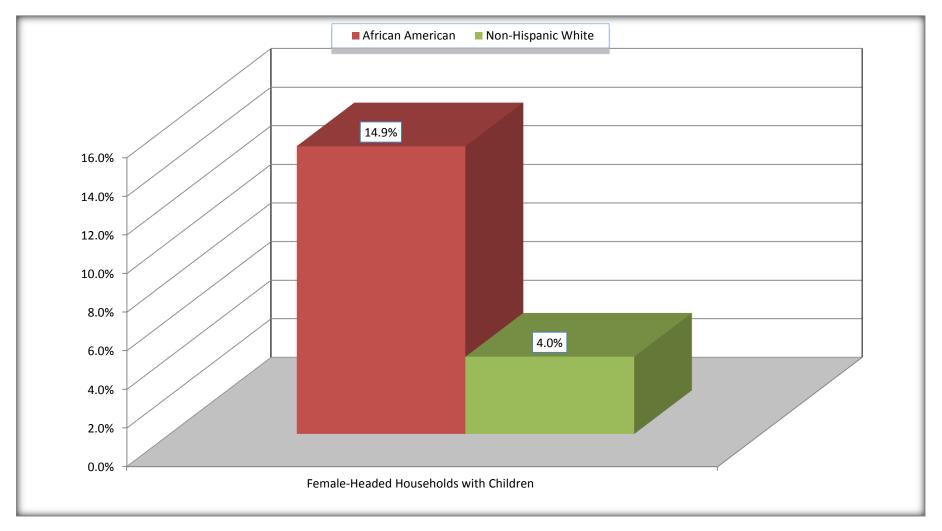
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Households with Householder Living Alone Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Female-Headed Households with Children Under 18 (As a Percentage of all Households) Congressional District 2 (116th Congress), Alabama



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		Black or African	U.S. DISTRICT N.D. OF AL	
		American alone	White alone,	
		or in	not Hispanic or	
	All Persons	combination	Latino	
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	
TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED				
Total population	674,920	224,717	407,356	
One race	98.1%	96.8%	100.0%	
Two races	1.8%	2.9%	(X)	
Three races	0.1%	0.2%	(X)	
Four or more races	0.0%	0.1%	(X)	
SEX AND AGE				
Total population	674,920	224,717	407,356	
Male	48.2%	46.3%	49.0%	
Female	51.8%	53.7%	51.0%	
Under 5 years	6.1%	7.5%	5.1%	
5 to 17 years	16.4%	18.6%	14.2%	
18 to 24 years	9.0%	11.0%	7.9%	
25 to 34 years	13.6%	16.4%	11.8%	
35 to 44 years	12.2%	13.2%	11.4%	
45 to 54 years	12.1%	11.0%	13.0%	
55 to 64 years	12.8%	10.5%	14.6%	
65 to 74 years	10.4%	7.7%	12.3%	
75 years and over	7.4%	4.0%	9.6%	
Median age (years)	39.0	32.1	44.6	
18 years and over	77.5%	73.9%	80.7%	
21 years and over	73.7%	69.6%	77.3%	
62 years and over	21.5%	14.4%	26.4%	
65 years and over	17.8%	11.7%	22.0%	
Under 18 years	151,908	58,724	78,706	
Male	51.7%	48.8%	52.5%	
Female	48.3%	51.2%	47.5%	
18 years and over	523,012	165,993	328,650	
Male	47.2%	45.4%	48.2%	
Female	52.8%	54.6%	51.8%	
18 to 34 years	152,800	61,557	80,334	
Male	50.0%	48.9%	50.4%	
Female	50.0%	51.1%	49.6%	
35 to 64 years	249,879	78,136	158,815	
Male	47.6%	44.2%	49.5%	
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Female

52.4%

55.8%

50.5%

		Black or African	
		American alone	White alone,
	411.5		not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
65 years and over	Estimate 120,333	Estimate 26,300	Estimate 89,501
Male	43.0%	40.8%	43.9%
Female	57.0%	59.2%	56.1%
RELATIONSHIP	37.070	33.270	30.170
Population in households	654,522	215,361	397,439
Householder or spouse	57.4%	48.4%	63.4%
Unmarried partner	2.0%	2.7%	1.7%
Child	29.1%	34.0%	25.4%
Other relatives	8.4%	11.4%	6.7%
Other nonrelatives	3.1%	3.5%	2.8%
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE	3.170	3.370	2.070
Households	262,180	83,494	166,007
Family households	64.1%	60.3%	65.6%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	24.1%	26.0%	22.3%
Married-couple family	43.5%	26.0%	52.2%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	14.3%	9.0%	16.4%
Female householder, no spouse present, family	16.3%	28.9%	9.8%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	7.7%	14.9%	4.0%
Nonfamily households	35.9%	39.7%	34.4%
Male householder	17.2%	18.6%	16.4%
Living alone	14.5%	15.9%	13.9%
Not living alone	2.6%	2.7%	2.4%
Female householder	18.7%	21.2%	18.0%
Living alone	16.2%	18.1%	15.7%
Not living alone	2.5%	3.0%	2.3%
Average household size	2.50	2.52	2.46
Average family size	3.13	3.29	3.04
MARITAL STATUS			
Population 15 years and over	548,121	175,045	342,731
Now married, except separated	44.7%	27.2%	53.3%
Widowed	7.4%	5.7%	8.3%
Divorced	13.4%	13.6%	13.6%
Separated	2.3%	3.3%	2.0%
Never married	32.1%	50.0%	22.8%
Male 15 years and over	260,315	79,620	166,311
Now married, except separated	47.0%	29.7%	55.6%

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Alabama 2019 ACS Table S0201 Congressional District 2	2 (116th Congress), Alabama

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Widowed	3.0%	2.0%	3.4%
Divorced	11.6%	10.6%	12.4%
Separated	2.0%	3.2%	1.5%
Never married	36.4%	54.4%	27.1%
Female 15 years and over	287,806	95,425	176,420
Now married, except separated	42.7%	25.2%	51.2%
Widowed	11.4%	8.8%	12.9%
Divorced	15.0%	16.2%	14.8%
Separated	2.7%	3.4%	2.4%
Never married	28.3%	46.4%	18.7%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT			
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	159,113	62,114	82,464
Nursery school, preschool	6.8%	8.9%	6.1%
Kindergarten	5.3%	5.3%	4.7%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	43.1%	42.1%	42.8%
High school (grades 9-12)	21.2%	19.7%	23.0%
College or graduate school	23.6%	23.9%	23.3%
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school	79,596	29,250	41,745
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	72.3%	70.2%	72.3%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	20.0%	18.7%	21.0%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school	79,517	32,864	40,719
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	66.8%	64.5%	68.8%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	27.3%	28.6%	25.7%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT			
Population 25 years and over	462,069	141,386	296,499
Less than high school diploma	13.4%	19.1%	9.8%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	31.9%	36.6%	30.6%
Some college or associate's degree	31.2%	27.1%	33.7%
Bachelor's degree	14.8%	10.8%	16.2%
Graduate or professional degree	8.7%	6.3%	9.7%
High school graduate or higher	86.6%	80.9%	90.2%
Male, high school graduate or higher	85.4%	77.8%	89.6%
Female, high school graduate or higher	87.7%	83.4%	90.7%
Bachelor's degree or higher	23.5%	17.2%	25.9%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	22.1%	13.1%	25.4%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	24.7%	20.4%	26.4%

			White alone,
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
FERTILITY			
Women 15 to 50 years	157,100	60,943	85,662
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	7,522	3,462	3,528
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	3,868	2,169	1,399
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	51.4%	62.7%	39.7%
RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS			
Population 30 years and over	414,749	121,328	272,113
Grandparents living with grandchild(ren)	4.0%	5.2%	3.5%
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren as a percentage of living with grandchildren	45.2%	44.0%	48.8%
VETERAN STATUS			
Civilian population 18 years and over	514,033	164,297	322,484
Civilian veteran	10.0%	7.6%	11.4%
DISABILITY STATUS			
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	651,579	215,780	394,458
With a disability	16.8%	14.7%	18.3%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	151,774	58,709	78,608
With a disability	4.8%	4.4%	5.0%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	382,662	131,685	228,596
With a disability	14.6%	13.8%	15.5%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older	117,143	25,386	87,254
With a disability	39.8%	43.2%	37.8%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO			
Population 1 year and over	667,536	221,376	403,677
Same house	85.3%	81.8%	87.4%
Different house in the U.S.	14.2%	18.1%	12.1%
Same county	7.4%	10.5%	5.8%
Different county	6.8%	7.6%	6.3%
Same state	3.8%	4.8%	3.3%
Different state	3.0%	2.7%	3.1%
Abroad	0.5%	0.2%	0.5%
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY			
Native	655,335	223,285	403,532
Male	48.3%	46.2%	49.1%
Female	51.7%	53.8%	50.9%
Foreign born	19,585	1,432	3,824
Male	45.3%	68.9%	38.2%
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	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female	54.7%	31.1%	61.8%
Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen	8,890	1,117	1,875
Male	41.3%	62.7%	40.4%
Female	58.7%	37.3%	59.6%
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen	10,695	315	1,949
Male	48.7%	N	36.1%
Female	51.3%	N	63.9%
Population born outside the United States	19,585	1,432	3,824
Entered 2010 or later	35.2%	37.3%	35.5%
Entered 2000 to 2009	26.5%	30.0%	17.2%
Entered before 2000	38.3%	32.7%	47.3%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN			
Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea	19,585	1,432	3,824
Europe	15.3%	N	73.8%
Asia	42.3%	N	16.7%
Africa	5.5%	N	5.0%
Oceania	0.4%	N	1.9%
Latin America	36.2%	N	1.0%
Northern America	0.3%	N	1.6%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH			
Population 5 years and over	633,653	207,812	386,426
English only	94.9%	98.1%	98.5%
Language other than English	5.1%	1.9%	1.5%
Speak English less than "very well"	1.9%	1.0%	0.3%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS			
Population 16 years and over	539,994	171,922	338,568
In labor force	57.0%	58.7%	55.7%
Civilian labor force	55.3%	57.8%	53.9%
Employed	52.8%	53.8%	52.0%
Unemployed	2.5%	4.0%	1.8%
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	6.9%	3.4%
Armed Forces	1.7%	1.0%	1.8%
Not in labor force	43.0%	41.3%	44.3%
Females 16 years and over	283,990	93,690	174,510
In labor force	52.9%	58.6%	49.9%
Civilian labor force	52.4%	57.9%	49.6%

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Employed	50.0%	53.8%	48.1%
Unemployed	2.4%	4.1%	1.5%
Unemployment Rate	4.6%	7.1%	3.0%
COMMUTING TO WORK			
Workers 16 years and over	287,263	91,071	179,385
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	86.1%	85.9%	86.6%
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	8.0%	9.7%	7.0%
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	0.4%	0.7%	0.2%
Walked	1.6%	1.3%	1.6%
Other means	0.8%	0.6%	1.0%
Worked from home	3.1%	1.9%	3.6%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	23.5	21.8	24.3
OCCUPATION			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	285,238	92,497	176,124
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	33.7%	25.6%	38.3%
Service occupations	17.9%	21.8%	15.0%
Sales and office occupations	21.6%	21.3%	22.0%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	8.6%	4.4%	10.5%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	18.2%	26.8%	14.1%
Male civilian employed population 16 years and over	143,232	42,063	92,119
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	26.2%	15.8%	30.7%
Service occupations	16.5%	24.0%	12.3%
Sales and office occupations	14.2%	12.5%	15.5%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	15.9%	8.4%	19.1%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	27.1%	39.3%	22.4%
Female civilian employed population 16 years and over	142,006	50,434	84,005
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	41.3%	33.8%	46.6%
Service occupations	19.2%	20.0%	17.9%
Sales and office occupations	29.0%	28.7%	29.2%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	1.2%	1.1%	1.2%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	9.3%	16.4%	5.1%
INDUSTRY			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	285,238	92,497	176,124
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	1.9%	0.4%	2.6%
Construction	5.3%	3.2%	6.2%
Manufacturing Page C of 14	13.5%	18.6%	10.8%

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			not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Wholesale trade	2.6%	2.0%	3.0%
Retail trade	12.0%	12.1%	12.0%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	6.5%	6.1%	7.1%
Information	1.1%	0.4%	1.5%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	4.7%	3.1%	5.8%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management	8.5%	7.9%	8.5%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	22.2%	22.8%	22.6%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	9.5%	11.8%	7.4%
Other services (except public administration)	4.2%	3.8%	4.6%
Public administration	7.9%	7.9%	7.9%
CLASS OF WORKER			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	285,238	92,497	176,124
Private wage and salary workers	75.7%	75.4%	75.6%
Government workers	19.5%	22.1%	18.6%
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	4.8%	2.5%	5.8%
Unpaid family workers	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2019 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)			
Households	262,180	83,494	166,007
Median household income (dollars)	50,494	36,218	59,493
With earnings	72.3%	75.3%	70.1%
Mean earnings (dollars)	66,311	48,091	76,513
With Social Security income	35.9%	30.4%	39.7%
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	18,828	14,347	20,605
With Supplemental Security Income	7.2%	11.9%	4.9%
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	8,807	8,046	9,962
With cash public assistance income	1.3%	1.3%	1.4%
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	2,594	2,346	2,719
With retirement income	26.3%	17.2%	31.3%
Mean retirement income (dollars)	25,380	19,016	26,826
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits	13.7%	25.5%	8.0%
Families	168,129	50,307	108,910
Median family income (dollars)	61,524	41,651	73,640
Married-couple family	67.8%	43.1%	79.6%
Median income (dollars)	79,997	65,919	84,789
Male householder, no spouse present, family	6.8%	9.0%	5.5%
Median income (dollars)	37,799	32,469	43,333
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	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female householder, no husband present, family	25.4%	47.9%	14.9%
Median income (dollars)	31,300	26,662	38,032
Individuals	674,920	224,717	407,356
Per capita income (dollars)	26,790	18,893	31,791
With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	124,679	34,238	82,398
Female	99,987	37,133	58,338
Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	55,855	38,279	63,886
Female	42,801	36,054	47,202
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	44,736	31,627	50,803
Female	36,424	30,499	40,711
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE			
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	651,579	215,780	394,458
With private health insurance	64.8%	52.3%	72.3%
With public coverage	39.9%	46.2%	37.4%
No health insurance coverage	10.4%	12.4%	8.2%
POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM POV	ERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED		
All families	13.0%	22.2%	8.1%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	23.0%	36.4%	13.8%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	23.7%	32.4%	15.5%
Married-couple family	5.1%	6.1%	4.1%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	7.8%	9.8%	5.6%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	13.7%	N	N
Female householder, no spouse present, family	32.5%	36.0%	26.2%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	46.7%	49.6%	40.8%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	43.3%	40.8%	51.8%
All people	16.4%	24.9%	11.3%
Under 18 years	24.6%	39.9%	12.5%
Related children of the householder under 18 years	24.3%	39.8%	12.1%
Related children of the householder under 5 years	26.2%	40.6%	14.0%
Related children of the householder 5 to 17 years	23.6%	39.4%	11.4%
18 years and over	14.0%	19.5%	11.0%
18 to 64 years	15.6%	20.1%	12.7%
65 years and over	8.8%	16.7%	6.6%

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	All Persons	combination	Latino
Decode in families	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
People in families	14.2%	24.2%	8.1%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	25.9%	27.5%	25.3%
HOUSING TENURE	262.400	92.404	166,007
Occupied housing units	262,180	83,494	166,007
Owner-occupied housing units	65.6%	45.5%	76.6%
Renter-occupied housing units	34.4%	54.5%	23.4%
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.52	2.62	2.48
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.45	2.43	2.38
UNITS IN STRUCTURE			
Occupied housing units	262,180	83,494	166,007
1-unit, detached or attached	70.5%	59.1%	76.9%
2 to 4 units	4.7%	7.7%	3.0%
5 or more units	9.5%	18.8%	4.4%
Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.	15.3%	14.4%	15.8%
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT			
Occupied housing units	262,180	83,494	166,007
Built 2014 or later	4.3%	2.5%	5.0%
Built 2010 to 2013	3.6%	4.2%	3.4%
Built 2000 to 2009	14.7%	10.8%	16.4%
Built 1980 to 1999	35.3%	36.6%	34.0%
Built 1960 to 1979	27.5%	31.4%	26.0%
Built 1940 to 1959	11.0%	11.8%	11.0%
Built 1939 or earlier	3.6%	2.6%	4.2%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE			
Occupied housing units	262,180	83,494	166,007
None	6.3%	10.5%	4.4%
1 or more	93.7%	89.5%	95.6%
HOUSE HEATING FUEL			
Occupied housing units	262,180	83,494	166,007
Gas	25.0%	26.6%	24.4%
Electricity	74.0%	72.8%	74.3%
All other fuels	0.6%	0.3%	0.9%
No fuel used	0.4%	0.3%	0.5%
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS			,-
Occupied housing units	262,180	83,494	166,007
No telephone service available	1.0%	1.5%	0.8%
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	All D	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	All Persons Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
1.01 or more occupants per room	1.2%	1.8%	0.6%
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME			0.070
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOC cannot be computed)	_	21,347	65,907
Less than 30 percent	78.9%	69.6%	82.4%
30 percent or more	21.1%	30.4%	17.6%
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS	21.170	30.470	17.070
Owner-occupied housing units	171,869	38,008	127,238
Median value (dollars)	135,500	96,300	151,000
	1,092	1,036	1,110
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	347	343	347
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars) GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTH		545	347
		44.260	22 502
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	79,064	41,269	32,593
Less than 30 percent	56.7%	52.9%	60.0%
30 percent or more	43.3%	47.1%	40.0%
GROSS RENT			
Occupied units paying rent	80,966	42,199	33,163
Median gross rent (dollars)	815	795	836
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE			
Total households	262,180	83,494	166,007
With a computer	89.3%	85.9%	90.6%
With a broadband Internet subscription	81.7%	76.3%	84.0%

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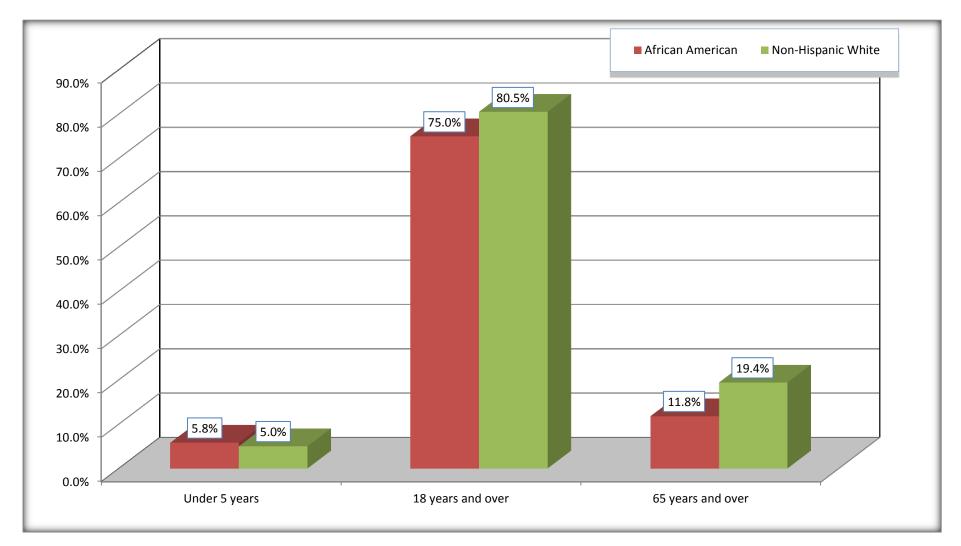


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Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama

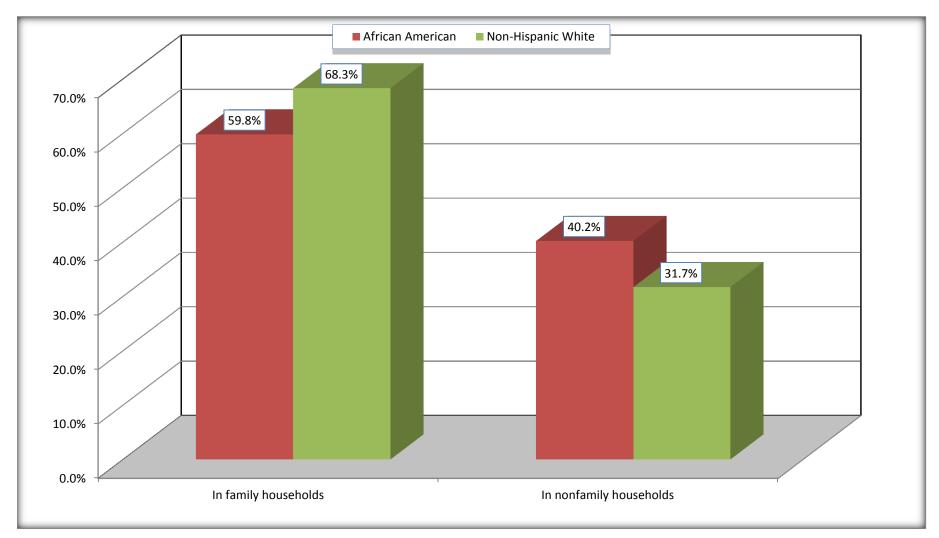
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Population by Age Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



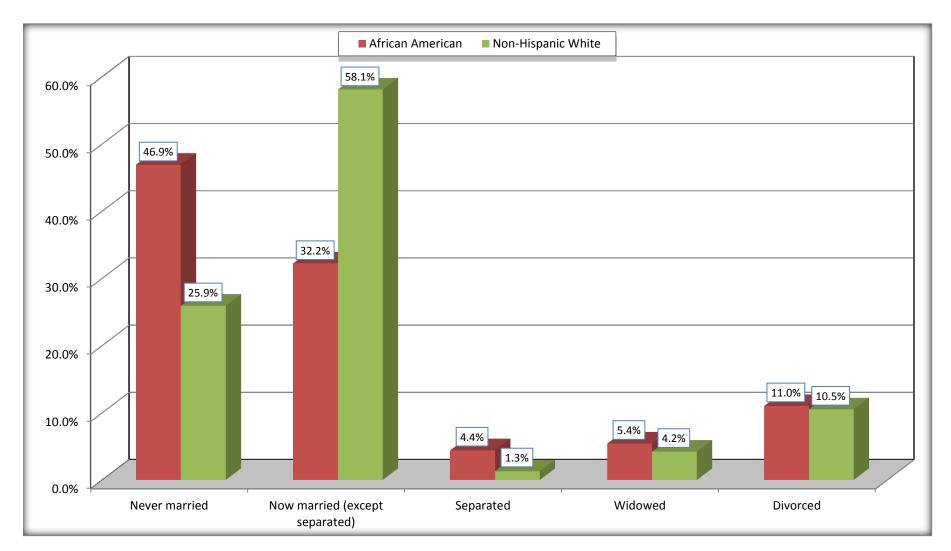
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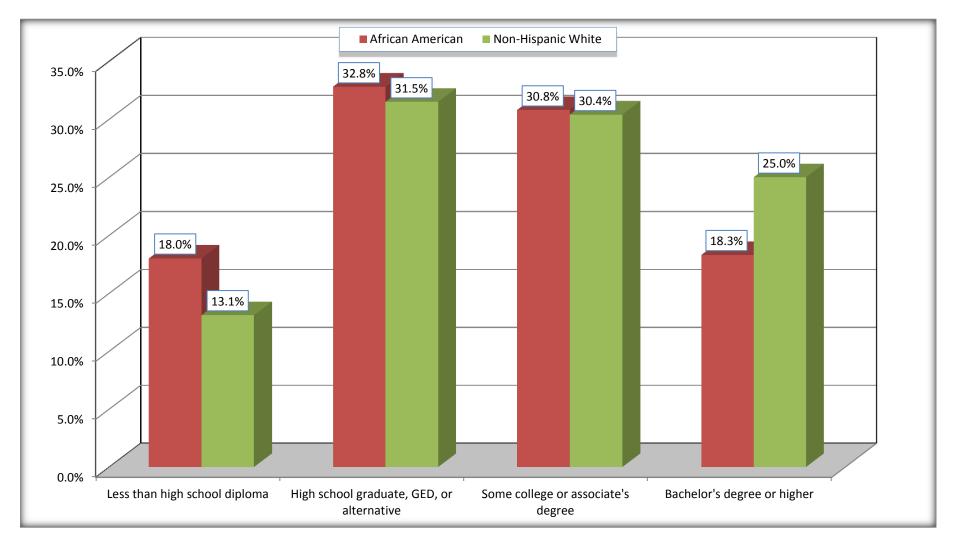
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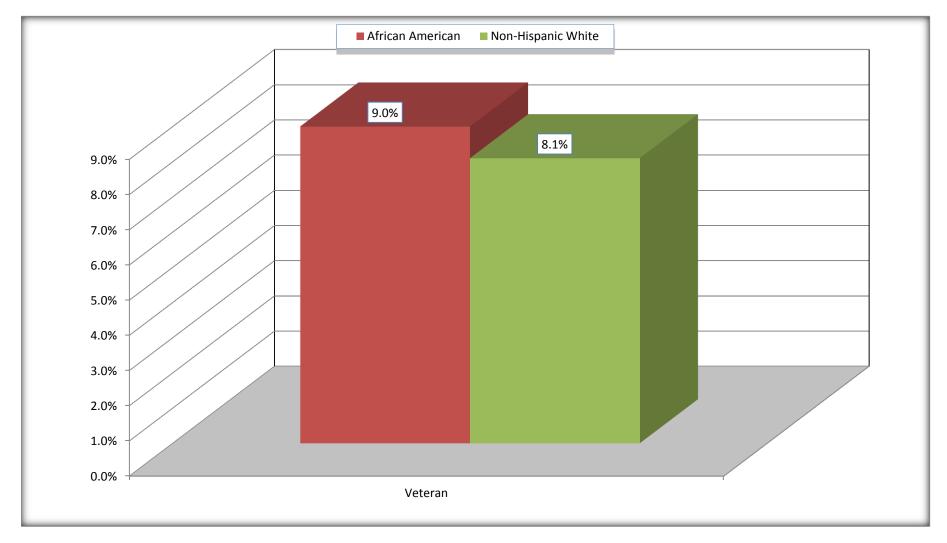
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Educational Attainment for the Population 25 Years and Older Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



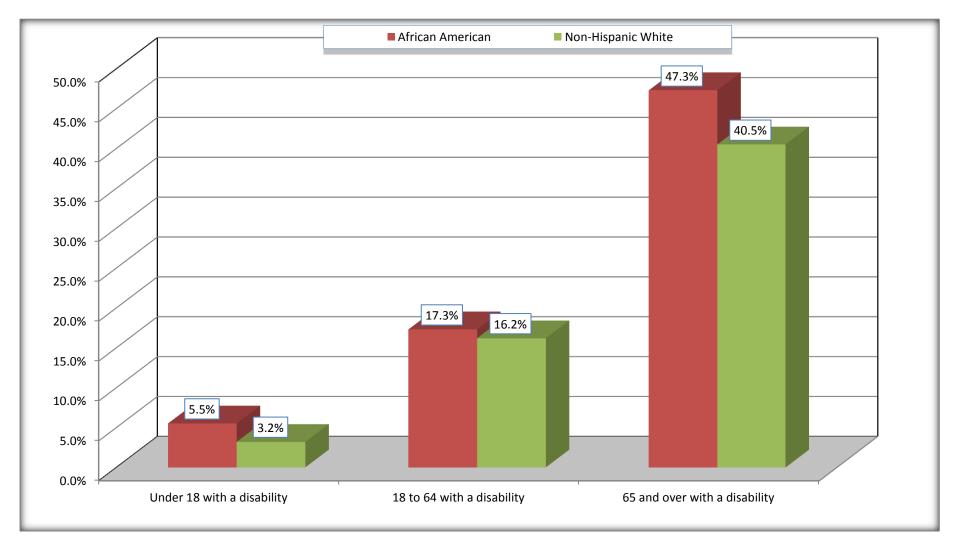
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Veterans in the Civilian Population 18 Years and Over Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



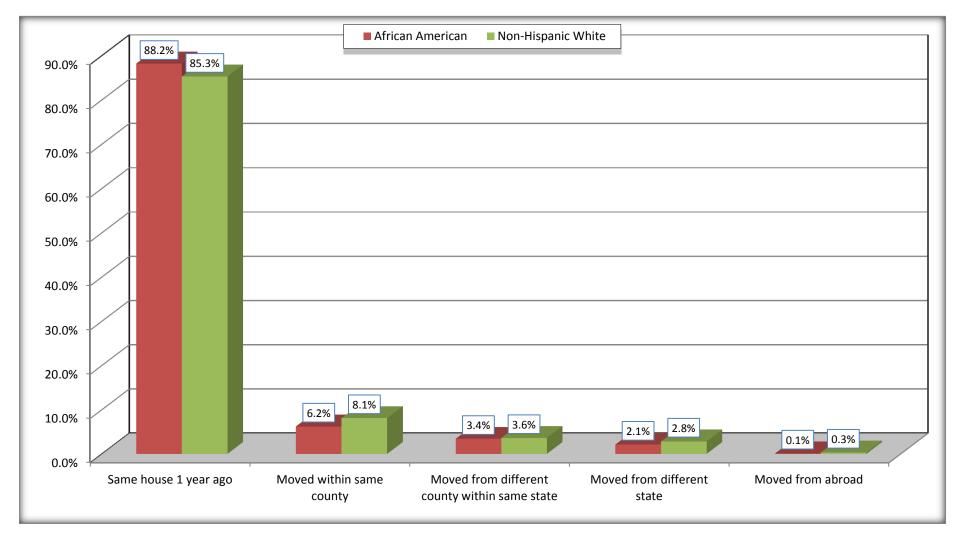
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Disability by Age -- Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



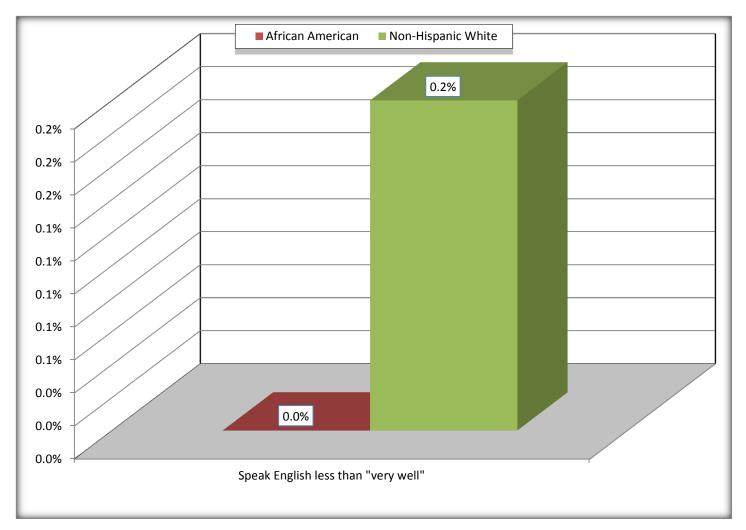
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Geographical Mobility in the Past Year (Population 1 Year and Over) Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



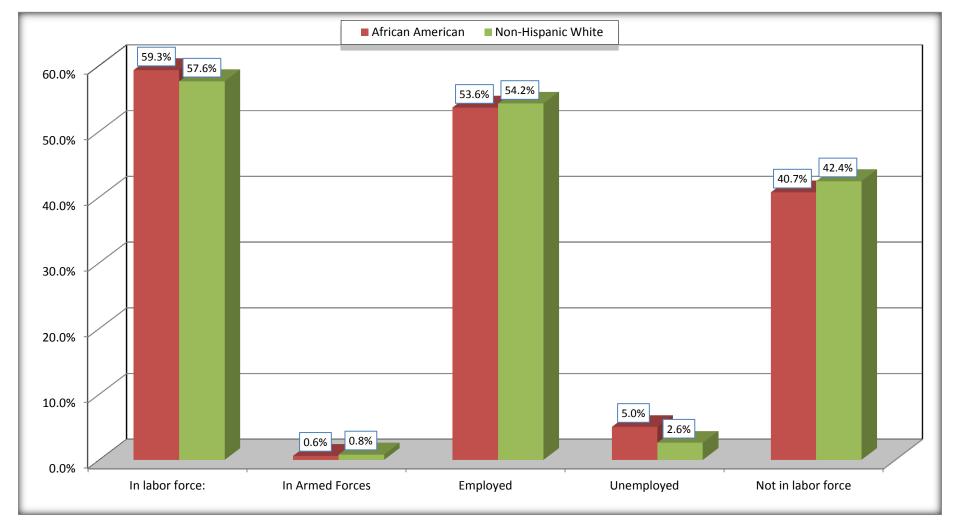
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Speak English Less than "Very Well" (Population 5 Years and Over) Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



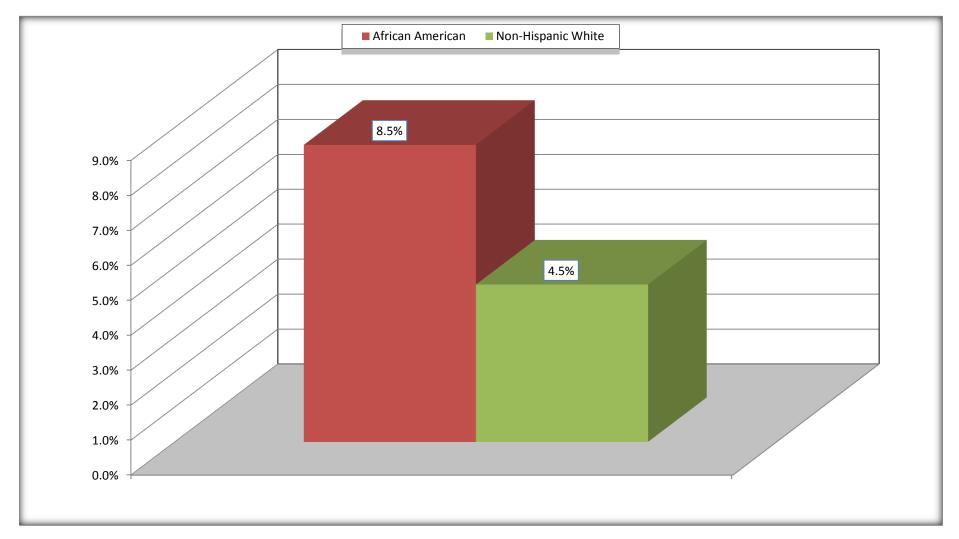
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Employment Status for the Population 16 years and over Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



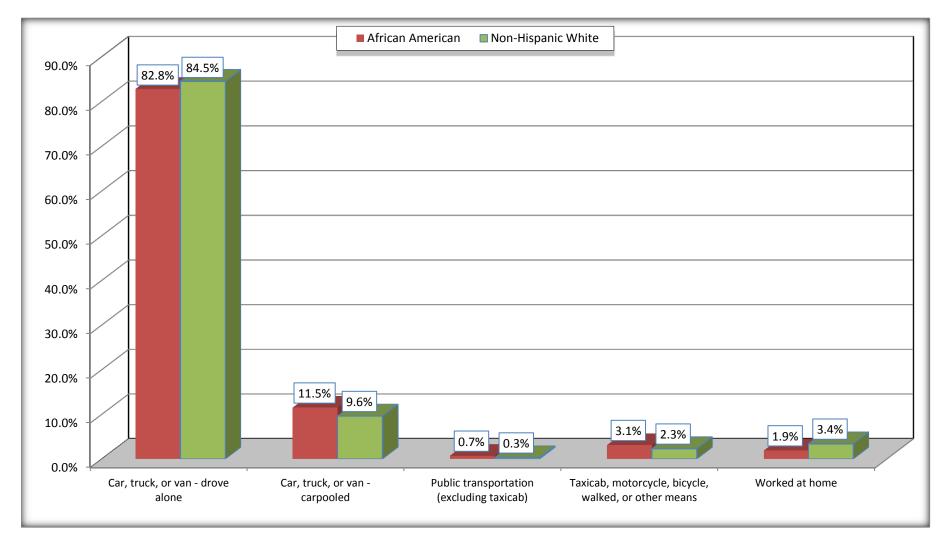
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Unemployment (Civilian Labor Force -- Ages 16 and Over) Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



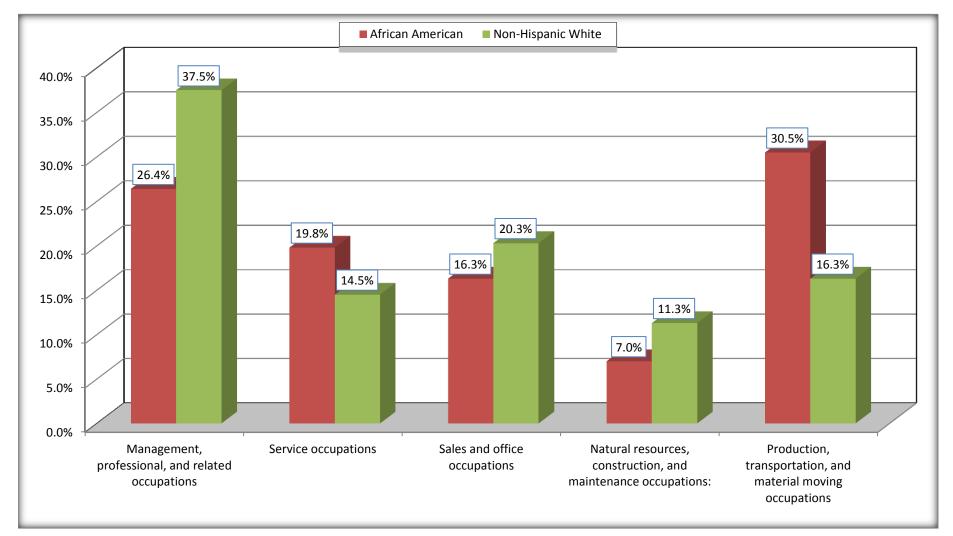
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Means of Transportation to Work (Workers 16 Years and Over) Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



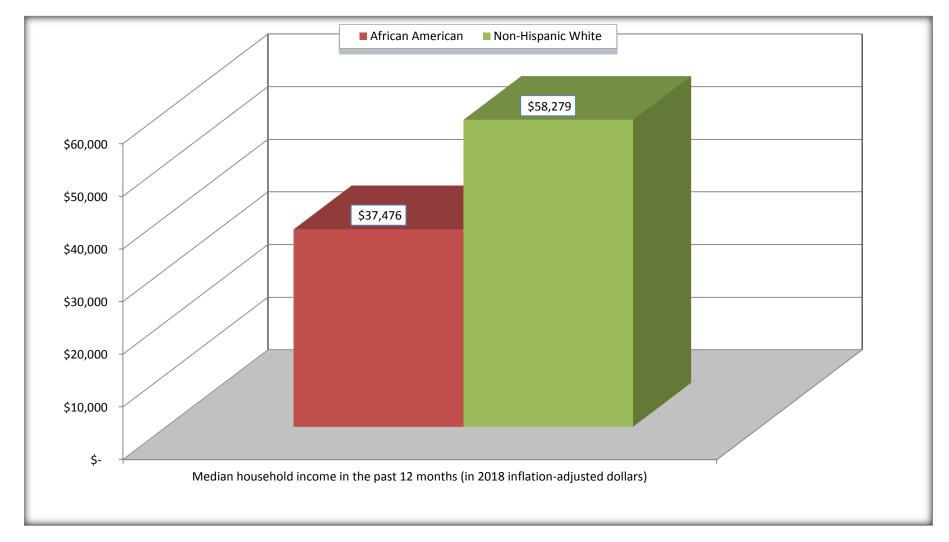
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Occupation for the Civilian Employed 16 Years and Over Population Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



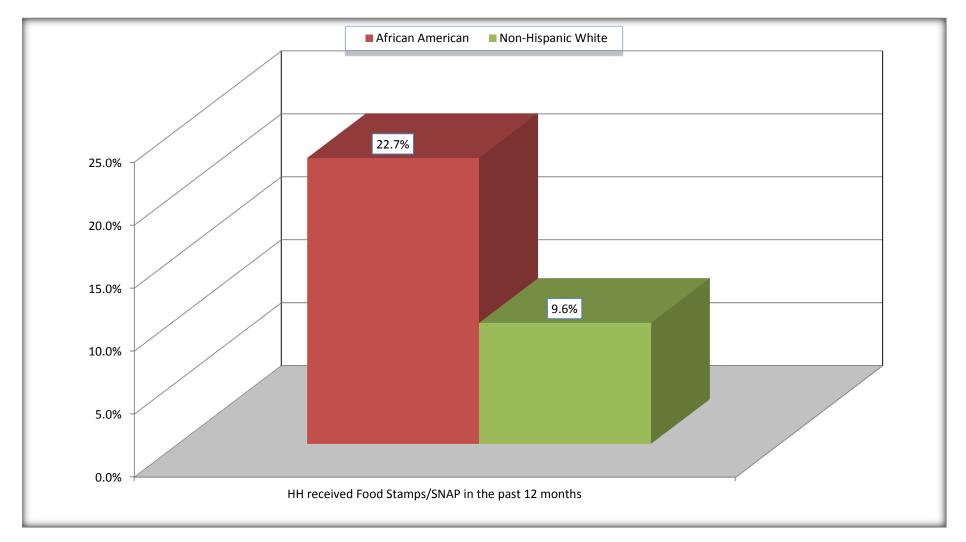
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Median Household Income in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



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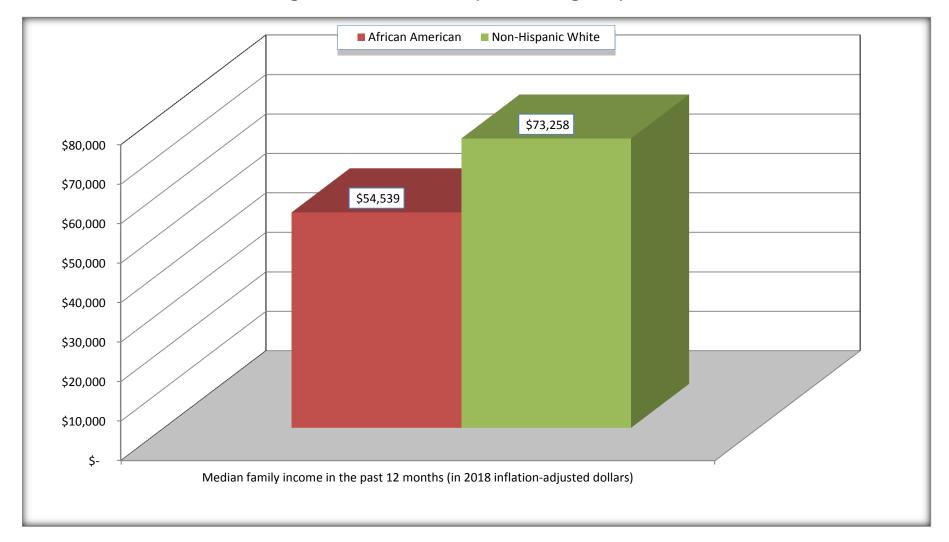
Receipt of Food Stamps/SNAP in the Past 12 Months by Household Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Median Family Income in the Past 12 Months

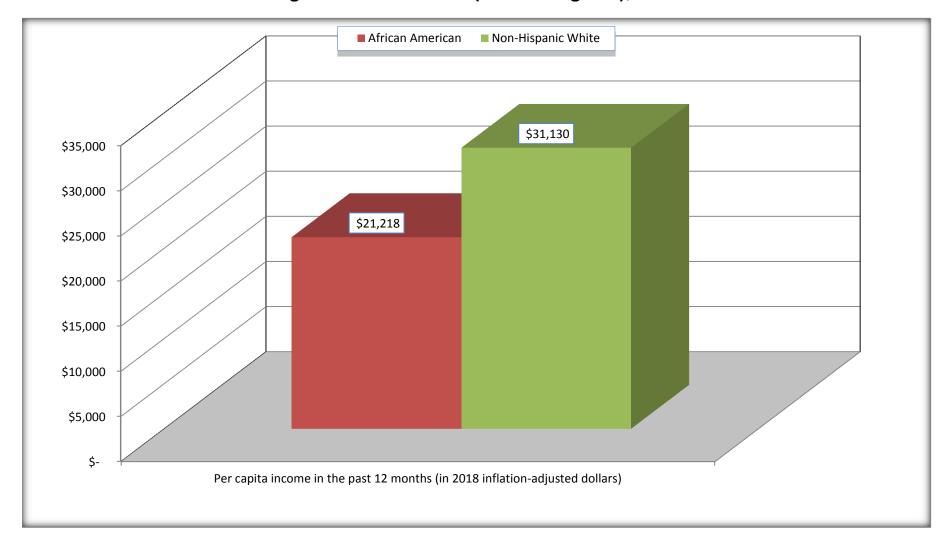
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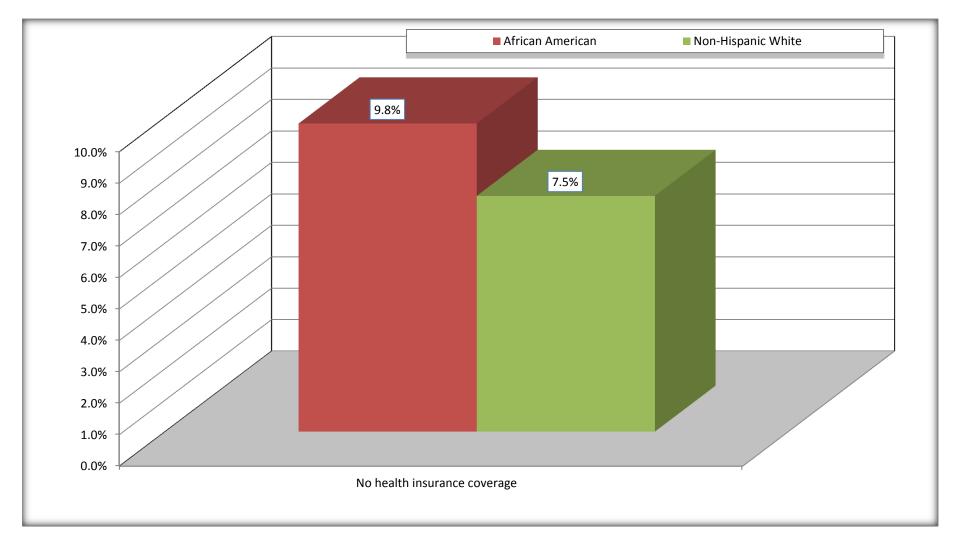
Per capita Income in the Past 12 Months

Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



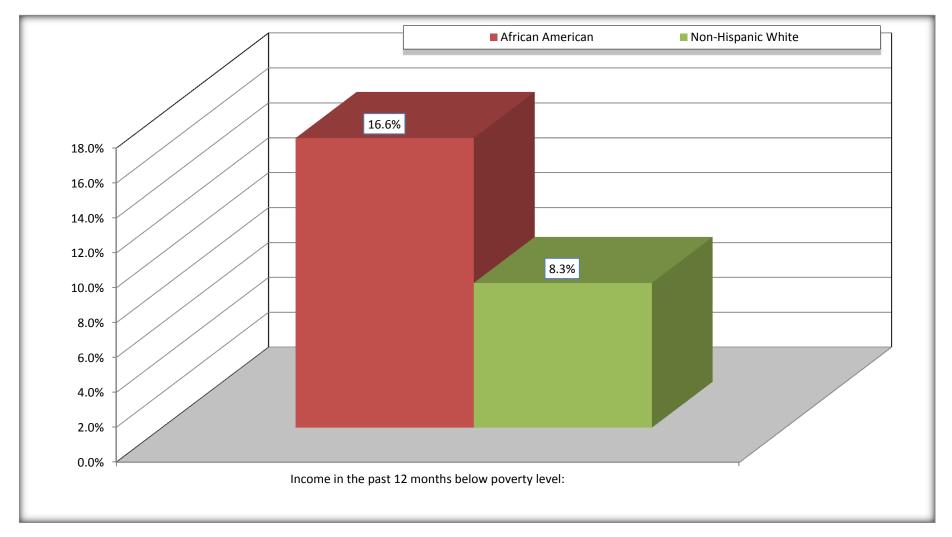
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Lack of Health Insurance Coverage -- Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



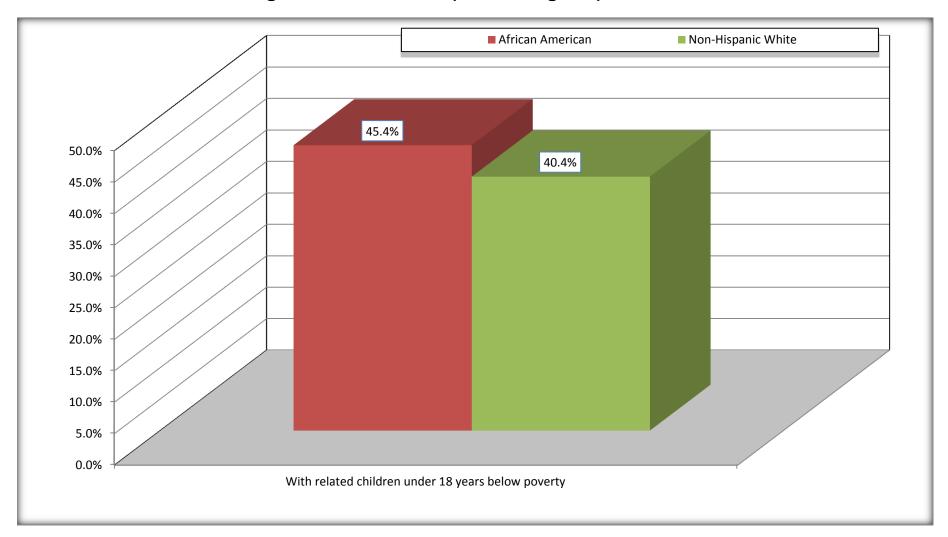
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Family Households Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



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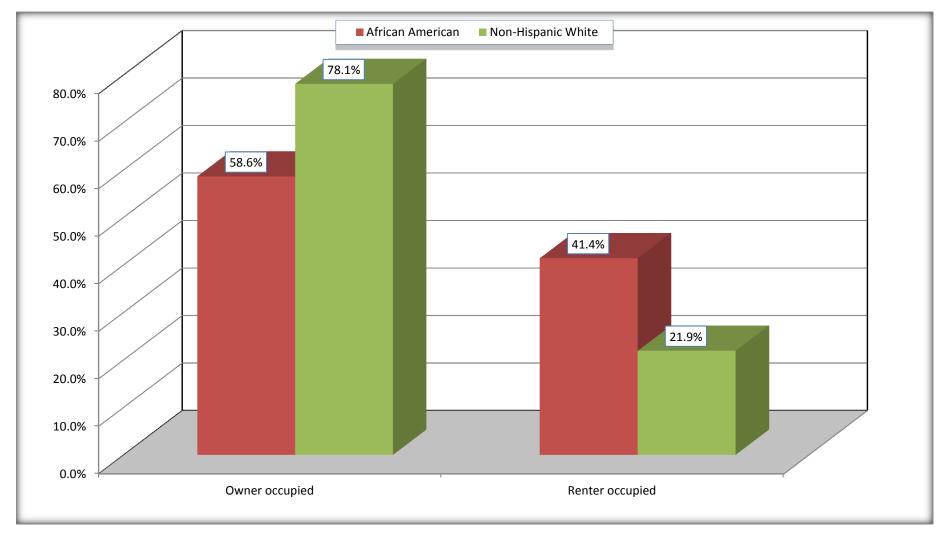
Female-headed Households with Related Children Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



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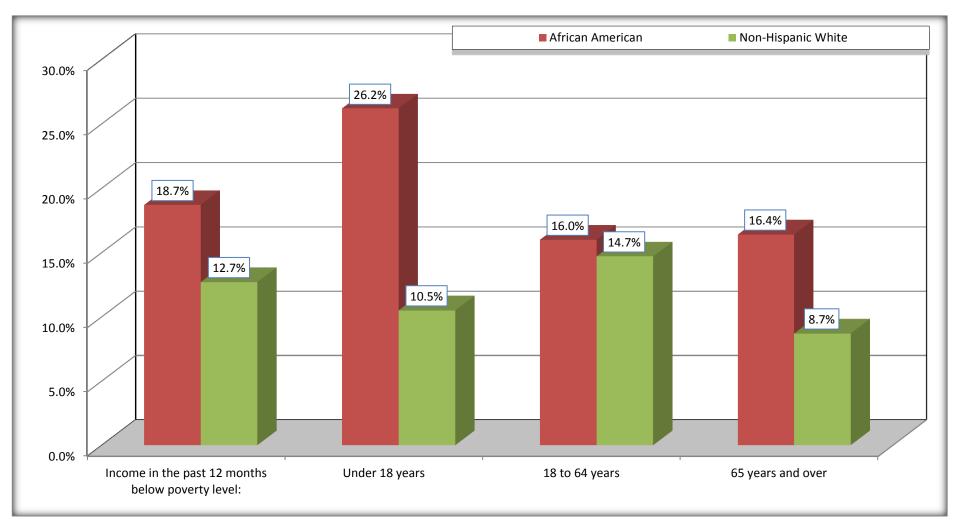
Home Owners and Renters by Household

Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



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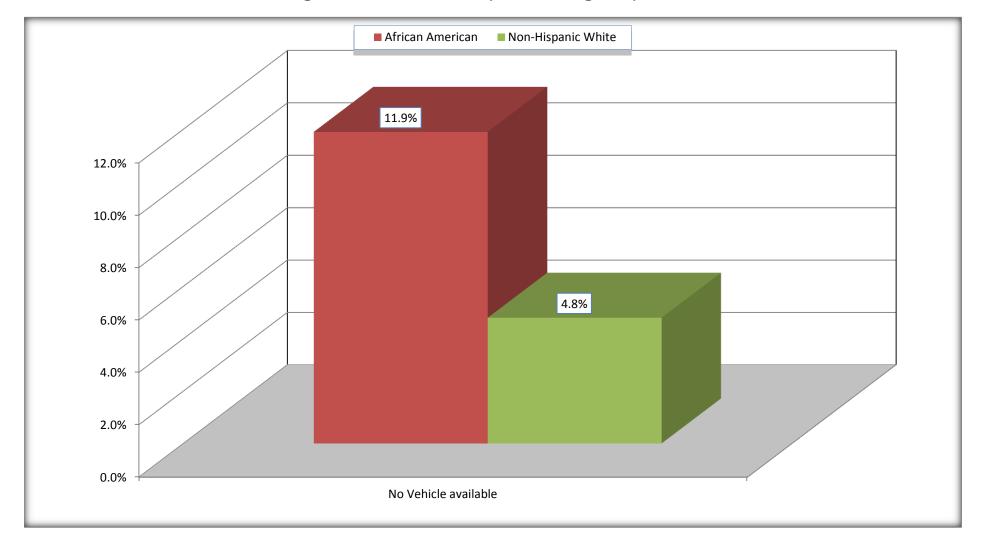
Population Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



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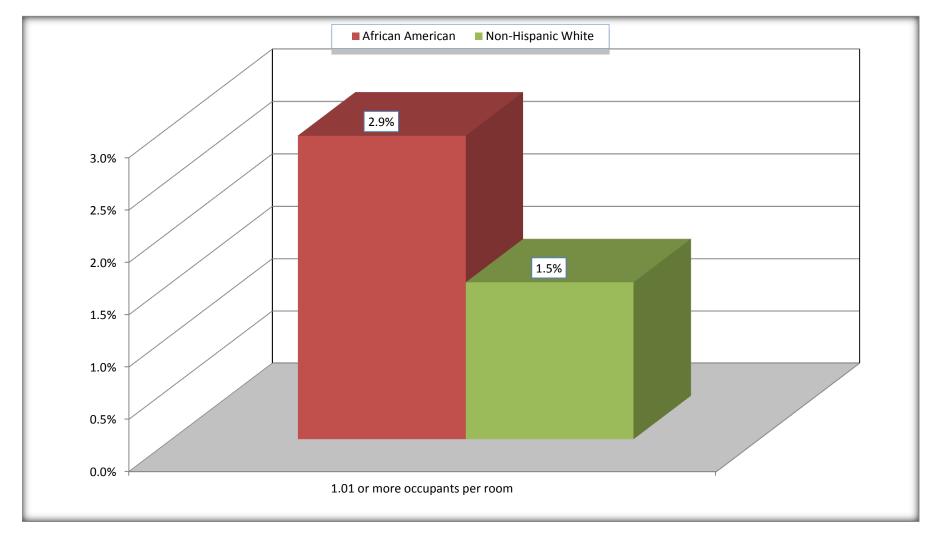
No Vehicles Available by Household

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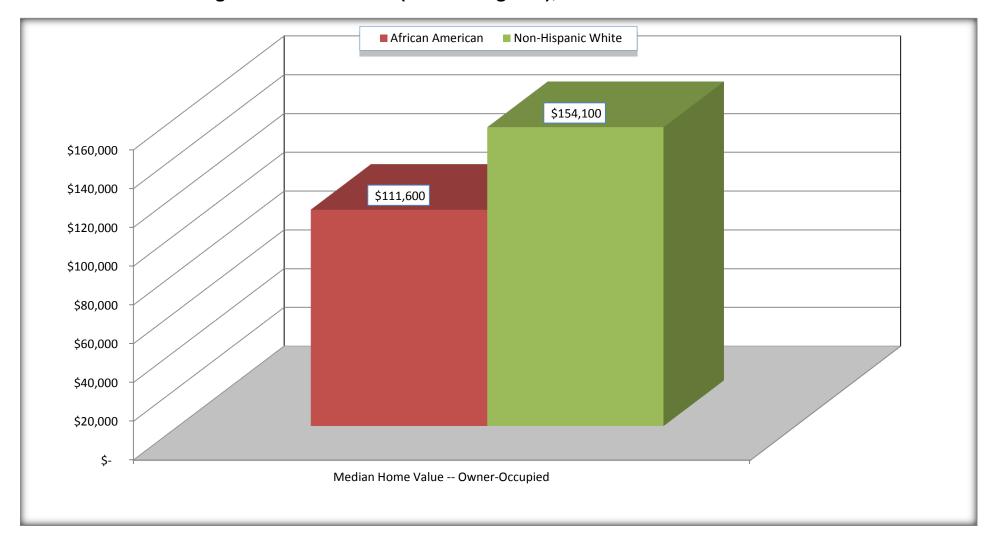
More than One Person per Room (Crowding) by Household Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



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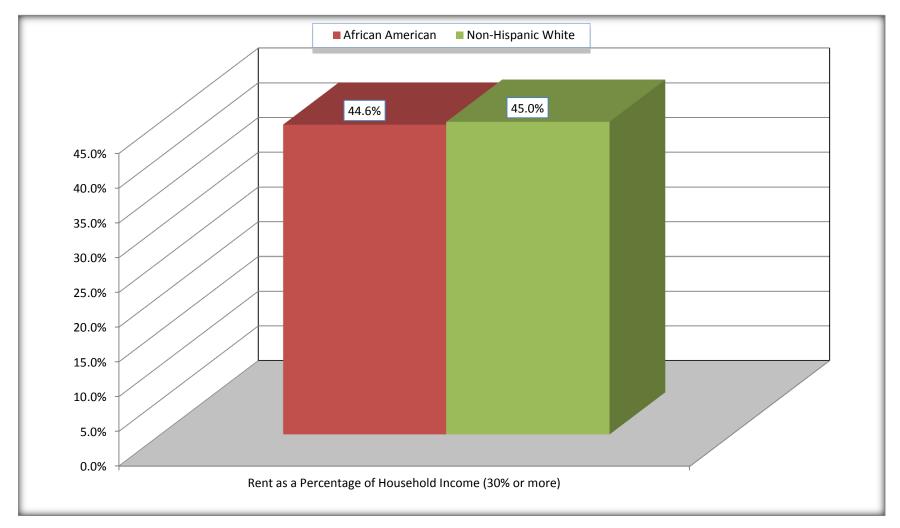
Median Home Value -- Owner-Occupied

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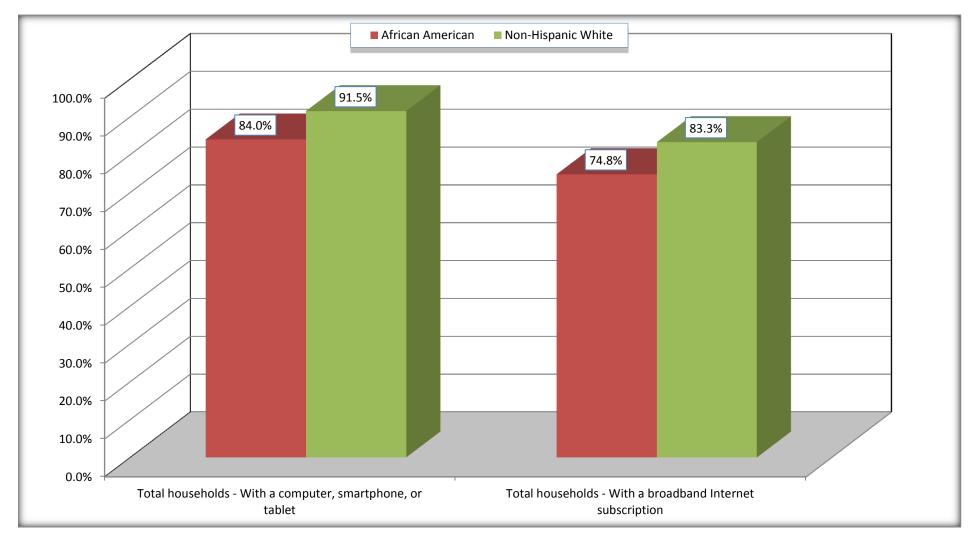
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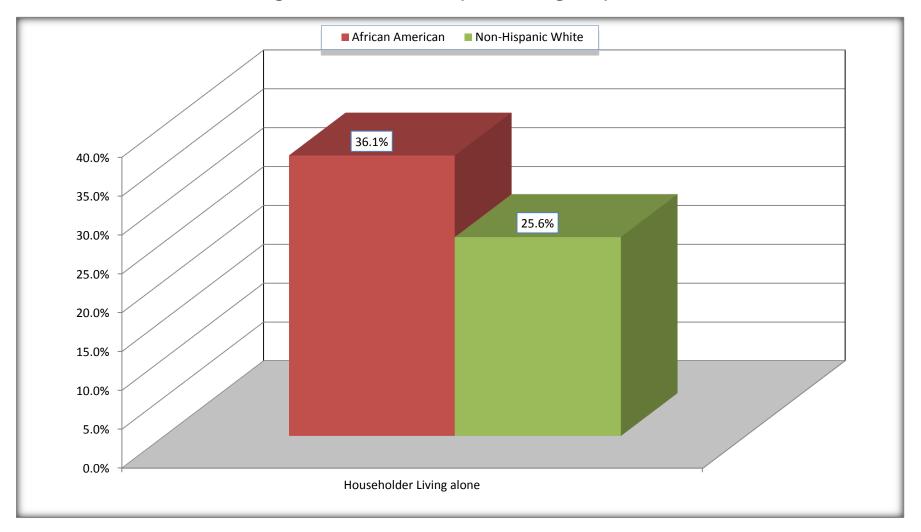
Computers and Internet Use

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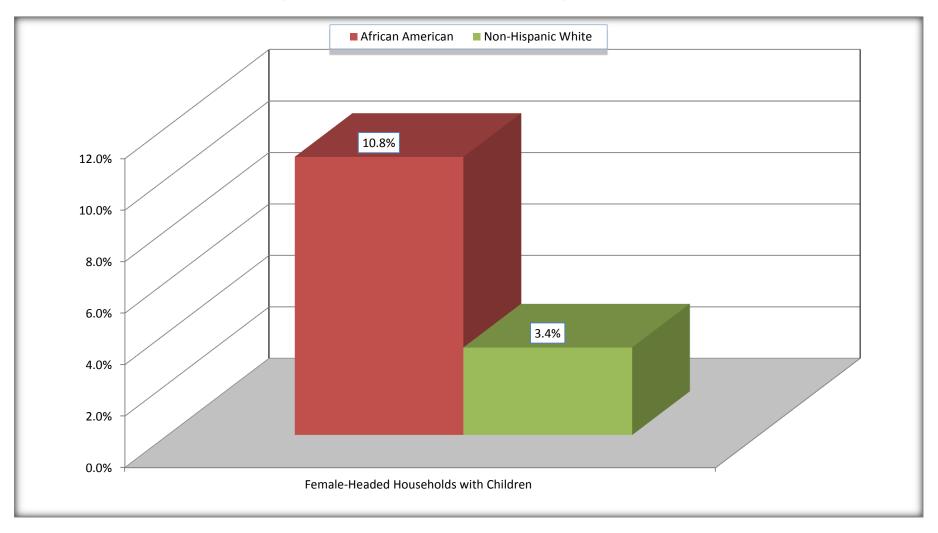
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Households with Householder Living Alone Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Female-Headed Households with Children Under 18 (As a Percentage of all Households) Congressional District 3 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Black or African

	,	American alone	White alone, not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED			
Total population	717,896	196,443	481,246
One race	98.3%	96.0%	100.0%
Two races	1.5%	3.4%	(X)
Three races	0.2%	0.5%	(X)
Four or more races	0.0%	0.0%	(X)
SEX AND AGE			
Total population	717,896	196,443	481,246
Male	48.7%	47.8%	49.0%
Female	51.3%	52.2%	51.0%
Under 5 years	5.4%	5.8%	5.0%
5 to 17 years	16.2%	19.1%	14.5%
18 to 24 years	10.6%	11.6%	10.2%
25 to 34 years	12.7%	13.3%	12.1%
35 to 44 years	12.4%	13.1%	11.7%
45 to 54 years	12.4%	12.3%	12.8%
55 to 64 years	13.4%	13.0%	14.3%
65 to 74 years	10.1%	7.4%	11.5%
75 years and over	6.6%	4.4%	7.9%
Median age (years)	38.9	35.2	41.8
18 years and over	78.3%	75.0%	80.5%
21 years and over	73.2%	68.7%	75.9%
62 years and over	20.9%	15.9%	23.9%
65 years and over	16.7%	11.8%	19.4%
Under 18 years	155,655	49,040	93,726
Male	52.5%	54.6%	51.4%
Female	47.5%	45.4%	48.6%
18 years and over	562,241	147,403	387,520
Male	47.7%	45.5%	48.4%
Female	52.3%	54.5%	51.6%
18 to 34 years	167,367	48,848	107,689
Male	49.5%	45.0%	50.5%
Female	50.5%	55.0%	49.5%
35 to 64 years	274,982	75,395	186,448
Male	48.0%	47.2%	49.0%
Female	52.0%	52.8%	51.0%

		Black or African	
		American alone	White alone,
	411.5		not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
65 years and over	Estimate 119,892	Estimate 23,160	Estimate 93,383
Male	44.2%	40.9%	44.9%
Female	55.8%	59.1%	55.1%
RELATIONSHIP	33.373	001270	33.2,3
Population in households	697,214	186,439	471,419
Householder or spouse	59.7%	51.8%	63.5%
Unmarried partner	2.2%	3.3%	1.7%
Child	27.8%	33.0%	25.2%
Other relatives	7.6%	10.4%	6.2%
Other nonrelatives	2.7%	1.5%	3.4%
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE			
Households	279,236	72,819	193,275
Family households	66.0%	59.8%	68.3%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	24.5%	24.2%	23.7%
Married-couple family	49.5%	31.5%	56.3%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	16.8%	10.5%	18.5%
Female householder, no spouse present, family	12.4%	23.2%	8.2%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	5.5%	10.8%	3.4%
Nonfamily households	34.0%	40.2%	31.7%
Male householder	15.8%	18.7%	14.3%
Living alone	12.2%	16.1%	10.4%
Not living alone	3.6%	2.6%	4.0%
Female householder	18.2%	21.5%	17.3%
Living alone	16.2%	20.0%	15.2%
Not living alone	2.0%	1.5%	2.2%
Average household size	2.50	2.47	2.49
Average family size	3.08	3.28	3.00
MARITAL STATUS			
Population 15 years and over	588,556	156,505	403,162
Now married, except separated	49.5%	32.2%	56.2%
Widowed	6.0%	5.4%	6.5%
Divorced	11.0%	11.0%	11.2%
Separated	2.3%	4.4%	1.5%
Never married	31.2%	46.9%	24.6%
Male 15 years and over	282,149	72,134	195,366
Now married, except separated	51.6%	36.4%	57.8%

	All Dorsons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	All Persons Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Widowed	2.6%	2.6%	2.8%
Divorced	9.6%	8.2%	10.4%
Separated	1.9%	4.7%	1.0%
Never married	34.2%	48.1%	28.0%
Female 15 years and over	306,407	84,371	207,796
Now married, except separated	47.5%	28.5%	54.6%
Widowed	9.2%	7.8%	10.1%
Divorced	12.3%	13.5%	11.9%
Separated	2.6%	4.2%	2.0%
Never married	28.5%	45.9%	21.4%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT			
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	184,664	60,062	111,412
Nursery school, preschool	4.8%	3.4%	5.6%
Kindergarten	5.6%	7.7%	4.3%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	38.4%	36.6%	38.0%
High school (grades 9-12)	18.2%	18.6%	18.5%
College or graduate school	33.1%	33.7%	33.6%
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school	89,602	28,139	55,450
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	66.1%	72.5%	62.0%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	28.9%	23.4%	32.2%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school	95,062	31,923	55,962
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	58.3%	54.4%	59.6%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	37.0%	42.8%	35.0%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT			
Population 25 years and over	485,973	124,658	338,290
Less than high school diploma	14.9%	18.0%	13.1%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	30.9%	32.8%	31.5%
Some college or associate's degree	30.2%	30.8%	30.4%
Bachelor's degree	13.6%	11.3%	14.1%
Graduate or professional degree	10.4%	7.0%	10.9%
High school graduate or higher	85.1%	82.0%	86.9%
Male, high school graduate or higher	84.0%	79.3%	86.1%
Female, high school graduate or higher	86.1%	84.3%	87.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher	24.0%	18.3%	25.0%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	22.8%	16.4%	23.9%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	25.0%	20.0%	26.1%

		Black or African American alone	White alone,
			not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
FERTILITY			
Women 15 to 50 years	169,810	51,602	108,523
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	11,065	3,618	6,775
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	5,793	2,775	2,888
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	52.4%	76.7%	42.6%
RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS			
Population 30 years and over	440,470	112,941	308,075
Grandparents living with grandchild(ren)	4.2%	4.4%	4.3%
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren as a percentage of living with grandchildren	43.5%	46.8%	43.6%
VETERAN STATUS			
Civilian population 18 years and over	557,970	146,436	384,525
Civilian veteran	8.3%	9.0%	8.1%
DISABILITY STATUS			
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	703,954	190,849	473,445
With a disability	17.7%	17.8%	18.3%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	155,196	48,745	93,562
With a disability	3.9%	5.5%	3.2%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	431,480	119,682	288,352
With a disability	16.1%	17.3%	16.2%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older	117,278	22,422	91,531
With a disability	41.6%	47.3%	40.5%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO			
Population 1 year and over	709,848	193,883	476,638
Same house	86.0%	88.2%	85.3%
Different house in the U.S.	13.7%	11.6%	14.4%
Same county	7.7%	6.2%	8.1%
Different county	6.0%	5.5%	6.3%
Same state	3.5%	3.4%	3.6%
Different state	2.5%	2.1%	2.8%
Abroad	0.3%	0.1%	0.3%
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY			
Native	694,605	194,025	476,705
Male	48.8%	48.1%	49.0%
Female	51.2%	51.9%	51.0%
Foreign born	23,291	2,418	4,541
Male	45.5%	22.0%	46.1%
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	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female	54.5%	78.0%	53.9%
Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen	9,067	1,614	2,690
Male	43.4%	23.6%	45.5%
Female	56.6%	76.4%	54.5%
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen	14,224	804	1,851
Male	46.8%	18.8%	47.1%
Female	53.2%	81.2%	52.9%
Population born outside the United States	23,291	2,418	4,541
Entered 2010 or later	44.4%	33.1%	25.8%
Entered 2000 to 2009	21.2%	26.1%	11.1%
Entered before 2000	34.3%	40.8%	63.2%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN			
Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea	23,291	2,418	4,541
Europe	13.9%	N	64.7%
Asia	49.9%	N	20.2%
Africa	6.7%	N	10.3%
Oceania	0.0%	N	0.0%
Latin America	26.9%	N	0.0%
Northern America	2.6%	N	4.8%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH			
Population 5 years and over	678,872	184,993	457,381
English only	94.5%	97.4%	98.1%
Language other than English	5.5%	2.6%	1.9%
Speak English less than "very well"	1.6%	N	0.2%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS			
Population 16 years and over	578,746	152,898	397,665
In labor force	58.2%	59.3%	57.6%
Civilian labor force	57.4%	58.6%	56.8%
Employed	54.1%	53.6%	54.2%
Unemployed	3.4%	5.0%	2.6%
Unemployment Rate	5.9%	8.5%	4.5%
Armed Forces	0.7%	0.6%	0.8%
Not in labor force	41.8%	40.7%	42.4%
Females 16 years and over	301,854	83,018	204,770
In labor force	52.7%	56.9%	51.0%
Civilian labor force	52.5%	56.7%	50.8%

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	Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	1.1%	0.9%	1.1%
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	Manufacturing	17.2%	24.2%	14.0%

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Wholesale trade	3.0%	2.0%	3.5%
Retail trade	10.1%	10.2%	10.5%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	4.5%	4.2%	4.8%
Information	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	6.0%	5.4%	6.4%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management		6.0%	8.4%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	23.0%	22.5%	23.3%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	8.1%	9.1%	7.6%
Other services (except public administration)	4.0%	2.5%	4.7%
Public administration	6.0%	7.3%	5.6%
CLASS OF WORKER			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	312,851	81,976	215,648
Private wage and salary workers	75.5%	75.9%	75.4%
Government workers	19.0%	21.8%	17.8%
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	5.3%	2.3%	6.4%
Unpaid family workers	0.2%	0.0%	0.3%
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2019 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)			
Households	279,236	72,819	193,275
Median household income (dollars)	51,925	37,476	58,279
With earnings	72.7%	72.9%	72.1%
Mean earnings (dollars)	69,461	52,308	76,298
With Social Security income	35.9%	34.2%	37.4%
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	19,017	14,238	20,792
With Supplemental Security Income	6.7%	8.8%	6.3%
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	9,017	7,850	9,685
With cash public assistance income	0.9%	1.2%	0.7%
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	2,732	3,890	2,154
With retirement income	26.7%	23.2%	29.1%
Mean retirement income (dollars)	24,448	19,998	25,610
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits	13.2%	22.7%	9.6%
Families	184,320	43,577	132,059
Median family income (dollars)	67,624	54,539	73,258
Married-couple family	74.9%	52.6%	82.5%
Median income (dollars)	80,204	71,663	82,650
Male householder, no spouse present, family	6.3%	8.7%	5.6%
Median income (dollars)	51,580	60,944	38,946

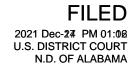
	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female householder, no husband present, family	18.7%	38.7%	12.0%
Median income (dollars)	31,175	31,009	31,582
Individuals	717,896	196,443	481,246
Per capita income (dollars)	27,867	21,218	31,130
With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	135,041	31,383	96,120
Female	102,661	29,459	69,675
Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	61,102	46,387	66,083
Female	43,044	35,741	46,019
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	50,151	40,283	52,527
Female	37,234	32,094	40,175
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE			
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	703,954	190,849	473,445
With private health insurance	68.7%	60.4%	72.9%
With public coverage	36.8%	40.6%	35.4%
No health insurance coverage	8.5%	9.8%	7.5%
POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM PO	VERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED		
All families	10.8%	16.6%	8.3%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	15.9%	24.8%	11.2%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	13.8%	17.1%	11.4%
Married-couple family	6.1%	8.6%	5.3%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	6.5%	7.0%	5.4%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	7.4%	N	N
Female householder, no spouse present, family	30.1%	29.1%	28.9%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	44.2%	45.4%	40.4%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	50.3%	49.2%	48.6%
All people	15.0%	18.7%	12.7%
Under 18 years	17.4%	26.2%	10.5%
Related children of the householder under 18 years	17.3%	26.2%	10.3%
Related children of the householder under 5 years	19.9%	30.4%	11.2%
Related children of the householder 5 to 17 years	16.4%	24.9%	10.0%
18 years and over	14.3%	16.0%	13.2%
18 to 64 years	15.4%	16.0%	14.7%
65 years and over	10.2%	16.4%	8.7%

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
People in families	10.8%	16.1%	7.8%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	33.4%	28.9%	34.7%
HOUSING TENURE			
Occupied housing units	279,236	72,819	193,275
Owner-occupied housing units	71.6%	58.6%	78.1%
Renter-occupied housing units	28.4%	41.4%	21.9%
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.55	2.53	2.54
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.36	2.38	2.31
UNITS IN STRUCTURE			
Occupied housing units	279,236	72,819	193,275
1-unit, detached or attached	69.3%	65.8%	71.8%
2 to 4 units	4.1%	8.4%	2.3%
5 or more units	9.2%	11.8%	7.3%
Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.	17.5%	14.0%	18.6%
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT			
Occupied housing units	279,236	72,819	193,275
Built 2014 or later	6.3%	4.3%	6.7%
Built 2010 to 2013	4.2%	4.5%	3.9%
Built 2000 to 2009	18.2%	14.5%	19.0%
Built 1980 to 1999	32.9%	28.6%	34.9%
Built 1960 to 1979	23.2%	29.7%	21.1%
Built 1940 to 1959	11.1%	14.2%	10.3%
Built 1939 or earlier	4.0%	4.2%	4.0%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE			
Occupied housing units	279,236	72,819	193,275
None	6.9%	11.9%	4.8%
1 or more	93.1%	88.1%	95.2%
HOUSE HEATING FUEL			
Occupied housing units	279,236	72,819	193,275
Gas	29.2%	33.4%	28.2%
Electricity	68.8%	66.0%	69.4%
All other fuels	1.6%	0.5%	2.1%
No fuel used	0.3%	0.1%	0.4%
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS			
Occupied housing units	279,236	72,819	193,275
No telephone service available	1.3%	1.6%	1.1%
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	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
1.01 or more occupants per room	2.0%	2.9%	1.5%
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME	IN THE PAST 1	2 MONTHS	
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOC cannot be computed)	109,894	23,552	82,128
Less than 30 percent	75.3%	68.1%	77.0%
30 percent or more	24.7%	31.9%	23.0%
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS			
Owner-occupied housing units	200,055	42,645	150,913
Median value (dollars)	144,700	111,600	154,100
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,141	1,019	1,166
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	350	357	349
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTH	IS		
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	70,294	27,096	37,098
Less than 30 percent	55.0%	55.4%	55.0%
30 percent or more	45.0%	44.6%	45.0%
GROSS RENT			
Occupied units paying rent	72,254	28,033	38,121
Median gross rent (dollars)	771	740	790
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE			
Total households	279,236	72,819	193,275
With a computer	89.6%	84.0%	91.5%
With a broadband Internet subscription	80.7%	74.8%	83.3%

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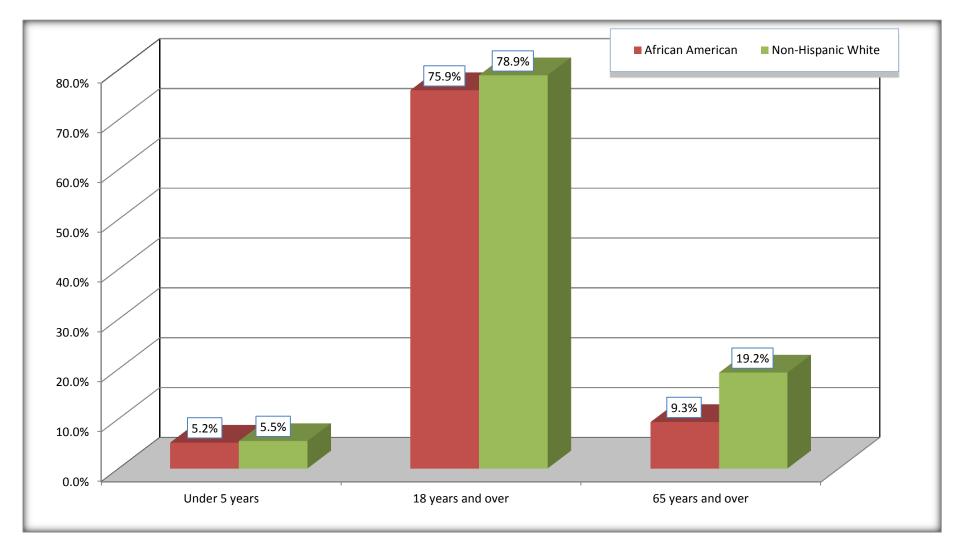


Selected Socio-Economic Data

Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama

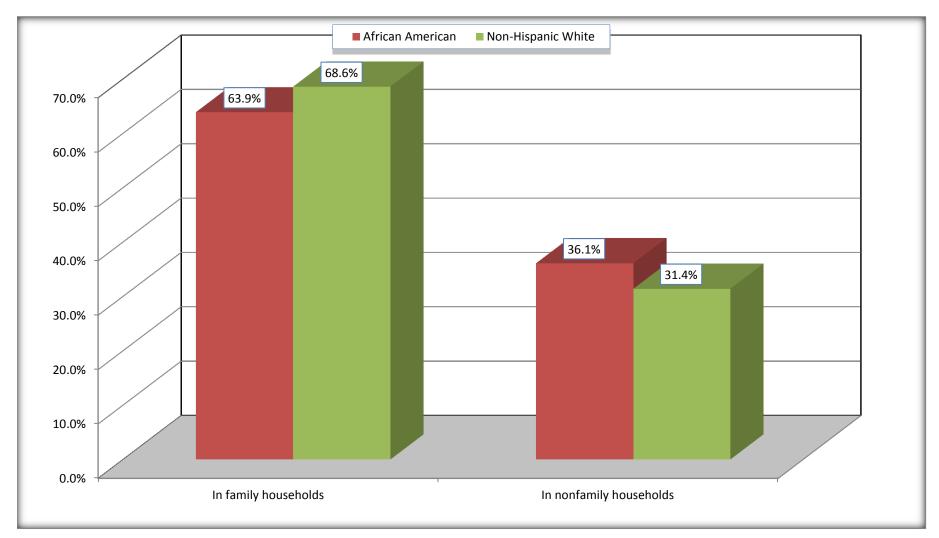
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Population by Age Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



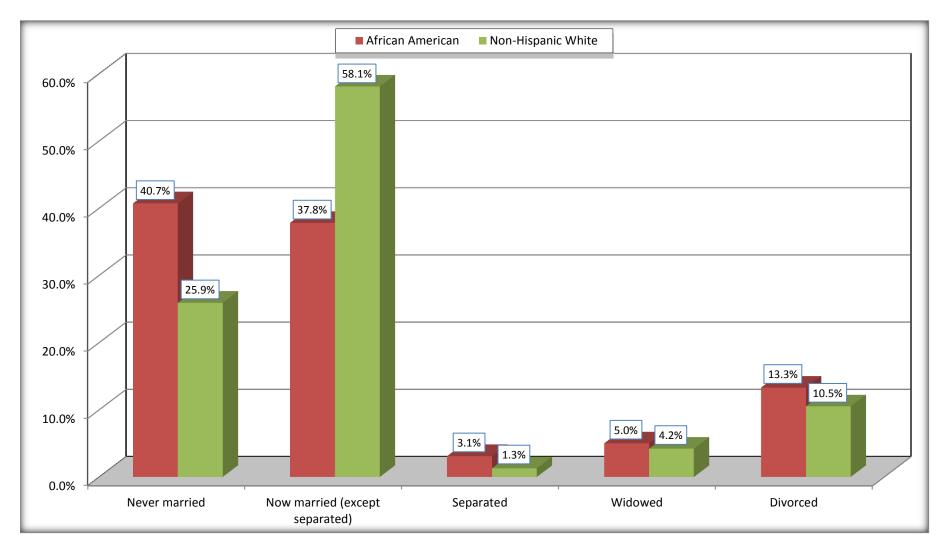
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Household Type for Population in Households Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



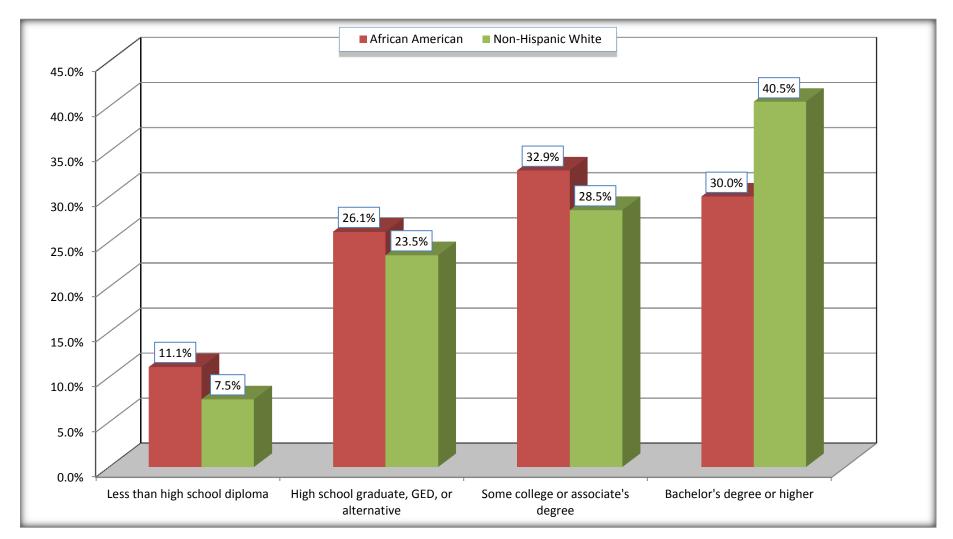
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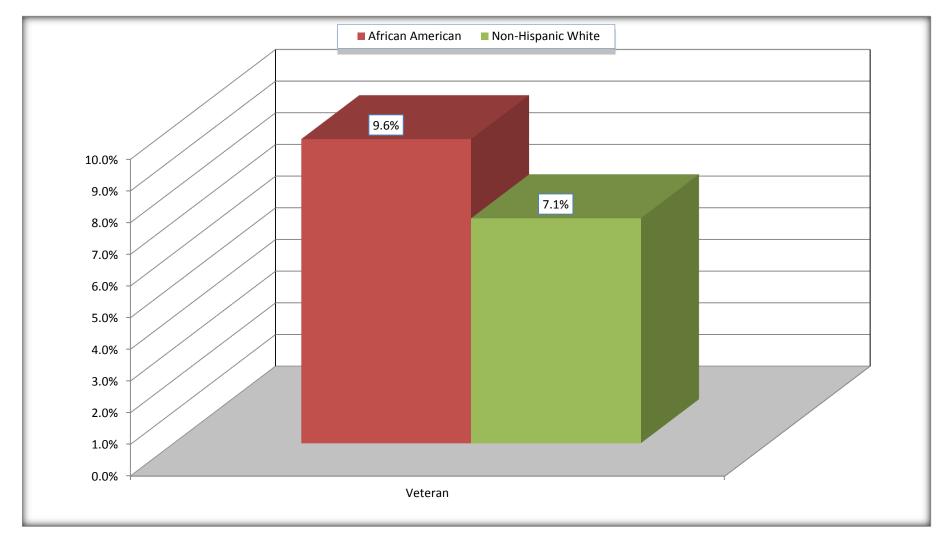
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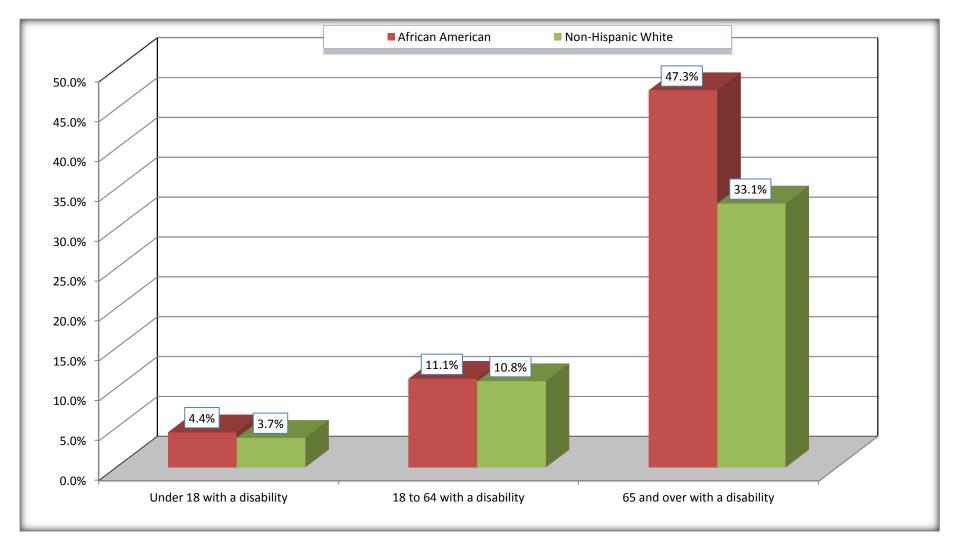
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Veterans in the Civilian Population 18 Years and Over Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



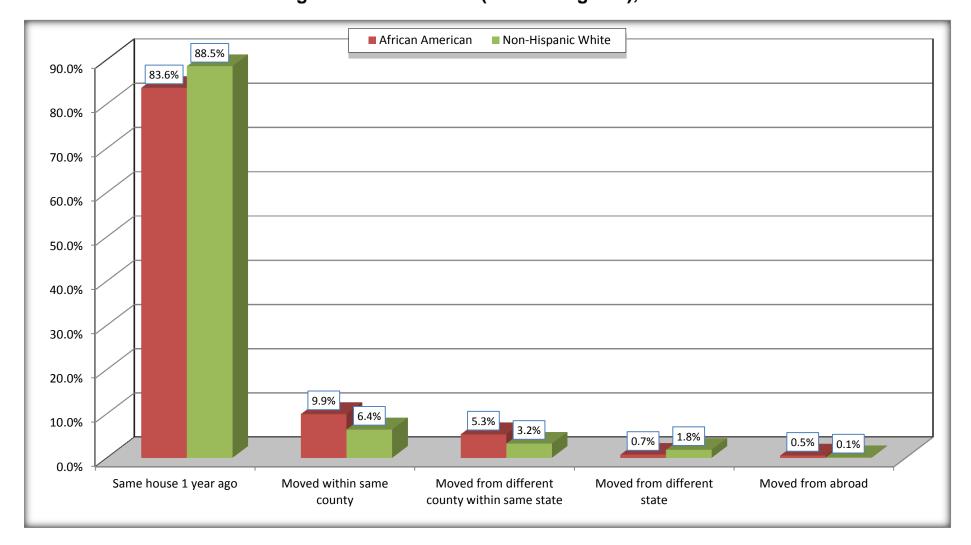
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Disability by Age -- Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



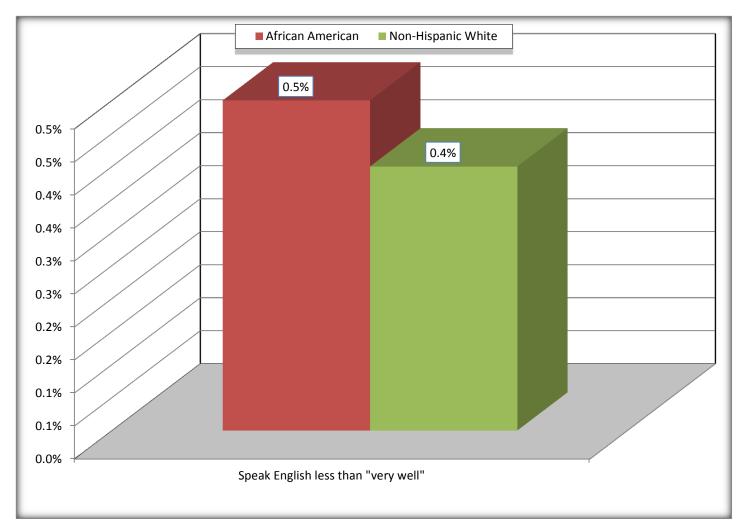
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Geographical Mobility in the Past Year (Population 1 Year and Over) Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



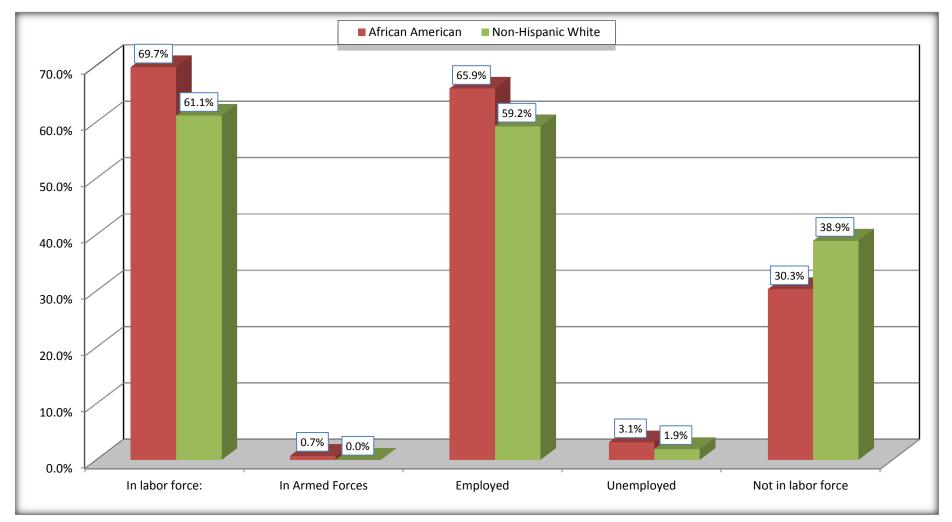
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Speak English Less than "Very Well" (Population 5 Years and Over) Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



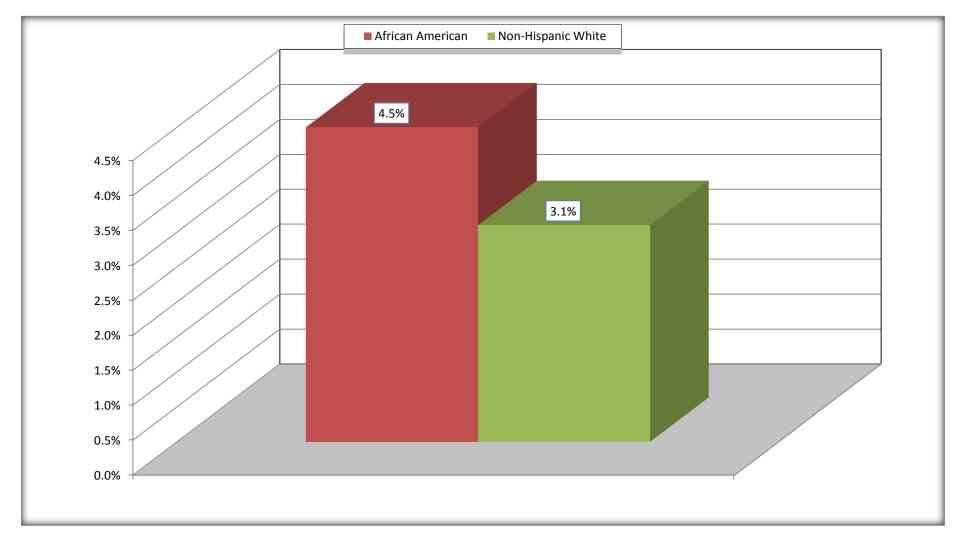
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Employment Status for the Population 16 years and over Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



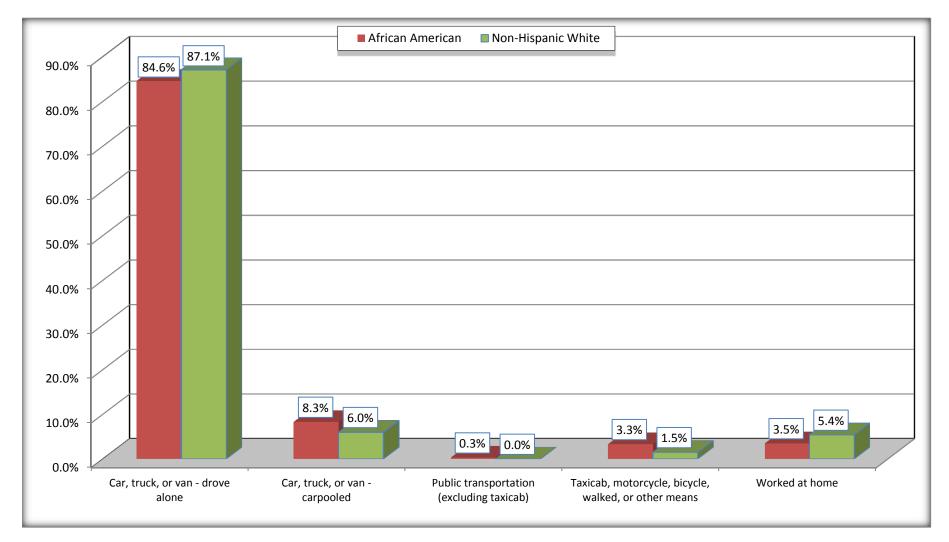
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Unemployment (Civilian Labor Force -- Ages 16 and Over) Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



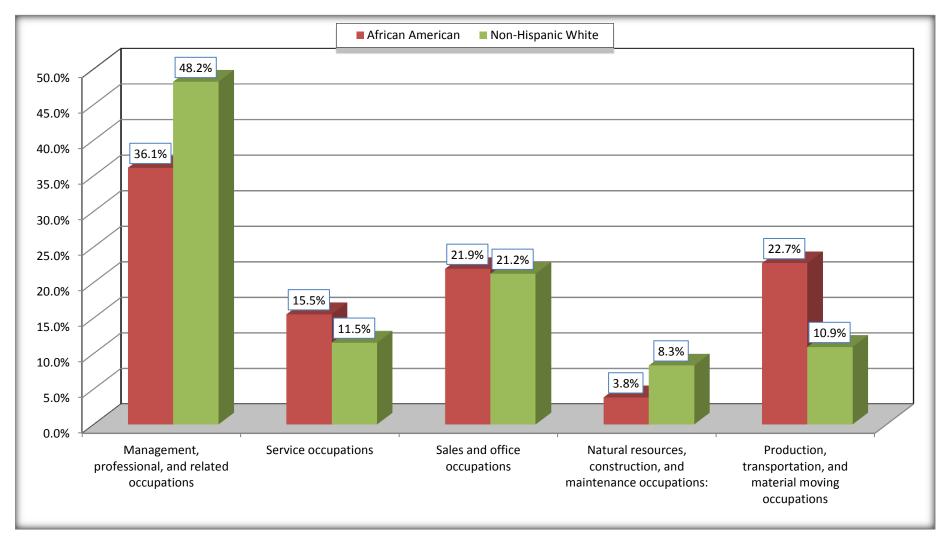
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Means of Transportation to Work (Workers 16 Years and Over) Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



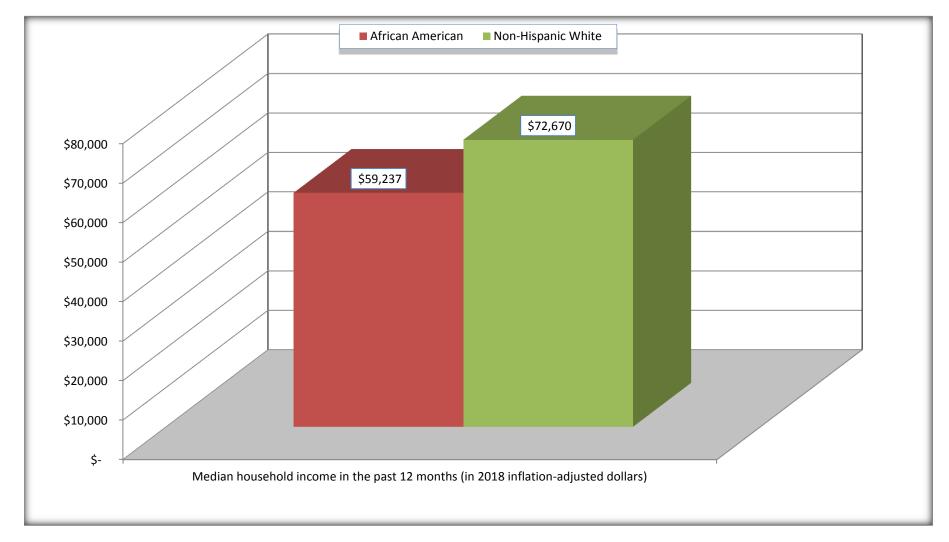
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Occupation for the Civilian Employed 16 Years and Over Population Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



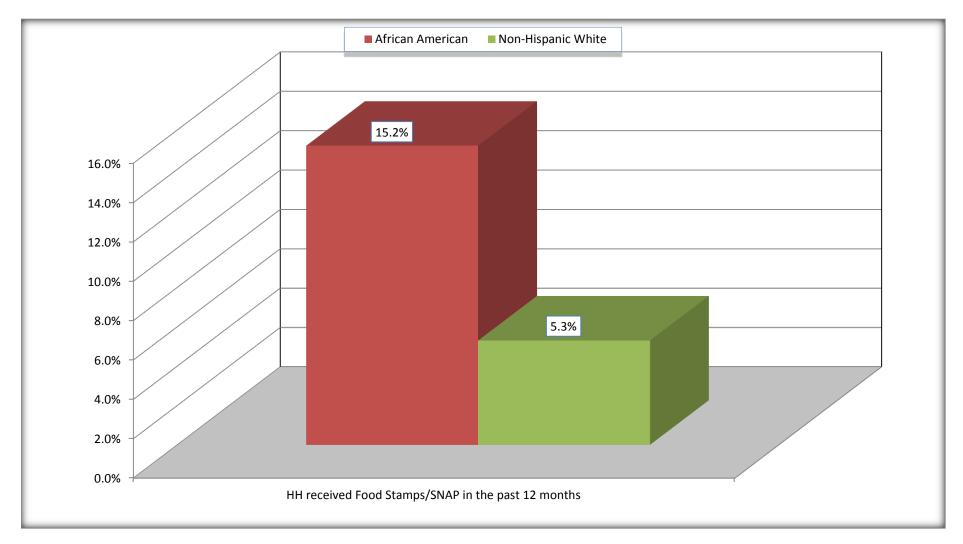
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Median Household Income in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



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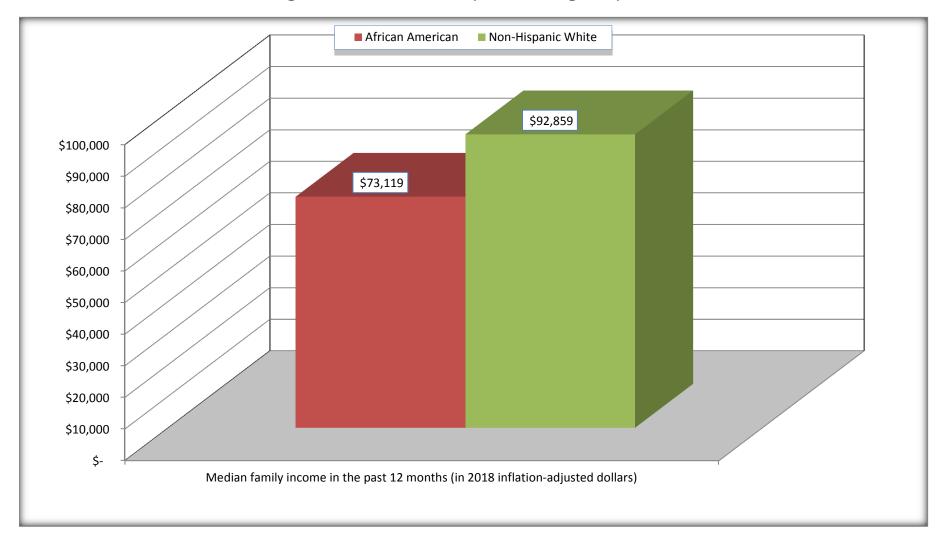
Receipt of Food Stamps/SNAP in the Past 12 Months by Household Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Median Family Income in the Past 12 Months

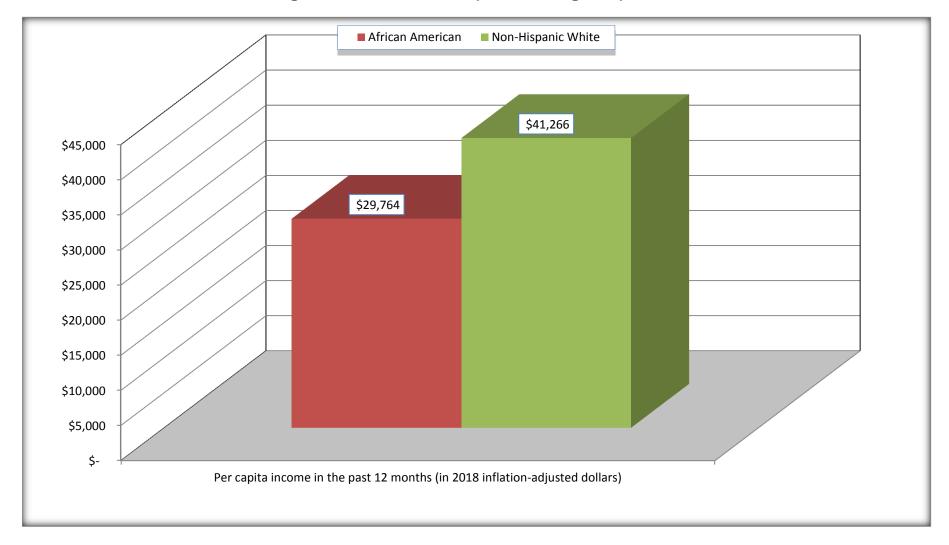
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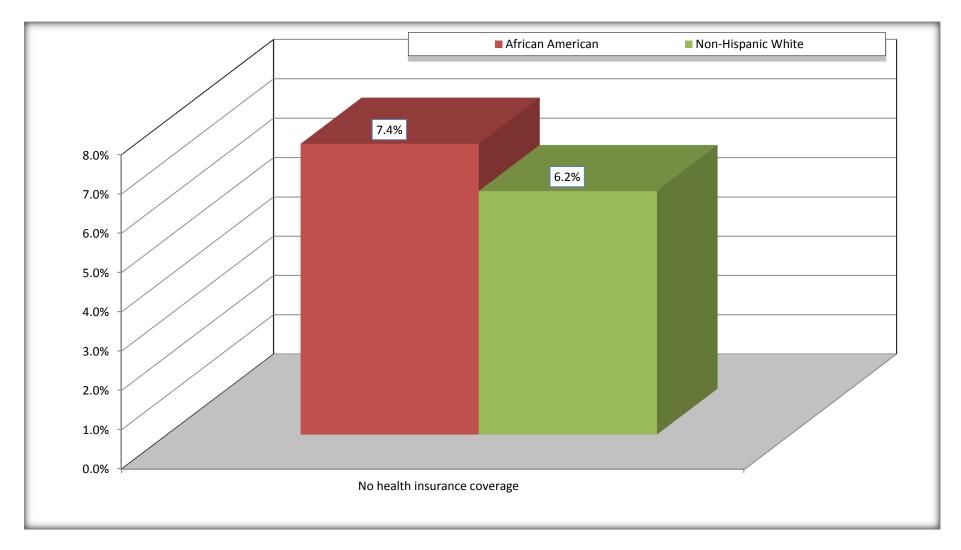
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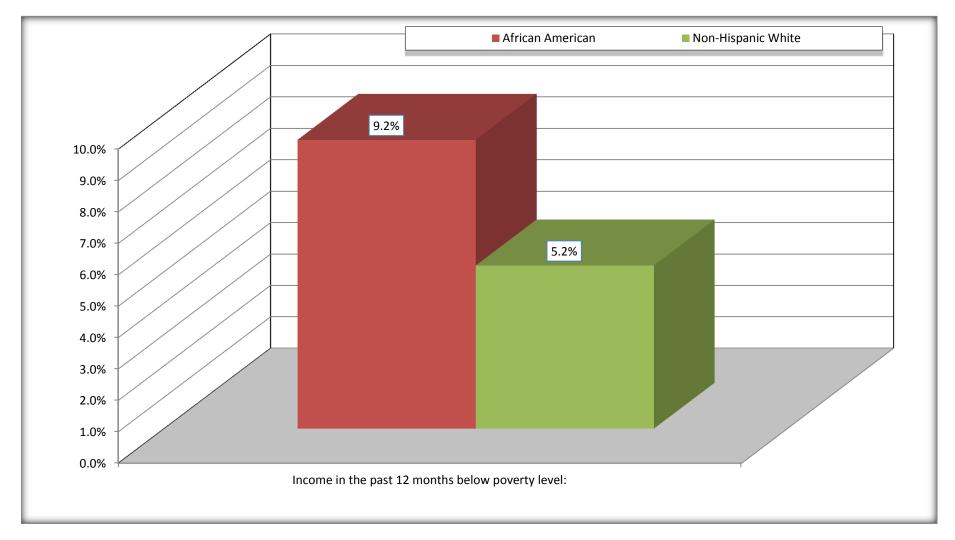
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Lack of Health Insurance Coverage -- Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



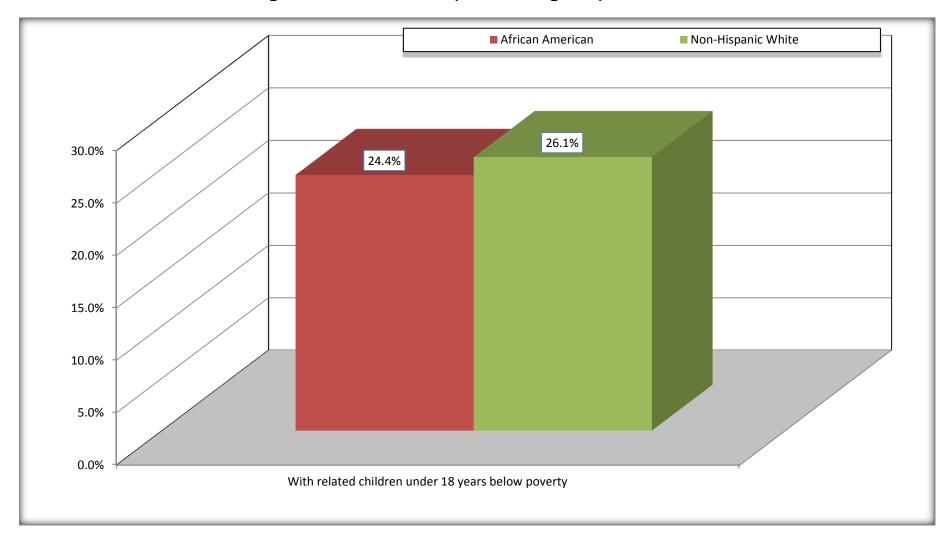
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Family Households Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



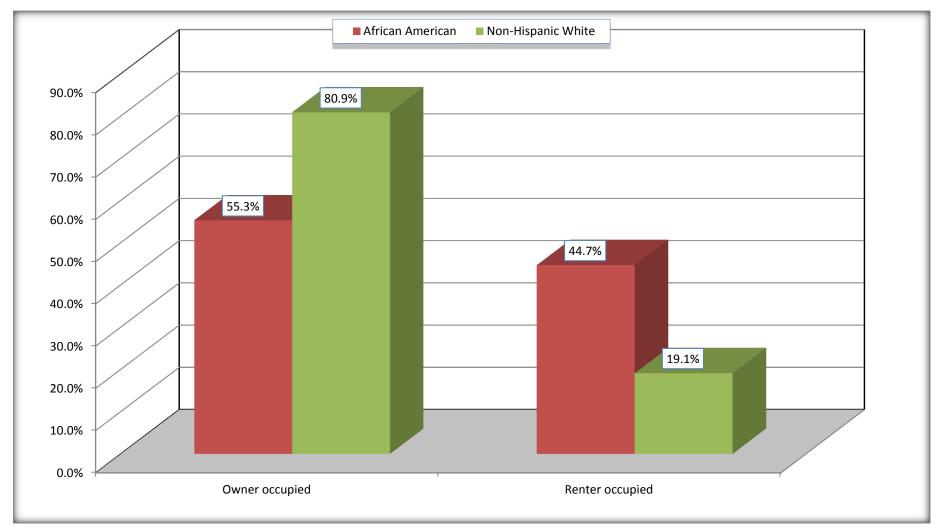
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Female-headed Households with Related Children Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



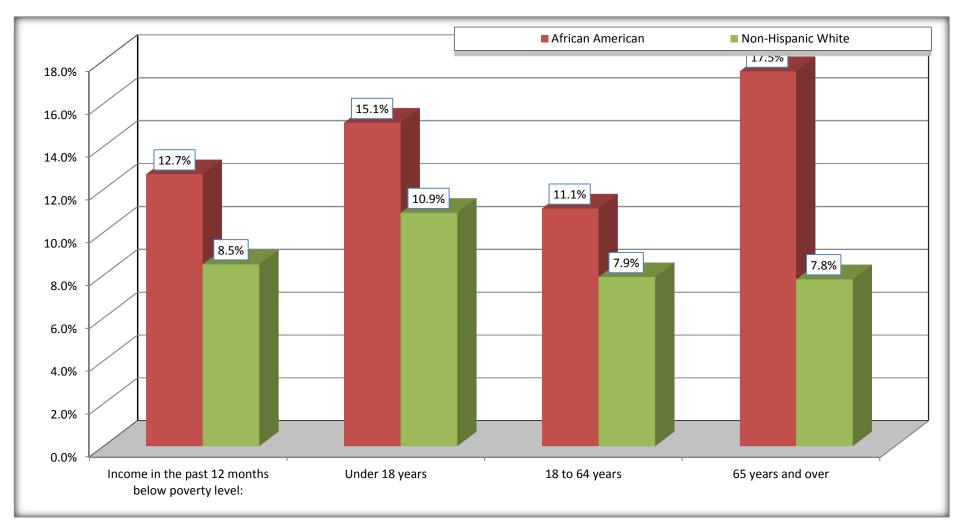
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Home Owners and Renters by Household Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



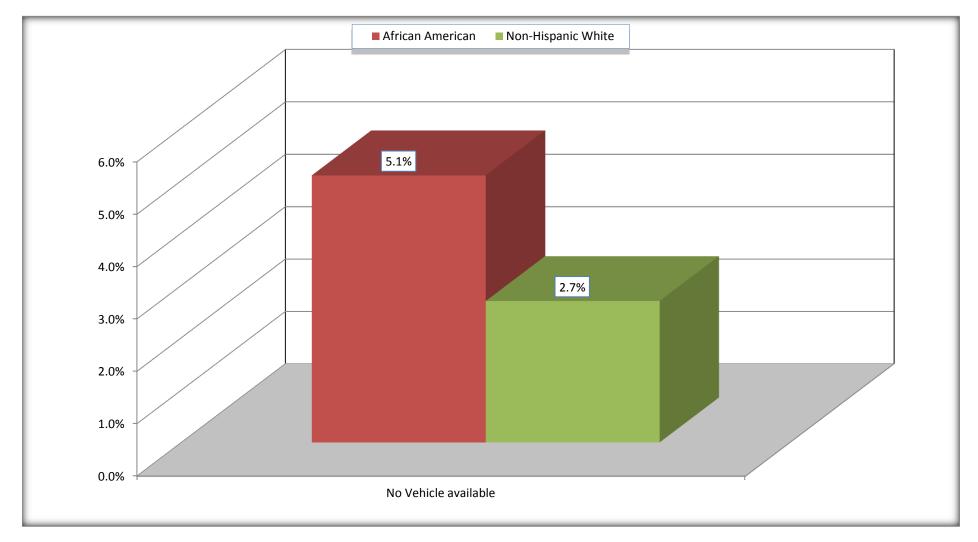
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Population Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



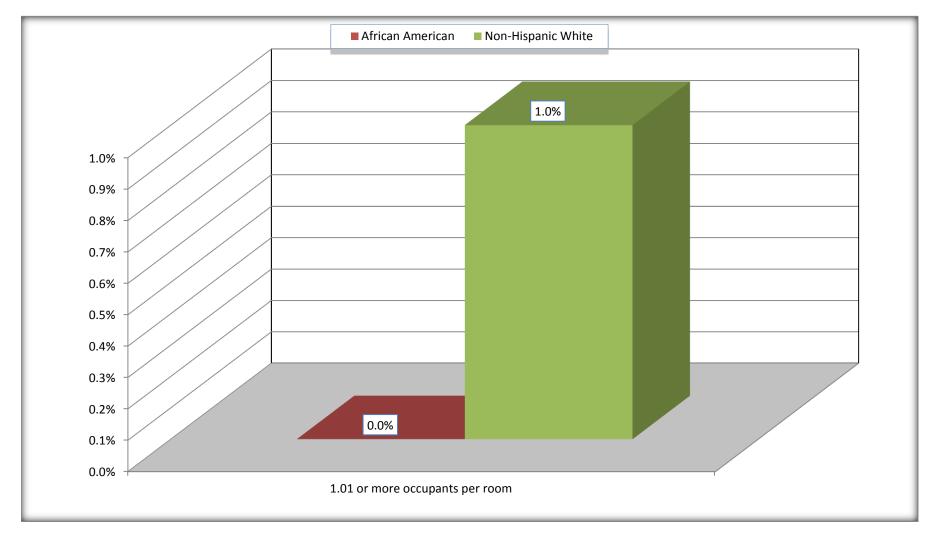
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No Vehicles Available by Household Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



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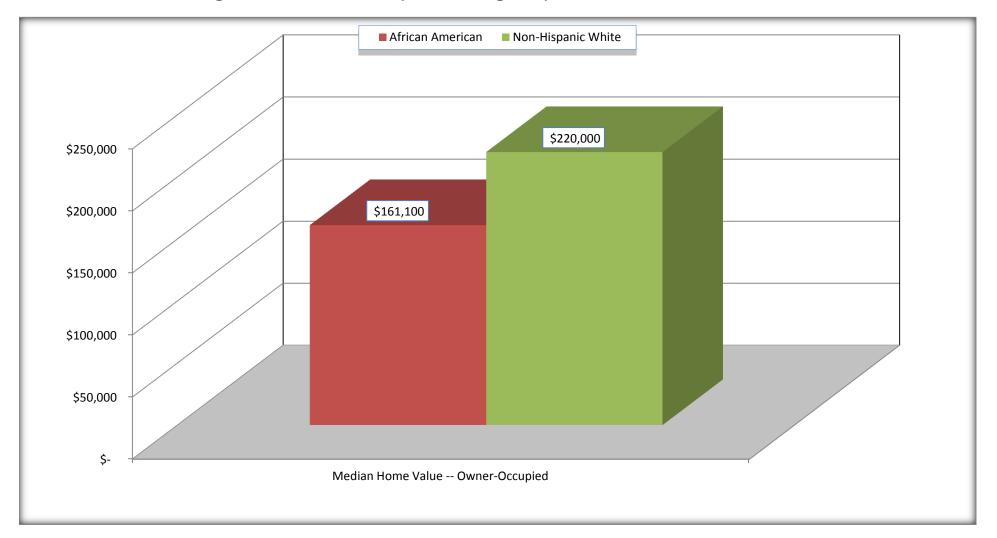
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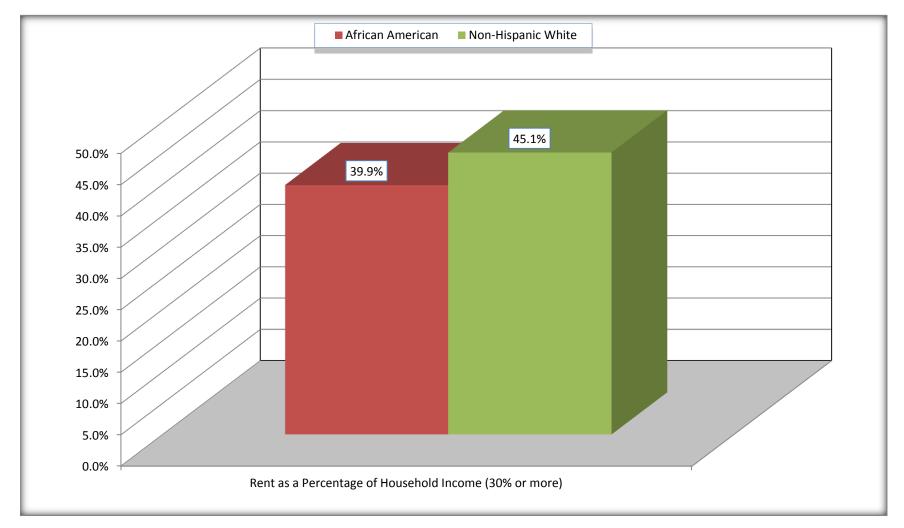
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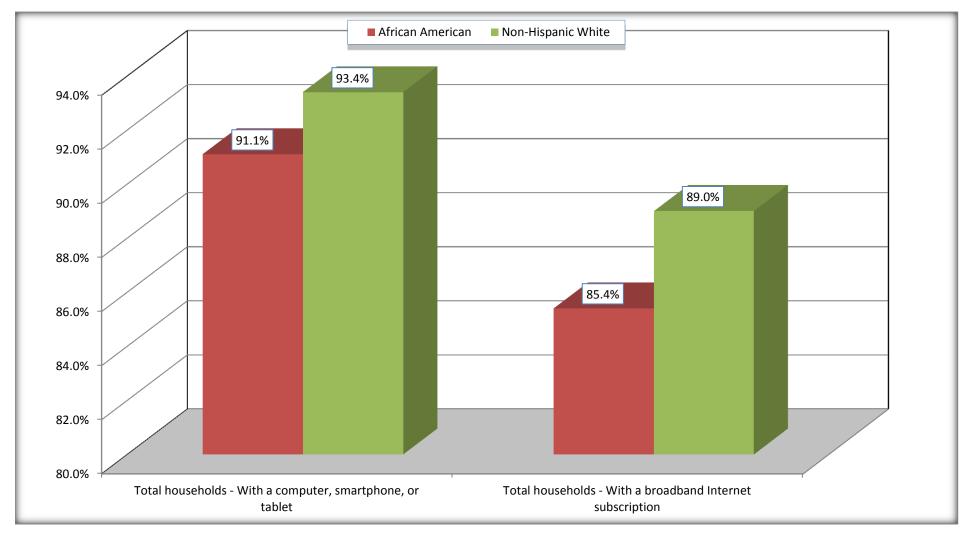
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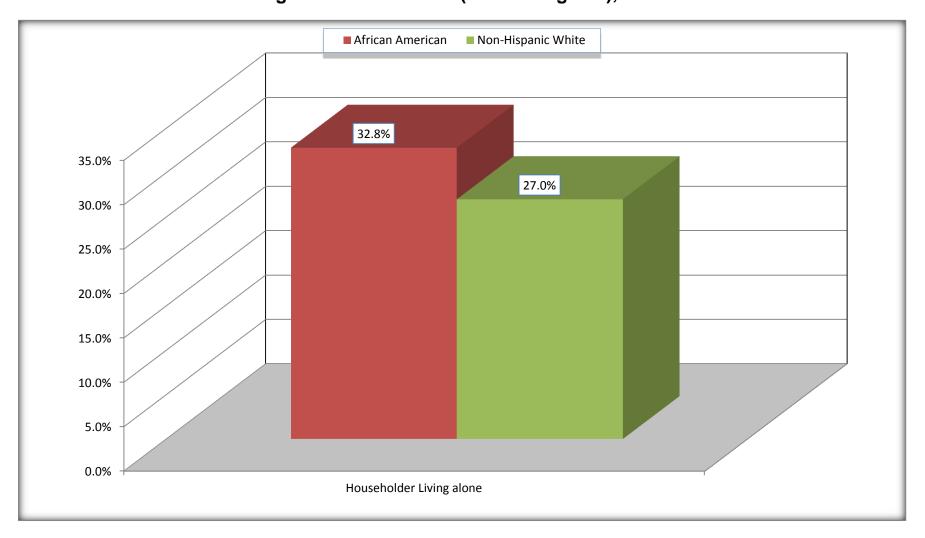
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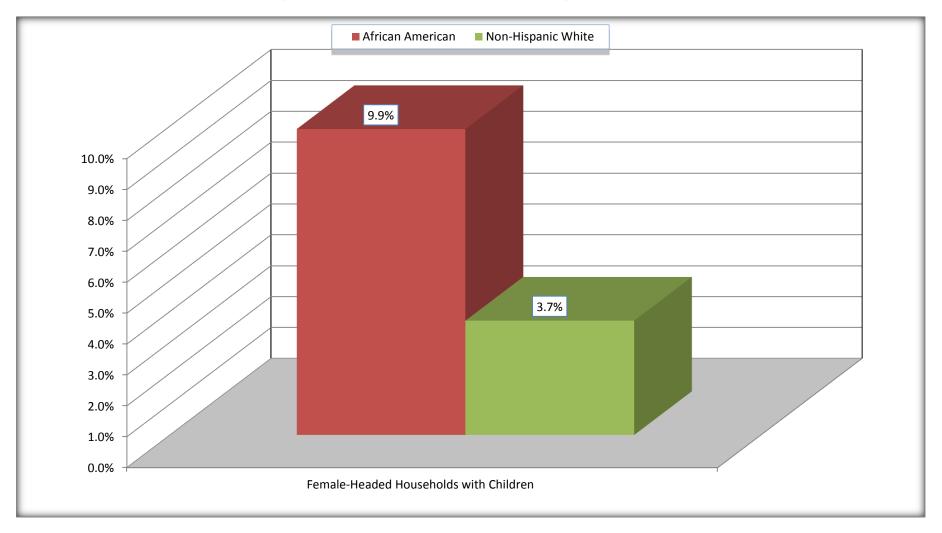
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Households with Householder Living Alone Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Female-Headed Households with Children Under 18 (As a Percentage of all Households) Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Alabama -- 2019 ACS -- Table S0201 -- Congressional District 6 (116th Congress), Alabama

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Black or African N.D. OF ALABAMA American alone White alone, or in not Hispanic or **All Persons** combination Latino **Estimate Estimate Estimate TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED** 699,605 529,852 Total population 117,783 98.3% 94.8% 100.0% One race 1.6% Two races 5.1% (X) Three races 0.1% 0.1% (X) Four or more races 0.0% 0.0% (X) **SEX AND AGE** 699,605 Total population 117,783 529,852 Male 48.1% 45.4% 48.6% Female 51.9% 54.6% 51.4% Under 5 years 5.7% 5.2% 5.5% 17.0% 18.9% 15.5% 5 to 17 years 7.9% 10.4% 7.2% 18 to 24 years 13.2% 14.7% 12.6% 25 to 34 years 35 to 44 years 13.6% 18.9% 12.4% 45 to 54 years 12.8% 11.2% 13.4% 55 to 64 years 13.3% 11.5% 14.2% 10.0% 6.5% 65 to 74 years 11.3% 6.6% 2.9% 7.9% 75 years and over 39.9 35.5 42.1 Median age (years) 77.3% 75.9% 78.9% 18 years and over 73.7% 75.7% 21 years and over 70.9% 20.0% 12.5% 22.9% 62 years and over 16.5% 9.3% 19.2% 65 years and over Under 18 years 158,751 28,332 111,534 49.8% 45.3% 50.7% Male Female 50.2% 54.7% 49.3% 18 years and over 540,854 89,451 418,318 Male 47.6% 45.4% 48.0% **Female** 52.4% 54.6% 52.0% 18 to 34 years 147,337 29,511 104,908 Male 48.6% 47.7% 49.6% 52.3% 50.4% Female 51.4% 35 to 64 years 277,747 48,933 211,848 48.5% 46.0% 48.9% Male

51.5%

54.0%

51.1%

Female

		Black or African	
		American alone	White alone,
			not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
65 years and over	Estimate 115,770	Estimate 11,007	Estimate 101,562
Male	44.0%	36.5%	44.6%
Female	56.0%	63.5%	55.4%
RELATIONSHIP	30.070	03.370	33.176
Population in households	689,991	115,055	523,268
Householder or spouse	61.0%	53.6%	63.9%
Unmarried partner	1.8%	2.7%	1.6%
Child	29.9%	33.5%	27.7%
Other relatives	5.6%	9.2%	4.9%
Other nonrelatives	1.7%	0.9%	1.9%
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE			
Households	272,470	45,370	211,143
Family households	68.5%	63.9%	68.6%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	27.0%	28.7%	25.1%
Married-couple family	54.4%	35.5%	57.6%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	20.7%	16.6%	20.3%
Female householder, no spouse present, family	10.9%	21.4%	8.7%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	4.9%	9.9%	3.7%
Nonfamily households	31.5%	36.1%	31.4%
Male householder	14.2%	14.8%	14.6%
Living alone	11.6%	12.3%	11.9%
Not living alone	2.6%	2.4%	2.7%
Female householder	17.3%	21.4%	16.9%
Living alone	15.7%	20.5%	15.1%
Not living alone	1.6%	0.9%	1.8%
Average household size	2.53	2.42	2.50
Average family size	3.11	3.09	3.06
MARITAL STATUS			
Population 15 years and over	569,203	94,494	438,736
Now married, except separated	54.9%	37.8%	58.2%
Widowed	6.3%	5.0%	6.9%
Divorced	11.3%	13.3%	11.2%
Separated	1.3%	3.1%	0.9%
Never married	26.2%	40.7%	22.7%
Male 15 years and over	271,448	42,345	211,825
Now married, except separated	57.0%	41.1%	59.8%

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Widowed	3.0%	3.1%	3.2%
Divorced	9.6%	10.4%	9.9%
Separated	1.3%	4.7%	0.7%
Never married	29.1%	40.7%	26.5%
Female 15 years and over	297,755	52,149	226,911
Now married, except separated	52.9%	35.1%	56.8%
Widowed	9.3%	6.5%	10.5%
Divorced	12.8%	15.7%	12.5%
Separated	1.3%	1.9%	1.1%
Never married	23.7%	40.7%	19.1%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT			
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	167,806	32,330	117,855
Nursery school, preschool	6.5%	3.1%	7.6%
Kindergarten	4.4%	4.1%	3.9%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	43.6%	42.7%	42.8%
High school (grades 9-12)	22.9%	23.2%	23.1%
College or graduate school	22.6%	26.8%	22.6%
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school	81,598	15,470	57,910
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	75.4%	73.5%	74.9%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	17.9%	25.4%	17.1%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school	86,208	16,860	59,945
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	66.5%	66.9%	64.9%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	27.1%	28.1%	28.0%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT			
Population 25 years and over	485,802	77,229	380,033
Less than high school diploma	9.0%	11.1%	7.5%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	23.7%	26.1%	23.5%
Some college or associate's degree	28.8%	32.9%	28.5%
Bachelor's degree	23.9%	19.6%	25.0%
Graduate or professional degree	14.6%	10.5%	15.5%
High school graduate or higher	91.0%	88.9%	92.5%
Male, high school graduate or higher	89.6%	86.2%	91.1%
Female, high school graduate or higher	92.2%	91.1%	93.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher	38.5%	30.0%	40.5%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	37.6%	24.6%	39.9%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	39.3%	34.3%	41.0%

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
FERTILITY			
Women 15 to 50 years	168,660	35,928	118,152
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	8,382	1,927	5,842
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	2,386	1,502	884
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	28.5%	77.9%	15.1%
RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS			
Population 30 years and over	441,522	68,325	347,425
Grandparents living with grandchild(ren)	3.1%	5.5%	2.5%
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren as a percentage of living with grandchildren	48.4%	45.8%	49.0%
VETERAN STATUS			
Civilian population 18 years and over	540,104	88,831	418,241
Civilian veteran	7.3%	9.6%	7.1%
DISABILITY STATUS			
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	693,338	115,226	526,228
With a disability	13.2%	12.7%	13.6%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	158,650	28,257	111,508
With a disability	3.7%	4.4%	3.7%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	420,841	76,546	314,497
With a disability	11.0%	11.1%	10.8%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older	113,847	10,423	100,223
With a disability	34.4%	47.3%	33.1%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO			
Population 1 year and over	692,181	116,365	524,694
Same house	87.6%	83.6%	88.5%
Different house in the U.S.	12.2%	15.9%	11.4%
Same county	7.2%	9.9%	6.4%
Different county	5.0%	6.0%	4.9%
Same state	3.5%	5.3%	3.2%
Different state	1.5%	0.7%	1.8%
Abroad	0.2%	0.5%	0.1%
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY			
Native	669,054	115,858	523,822
Male	48.0%	45.4%	48.5%
Female	52.0%	54.6%	51.5%
Foreign born	30,551	1,925	6,030
Male Page 4 of 10	49.8%	43.6%	52.2%

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female	50.2%	56.4%	47.8%
Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen	15,474	1,280	4,052
Male	49.9%	49.9%	52.3%
Female	50.1%	50.1%	47.7%
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen	15,077	645	1,978
Male	49.7%	31.2%	52.0%
Female	50.3%	68.8%	48.0%
Population born outside the United States	30,551	1,925	6,030
Entered 2010 or later	24.5%	10.1%	23.9%
Entered 2000 to 2009	32.4%	75.2%	26.9%
Entered before 2000	43.0%	14.7%	49.2%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN			
Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea	30,551	1,925	6,030
Europe	11.6%	N	59.0%
Asia	30.2%	N	8.1%
Africa	8.9%	N	13.5%
Oceania	0.0%	N	0.0%
Latin America	46.0%	N	2.8%
Northern America	3.3%	N	16.6%
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH			
Population 5 years and over	659,826	111,712	500,706
English only	94.0%	98.0%	98.7%
Language other than English	6.0%	2.0%	1.3%
Speak English less than "very well"	2.2%	0.5%	0.4%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS			
Population 16 years and over	559,043	92,183	431,887
In labor force	62.9%	69.7%	61.1%
Civilian labor force	62.8%	69.0%	61.0%
Employed	60.7%	65.9%	59.2%
Unemployed	2.1%	3.1%	1.9%
Unemployment Rate	3.3%	4.5%	3.1%
Armed Forces	0.1%	0.7%	0.0%
Not in labor force	37.1%	30.3%	38.9%
Females 16 years and over	292,342	50,644	223,641
In labor force	57.3%	69.2%	54.6%
Civilian labor force	57.2%	68.9%	54.6%

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Employed	55.5%	67.3%	52.9%
Unemployed	1.7%	1.5%	1.7%
Unemployment Rate	3.0%	2.2%	3.1%
COMMUTING TO WORK			
Workers 16 years and over	335,386	60,438	252,339
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	86.1%	84.6%	87.1%
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	7.0%	8.3%	6.0%
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	0.1%	0.3%	0.0%
Walked	0.8%	0.3%	1.0%
Other means	0.9%	3.0%	0.5%
Worked from home	5.1%	3.5%	5.4%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	28.7	28.6	28.9
OCCUPATION			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	339,524	60,741	255,546
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	45.3%	36.1%	48.2%
Service occupations	13.0%	15.5%	11.5%
Sales and office occupations	20.9%	21.9%	21.2%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	7.9%	3.8%	8.3%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	13.0%	22.7%	10.9%
Male civilian employed population 16 years and over	177,251	26,636	137,332
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	40.4%	24.2%	43.8%
Service occupations	11.6%	15.7%	10.5%
Sales and office occupations	14.6%	13.9%	14.9%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	14.4%	8.4%	14.8%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	19.0%	37.9%	15.9%
Female civilian employed population 16 years and over	162,273	34,105	118,214
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	50.5%	45.3%	53.3%
Service occupations	14.5%	15.4%	12.7%
Sales and office occupations	27.8%	28.2%	28.4%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	0.7%	0.2%	0.7%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	6.4%	10.9%	5.0%
INDUSTRY			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	339,524	60,741	255,546
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	0.8%	0.3%	0.8%
Construction	6.2%	1.8%	6.8%
Manufacturing Dogg C of 10	10.8%	16.0%	9.7%

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Wholesale trade	3.7%	3.4%	4.0%
Retail trade	10.3%	7.2%	10.8%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	5.5%	9.2%	5.0%
Information	1.9%	2.1%	1.9%
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	9.3%	10.5%	9.2%
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management		7.8%	11.5%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	23.1%	20.3%	24.5%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	7.4%	9.1%	6.2%
Other services (except public administration)	6.3%	5.2%	6.2%
Public administration	4.0%	7.1%	3.4%
CLASS OF WORKER			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	339,524	60,741	255,546
Private wage and salary workers	81.3%	79.5%	81.4%
Government workers	13.4%	17.8%	12.9%
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	5.0%	2.7%	5.4%
Unpaid family workers	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2019 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)			
Households	272,470	45,370	211,143
Median household income (dollars)	69,072	59,237	72,670
With earnings	77.2%	81.2%	75.4%
Mean earnings (dollars)	98,407	78,749	103,688
With Social Security income	32.3%	23.0%	35.6%
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	21,495	15,509	22,518
With Supplemental Security Income	4.6%	6.7%	4.0%
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	10,656	8,210	11,322
With cash public assistance income	0.7%	N	0.6%
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	6,273	15,566	3,940
With retirement income	26.6%	19.9%	29.2%
Mean retirement income (dollars)	30,034	23,694	31,148
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits	7.2%	15.2%	5.3%
Families	186,592	28,984	144,782
Median family income (dollars)	87,199	73,119	92,859
Married-couple family	79.4%	55.6%	83.9%
Median income (dollars)	100,212	106,951	101,238
Male householder, no spouse present, family	4.7%	10.9%	3.3%
Median income (dollars)	55,996	61,459	60,103

	All Damasas	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	All Persons		
Comple householder no husband present family	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate 12.8%
Female householder, no husband present, family	15.9%	33.5%	
Median income (dollars)	48,863 699,605	43,387	51,209 529,852
Individuals Per capita income (dellare)	38,316	117,783 29,764	41,266
Per capita income (dollars) With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:	36,310	29,704	41,200
Male	146,227	22,544	112,745
Female	110,059	27,082	76,514
Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:	110,039	27,082	70,314
Male	83,516	57,305	89,714
Female	58,120	51,260	61,399
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:	30,120	31,200	01,333
Male	58,689	45,079	62,058
Female	47,365	43,760	49,695
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE	,555	.5,7 55	.5,655
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	693,338	115,226	526,228
With private health insurance	75.9%	70.7%	78.4%
With public coverage	29.8%	33.1%	29.5%
No health insurance coverage	7.2%	7.4%	6.2%
POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS	DETERMINED		
All families	6.3%	9.2%	5.2%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	9.3%	11.4%	8.6%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	5.7%	N	5.7%
Married-couple family	3.8%	4.0%	3.4%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	4.3%	N	4.8%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	N	N	N
Female householder, no spouse present, family	16.5%	16.9%	15.7%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	25.8%	24.4%	26.1%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	28.2%	N	30.4%
All people	9.5%	12.7%	8.5%
Under 18 years	12.2%	15.1%	10.9%
Related children of the householder under 18 years	11.9%	14.9%	10.7%
Related children of the householder under 5 years	11.7%	7.9%	10.6%
Related children of the householder 5 to 17 years	12.0%	16.8%	10.8%
18 years and over	8.7%	11.9%	7.8%
18 to 64 years	8.6%	11.1%	7.9%
65 years and over	9.2%	17.5%	7.8%

	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
People in families	7.2%	9.7%	6.1%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	21.8%	26.4%	20.7%
HOUSING TENURE			
Occupied housing units	272,470	45,370	211,143
Owner-occupied housing units	75.9%	55.3%	80.9%
Renter-occupied housing units	24.1%	44.7%	19.1%
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.62	2.56	2.59
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.25	2.25	2.12
UNITS IN STRUCTURE			
Occupied housing units	272,470	45,370	211,143
1-unit, detached or attached	77.2%	64.2%	80.7%
2 to 4 units	2.7%	4.8%	2.2%
5 or more units	11.0%	26.4%	7.4%
Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc.	9.2%	4.6%	9.8%
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT			
Occupied housing units	272,470	45,370	211,143
Built 2014 or later	5.8%	7.0%	5.6%
Built 2010 to 2013	3.6%	4.4%	3.4%
Built 2000 to 2009	18.3%	18.2%	18.1%
Built 1980 to 1999	33.8%	33.2%	33.9%
Built 1960 to 1979	25.1%	25.2%	24.8%
Built 1940 to 1959	9.7%	8.8%	10.2%
Built 1939 or earlier	3.7%	3.1%	4.0%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE			
Occupied housing units	272,470	45,370	211,143
None	3.0%	5.1%	2.7%
1 or more	97.0%	94.9%	97.3%
HOUSE HEATING FUEL			
Occupied housing units	272,470	45,370	211,143
Gas	45.2%	37.0%	47.6%
Electricity	53.8%	62.4%	51.3%
All other fuels	0.5%	0.3%	0.6%
No fuel used	0.5%	0.2%	0.5%
SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS			
Occupied housing units	272,470	45,370	211,143
No telephone service available	1.1%	N	1.1%
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	All Persons Estimate		Estimate
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1.01 or more occupants per room SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME			1.0%
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Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOC cannot be computed)	128,851	18,828	103,435
Less than 30 percent	77.9%	77.3%	78.5%
30 percent or more	22.1%	22.7%	21.5%
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS			
Owner-occupied housing units	206,801	25,070	170,745
Median value (dollars)	206,000	161,100	220,000
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,414	1,217	1,453
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	415	380	421
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTH	IS		
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	57,522	19,068	34,064
Less than 30 percent	55.8%	60.1%	54.9%
30 percent or more	44.2%	39.9%	45.1%
GROSS RENT			
Occupied units paying rent	58,348	19,125	34,560
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,026	1,031	1,017
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE			
Total households	272,470	45,370	211,143
With a computer	93.0%	91.1%	93.4%
With a broadband Internet subscription	88.3%	85.4%	89.0%

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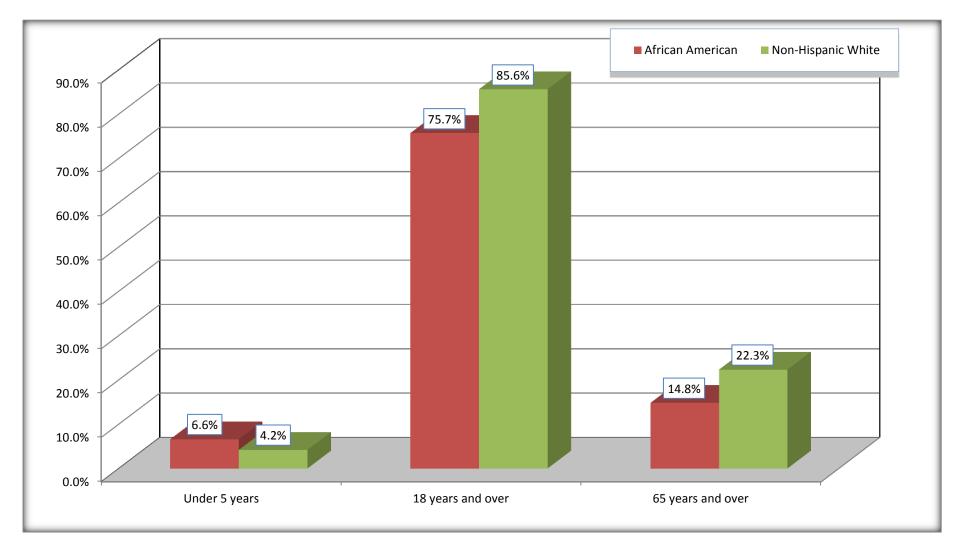


Selected Socio-Economic Data

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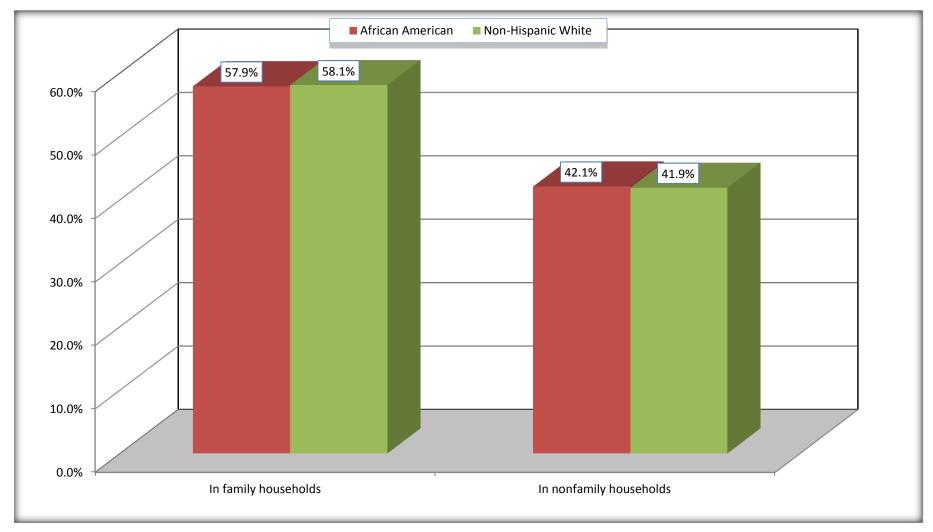
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Population by Age Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



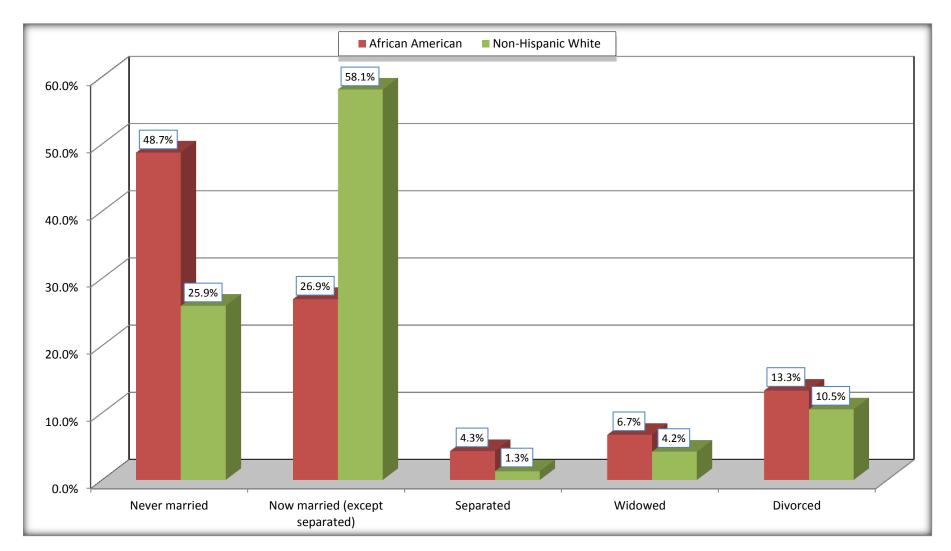
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Household Type for Population in Households Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



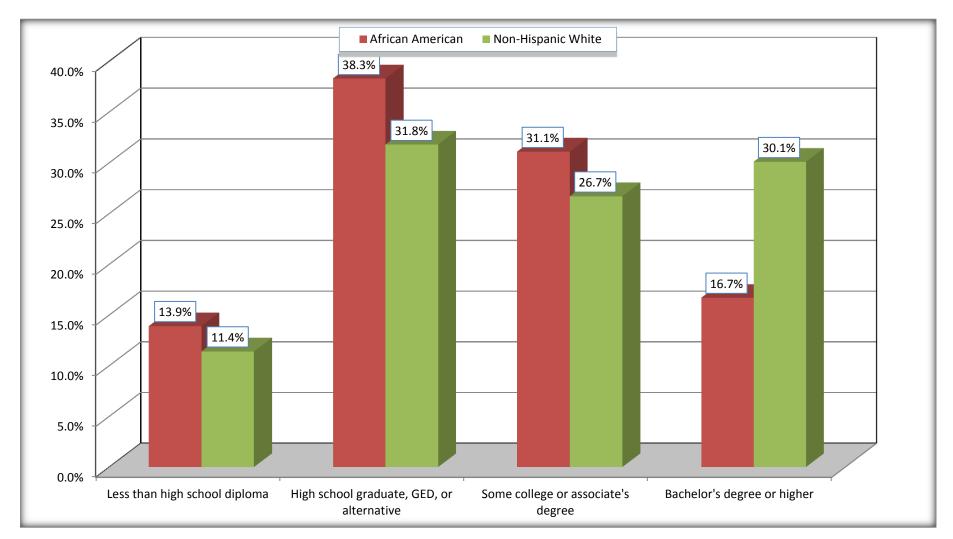
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Marital Status for the Population 15 Years and Over Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



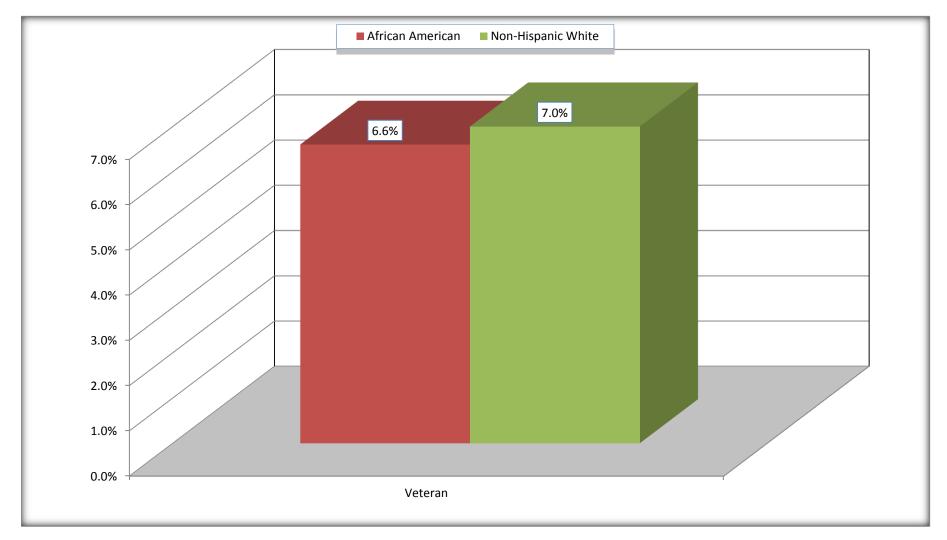
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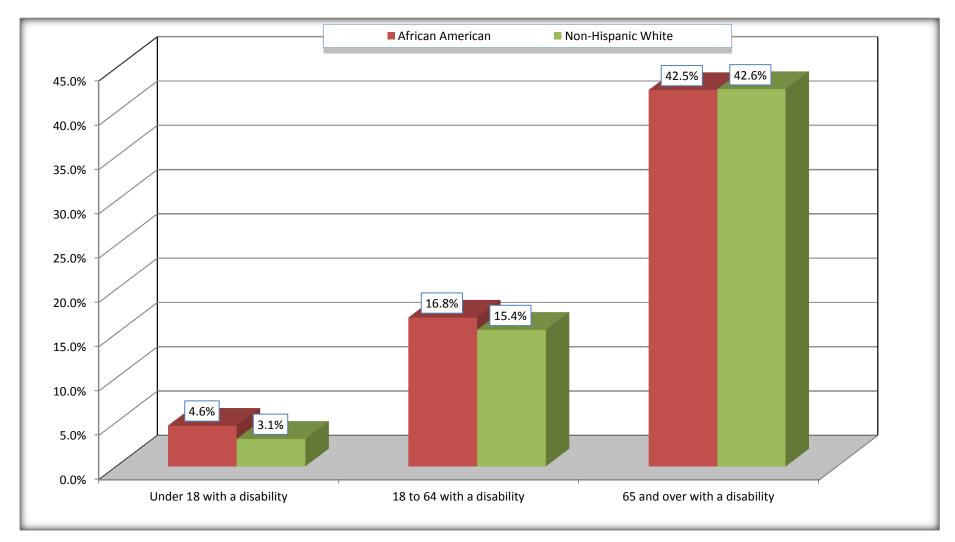
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Veterans in the Civilian Population 18 Years and Over Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



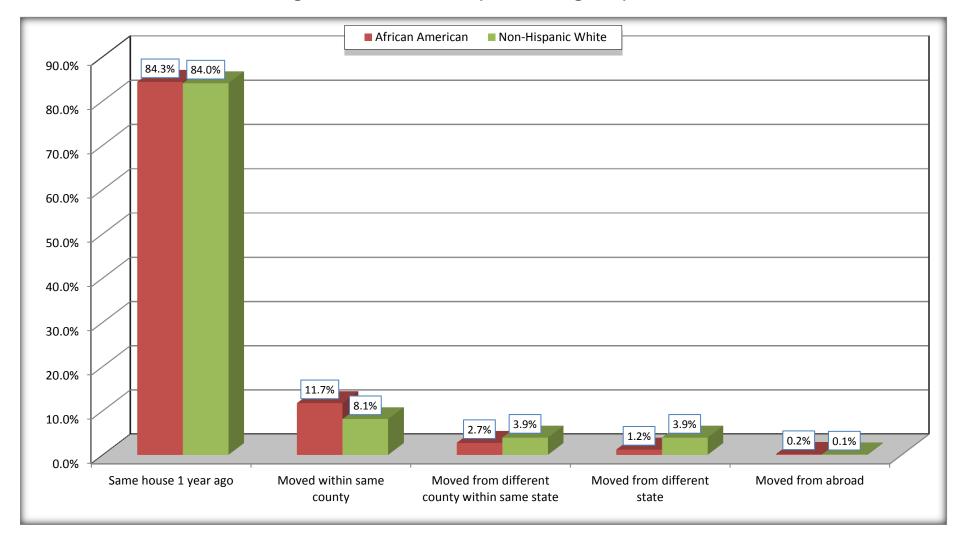
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Disability by Age -- Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



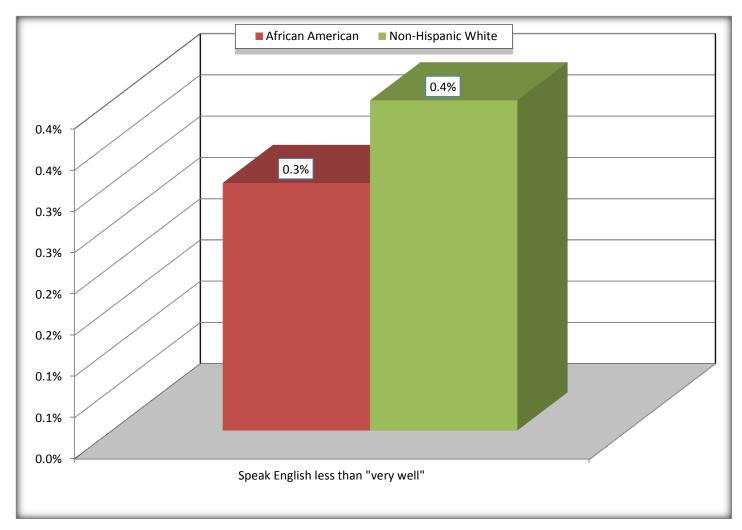
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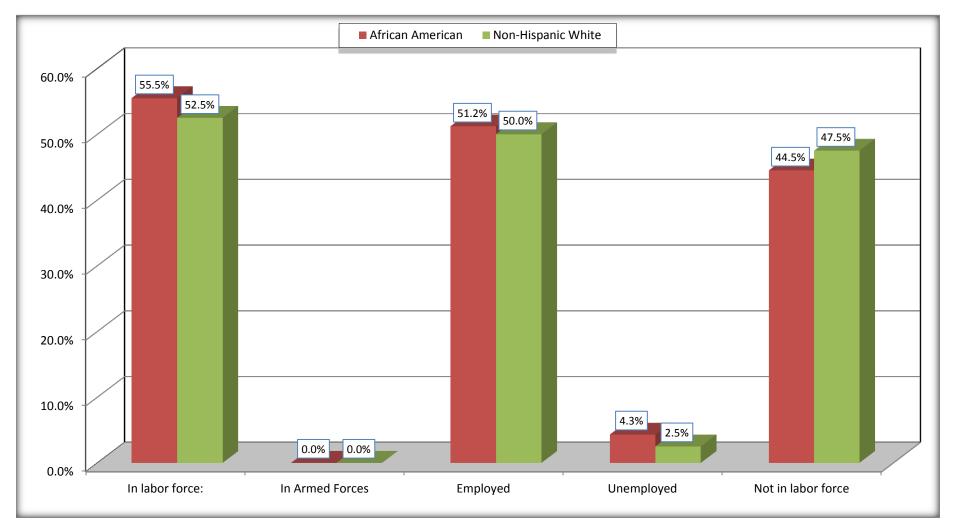
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Speak English Less than "Very Well" (Population 5 Years and Over) Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



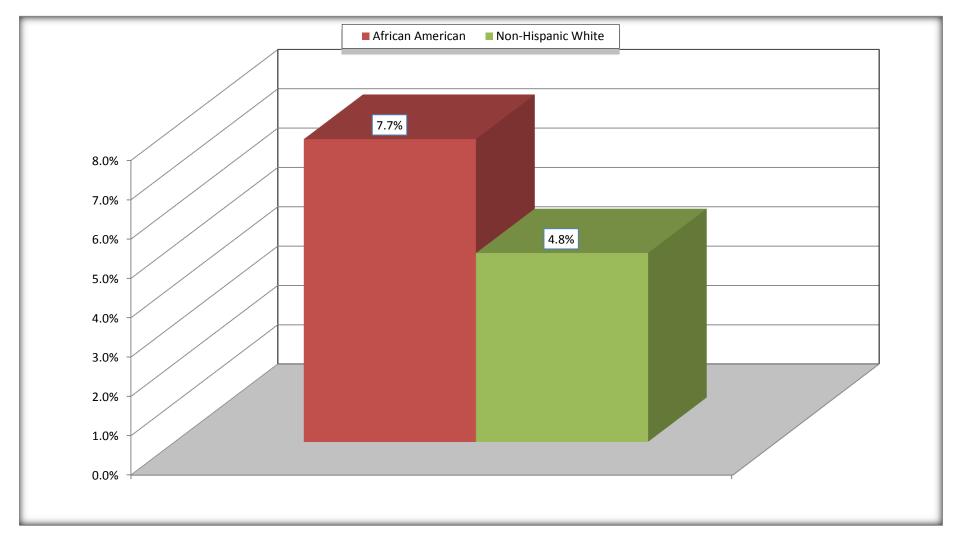
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Employment Status for the Population 16 years and over Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



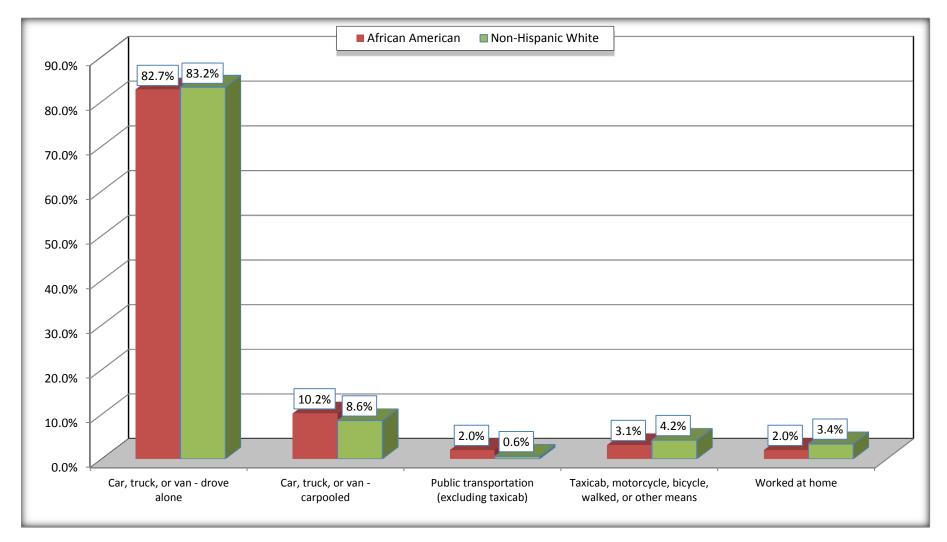
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Unemployment (Civilian Labor Force -- Ages 16 and Over) Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



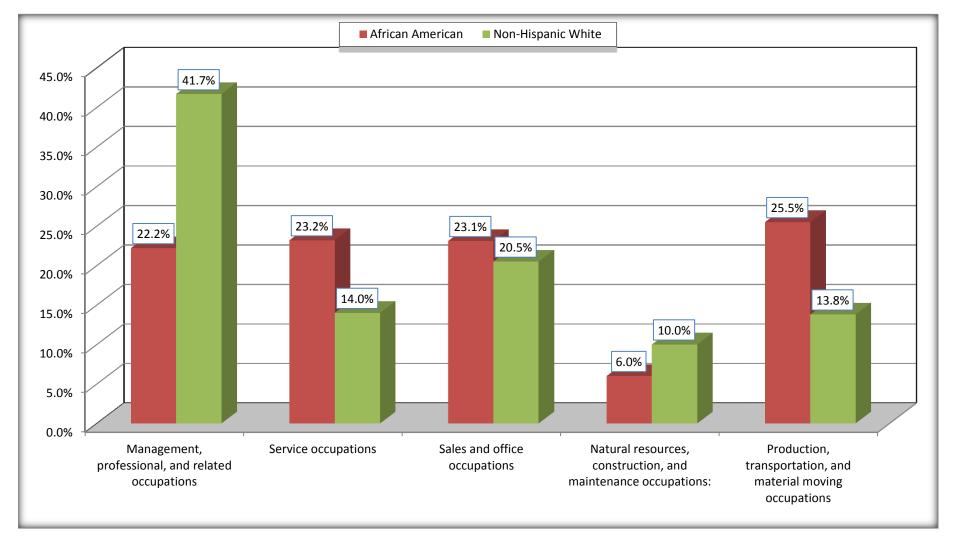
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Means of Transportation to Work (Workers 16 Years and Over) Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



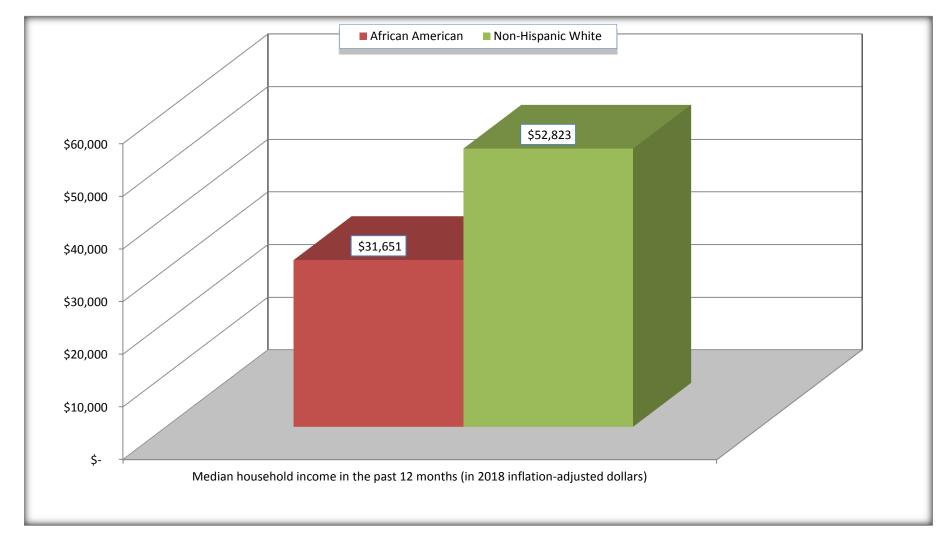
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Occupation for the Civilian Employed 16 Years and Over Population Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



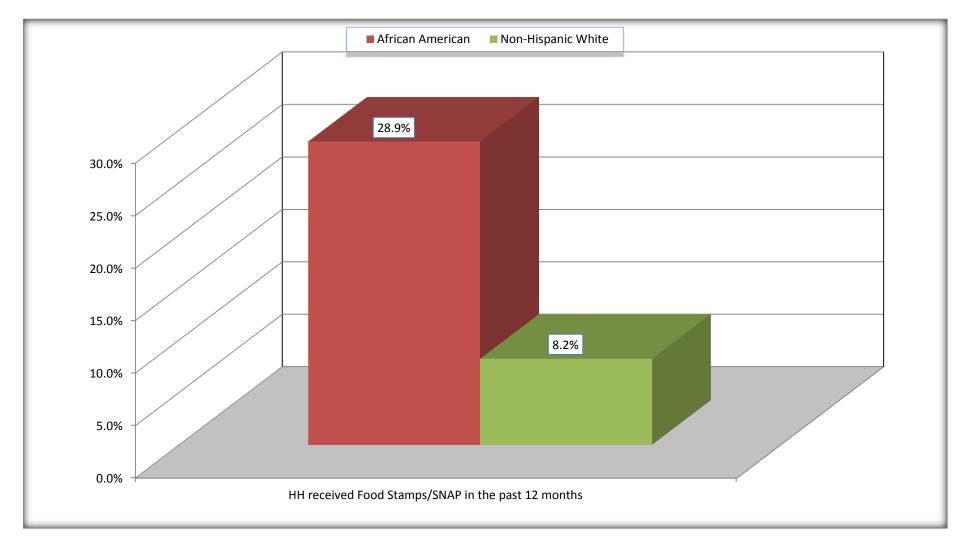
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Median Household Income in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



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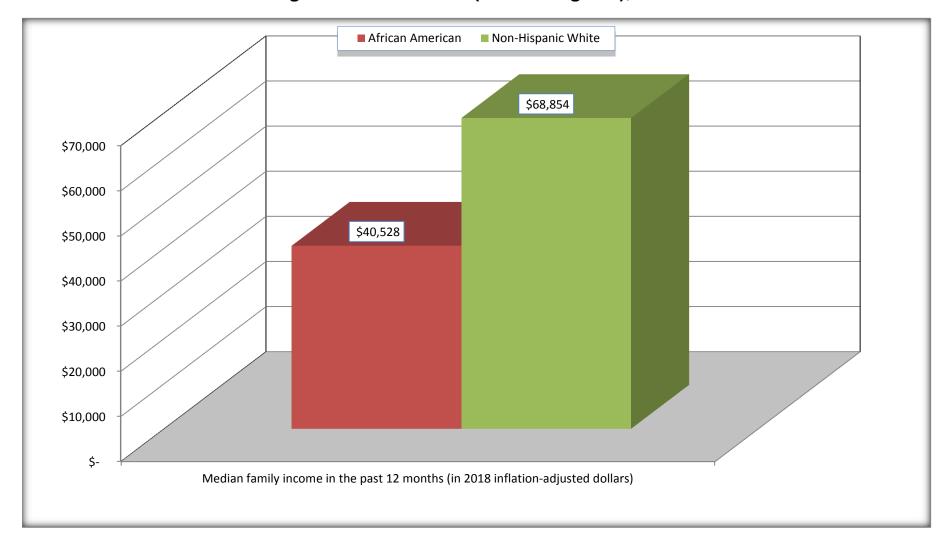
Receipt of Food Stamps/SNAP in the Past 12 Months by Household Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Median Family Income in the Past 12 Months

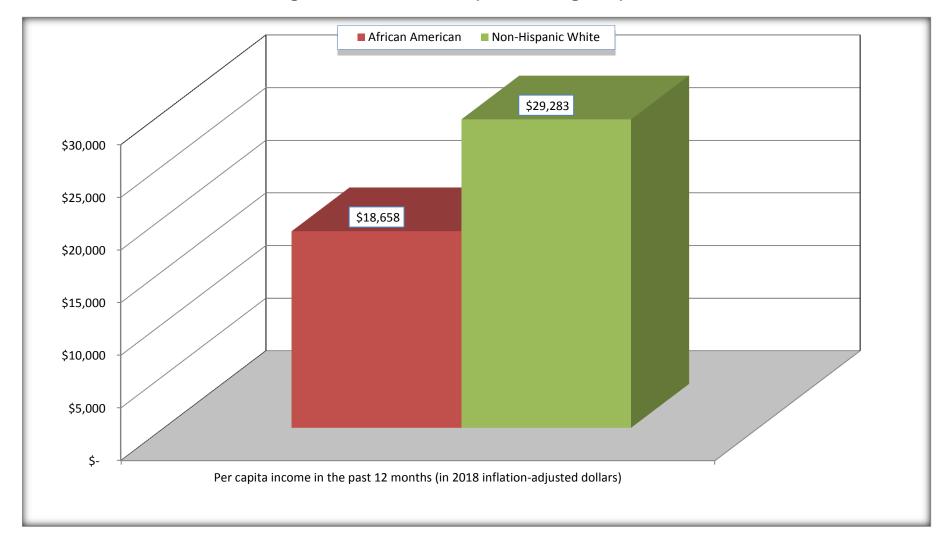
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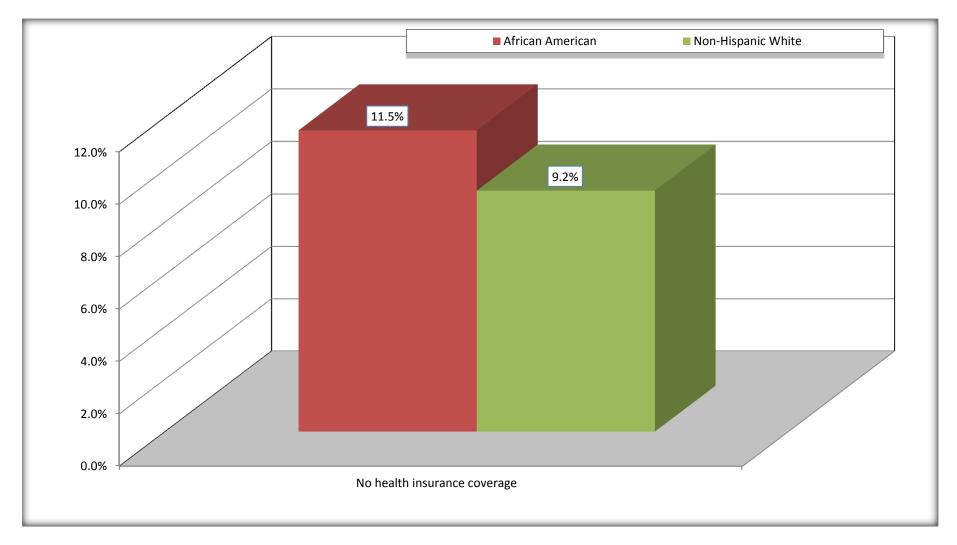
Per capita Income in the Past 12 Months

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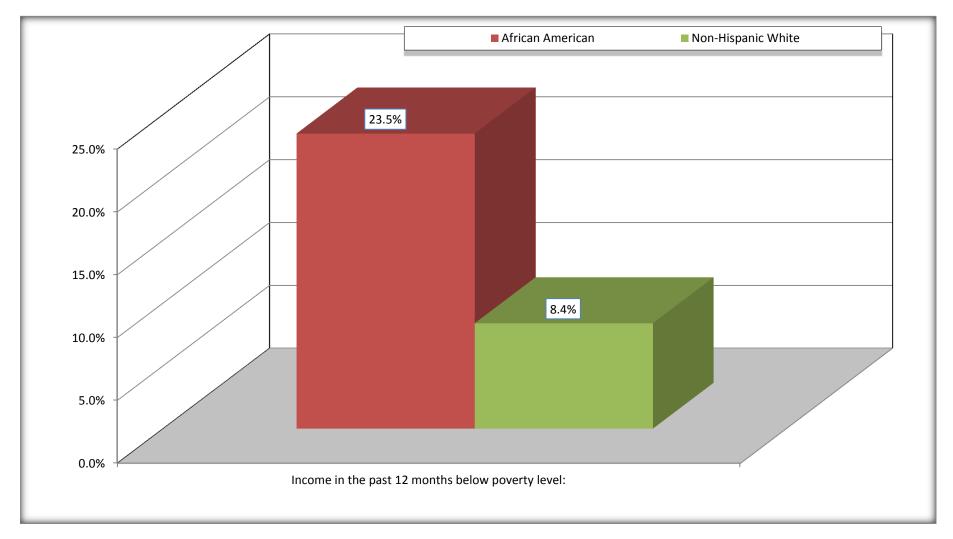
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Lack of Health Insurance Coverage -- Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



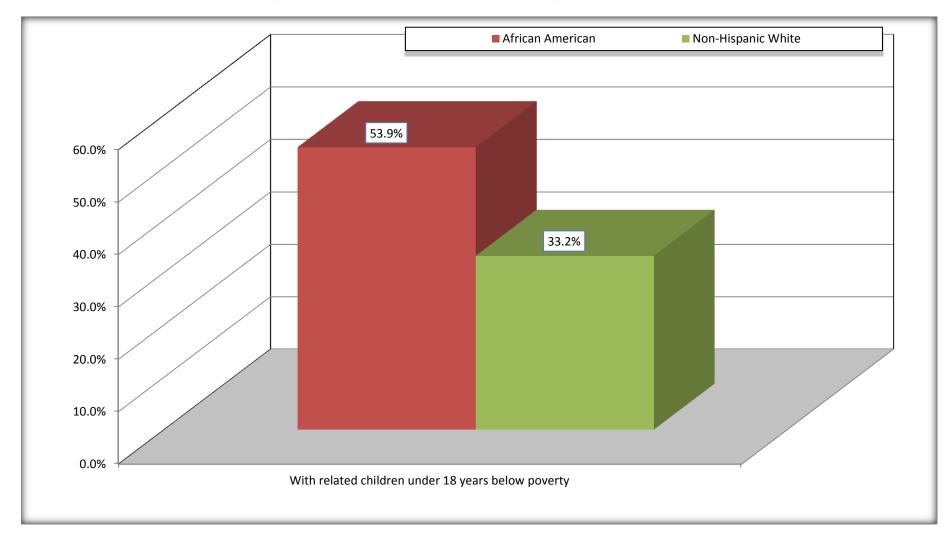
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Family Households Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



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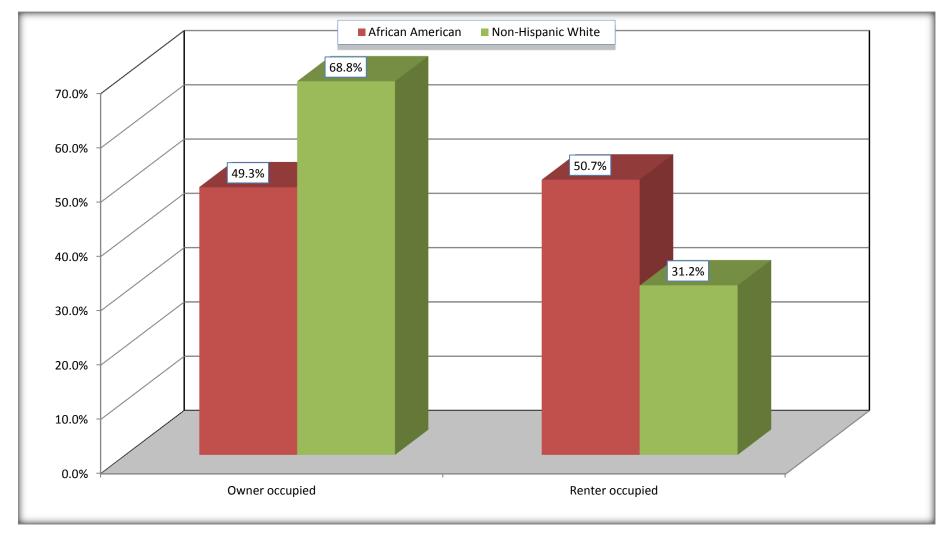
Female-headed Households with Related Children Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



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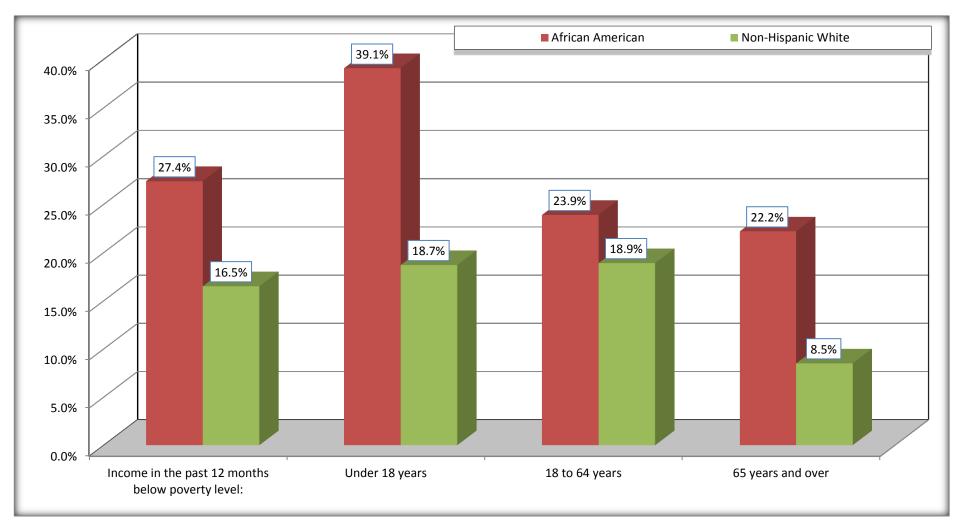
Home Owners and Renters by Household

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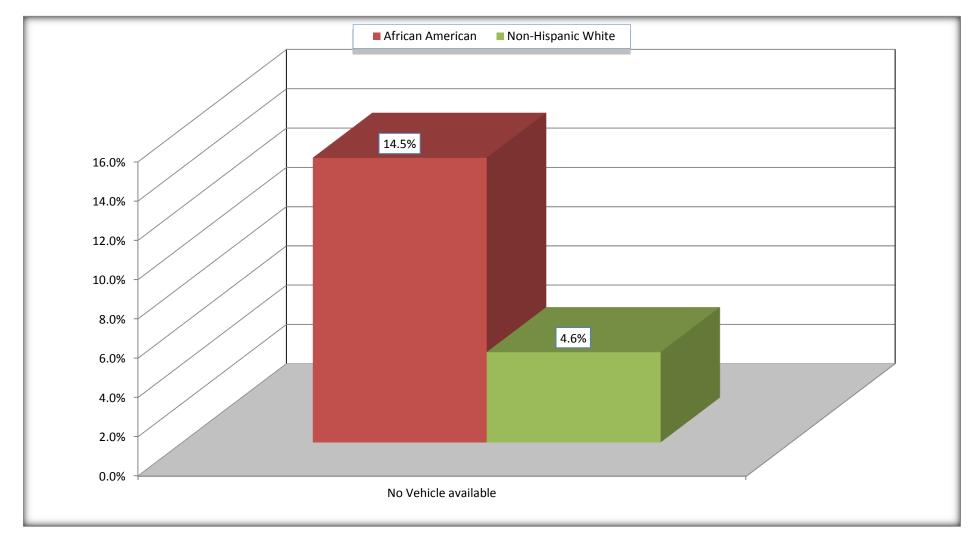
Population Below Poverty in the Past 12 Months Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



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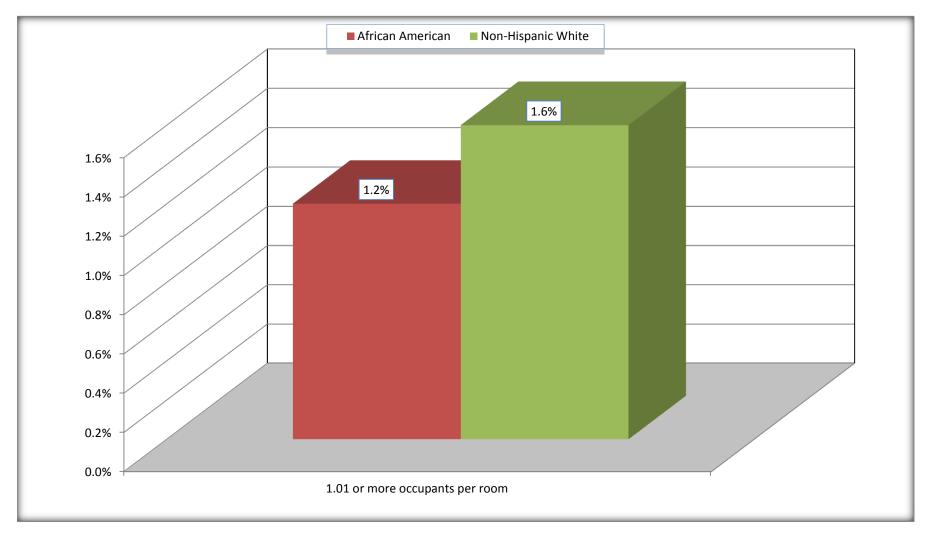
No Vehicles Available by Household

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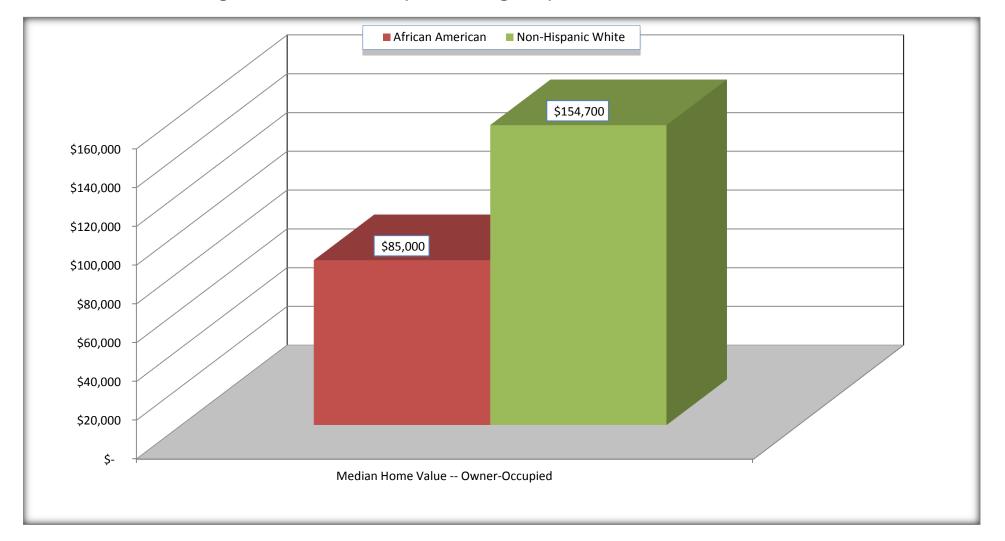
More than One Person per Room (Crowding) by Household Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



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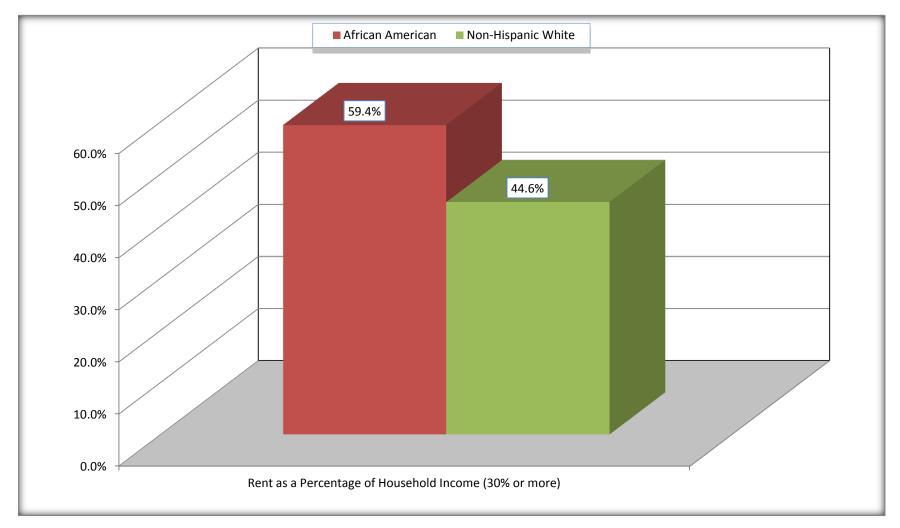
Median Home Value -- Owner-Occupied

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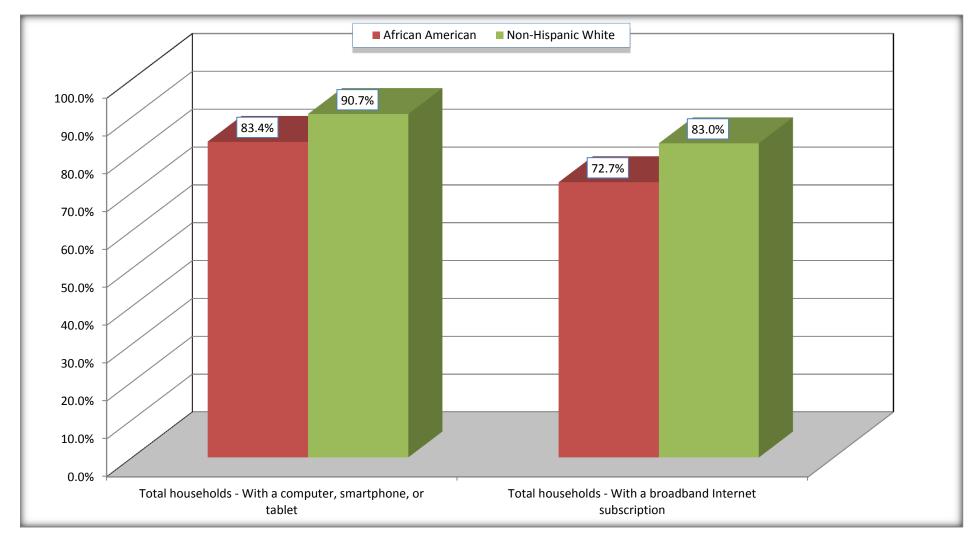
Rent as a Percentage of Household Income (30% or more) -- Renter-Occupied Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



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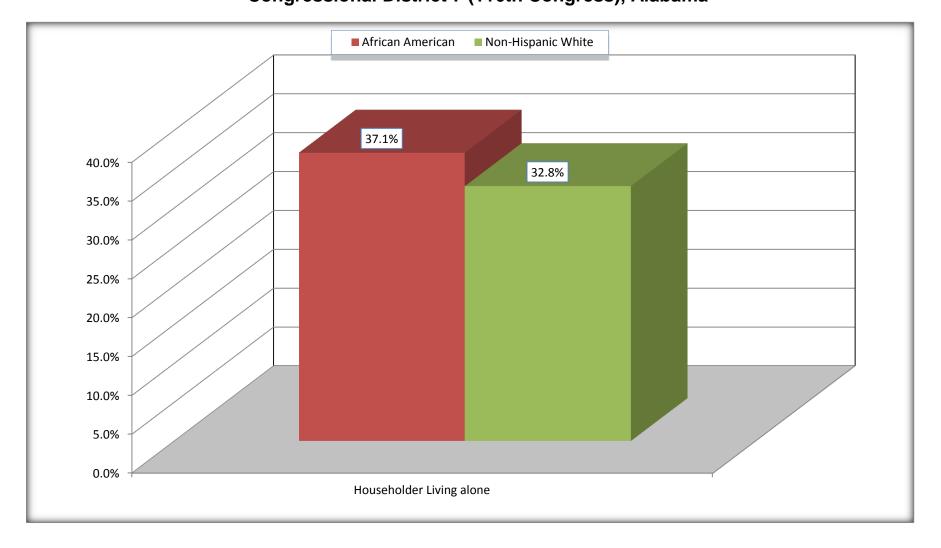
Computers and Internet Use

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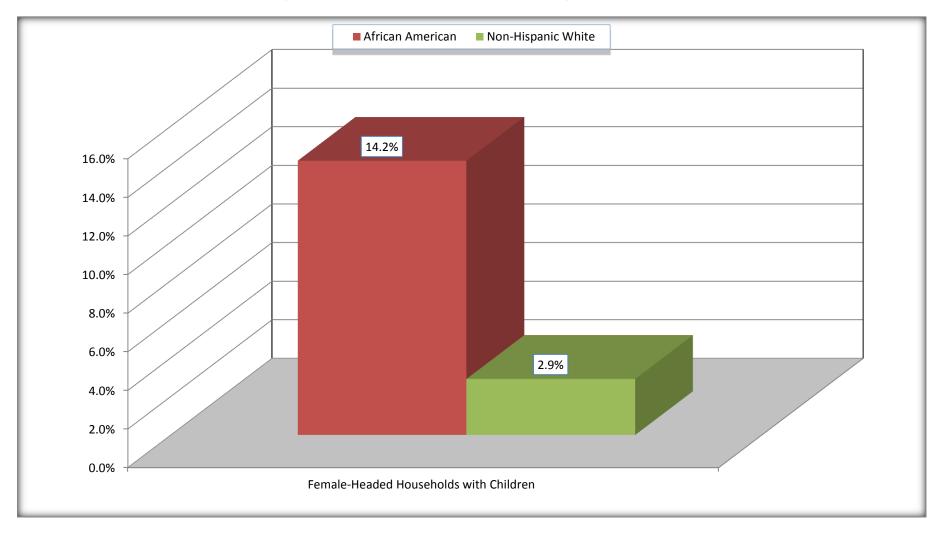
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Households with Householder Living Alone Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



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Female-Headed Households with Children Under 18 (As a Percentage of all Households) Congressional District 7 (116th Congress), Alabama



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		Black or African American alone	White alone,
	All Persons	or in combination	not Hispanic or Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
TOTAL NUMBER OF RACES REPORTED	234		254
Total population	670,015	424,418	209,156
One race	98.8%	98.8%	100.0%
Two races	1.1%	1.1%	(X)
Three races	0.0%	0.1%	(X)
Four or more races	0.1%	0.1%	(X)
SEX AND AGE			, ,
Total population	670,015	424,418	209,156
Male	47.2%	46.5%	47.7%
Female	52.8%	53.5%	52.3%
Under 5 years	6.1%	6.6%	4.2%
5 to 17 years	15.4%	17.7%	10.2%
18 to 24 years	12.7%	11.3%	15.4%
25 to 34 years	13.6%	13.7%	12.8%
35 to 44 years	11.4%	11.3%	11.2%
45 to 54 years	11.2%	11.3%	10.9%
55 to 64 years	12.8%	13.2%	12.9%
65 to 74 years	9.9%	9.3%	11.6%
75 years and over	6.9%	5.5%	10.7%
Median age (years)	36.8	35.5	42.0
18 years and over	78.4%	75.7%	85.6%
21 years and over	71.9%	70.1%	77.3%
62 years and over	20.8%	19.0%	26.4%
65 years and over	16.8%	14.8%	22.3%
Under 18 years	144,443	103,273	30,153
Male	52.2%	52.7%	52.0%
Female	47.8%	47.3%	48.0%
18 years and over	525,572	321,145	179,003
Male	45.8%	44.5%	47.0%
Female	54.2%	55.5%	53.0%
18 to 34 years	175,717	106,302	59,041
Male	48.6%	48.3%	47.2%
Female	51.4%	51.7%	52.8%
35 to 64 years	237,064	151,973	73,255

45.4%

54.6%

43.3%

56.7%

49.0%

51.0%

Male

Female

		Black or African	
		American alone	White alone,
	411.5		not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
65 years and over	Estimate 112,791	Estimate 62,870	Estimate 46,707
Male	42.2%	40.8%	43.7%
Female	57.8%	59.2%	56.3%
RELATIONSHIP	37.1373	33.275	33.373
Population in households	642,157	415,656	192,966
Householder or spouse	53.5%	49.7%	62.5%
Unmarried partner	2.0%	1.9%	2.0%
Child	30.0%	33.0%	23.4%
Other relatives	10.6%	12.7%	6.1%
Other nonrelatives	3.9%	2.6%	6.0%
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE			
Households	259,646	165,465	83,475
Family households	58.2%	57.9%	58.1%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	21.9%	23.8%	16.4%
Married-couple family	32.3%	24.8%	45.4%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	9.7%	7.3%	12.6%
Female householder, no spouse present, family	20.9%	27.6%	9.2%
With own children of the householder under 18 years	10.2%	14.2%	2.9%
Nonfamily households	41.8%	42.1%	41.9%
Male householder	19.9%	19.6%	20.3%
Living alone	16.1%	16.2%	15.7%
Not living alone	3.8%	3.4%	4.7%
Female householder	21.8%	22.5%	21.6%
Living alone	19.3%	20.9%	17.1%
Not living alone	2.6%	1.6%	4.5%
Average household size	2.47	2.52	2.33
Average family size	3.28	3.40	3.00
MARITAL STATUS			
Population 15 years and over	549,144	338,053	184,041
Now married, except separated	33.4%	26.9%	43.7%
Widowed	7.0%	6.7%	8.2%
Divorced	12.7%	13.3%	12.1%
Separated	3.3%	4.3%	1.3%
Never married	43.7%	48.7%	34.7%
Male 15 years and over	253,620	152,931	86,486
Now married, except separated	36.6%	30.0%	47.1%

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	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Widowed	3.1%	3.1%	3.5%
Divorced	11.6%	12.1%	11.2%
Separated	3.0%	3.9%	1.4%
Never married	45.7%	50.9%	36.8%
Female 15 years and over	295,524	185,122	97,555
Now married, except separated	30.7%	24.4%	40.7%
Widowed	10.3%	9.7%	12.4%
Divorced	13.6%	14.3%	12.8%
Separated	3.5%	4.7%	1.3%
Never married	41.9%	47.0%	32.8%
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT			
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	170,797	109,833	50,485
Nursery school, preschool	5.6%	7.0%	3.5%
Kindergarten	4.7%	5.3%	3.1%
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	36.6%	41.8%	24.5%
High school (grades 9-12)	19.4%	22.0%	15.3%
College or graduate school	33.6%	23.9%	53.6%
Male 3 years and over enrolled in school	84,120	55,192	22,772
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	66.3%	74.9%	46.3%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	28.0%	18.6%	48.5%
Female 3 years and over enrolled in school	86,677	54,641	27,713
Percent enrolled in kindergarten to grade 12	55.3%	63.3%	40.0%
Percent enrolled in college or graduate school	39.1%	29.3%	57.9%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT			
Population 25 years and over	440,716	273,116	146,756
Less than high school diploma	13.6%	13.9%	11.4%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	35.7%	38.3%	31.8%
Some college or associate's degree	29.1%	31.1%	26.7%
Bachelor's degree	12.8%	10.6%	17.2%
Graduate or professional degree	8.7%	6.2%	12.9%
High school graduate or higher	86.4%	86.1%	88.6%
Male, high school graduate or higher	85.1%	84.9%	88.2%
Female, high school graduate or higher	87.4%	87.1%	89.0%
Bachelor's degree or higher	21.6%	16.7%	30.1%
Male, bachelor's degree or higher	19.4%	13.4%	29.1%
Female, bachelor's degree or higher	23.4%	19.3%	31.0%

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	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
FERTILITY			
Women 15 to 50 years	165,709	103,887	52,508
Women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	7,452	4,938	1,563
Unmarried women 15 to 50 years who had a birth in the past 12 months	4,684	3,620	N
As a percent of all women with a birth in the past 12 months	62.9%	73.3%	N
RESPONSIBILITY FOR GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS			
Population 30 years and over	389,496	241,762	130,570
Grandparents living with grandchild(ren)	4.5%	5.5%	3.1%
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren as a percentage of living with grandchildren	45.7%	45.3%	49.3%
VETERAN STATUS			
Civilian population 18 years and over	525,438	321,011	179,003
Civilian veteran	6.6%	6.6%	7.0%
DISABILITY STATUS			
Total civilian noninstitutionalized population	661,675	420,978	205,107
With a disability	17.6%	17.6%	19.5%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population under 18 years	144,177	103,081	30,079
With a disability	4.2%	4.6%	3.1%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 18 to 64 years	407,960	256,101	130,396
With a disability	15.7%	16.8%	15.4%
Civilian noninstitutionalized population 65 years and older	109,538	61,796	44,632
With a disability	42.6%	42.5%	42.6%
RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO			
Population 1 year and over	662,041	419,226	207,629
Same house	83.7%	84.3%	84.0%
Different house in the U.S.	16.2%	15.6%	15.9%
Same county	10.6%	11.7%	8.1%
Different county	5.6%	3.8%	7.8%
Same state	3.2%	2.7%	3.9%
Different state	2.4%	1.2%	3.9%
Abroad	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
PLACE OF BIRTH, CITIZENSHIP STATUS AND YEAR OF ENTRY			
Native	650,458	422,827	207,080
Male	46.9%	46.4%	47.7%
Female	53.1%	53.6%	52.3%
Foreign born	19,557	1,591	2,076
Male Dogg 4 of 10	55.1%	50.8%	49.7%

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	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female	44.9%	49.2%	50.3%
Foreign born; naturalized U.S. citizen	6,162	683	651
Male	58.8%	57.4%	51.9%
Female	41.2%	42.6%	48.1%
Foreign born; not a U.S. citizen	13,395	908	1,425
Male	53.4%	45.9%	48.7%
Female	46.6%	54.1%	51.3%
Population born outside the United States	19,557	1,591	2,076
Entered 2010 or later	35.3%	53.4%	40.0%
Entered 2000 to 2009	22.0%	16.2%	15.7%
Entered before 2000	42.7%	30.4%	44.3%
WORLD REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN			
Foreign-born population excluding population born at sea	19,557	1,591	2,076
Europe	6.7%	N	N
Asia	31.1%	N	N
Africa	4.9%	N	N
Oceania	0.5%	N	N
Latin America	54.4%	N	N
Northern America	2.4%	N	N
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME AND ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH			
Population 5 years and over	628,882	396,425	200,328
English only	95.5%	98.8%	98.4%
Language other than English	4.5%	1.2%	1.6%
Speak English less than "very well"	2.2%	0.3%	0.4%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS			
Population 16 years and over	539,666	331,444	181,772
In labor force	54.8%	55.5%	52.5%
Civilian labor force	54.8%	55.5%	52.5%
Employed	51.1%	51.2%	50.0%
Unemployed	3.7%	4.3%	2.5%
Unemployment Rate	6.8%	7.7%	4.8%
Armed Forces	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Not in labor force	45.2%	44.5%	47.5%
Females 16 years and over	291,313	182,704	96,116
In labor force	51.6%	55.2%	45.5%
Civilian labor force	51.6%	55.1%	45.5%

		Black or African American alone or in	White alone, not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Employed	48.1%	51.2%	43.4%
Unemployed	3.5%	3.9%	2.1%
Unemployment Rate	6.8%	7.0%	4.6%
COMMUTING TO WORK			
Workers 16 years and over	270,006	166,411	88,821
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	82.3%	82.7%	83.2%
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	10.2%	10.2%	8.6%
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	1.4%	2.0%	0.6%
Walked	1.7%	1.6%	1.6%
Other means	1.9%	1.5%	2.6%
Worked from home	2.4%	2.0%	3.4%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	24.5	24.5	24.3
OCCUPATION			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	275,529	169,742	90,931
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	28.8%	22.2%	41.7%
Service occupations	20.2%	23.2%	14.0%
Sales and office occupations	21.6%	23.1%	20.5%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	8.1%	6.0%	10.0%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	21.3%	25.5%	13.8%
Male civilian employed population 16 years and over	135,370	76,176	49,173
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	20.6%	13.0%	32.1%
Service occupations	15.6%	16.6%	13.0%
Sales and office occupations	14.6%	14.3%	16.5%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	15.9%	13.1%	17.9%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	33.3%	43.0%	20.5%
Female civilian employed population 16 years and over	140,159	93,566	41,758
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	36.7%	29.7%	53.0%
Service occupations	24.7%	28.5%	15.2%
Sales and office occupations	28.4%	30.2%	25.2%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	0.6%	0.3%	0.7%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	9.7%	11.2%	5.9%
INDUSTRY			
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	275,529	169,742	90,931
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	1.4%	0.5%	3.1%
Construction	4.9%	3.5%	5.4%
Manufacturing	14.1%	15.9%	10.6%
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	All Persons	Black or African American alone or in combination	White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	
Wholesale trade	1.9%	1.7%	2.4%	
Retail trade	11.3%	12.2%	10.5%	
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	5.4%	5.5%	5.4%	
Information	1.2%	1.2%	1.4%	
Finance and insurance, and real estate and rental and leasing	4.5%	3.9%	5.5%	
Professional, scientific, and management, and administrative and waste management		8.8%	8.1%	
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	26.5%	26.3%	28.2%	
Arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services	11.1%	10.7%	11.2%	
Other services (except public administration)	4.7%	4.5%	5.0%	
Public administration	4.6%	5.3%	3.3%	
CLASS OF WORKER				
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	275,529	169,742	90,931	
Private wage and salary workers	78.6%	80.4%	75.2%	
Government workers	16.9%	16.3%	18.5%	
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	4.3%	3.2%	6.2%	
Unpaid family workers	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	
INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS (IN 2019 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)				
Households	259,646	165,465	83,475	
Median household income (dollars)	38,023	31,651	52,823	
With earnings	69.8%	68.8%	70.4%	
Mean earnings (dollars)	55,728	46,087	73,564	
With Social Security income	37.9%	38.6%	39.2%	
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	17,154	15,421	20,675	
With Supplemental Security Income	10.6%	14.0%	5.0%	
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	8,362	8,042	10,124	
With cash public assistance income	2.1%	2.5%	1.5%	
Mean cash public assistance income (dollars)	2,722	3,264	954	
With retirement income	22.9%	20.4%	29.9%	
Mean retirement income (dollars)	21,339	20,994	21,940	
With Food Stamp/SNAP benefits	21.5%	28.9%	8.2%	
Families	151,225	95,798	48,497	
Median family income (dollars)	49,853	40,528	68,854	
Married-couple family	55.5%	42.8%	78.1%	
Median income (dollars)	70,409	66,684	80,065	
Male householder, no spouse present, family	8.5%	9.6%	6.0%	
Median income (dollars)	41,315	33,297	56,889	

			White alone, not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
Female householder, no husband present, family	36.0%	47.6%	15.9%
Median income (dollars)	28,270	26,384	32,300
Individuals	670,015	424,418	209,156
Per capita income (dollars)	21,877	18,658	29,283
With earnings for full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	104,097	58,652	38,427
Female	97,360	67,443	27,081
Mean earnings (dollars) for full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	51,350	41,905	66,528
Female	39,037	36,124	46,758
Median earnings (dollars) full-time, year-round workers:			
Male	41,048	35,382	51,224
Female	31,678	30,271	40,581
HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE			
Civilian noninstitutionalized population	661,675	420,978	205,107
With private health insurance	57.5%	50.6%	72.1%
With public coverage	43.3%	48.7%	33.8%
No health insurance coverage	11.1%	11.5%	9.2%
POVERTY RATES FOR FAMILIES AND PEOPLE FOR WHOM POVERTY STATUS IS DETERMINED			
All families	18.1%	23.5%	8.4%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	29.6%	35.7%	15.0%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	31.5%	44.1%	11.5%
Married-couple family	6.0%	6.5%	4.7%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	9.3%	7.7%	9.6%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	8.6%	N	N
Female householder, no spouse present, family	37.1%	40.0%	23.0%
With related children of the householder under 18 years	51.1%	53.9%	33.2%
With related children of the householder under 5 years only	64.7%	72.8%	N
All people	23.7%	27.4%	16.5%
Under 18 years	33.9%	39.1%	18.7%
Related children of the householder under 18 years	33.6%	38.9%	18.5%
Related children of the householder under 5 years	36.0%	44.4%	12.8%
Related children of the householder 5 to 17 years	32.6%	36.9%	20.8%
18 years and over	20.8%	23.5%	16.1%
18 to 64 years	22.0%	23.9%	18.9%
65 years and over	16.7%	22.2%	8.5%

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		Black or African American alone or in	White alone, not Hispanic or
	All Persons	combination	Latino
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
1.01 or more occupants per room	1.5%	1.2%	1.6%
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME	IN THE PAST 1	2 MONTHS	
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOC cannot be computed)	73,383	42,832	28,298
Less than 30 percent	70.2%	65.7%	77.9%
30 percent or more	29.8%	34.3%	22.1%
OWNER CHARACTERISTICS			
Owner-occupied housing units	143,204	81,558	57,412
Median value (dollars)	107,400	85,000	154,700
Median selected monthly owner costs with a mortgage (dollars)	1,081	1,006	1,175
Median selected monthly owner costs without a mortgage (dollars)	366	358	373
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN THE PAST 12 MONTH	IS		
Occupied units paying rent (excluding units where GRAPI cannot be computed)	101,912	73,718	23,064
Less than 30 percent	45.0%	40.6%	55.4%
30 percent or more	55.0%	59.4%	44.6%
GROSS RENT			
Occupied units paying rent	105,961	76,480	23,914
Median gross rent (dollars)	789	747	881
COMPUTERS AND INTERNET USE			
Total households	259,646	165,465	83,475
With a computer	85.9%	83.4%	90.7%
With a broadband Internet subscription	76.2%	72.7%	83.0%

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

EVAN MILLIGAN, et al.,	
Plaintiffs,	
v.	Case No. 2:21-cv-01530-AMM
JOHN H. MERRILL, et al.,	
Defendant.	

JOINT STIPULATED FACTS FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION PROCEEDINGS¹

Pursuant to this Court's November 23 scheduling order, Doc. 40 at 10, the parties in the above captioned case submit the following joint statement of facts that are stipulated for purposes of preliminary injunction proceedings:

I. Plaintiffs

A. Evan Milligan

- 1. Plaintiff Evan Milligan is Black.
- 2. Plaintiff Evan Milligan resides in Montgomery County, Alabama.

For all cases and court opinions cited herein, no party has agreed to stipulate to the accuracy of any court's prior factual findings, and all parties reserve the right to present evidence disputing such findings.

- 3. Plaintiff Evan Milligan is a U.S. citizen and a lawfully registered voter in Congressional District ("CD") 7.
- 4. Under the Plaintiffs' Demonstrative Plan in ¶ 88 of the Complaint, Plaintiff Milligan would reside in a second, new majority-Black district.

B. Shalela Dowdy

- 5. Plaintiff Shalela Dowdy is Black.
- 6. Plaintiff Shalela Dowdy resides in Mobile County, Alabama.
- 7. Plaintiff Shalela Dowdy is a U.S. citizen and a lawfully registered voter in CD 1.
- 8. Under the Plaintiffs' Demonstrative Plan in ¶ 88 of the Complaint, Plaintiff Milligan would reside in a second, new majority-Black district.

C. Letetia Jackson

- 9. Plaintiff Letetia Jackson is Black.
- 10. Plaintiff Letetia Jackson resides in the City of Dothan, Alabama.
- 11. Plaintiff Letetia Jackson is a U.S. citizen and a lawfully registered voter in CD 2.

D. Khadidah Stone

- 12. Plaintiff Khadidah Stone is Black.
- 13. Plaintiff Khadidah Stone resides in Montgomery County, Alabama.

- 14. Plaintiff Khadidah Stone is a U.S. citizen and a lawfully registered voter in CD 2.
- 15. Under the Plaintiffs' Demonstrative Plan in ¶ 88 of the Complaint, Plaintiff Milligan would reside in a second, new majority-Black district.

E. Greater Birmingham Ministries ("GBM")

- by the mid-twentieth century Civil Rights movement and its transformative impact in Birmingham, Alabama, and across the United States. GBM describes itself as a multi-faith, multi-racial, non-profit membership organization that provides emergency services to people in need and engages people to build a strong, supportive, engaged community and a more just society for all people.
- 17. GBM describes itself as seeking to address urgent human rights and social justice needs in the greater Birmingham area. GBM describes itself as dedicated to advancing social justice through political participation across Alabama. GBM states that it actively opposes state laws, policies, and practices that it believes result in the exclusion of vulnerable groups or individuals from the democratic process.
- 18. GBM states that to accomplish its goals, it regularly communicates with its members and works to register, educate, and increase voter turnout and efficacy,

particularly among Black, Latinx, and low-income people and people with disabilities.

F. The Alabama State Conference of the N.A.A.C.P. ("Alabama NAACP")

- 19. Plaintiff Alabama NAACP is the state conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Inc. The Alabama NAACP is the oldest and considers itself one of the most significant civil rights organizations in Alabama, and it states that it works to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of Black Americans and all other Americans.
- 20. The Alabama NAACP states that two of its central goals are to eliminate racial discrimination in the democratic process, and to enforce federal laws and constitutional provisions securing voting rights. The Alabama NAACP claims that it advances its goals in part by participating in lawsuits, and that it regularly engages in efforts to register and educate voters and encourages Black people to engage in the political process by turning out to vote on Election Day.

II. Defendants

A. John H. Merrill

21. Defendant John H. Merrill is the Alabama Secretary of State and the chief elections official in the State of Alabama. Secretary Merrill is sued in his official capacity.

22. Secretary Merrill provides uniform guidance for election activities in the State and certifies the elections of members to the Alabama Legislature and Congress. Ala. Code §§ 17-1-3, 17-12-21. Secretary Merrill also has responsibility for certifying the names of primary and general election candidates for the State Legislature and Congress, as well as issuing Certificates of Election following tabulation of vote results. Ala. Code §§ 17-13-5(b), 17-9-3(b), Ala. Code § 17-12-21.

B. Sen. Jim McClendon and Rep. Chris Pringle

- 23. Defendants Senator Jim McClendon and Representative Chris Pringle are Co-Chairs of the Alabama Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment ("the Committee"). Ala. Code § 29-2-51. They are sued in their official capacity as co-chairs of the Committee.
- 24. In that capacity, Sen. McClendon and Rep. Pringle led the Committee that was responsible for the preparation and development of redistricting plans for the State following the decennial census and presided over the meetings of the Committee. The Committee was tasked with making a "continuous study of the reapportionment problems in Alabama seeking solutions thereto" and reporting its investigations, findings, and recommendations to the Legislature as necessary for the "preparation and formulation" of redistricting plans for the Senate, House, and congressional districts in the State of Alabama. Ala. Code §§ 29-2-51, 29-2-52.

III. Demographics of Alabama

A. Citizenship and Age by Race/Ethnicity

- 25. Alabama's population shifts between every census.
- 26. Between the 2010 and 2020 census, Alabama's population increased from 4,779,736 to 5,024,279, a 5.1 percent increase.

IV. Alabama's Congressional Districts

- 27. From 1965 through 2013, Alabama was a covered jurisdiction under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, and Alabama's congressional plans therefore had to be precleared by the U.S. Department of Justice or a three-judge federal court in Washington, D.C.
- 28. Since 1973, Alabama has had seven congressional seats. For each of the six congressional plans Alabama has had since the 1970 census, including the plan enacted in 2021, the plan has included all of Mobile, Baldwin, Washington, and Monroe Counties in CD 1. Likewise, in each plan, CD 2 has included all of Conecuh, Butler, Crenshaw, Covington, Pike, Bullock, Barbour, Coffee, Dale, Geneva, Henry, and Houston Counties; and CD 3 has included all of Calhoun, Cleburne, Talladega, Clay, Randolph, Tallapoosa, Chambers, Macon, Lee, and Russell Counties.

A. The History of the Majority-Black Congressional District 7

29. In 1992, Black voters and others challenged the failure of the State Legislature to redistrict congressional seats after the release of the 1990 census under

the Fourteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and the lack of a majority-Black congressional district under Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act.

- 30. On March 9, 1992, upon the stipulation of the parties, the three-judge court ordered the creation of CD 7 as a majority-Black congressional district to resolve the litigation. *See Wesch v. Hunt*, 785 F. Supp. 1491, 1498 (S.D. Ala.), *aff'd sub nom. Camp v. Wesch*, 504 U.S. 902 (1992).
- 31. Concerning the parties to the case, the court noted as follows: "The Intervenor–Plaintiffs, Michael Figures and others, are African–American citizens of the United States and the State of Alabama. They have been allowed to intervene in this litigation both on their own behalf and on behalf of all African–American citizens of the State of Alabama." *Id.* at 1494.
- 32. Under the 1992 Plan established by the *Wesch* court, Black people were 67.69% of the total residents of CD 7 and 63.58% of CD 7's voting age population ("VAP"). 785 F. Supp. at 1496.
- 33. The *Wesch* court did not conduct a Section 2 analysis. *Id.* at 1498-99. Rather, the court cited the parties' stipulation that it was possible to draw a majority-Black VAP district, *id.*, and, thereafter, adopted a legislative proposal for CD 7. *Id.* at 1495.

- 34. Prior to the *Wesch* court establishing the 1992 Plan, however, the State Legislature did enact Act No. 92-65 (1992), a congressional redistricting plan with one majority-Black district.
- 35. The *Wesch* court adopted its own plan and created a majority-Black CD 7 due to a concern that Act No. 92-65 would not obtain the required preclearance under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act in time for the then-upcoming election deadlines. 785 F. Supp. at 1500.
- 36. One of the plans submitted to the court had two majority-black districts. The court found: "The Hilliard Plan includes two majority African–American districts, with an African–American population of 59.33% and 61.98% respectively. Although this plan was submitted by the intervenors, they took the position that the Hilliard Plan probably provided obstacles of sufficient nature to cast doubt on their opportunity to elect candidates of their choice in these districts." *Id.* at 1496.
- 37. Only two of the plans submitted by the parties achieved population equality, the "Pierce Plan" and the "Reed Plan," each of which had a district that was more than 65% black population. *Id.* at 1495-96. According to the *Wesch* court, the Pierce Plan was a "modification of a plan called the 'Larry Dixon Plan' which was considered by the Reapportionment Committee. The Pierce Plan modified the Larry Dixon Plan to some extent, but the basic format is similar." *Id.* at 1495.

- 38. The court found that the Pierce Plan that was ultimately adopted was superior to the Reed Plan because "District 1 under the Reed Plan includes Mobile County to the south and Tuscaloosa County to the north. District 2 under the Pierce Plan is largely composed of counties in the southeast corner of the state, while the Reed Plan's District 2 stretches from Mobile County, in the extreme southwest corner of the State, to Lee County, in east central Alabama. The Pierce Plan is superior to the Reed Plan in terms of compactness." *Id.* at 1496.
- 39. The Court also found that the Reed Plan split more counties and precincts than the Pierce Plan and that the Pierce Plan did a better job of preserving the core of districts and communities of interest. *Id.* at 1496-97.
- 40. On March 27, 1992, the U.S. Attorney General objected to Act No. 92-65 under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act. The Attorney General found that Act No. 92-65 was the product of intentional racial discrimination because it drew only one majority-Black district and "fragmented" the rest of the Black population in the state to dilute the Black vote. In the objection letter, the U.S. Attorney General noted a "concern" of the Black community that "an underlying principle of the Congressional redistricting was a predisposition on the part of the state political leadership to limit black voting potential to a single district."
- 41. During this time, the Department of Justice was applying a "max-black" policy.

- 42. Because the state did not obtain preclearance for Act No. 92-65 nor enact another plan, the *Wesch* court's 1992 Plan remained in effect for the remainder of the 1990s.
- 43. In each redistricting cycle from at least the 1990 census through the 2020 census, some Black legislators and voters have lobbied for plans that include two Black-majority districts.
- 44. After the establishment of CD 7 as a majority-Black district in the 1992 Plan, Earl Hillard became the first Black Alabamian to be elected to Congress in the Twentieth Century.
- 45. After the 2000 redistricting cycle, the State Legislature enacted the 2002 Plan wherein Black people constituted 62.389% of the total population and 58.327% of the voting age population under the 2000 census.
- 46. The 2002 Plan received preclearance under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act.
- 47. In the general congressional elections of 2002, 2004, 2006, and 2008, Artur Davis, a Black Democrat, was elected in CD 7 after winning a majority of Black voters.
- 48. In each of the general congressional elections of 2002, 2004, 2006, and 2008, Representative Davis won election with no less than 74.9% of the vote.

- 49. In the November 2010 general congressional election, Terri Sewell, a Black Democrat, was elected in CD 7 after winning a majority of Black voters.
- 50. In the November 2010 general congressional election, Representative Sewell won election in CD 7 with 72% of the vote, beating her white opponent by 45 points.
- 51. In 2010, CD 7 under the 2002 Plan had a Black voting-age population ("BVAP") of 60.11%.
- 52. After the release of the 2010 census, the State Legislature enacted the 2011 Plan. The 2011 Plan increased the BVAP of CD 7 to 60.91% any-part Black and 60.55% single-race Black, according to 2010 Census data.
- 53. In September 2011, the Alabama Attorney General's office sent a letter and related materials to the U.S. Department of Justice, which submitted the 2011 Plan for preclearance review under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act (hereinafter, the "submission letter").
- 54. The submission letter stated that the 2011 Plan "preserves the voting strength of the African-American community" and that the "percentage of total black and black voting age population in the new [2011] plan increased from the benchmark [2002 Plan] figures. That increase plainly cannot be regarded as retrogressive."

- 55. The submission letter likened the CD 7 in the 2011 Plan to the CD 7 in the "1992 Wesch court plan and the [2002] plan" because "the new [2011] plan has one African-American majority district, District 7, which is located in the west central part of the state."
- 56. The submission letter did not include a racial polarization analysis or otherwise attempt to demonstrate that maintaining the effectiveness of CD 7 required increasing the total Black or BVAP population in that district.
- 57. The 2021 Plan enacted in HB 1 contains one majority-Black district with a BVAP of 55.3% any-part Black and 54.22% single-race Black under the 2020 census and assigns 30.86% of all single-race Black Alabamians to CD 7.
- 58. CD 7 remains the only majority-BVAP congressional district in Alabama.
- 59. In the 2021 Plan, the State Legislature sought to maintain the cores of each congressional district as they were drawn in the 2011 Plan.
- 60. The Black Belt is named for the region's fertile black soil. The region has a substantial Black population because of the many enslaved people brought there to work in the antebellum period. All the counties in the Black Belt are majority- or near majority-BVAP.
- 61. The Black Belt includes the core counties of Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Crenshaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo,

Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Russell, Sumter, and Wilcox. Clarke, Conecuh, Escambia, Monroe, and Washington counties are sometimes included within the definition of the Black Belt.

62. In recent litigation, Secretary Merrill stated that CD 7 "appears to be racially gerrymandered, with a finger sticking up from the black belt for the sole purpose of grabbing the black population of Jefferson County. Defendant does not believe that the law would permit Alabama to draw that district today if the finger into Jefferson County was for the predominate purpose of drawing African American voters into the district." Secretary of State Merrill's Pretrial Brief, *Chestnut v. Merrill*, No. 2:18-CV-00907 (N.D. Ala. Oct. 28, 2019), ECF No. 101 at 11.

B. Congressional Districts 1, 2, and 3

63. In 2010, CDs 1, 2, and 3 under the 2001 Plan contained a combined AP Black population of 629,911, which was 92.3% of the ideal total population for a single congressional district, calculated by dividing the total population by the number of congressional districts. In 2010, CDs 1, 2, and 3 under the 2001 Plan contained a combined SR Black population of 615,896, which was 90.1% of the ideal total population for a single congressional district. This count includes Black voters in Mobile and Black voters in Anniston.

- 64. According to 2010 Census data, CDs 1, 2, and 3 under the 2011 Plan contained a combined any-part Black population of 575,923, which is 84.3% of the total population of an ideal congressional district. Those districts contained a combined single-race Black population of 561,978, which is 82.3% of the total population of an ideal congressional district. This count includes Black voters in Mobile and Black voters in Anniston.
- 65. The 2001 Plan split Montgomery County among two districts: CDs 2 and 3. The 2011 Plan split Montgomery County between three congressional districts: CDs 2, 3, and 7. Under the 2021 Plan, Montgomery County is split between two districts: CDs 2 and 7.

C. State Board of Education ("SBOE") Plan

- 66. The Alabama SBOE is a nine-member body that sets education policy for Alabama's K-12 schools. The Governor serves as the president of the SBOE, and the remaining eight members are elected to the Board from single-member districts.
- 67. In 2021, Alabama adopted an eight-district SBOE Plan (the "2021 SBOE Plan") with two majority-Black districts, Districts 4 and 5.
- 68. According to 2020 Census data, District 4 is 51% BVAP, and District 5 is 51% BVAP.

69. In each election since 2011, a Black Democrat won a majority of Black voters and the election in Districts 4 and 5 of the SBOE. District 5 of the SBOE Plan connects the City of Mobile to the Black Belt Counties.

V. The Process Leading to the Enactment of H.B. 1

A. Joint Legislative Committee's Stated Redistricting Criteria

- 70. On May 5, 2021, the Permanent Legislative Committee on Reapportionment (the "Committee")—the Committee responsible for preparing and developing redistricting plans for the State following each decennial census—enacted guidelines for the 2021 redistricting cycle.
- 71. The guidelines state that they are based on the requirements of the U.S. Constitution, Alabama Constitution, and policies that "are embedded in the political values, traditions, customs, and usages of the State of Alabama."
- 72. The criteria for redistricting set by the Committee begin with requirements under the U.S. Constitution and federal law, including compliance with the one-person, one-vote requirement. The Committee instructed that Congressional districting maps "shall have minimal population deviation" and comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, meaning that districts have "neither the purpose nor the effect of diluting minority voting strength."
- 73. The Committee stated that districts cannot be drawn "in a manner that subordinates race-neutral districting criteria to considerations of race, color, or

membership in a language minority group, except that race, color, or membership in a language-minority group may predominate over race-neutral districting criteria to comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, provided there is a strong basis in evidence in support of such a race-based choice."

- 74. Each district must also be "contiguous and reasonably compact," under the criteria.
- 75. The criteria next require compliance with the Alabama Constitution, including that:
 - a. Districts are "drawn to reflect the democratic will of all the people concerning how their governments should be restructured";
 - b. Districts are drawn based on total population except that votingage population may be considered to comply with Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and other laws;
 - c. The number of Senate districts is set at 35 and House districts at 105;
 - d. All districts must be single-member districts; and
 - e. All districts must be contiguous with each other.
- 76. The criteria require compliance with redistricting policies that are "embedded in the political values, traditions, customs, and usages of the State of

Alabama... to the extent that they do not violate or subordinate the foregoing policies prescribed by the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Alabama," including:

- a. Avoiding contests between incumbents where possible;
- b. Permitting contiguity by water but not point-to-point or long-lasso contiguity;
- c. Respect for "communities of interest, neighborhoods, and political subdivisions to the extent practicable," with a community of interest "defined as an area with recognized similarities of interests, including but not limited to ethnic, racial, economic, tribal, social, geographic, or historical identities."
- d. Minimization of the number of counties in each district; and
- e. Preservation of the cores of existing districts.
- 77. The Committee's Redistricting Guidelines stated that "In establishing legislative districts, the Reapportionment Committee shall give due consideration to all the criteria herein. However, priority is to be given to the compelling State interests requiring equality of population among districts and compliance with the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, should the requirements of those criteria conflict with any other criteria."

B. The 2021 Legislative Process for Redistricting

- 78. On August 12, 2021, the U.S. Census Bureau released the results of the 2020 Census.
 - 79. Alabama's population grew by 5.1% between 2010 and 2020.
- 80. Using population estimates from the Census Bureau, the Committee, under the leadership of Sen. McClendon and Rep. Pringle, began to develop redistricting plans for congressional districts in May of 2021. *See* Ala. Code § 29-2-50(2). Once census data was released in August, that work continued.
- 81. The Committee consists of members of both the State House and Senate, with the Speaker of the House appointing one House member from each of the seven congressional districts and four additional House members and the Lieutenant Governor appointing one Senator from each of the seven congressional districts and four additional Senators. *See* Ala. Code § 29-2-51(c).
- 82. The 2021 Reapportionment Committee includes 21 members—15 white Republican members and six Black Democratic members.
- 83. All Committee meetings must be open to the public. The Committee Guidelines provide that "All interested persons are encouraged to appear before the Reapportionment Committee and to give their comments and input regarding legislative redistricting. Reasonable opportunity will be given to such persons, consistent with the criteria herein established, to present plans or amendments

redistricting plans to the Reapportionment Committee, if desired, unless such plans or amendments fail to meet the minimal criteria herein established."

- 84. Between September 1 and 16, before the Committee released draft maps or proposals, the Legislative Reapportionment Office held 28 public hearings across the state.
- 85. Every hearing, except one that was held at 6:00 pm at the Statehouse in Montgomery, was held between the hours of 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.
- 86. On October 19, 2021, Plaintiffs the Alabama NAACP and Greater Birmingham Ministries and others sent a letter to the Alabama Permanent Committee on Reapportionment.
- 87. The letter sought to remind the Committee of obligations under Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act and highlighted what the Plaintiffs believed to be the Committee's obligation to conduct a racial-polarization analysis to ensure that the redistricting complied with the Voting Rights Act and that the race was used only in a narrowly tailored manner to comply with a compelling state interest.
- 88. Governor Kay Ivey called the Special Legislative Session on redistricting in Alabama to begin on October 28, 2021.
- 89. On October 26, 2021, the Committee held its second public meeting of this redistricting cycle. The first public meeting was held in May 2021, when the Committee adopted redistricting guidelines.

- 90. A member of the Committee, Rep. Chris England, a Black legislator, published the proposed maps on Twitter on October 25, 2021.
- 91. The Committee released the maps to the public on the day of the Committee meeting.
- 92. Many Committee members did not see the full proposed maps beyond their own districts and those surrounding their own district until the day before their meeting.
- 93. Beyond the Committee, the Committee Co-Chairs and their staff met with each incumbent legislator or their staff either in person or online unless the legislator declined to meet.
- 94. Individual legislators only viewed and provided feedback on draft maps of their districts and adjoining districts, not maps of the entire state.
- 95. Mr. Dorman Walker has been the Committee's lawyer for the 2011 and 2021 redistricting cycles.
- 96. Sen. McClendon explained that Mr. Walker told him that racial-polarization analysis was only done by Dr. M.V. "Trey" Hood III for state legislative districts where "it looked like there might possibly be a racial issue."
 - 97. No racial-polarization analysis was conducted for CD 7.
- 98. No racial-polarization analysis for any districts was provided to Committee members before or during the meeting.

- 99. Committee members only received demographic and population data for each district.
- 100. Neither Mr. Walker nor Dr. Hood, who conducted racial-polarization analysis for the state legislative districts, attended the Committee meeting.
- 101. Rep. Laura Hall, a Black legislator, moved to postpone any vote on the proposed maps until the Committee members and the public had more time to review the maps and accompanying racial-polarization analysis.
- 102. All the Black Democratic committee members voted in favor of Rep. Hall's motion, which failed because nearly all white Republican committee members voted against it.
 - 103. Each of the maps passed out of Committee.
- 104. All the Black Democratic members of the Committee voted against each of the maps.
- 105. The Special Legislative Session for redistricting began two days later, on October 28, 2021.
- 106. On October 29, 2021, the Alabama House State Government Committee met to discuss the Reapportionment Committee's proposed districting plan for Alabama's U.S. House delegation.
- 107. The Committee gave the congressional map a favorable report. All the Black Democratic members of the Committee voted against the maps.

- 108. On. November 1, the full House considered the congressional map.
- 109. The House passed the congressional map by a vote of 65-38.
- 110. On November 2, 2021, the Senate General Fund and Appropriations Committee considered the State House and congressional maps.
- 111. The Committee gave both maps a favorable report. All the Black members of the Committee, each of whom is a Democrat, voted against the maps.
- 112. The next day, November 3, 2021, the full Senate considered the congressional map.
- 113. Sen. Kirk Hatcher, a Black legislator, offered the demonstrative map prepared by Plaintiffs Greater Birmingham Ministries and the Alabama NAACP as a substitute map. He stated that this map sought to ensure "that all Black Alabamians have an opportunity to elect their preferred congressional representatives."
- 114. Sen. Hatcher's substitute map failed an up-or-down vote. All Black Senators voted in favor of it.
 - 115. The Senate tabled several other substitute maps.
 - 116. The Senate passed the congressional map by a vote of 22-7.
 - 117. All Black senators, each of whom is a Democrat, voted against the map.

VI. Other Stipulated Facts

- 118. Numerous federal courts in Alabama have found that the state's elections were racially polarized at the time and locations at issue in their respective cases. *See, e.g., Ala. State Conf. of NAACP v. Alabama*, No. 2:16-CV-731-WKW, 2020 WL 583803, at *17 (M.D. Ala. Feb. 5, 2020) (accepting the undisputed statistical evidence proving the existence of racially polarized voting statewide); *Jones v. Jefferson Cty. Bd. of Educ.*, No. 2:19-cv-01821-MHH, 2019 WL 7500528, at *2 (N.D. Ala. Dec. 16, 2019) (finding that voting is racially polarized in Jefferson County elections); *United States v. McGregor*, 824 F. Supp. 2d 1339, 1345-46 & n.3 (M.D. Ala. 2011) (finding that voting is racially polarized across Alabama).
- 119. In 2008, Bobby Bright, a white Democrat, was elected to the U.S. House from CD 2.
- 120. From 1973 until 2008, white Democrats were elected to the U.S. House from CD 5.
- 121. In the November 2008 election, Democrats won three of Alabama's seven Congressional districts. White Democrats won in Districts 2 and 5. In the same election, John McCain, a white Republican candidate for President, won a majority of the votes statewide and won the most votes in six of the seven Congressional districts, including Districts 2 and 5. Barack Obama, a Black Democrat, received a majority of votes only in District 7.

- 122. In 2013 and 2014, Burton LeFlore, a Black Democrat, ran for election to the U.S. House from CD 1, but both times LeFlore was defeated by Bradley Byrne, a white Republican, by wide margins.
- 123. In 2017, Doug Jones, a white Democrat, was elected to the U.S. Senate in Alabama.
- 124. In 2018, Black candidates for Lieutenant Governor, State Auditor, and the Public Service Commission lost statewide general elections to white candidates.
- 125. In the Twentieth century, Black Alabamians have never elected a Black person to Congress outside of the majority-Black CD 7, and only since 1992.
- 126. In congressional races in the current majority-white CDs 1, 2, and 3, Black candidates have never won election to Congress.
- 127. For example, in 2020 in District 1, white Republican candidate Rep. Bradley Byrne defeated Black Democratic candidate James Averhart by approximately 29 percentage points in a district that was approximately 25.7% BVAP. The same was true in 2018, with Rep. Byrne defeating Black and Black-preferred candidate Robert Kennedy Jr. by over 26 percentage points.
- 128. In 2020 in District 2, which is 30.6% BVAP, white Republican candidate Rep. Barry Moore defeated Black Democratic candidate Phyllis Harvey-Hall by over 30 percentage points. In 2018 in District two, white Republican

candidate Rep. Martha Roby defeated Democratic candidate Tabitha Isner by 23 percentage points.

- 129. In 2020 in District 3, which is 25.8% BVAP, white Republican candidate Rep. Mike Rogers defeated Black Democratic candidate Adia Winfrey by 35 percentage points. Similarly, in 2018, Rep. Rogers defeated Democratic candidate Mallory Hagan by over 27 percentage points.
- 130. Prior to 1960, the Legislature failed to reapportion for 50 years. As a result, Alabama's entire legislative apportionment scheme was struck down for violating the principle of one person, one vote. *Reynolds v. Sims*, 377 U.S. 533, 568 (1964). On remand, a three-judge court found that, in devising remedial maps to correct the malapportionment, the "Legislature intentionally aggregated predominantly Negro counties with predominantly white counties for the sole purpose of preventing the election of Negroes to [State] House membership." *Sims v. Baggett*, 247 F. Supp. 96, 108-109 (M.D. Ala. 1965).
- 131. Following *Reynolds* and the 1970 Census, the Legislature again failed to redistrict and a three-judge federal court was forced to draw new district lines. *Sims v. Amos*, 336 F. Supp. 924, 940 (M.D. Ala. 1972). The court rejected the Alabama Secretary of State's proposed map because of its racially "discriminatory effect" on Black voters. *Id.* at 936.

- 132. In the 1980s, the United States Attorney General denied preclearance under the Voting Rights Act to maps drawn by the Legislature to redistrict State House and Senate maps because of their discriminatory effect on Black voters in Jefferson County and the Black Belt. U.S. Dep't of Justice Ltr. to Ala. Attorney General Graddick, May 6, 1982, https://www.justice.gov/sites/default/files/crt/legacy/2014/05/30/AL-1520.pdf. Shortly thereafter, a three-judge court rejected Alabama's proposed interim remedial state maps in part because Alabama's maps "had the effect of reducing the number of 'safe' black districts" in and near Jefferson County. *Burton v. Hobbie*, 543 F. Supp. 235, 238 (M.D. Ala. 1982).
- 133. After the 1990 census, the State entered a consent decree to resolve a Voting Rights Act lawsuit filed on behalf of Black voters. *See Brooks v. Hobbie*, 631 So.2d 883, 884 (Ala. 1993).
- 134. Most recently, after the 2010 census, Black voters and legislators successfully challenged 12 state legislative districts as unconstitutional racial gerrymanders. *See Ala. Legis. Black Caucus v. Alabama*, 231 F. Supp. 3d 1026, 1348-49 (M.D. Ala. 2017).
- 135. Today, Alabama has a majority-vote requirement in all primary elections.

- After the passage of the Reconstruction Acts and Amendments, Alabama was forced to allow Black men access to the franchise, and the 1867 Alabama Constitution granted every male person over the age of 21—who satisfied the citizenship and residency requirements—the right to vote. This meant that for the first time in Alabama's history, Black people voted and held public office.
- 137. In response, white leaders reformed the Democratic party with the intent of "redeeming" the State and re-establishing white supremacy. This was accomplished by using violence to deter Black people from political participation and, once the Redeemers returned to political office, to pass racially discriminatory laws to cement their control.
- 138. In 1874, Democratic candidates were elected to public office in large numbers. On election day, in Eufaula, Alabama, members of a white paramilitary group known as the White League, killed several unarmed Black Republican voters and turned away thousands of voters from the polls.
- 139. The following year, in 1875, the Alabama legislature adopted a new state constitution and passed a series of local laws and ordinances designed to strip Black Americans of the civil rights they enjoyed briefly during Reconstruction.

- 140. At the 1901 Constitutional Convention, 155 white male delegates gathered in Montgomery with the express intention "to establish white supremacy in the State."
- 141. The Convention ratified changes to the constitution that required literacy tests as a prerequisite to register to vote and mandated payment of an annual \$1.50 poll tax, which was intended to and had the effect of disenfranchising Black voters. *United States v. Alabama*, 252 F. Supp. 95, 99 (M.D. Ala. 1966).
- 142. After the United States Supreme Court invalidated white-only primaries in 1944, Alabama passed the "Boswell Amendment" to its Constitution in 1946, adding an "understanding requirement" meant to give registrars broad discretion to deny African Americans the ability to register to vote.
- 143. After a federal court invalidated the Boswell Amendment in 1949, Alabama replaced its understanding requirement with a literacy test, again with the purpose of preventing African Americans from registering to vote.
- 144. After the Supreme Court outlawed the white primary in 1944, many Alabama counties shifted to at-large elections, the intent of which was to prevent African Americans from electing their candidates of choice.
- 145. In 1951, Alabama enacted a law prohibiting single-shot voting in municipal elections, the intent of which was to prevent African Americans from electing their candidates of choice.

- 146. In 1957, Alabama transformed the boundaries of the city of Tuskegee into a twenty-eight-sided figure designed to fence out African Americans from the city limits and ensure that only white residents could elect city officials. *Gomillion* v. *Lightfoot*, 364 U.S. 339 (1960).
- 147. In 1964 and 1965, Dallas County Sheriff Jim Clark, Alabama state troopers, and vigilantes violently assaulted peaceful Black protesters attempting to gain access to the franchise.
- 148. On March 7, 1965, in what became known as Bloody Sunday, state troopers viciously attacked and brutally beat unarmed peaceful civil rights activists crossing the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, where less than 5 percent of Black voters were registered to vote. Bloody Sunday helped pave the way for the passage of the Voting Rights Act in 1965 and Alabama was declared a "covered" state under Section 4(b) of the Act.
- 149. Between 1965 and 2013, at least 100 voting changes proposed by Alabama state, county or city officials were either blocked or altered pursuant to Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act. No objection was raised after 2008. The objections include at least 16 objections between 1969 and 2008 in cases where a proposed state or local redistricting plan had the purpose or would have the effect of diminishing the ability of Black voters to elect their candidates of choice. The last sustained objection to an Alabama state law occurred in 1994.

- 150. In 1986, a court found that the state laws requiring numbered posts for nearly every at-large voting system in Alabama had been intentionally enacted to dilute Black voting strength, and that numbered posts had the effect of diluting Black voting strength in at-large elections. *Dillard v. Crenshaw Cty.*, 640 F. Supp. 1347, 1357 (1986). The court also found that from the late 1800s to the 1980s, Alabama had purposefully manipulated the method of electing local governments as needed to prevent Black citizens from electing their preferred candidates. *Id*.
- 151. Ultimately, a defendant class of 17 county commissions, 28 county school boards, and 144 municipalities were found to be employing at-large election systems designed and motivated by racial discrimination. These cases resulted in settlement agreements with about 180 Alabama jurisdictions that were required to adopt new election systems including single-member districts, limited voting, and cumulative voting systems, in an attempt to purge the state's election systems of intentional discrimination.
- 152. Between 1965 and 2021, subdivisions in Alabama continued to use atlarge elections with numbered posts.
- 153. Federal courts recently ruled against or altered local at-large voting systems with numbered post created by the State Legislature to address their alleged racially discriminatory purpose or effect. *See, e.g., Jones*, 2019 WL 7500528, at *4;

Ala. State Conf. of the NAACP v. City of Pleasant Grove, No. 2:18-cv-02056, 2019 WL 5172371, at *1 (N.D. Ala. Oct. 11, 2019).

- 154. Black voters have challenged other Alabama voting laws under the Voting Rights Act and the Constitution in federal court. See, e.g., People First of Alabama v. Merrill, 491 F. Supp. 3d 1076, 1106-1107 (N.D. Ala. 2020); Harris v. Siegelman, 695 F. Supp. 517, 530 (M.D. Ala. 1988). For example, the Supreme Court struck down Alabama's discriminatory misdemeanant disfranchisement law, Hunter v. Underwood, 471 U.S. 222 (1985), and a state law permitting certain discriminatory annexations, Pleasant Grove v. United States, 479 U.S. 462, 466-67 (1987).
- 155. In 2020, the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama held as follows in a case where plaintiffs argued that Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act requires Alabama to elect state appellate judges by districts:

Alabama today is a vastly different place than it was even a half-century ago. Overt discriminatory election devices have long been eliminated. Voter registration and turnout rates among African-Americans and whites have reached parity. . . . In 2017, Doug Jones became the first Democrat to win a U.S. Senate seat in Alabama in a quarter century, in an election in which African-American votes were decisive. Plaintiffs simply have not shown that, in present-day Alabama, there are any barriers keeping African Americans from participating in the political process as voters. The level of black participation in the electoral process is not depressed.

- 156. Alabama State Conf. of Nat'l Ass'n for Advancement of Colored People v. Alabama, No. 2:16-CV-731-WKW, 2020 WL 583803, at *41 (M.D. Ala. Feb. 5, 2020) (citations omitted).
- ordered more than one political subdivision in Alabama to be re-subjected to preclearance review under Section 3(c) of the Voting Rights Act. *See Jones*, 2019 WL 7500528, at *4-5; *Allen v. City of Evergreen*, No. 13-0107, 2014 WL 12607819, at *2 (S.D. Ala. Jan. 13, 2014).
 - 158. Individuals with lower household incomes are less likely to vote.
- 159. Alabama's policy of denying Black people equal access to education persisted after the Supreme Court's decision in *Brown v. Board of Education*. In 1956, after a federal court ordered the segregated University of Alabama to admit a Black woman named Autherine Lucy, white people gathered on campus, burned a cross, and marched through town chanting, "Hey, hey, ho, ho, Autherine has got to go!"
- 160. In 2018, in a case challenging the attempt by the City of Gardendale, which is 85% white, to form a school district separate from Jefferson County's more racially diverse district, the Eleventh Circuit affirmed a finding that "race was a motivating factor" in the city's effort. *Stout v. Jefferson Cnty. Bd. of Ed.*, 882 F.3d 988, 1007-1009 (11th Cir. 2018).

- 161. Alabama's constitution still contains language that mandates separate schools for Black and white students after a majority of voters rejected repeal attempts in 2004 and 2012, although the provision has not been enforceable for decades.
- 162. Alabama was the first state ever to be subjected to a statewide injunction prohibiting the state from failing to disestablish its racially dual school system. *Lee v. Macon Cty. Bd. of Ed.*, 267 F. Supp. 458 (M.D. Ala.), *aff'd* 389 U.S. 215 (1967). The order resulted from the court's finding that the State Board of Education, through Governor George Wallace, had previously wielded its powers to maintain segregation across the state. *Id.*
- 163. A trial court found that for decades, state officials ignored their duties under the statewide desegregation order. *See Lee v. Lee Cnty. Bd. of Educ.*, 963 F. Supp. 1122, 1128-30 (M.D. Ala. 1997). A court also found that the state did not satisfy its obligations to remedy the vestiges of segregation under this order until as late as 2007. *Lee v. Lee County Bd. of Educ.*, 476 F. Supp. 2d 1356 (M.D. Ala. 2007).
- 164. In 1991, a trial court in *Knight v. Alabama*, 787 F. Supp. 1030 (N.D. Ala. 1991), found that Alabama had failed to eliminate the lingering and continued effects of segregation and discrimination in the University of Alabama and Auburn University, and at the state's public Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

- 165. In 1995, the trial court issued a remedial decree analogous to the statewide injunction issued in *Lee v. Macon*, and the court oversaw implementation of that order for over a decade. *Knight v. State of Ala.*, 900 F. Supp. 272 (N.D. Ala. 1995). Alabama did not satisfy its obligations under that order until 2006. *Knight v. Alabama*, 469 F. Supp. 2d 1016 (N.D. Ala. 2006).
- 166. Alabama has never had more than one African-American congressional representative, and no African American has been elected to the U.S. House of Representatives outside of CD 7.
- 167. There are currently no African-American statewide officials in Alabama.
- 168. Only two African Americans have been elected to statewide office in Alabama, and both ran as incumbents after first being appointed. No Black person has won statewide office in Alabama since 1996.
- 169. The overwhelming majority of African-American representatives in the Alabama Legislature come from majority-minority districts.
- 170. None of the current statewide elected officials are Black. Only two Black people have ever been elected to statewide office. In both instances, the office was associate justice of the Alabama Supreme Court. In 1982 and 1988, the late Justice Oscar W. Adams, Jr. was elected to two consecutive terms; and, in 1994, Justice Ralph D. Cook won an unopposed statewide election. In 2000, both Justice

Cook and the then-recently appointed Justice John England, both Black Democrats, lost elections to white Republican candidates.

- 171. Kenneth Paschal is a Black Republican who currently represents District 73 in the Alabama House of Representatives. District 73 includes Shelby County. There are currently no Black Republicans in the state Senate or in any statewide elective positions.
- 172. In 2014, following the Supreme Court's decision in *Shelby County v. Holder*, Alabama's photo identification law went into effect.
- 173. The United States Bureau of the Census releases data to the states after each census for use in redistricting. This data includes population and demographic information for each census block.
- 174. Following the 2020 Census, the Census Bureau was statutorily required to release this redistricting data no later than April 1, 2021. 13 U.S.C. § 141. However, in February 2021, the Census Bureau issued a press release stating that it would not release the redistricting data until September 30, 2021. On March 10, 2021, the State of Alabama sued the Census Bureau to require it to comply with the statutory deadline. *See Alabama v. United States Dep't of Com.*, No. 3:21-CV-211-RAH-ECM-KCN, (M.D. Ala.) (three-judge court). On March 15, 2021, the Census Bureau issued a further press release stating it could provide

redistricting data in a legacy format by mid-to-late August 2021. The Census Bureau provided initial redistricting data to Alabama on August 12, 2021.

- 175. On May 5, 2021, the Reapportionment Committee of the Alabama Legislature passed the Redistricting Guidelines to be used by the Committee during the redistricting process. Those Guidelines passed on a 16-1 vote, with both Republicans and Democrats as well as Black and White legislators supporting the Guidelines.
- 176. The Reapportionment Committee held 28 public hearings at locations around the state between September 1 and September 16. The public could attend these hearings in person or via videoconference.
- 177. On October 25, 2021, Alabama Governor Kay Ivey officially called for the Legislature to convene in a special session to address redistricting.
- 178. On October 26, 2021, the Reapportionment Committee met and considered a draft congressional plan.
- 179. On October 28, 2021, the special session began and the Congressional Plan (then H.B. 1) was assigned to the House Committee on State Government. On October 29, the Congressional Plan (in addition to three other redistricting plans) was voted out of committee. All Black Representatives on the Committee voted against the map.

- 180. On November 1, the House of Representatives considered the Congressional Plan. The same day, the House passed the Congressional Plan 65-38; in addition to every Democratic Representative, several Republicans voted against the plan. One Black Representative, Rep. Keith Paschal who is the sole Black Republican legislator, voted in favor of the Congressional Plan.
- 181. On November 2, the Senate General Fund and Appropriations

 Committee considered the Congressional Plan. The Plan was voted out of

 Committee that same day. All Black Senators on the Committee voted against the map.
- 182. On November 3, the full Senate approved the Congressional Plan 22-7 and forwarded the Plan to Alabama Governor Kay Ivey. All six Black Senators present and Billy Beasley, the sole White Democratic Senator, voted against the map. On November 4, Governor Ivey signed the Congressional Plan into law.
- 183. Alabama's primary elections—including elections for U.S. Congress—are scheduled for May 24, 2022. Candidates seeking their party's nomination must file a declaration of candidacy with the state party chairman by January 28, 2022. *See* Ala. Code § 17-13-5(a).
- 184. On Tuesday, July 23, a special election was held to fill a vacancy in District 73 of the Alabama House of Representatives. The winner was Kenneth Paschal, the Republican candidate, who received 2,743 votes. Representative

Paschal is African American. His white Democratic opponent received 920 votes. District 73 is located in Shelby County, Alabama. Based on 2010 census data, the voting-age population of District 73 was 84.12% white and 9.75% black. Representative Paschal defeated a white Republican candidate in the primary election by 64 votes. Representative Paschal received 1,476 votes, while his white opponent received 1,412 votes.

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I hereby certify that I have electronically filed a copy of the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which provides electronic notice of filing to all counsel of record.

This the 7th day of December 2021.

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Supplemental Report

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1 Background and assignment

I am a Professor of Mathematics and a Senior Fellow in the Jonathan M. Tisch College of Civic Life at Tufts University. I have previously submitted an expert report in the current case and have been asked by counsel to provide a supplement presenting the findings from a racial analysis of the voter registration database. In addition I am submitting updated block assignment files correcting the minor anomalies (a small number of mis-assigned census blocks) flagged by Mr. Bryan. None of these corrections has any material effect on any of the findings in my original report. The block assignment files are Appendices A, B, C, and D to this affidavit, and I understand that they will be provided to the court in native format.

2 Voter registration data

As noted in my report of December 20, 2021, a voter registration file can be a useful supporting tool for confirming that districts are indeed majority-Black in the manner most relevant to voting opportunity. The U.S. Census allows for multiple ways for an individual to identify as Black in combination with various other races and any ethnicity, but the Alabama voter registration process asks individuals to choose a single racial identity. We can then see, for each district, how many registered voters self-identified unambiguously as being Black.

I was provided with a voter registration file by counsel and asked to examine it and to determine the share of Black-identified individuals among the registered voters in each plan.

I first geocoded the addresses using the Mapbox API, then used the lat-long coordinates to identify a census block for each individual address in the voter file. (When an address is on the border between two census blocks, I choose one at random to make the assignment.) This allows me to tabulate the total registered population and active registered population in any larger geographical area defined by blocks, such as the districts in the respective plans. Within those totals, I can tabulate the subpopulation that is Black.

The total voting age population of Alabama in the 2020 Decennial Census is 3,917,166. The geolocated addresses in the Alabama voter registration file show a total registered population of 3,610,261, and an active registered population of 3,161,725. $\cline{1}$

¹There are 3,614,742 rows in the original file, of which 3494 have no address listing or a Nonstandard Physical Address. Among the remaining entries, there were 987 addresses that the Mapbox API was unable to geolocate. This is far too few to change the finding that CD2 and CD7 are majority-Black in each of the alternative plans. Active status is defined by the "Registrant Status" field in the voter file, which has each row coded A (active) or I (inactive).

Below, I first report the Black voting age population of each district in each plan using what I understand to be the preferred definition—individuals who checked the box indicating that they are Black or African-American on their census form. Alongside that, I record the share of people who self-identified as Black when registering to vote, in the full database (BRP0P%) and then among active registered voters (BARP0P%). This confirms that the alternative plans have two majority-Black districts by this functional definition as well as by Census demographics.

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CD	BVAP%	BRPOP%	BARPOP%
1	0.2561	0.2575	0.2566
2	0.3012	0.3023	0.2971
3	0.2499	0.2500	0.2431
4	0.0770	0.0776	0.0744
5	0.1806	0.1848	0.1714
6	0.1893	0.1869	0.1834
7	0.5526	0.5943	0.5983

CD	BVAP%	BRPOP%	BARPOP%	CD	BVAP%	BRPOP%	BARPOP%
1	0.1450	0.1397	0.1384	1	0.1573	0.1523	0.1502
2	0.5137	0.5334	0.5297	2	0.5106	0.5311	0.5275
3	0.2396	0.2442	0.2395	3	0.2228	0.2246	0.2198
4	0.0830	0.0828	0.0801	4	0.1086	0.1082	0.1048
5	0.1602	0.1662	0.1529	5	0.1566	0.1642	0.1504
6	0.1544	0.1432	0.1374	6	0.1532	0.1467	0.1409
7	0.5150	0.5515	0.5539	7	0.5024	0.5367	0.5404

Plan C Plan D

CD	BVAP%	BRPOP%	BARPOP%	_	CD	BVAP%	BRPOP%	BARPOP%
1	0.1573	0.1523	0.1502	-	1	0.1536	0.1487	0.1466
2	0.5006	0.5217	0.5188		2	0.5005	0.5193	0.5157
3	0.1964	0.1951	0.1922	•	3	0.2396	0.2442	0.2395
4	0.1103	0.1100	0.1067		4	0.0858	0.0845	0.0816
5	0.1566	0.1642	0.1504		5	0.1602	0.1662	0.1529
6	0.1551	0.1487	0.1433		6	0.1537	0.1426	0.1367
7	0.5350	0.5690	0.5730		7	0.5173	0.5530	0.5553

Table 1: The enacted plan only has one majority-Black district, whether considering voting age population, registered voters, or active registered voters. All four alternative plans have two majority-Black districts by any of these ways of counting.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 27th day of December, 2021.

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE ALABAMA LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

This Memorandum of Agreement between the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) sets forth the terms of the mutual resolution of DOT's investigation into ALEA's driver license services pursuant to DOT's regulations at 49 C.F.R. Part 21, implementing (DOT's Title VI Regulation) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq. (Title VI).

I. Background and Purpose

On September 30, 2015, ALEA announced that it would eliminate services at 31 driver license field offices in 30 counties throughout the State of Alabama. The following month, ALEA announced that it would reopen the closed field offices one to two days per month. ALEA is a recipient of DOT financial assistance. As a recipient, ALEA has certified that it will administer its programs in conformity with federal civil rights statutes, including Title VI and DOT's implementing regulation.

DOT's regulation provides that recipients of federal financial assistance cannot implement practices or procedures that have a discriminatory effect on the basis of race, color or national origin. Accordingly, ALEA must evaluate whether the means of providing licensing services comply with DOT's Title VI regulation.

On December 9, 2015, DOT informed ALEA that it had determined that these service reductions could potentially come into conflict with ALEA's responsibilities to ensure non-discrimination as a recipient of Federal financial assistance under Title VI. On that date, DOT further notified ALEA that it was opening a formal Title VI investigation into whether the reduction of driver license services discriminated against African Americans and/or other populations on the basis of race, color, or national origin.

Over the course of the investigation, ALEA provided some of the requested data and information regarding the operation of its driver licensing program, and DOT made site visits to affected communities to interview persons impacted by the program. Based on its investigation, DOT has concluded that African Americans residing in the Black Belt region of Alabama are disproportionately underserved by ALEA's driver licensing services, causing a disparate and adverse impact on the basis of race.

The parties disagree as to whether DOT's findings reveal deficiencies, but agree that they wish to avoid the diversion of resources necessary for a formal investigation and that they wish to establish a working relationship for delivering effective, equitable, and compliant driver license services for everyone in Alabama. This Agreement is designed to achieve these ends.

This Agreement is limited to the resolution of the above-described investigation, and does not resolve any other matter between the parties or that may involve the parties. It does not remedy any other potential violations of Title VI or other federal law, nor does it take any position as to whether, or suggest that, any potential violation exists. This Agreement does not relieve ALEA of its

continuing obligation to comply with all aspects of Title VI.

This Agreement does not supersede, or in any manner change the rights, obligations, and responsibilities of the parties under any court orders or settlements of other controversies involving other civil rights matters or statutes.

DOT and ALEA hereby enter into this Memorandum of Agreement (Agreement) to implement or execute specific measures to resolve DOT's investigation pursuant to Title VI. ALEA will undertake these actions to ensure that Alabama residents are not, directly or through other means, underserved by ALEA's driver licensing programs on the basis of race, color, or national origin.

II. Driver License Services in Alabama

Alabama has approximately 4.8 million residents. ALEA issues approximately 1.2 million driver licenses and non-driver IDs each year. The standard Class D license that residents use to drive cars is valid for four years, and has a 60-day grace period after expiration. ALEA also issues vessel licenses, motorcycle licenses, and commercial driver licenses, and can authorize a resident to drive multiple kinds of vehicles through a single license. Non-driver IDs can be issued to someone of any age, and some non-driver IDs, but not all, are valid for the holder's lifetime.

Alabama is divided into 67 counties, with populations varying from cities like Birmingham, in Jefferson County, to small towns in rural Alabama. Relevant here is Alabama's Black Belt, a region known historically by that term and consisting of adjacent counties stretching horizontally across south central Alabama. For the purposes of DOT's investigation, the following counties comprise the Black Belt: Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Conecuh, Clarke, Crenshaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Monroe, Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Russell, Sumter, and Wilcox. The State capitol is in Montgomery County, in the city of Montgomery, which is one of the largest cities in the State. The other counties listed have much smaller populations and are more rural.

ALEA operates a total of 74 driver licensing offices, comprised of ten district offices, two district sub-offices, 61 field offices, and their headquarters in Montgomery. The district offices and the district sub-offices are located in dedicated buildings and are open four to five days per week, while the field offices are mobile facilities that operate on a variety of different schedules out of spaces donated by local governments. ALEA has broken up the state into ten districts, each served by a district office, with ALEA field offices scattered throughout the counties that encompass a district. Field offices are not permanent spaces, but are often located in makeshift spaces provided free of cost by the county to which an ALEA Driver License (DL) Examiner travels from the nearest district on the assigned day(s) with a mobile electronic system used to administer written exams and issue licenses.

In Alabama, different types of offices conduct certain types of services. While local county offices and county probate courts can process renewals and create duplicates of driver licenses and STAR*ID non-driver identification cards, only an ALEA office (field or district) can perform initial issuances of new identification cards or driver's licenses, and can administer the driving tests that accompany them. Only ALEA district or sub-district offices can offer Commercial Driver's License skills testing. Only district offices can process the reinstatement of suspended driver licenses, with a few limited exceptions. Customers can request renewals and duplicate services online; however,

they can only use online services if there are not seeking to make changes to the ID card (such as a change of address). Online services are not available to persons seeking a new driver license or non-driver identification card and therefore must conduct these transactions in person at an ALEA field or district office.

III. Applicability

DOT has jurisdiction over this matter under its Title VI Regulation. Title VI provides that "no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." 42 U.S.C. §2000d et seq. Title VI and DOT's implementing regulation prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, and national origin in DOT financially assisted programs and activities. 49 C.F.R. Part 21. Therefore, in operating a federally assisted program, a recipient may not, on the basis of race, color, or national origin, directly or through contractual or other arrangements, take the following actions.

- · Deny program services, financial aids, or other benefits;
- Provide different program services, financial aids, or other benefits, or provide them in a manner different from that provided to others;
- Segregate or separately treat persons in any matter related to the receipt of any program service, financial aid, or benefit;
- Restrict in any way the enjoyment of any advantage or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any program, service, financial aid, or other benefits;
- Treat persons differently from others in determining eligibility to receive services, financial aids, or other benefits; or,
- Deny persons the opportunity to participate as a member of a planning, advisory, or similar body.

DOT is authorized under its Title VI Regulation to initiate an investigation in this matter to determine ALEA's compliance with Title VI, to issue findings, and where appropriate, to negotiate and secure voluntary compliance. 49 C.F.R. Part 21.11. Furthermore, DOT is authorized by Title VI to initiate proceedings to suspend or terminate financial assistance to recipients of their federal funds, or refer the matter to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) for appropriate action, which may include civil litigation to enforce Title VI and the Title VI regulations. 49 C.F.R. § 21.11 & 21.13.

IV. Definitions

For the purposes of this Agreement, the terms listed below shall have the following meanings:

Affected community means person or persons served, or likely to be directly or indirectly affected by a program or activity of an entity receiving federal financial assistance from DOT.

Black Belt refers to the region known historically as such and consisting of adjacent counties stretching east-to-west across south central Alabama. For the purposes of this investigation, the following counties referred to as Black Belt counties are included: Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Choctaw, Conecuh, Clarke, Crenshaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Monroe, Montgomery, Perry, Pickens, Pike, Russell, Sumter, and Wilcox.

Community Participation Plan (Plan) refers to a written plan to be developed by ALEA to achieve robust participation by affected communities throughout all stages of the consultation, planning, and decision-making processes for the provision of in- person licensing services programs or activities. The purpose of the Plan is to ensure that all communities are adequately informed about potential impacts and that diverse views are heard and considered, particularly from those individuals who have knowledge of or first-hand experience regarding the transportation barriers facing their respective communities. The Parties will collaborate on the development of a compliant and effective Plan, as discussed in Section VII.

Compliance means the condition that exists when a recipient of federal financial assistance has fully implemented all of the Title VI requirements effectively and there is no evidence of discrimination.

Days shall mean calendar days.

Discrimination refers to any action or inaction in any program or activity of a recipient of federal financial assistance that constitutes disparate treatment, results in disparate impacts, or perpetuates the effects of prior discrimination based on race, color, or national origin.

Disparate impact refers to a facially neutral policy or practice that disproportionately and adversely affects members of a group identified by race, color, or national origin.

Driver licensing office refers to all of the different types of offices operated by ALEA for the purposes of providing driver licensing services.

Driver licensing resources refers to staffing for driver licensing offices, hours of operation, and the facilities themselves, as well as services offered by ALEA driver licensing offices. Standard services offered at all ALEA field offices include new license issuances, license renewals and duplications, Class D, Class V, and Class M examinations, and the CDL knowledge examination. ALEA sub-district offices offer the standard services offered at field offices, but also offer CDL skills examinations. District offices offer all ALEA licensing services, including license reinstatements.

Federal financial assistance refers to grants and loans of federal funds; the grant or donation of federal property and interests in property; the detail of federal personnel; the sale and lease of, and the permission to use (on other than a casual or transient basis) federal property or any interest in such property without consideration or with nominal consideration, or at a consideration which is reduced for the purpose of assisting the recipient, or in recognition of the public interest to be served by such sale or lease to the recipient; and any federal agreement, arrangement, or other contract that has as one of its purposes the provision of assistance.

Noncompliance means a failure to meet the requirements of this Agreement or Title VI, and the regulations and authorities of DOT issued thereunder.

Service modification refers to changes in the provision of driver licensing resources to driver licensing offices, either statewide or specific to individual driver licensing offices. This includes changes to the number of operating hours available for a driver licensing office, the allocation of staff to an office, the location of an office, and the driver licensing services being offered at an office.

Title VI Program refers to the system of requirements, procedures, actions, and sanctions that entities are responsible for enforcing as recipients of federal financial assistance. This includes, among other things: a system for collecting and analyzing information to determine proactively whether programs or activities have a disparate impact on communities, intentionally or unintentionally, on the basis of race, color, or national origin. Title VI Programs are codified into Title VI Program Plans, which are to be submitted to federal funding agencies when their regulations require them and, for the purposes of this Agreement, submitted to DOT in accordance with Section X. Title VI Programs are overseen by a Title VI Coordinator, appointed by ALEA.

V. Terms of Agreement

- Existing Field Office Hours. Except as stated below, ALEA will maintain the December 7, 2016 schedule for all of ALEA's driver license offices, available at http://www.alea.gov/Home/DriverLicensePages/wfDLOffices.aspx, (last visited December 7, 2016, a copy of which is attached hereto). All offices shall remain open for the hours posted regardless of the volume of customers.
- Agreed Expansion of Field Office Hours. Within 90 days of the effective date of this MOA, ALEA will add 2,020 hours of operation for district and field driver license offices within the Black Belt Region. ALEA will provide the changes to DOT for approval no less than 7 days prior to the changes. (See Attachment 1 for initial expanded schedule.)
 - Each Field Office shall provide ALEA's in-person driver licensing services, including but not limited to the provision of new license issuances, license renewals, duplicate licenses, non-driver license ID cards, and knowledge and skills examinations.
- 3. Costs for Providing Expanded Service. ALEA is solely responsible for the implementation of the actions described in this Section. If additional funds are unable to be obtained by ALEA, then ALEA must provide the same service agreed upon in this Section through other means, such as deputation of non- ALEA staff or reallocation of existing ALEA staff. If ALEA will be providing the same services through any other means, those means must be submitted to DOT for prior approval before they are implemented. The provision of the expanded services described in this Section must be achieved in compliance with Title VI.
- 4. **Title VI Coordinator.** Within 30 days of the effective date of this Agreement, ALEA will appoint a qualified Title VI Coordinator to be responsible for the development and operation of ALEA's Title VI Program as well as for the provision of training ALEA's staff on Title VI.
- 5. Public Engagement. The purpose of the Community Participation Plan will be to achieve robust participation by affected communities throughout all stages of the planning and decision-making processes for ALEA's programs and activities in connection with licensing services to ensure that communities are informed about potential impacts, that they have meaningful input into the process, and that ALEA officials hear and consider diverse views. Within 90 days of the effective date of this Agreement, ALEA will submit its Community Participation Plan to DOT for approval. For ongoing programs or activities, the Community Participation Plan will provide a coordinated strategy for sustained community collaboration as well as the solicitation of ongoing feedback about operations, modifications, and improvements. This shall include an evaluation of recent public engagement activities and a determination as to whether

adjustments to the strategy are necessary. The Parties will also collaborate as requested on the development of ALEA's Community Participation Plan. By engaging meaningfully with the public, ALEA, as a recipient, can evaluate whether it should refine provision of its licensing services so that all Alabama residents are equitably served.

VI. Provision of Technical Assistance

DOT will offer technical assistance as requested to support ALEA's Title VI Program to ensure nondiscrimination.

VII. Reporting and Monitoring

1. Service Modifications

For the duration of this Agreement, prior to the enactment of any service modification proposed by ALEA regarding its Existing Field Office Hours and driver license services, the proposed modification shall be electronically submitted in writing for approval to DOT. This requirement does not apply to any service modification required by this Agreement (see Agreed Expansion of Field Office Hours, supra) unless ALEA proposes to make modification to the Agreed Expansion of Field Office Hours.

Additionally, because they are not planned, and therefore not within the definition of service modification, this requirement does not apply to situations where a driver license office is closed due to the unanticipated inability of the scheduled ALEA employee(s) to reach the office, whether it be because of illness (for the employee or a family member), emergency, or transportation issues. In these situations, ALEA will attempt to dispatch a different employee to the office that would otherwise be closed, but it cannot guarantee its ability to do so without harming service provision in other areas of the State.

Likewise, because they are not planned, and therefore not within the definition of service modification, this requirement does not apply to situations resulting from natural disasters, including but not limited to tornados, hurricanes, and floods, or national/State emergencies.

When ALEA plans to make a service modification, its proposal must:

- State the specific service modifications to be obtained by the action;
- Explain the reasoning behind the proposed action;
- State the anticipated impact on affected communities on the basis of race, color, or national origin; and,
- Include data and/or information to support ALEA's conclusions on the necessity of the proposed action.

DOT will conduct a review to ensure that the modification in service continues compliance with this Agreement and does not have a disparate impact on the basis of race, color, or national origin in violation of Title VI. DOT may not withhold approval for any proposed service modification that provides additional services, hours, or staffing on grounds that DOT believes the proposed service modification does not go far enough; all improvements shall be approved.

DOT will respond to proposals for service modifications within thirty (30) days of receiving the written proposal, and will collaborate with ALEA to ensure that modifications in service do not have a disparate impact on the basis of race, color, or national origin in violation of Title VI and this Agreement.

In the event that DOT declines to approve any proposed service modification, DOT agrees to provide ALEA a hearing at which ALEA may be heard as to the reasons the service modification is necessary. The hearing shall be conducted "before a hearing examiner appointed in accordance with section 3105 of title 5, United States Code, or detailed under section 3344 of title 5, United States Code," as set out for DOT hearings in 49 C.F.R. § 21.15, and shall be held at the offices of DOT in Washington, D.C., or at the ALEA offices in Montgomery, Alabama, or, when appropriate to the issue presented and demanded by ALEA, as evidenced by a statement signed by the Secretary thereof, at the ALEA office that is the subject of the proposed service modification. The provisions of 49 C.F.R. § 21.15(c) and (d), pertaining to the right to counsel and to the procedures, evidence, and record, shall apply. The decision of the hearing examiner shall be final; no appeal is available.

2. Compliance

Within 120 days of this agreement, ALEA shall provide written certifications that it has implemented Expanded Service Hours. Additionally, until this agreement has terminated, ALEA shall collect and maintain the following data on the operation of its driver license Services, and provide such data to DOT within 30 days, if requested:

- Number of people who attempt to obtain service from each ALEA driver license
 office on each open day of service, including those people who do not receive service
 on that day or who are turned away from locations due to location closures. This
 provision does not require ALEA to track persons who appear at an ALEA driver
 license office when the office is not open and no ALEA personnel are present to know
 someone has arrived for a driver license service.
- Race, color, national origin, and/or disability of the persons described in the prior bullet point, but only to the extent that they voluntarily provide the same.
- Number of complaints received about in-person services not being provided. Any
 complaints related to online services, the answering of phone calls, or responding to
 communications submitted through ALEA's website are not relevant to the current
 investigation and need not be included in the quarterly progress reports.

VIII. Abeyance and Enforcement

DOT will hold in abeyance any procedures available to effect compliance under 49 CFR 21.13.

If at any time DOT makes a determination that ALEA is not in compliance with this Agreement, or is about to breach this Agreement, DOT shall notify ALEA in writing.

DOT's notice shall include a statement of the basis for DOT's determination and shall allow ALEA twenty-one (21) calendar days to respond. ALEA's response shall either: (a) explain in writing the reason for the actions (or inactions) and describe the remedial actions that have been (or shall be)

taken to achieve compliance with this Agreement, or (b) dispute the accuracy of DOT's findings.

If ALEA does not respond to DOT's notice, or if, upon review of ALEA's response, DOT determines that ALEA has not complied with the terms of the Agreement, DOT may pursue its statutory and/or contractual remedies.

Any legal proceedings to enforce this Agreement may seek specific performance of the terms therein so long as the terms sought to be performed have not terminated, as set out below.

The parties recognize that ALEA's decision to enter into this Agreement is not an admission of liability.

In the event of litigation to enforce this Agreement or Title VI, DOT and ALEA reserve the right to assert all appropriate claims, counterclaims, and defenses in that proceeding.

This Agreement creates no third-party rights and may not be enforced by any individual, organization, or entity other entity not a party thereto.

IX. Effective Date and Duplicate Originals

This Agreement shall be effective on the date of the last signature to it.

In the event that the last signatory is for DOT, DOT shall notify ALEA of the final signature within two business days.

DOT and ALEA shall each sign two originals so that each party may have an original Agreement.

X. Amendment

The Agreement may be amended only in writing by the mutual agreement of the parties after negotiating in good faith.

Consideration need not be given to amend this Agreement.

XI. Termination

This Agreement will terminate two years after the effective date upon the certification of ALEA's compliance Title VI by DOT, unless extended by consent of the parties.

In the event of litigation brought by DOT before termination of this Agreement and to enforce the provisions of this Agreement, the termination date of the specific provisions of the Agreement at issue in the enforcement proceeding shall be tolled during the pendency of such proceeding.

XII. Construction

This Agreement shall be interpreted as if jointly written by the parties, and the rule of construction providing that any ambiguities are to be resolved against the drafting party shall not be used in

interpreting this Agreement.

Prior drafts of this Agreement may not be used to construe this Agreement.

This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties on the matters raised herein, and no other statement or promise, either written or oral, made by either party or agents of either party regarding the matters raised herein that is not contained or referred to in this Agreement shall be enforceable.

XIII. Costs and Fees

Each party shall bear its own costs and fees.

XIV. Intimidation or Retaliation Prohibited

ALEA acknowledges that it has an affirmative duty not to discriminate under Title VI and DOT's Title VI Regulation. Also, ALEA acknowledges that DOT's regulations provide, "No recipient or other person shall intimidate, threaten, coerce, or discriminate against any individual for the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by section 601 of the Act [codified at 42 U.S.C. § 2000d] or this part [i.e., 49 C.F.R. Part 21], or because he has made a complaint, testified, assisted, or participated in any manner in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under this part [i.e., 49 C.F.R. Part 21]." 49 C.F.R. 21.11(e).

The undersigned agree to the terms of this Memorandum of Agreement.

FOR THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION:

YVETTE RIVERA, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

<u>Lamber</u> 22, 2016.

FOR THE ALABAMA LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY:

STAN STABLER, SECRETARY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

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201 S UNION ST, SUITE 300

MONTGOMERY AL 36104

Dec 22 2016

DATE

ATTACHMENT 1

ALEA DL Office Proposed Hours of Operation Changes

	Cu	irrent	Pro	posed	
Office (county/city)	Hours	Total Hours per Year	Hours	Total Hours per Year	Total New Hours
Bullock/Union Springs	2d/m	168	1d/w	312	144
Butler/Greenville	1d/m	90	1d/w	390	300
Greene/Eutaw	1d/m	72	1d/w	312	240
Hale/Greensboro	2d/m	144	1d/w	312	168
Lowndes/Hayneville	1d/m	72	1d/w	312	240
Macon/Tuskegee	1d/m	72	2d/w	624	552
Perry/Marion	1d/m	72	1d/w	312	240
Wilcox/Camden	1d/m	72	3d/m	216	144
Bibb/Centerville*	1d/m	72	2d/m	144	72
Total					2100

Note: Bullock County office is currently open 7 hours during a operating day; the expanded office hours would change to this 6 hours during an operating day. Butler County operates 7.5 hours during an operation day. All other offices operate 6 hours during an operation day.

Note: Bibb County is not in the Black Belt Region, but borders Hale and Perry counties providing another close option for those citizens.



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Driver License Offices

Driver License services are offered on a first-come, first-serve basis, and closing times vary depending on

customer volume.

Search for an issuing office by county or zip.

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Zip Search

Schedule DL Appointment

HOURS

Renew Your DL Online

All Offices, sorted by County.

LOCATION

AUTAUGA COUNTY

218 Court Street Prattville Al 36067

Main Office: (334) 358-6735 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

BALDWIN COUNTY

300 Hoyle Ave.

Bay Minette, AL 36507

Main Office: (251) 928-3002

CDL: N/A

Hours: 8:00AM - 4:30PM Days: 1st W

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM

Days: M.Tu.W.Th.F

Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Lunch: 11:30AM - 12:30PM

Reinstatement: N/A

Open the 1st Wednesday of each month

BALDWIN COUNTY

Baldwin County Satellite Courthouse

1100 Fairhope Ave.

Fairhope, AL 36532

Main Office: (251) 928-3002

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

Lunch: 11:30AM-12:30PM

BALDWIN COUNTY

Baldwin County Satellite Courthouse

201 E. Section Ave.

Foley, AL 36535

Main Office: (251) 928-3002

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: (251) 972-8597

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: 11:30AM-12:30PM

Reinstatement services provided only on Tuesdays.

BARBOUR COUNTY

Barbour County Courthouse

303 E. Broad Street

Eufaula, AL 36025

Main Office: (334) 616-6826

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

Bibb County Courthouse Annex 8 Court Square West Suite A

Centreville, AL 35042

Hours: 8:00AM - 4:00PM

Days: W,Th

Lunch: 12:00PM - 1:00PM

BIBB COUNTY Hours: 8AM-2:30PM

Days: 2nd Th

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (205) 926-3108

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 2nd Thursday of each month.

BLOUNT COUNTY Blount Co Courthouse 220 2nd Ave E

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Oneonta, AL 35121

Main Office: (205) 625-6868

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Hours: 9AM-4PM

BULLOCK COUNTY Police Dept 303 N. Prairie St.

Days: 1st & 3rd Th Lunch: open

Union Springs, AL 36089

Main Office: (334) 738-3835

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

BUTLER COUNTY Butler Co Courthouse

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: 2nd M (except Oct)

101 S. Coecuh St Greenville, AL 36037 Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (334) 371-3248

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

October only-office open on 3rd Monday of the month-October 17, 2016

CALHOUN COUNTY 1703 Pelham Road South Jacksonville, AL 36265

Hours: 8AM-4:30 PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: OPEN

Main Office: (256) 435-7006 CDL: (256) 435-7006 Reinstatement: (256) 782-1322

> Reinstatement will be closed on 12-23-16. Reinstatement also closed on 12-26-16 through 01-02-17.

CHAMBERS COUNTY

Hours: 8:45AM-3:45PM Davs: 2nd Th

9 Jane Place LaFayette, AL 36862

Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (334) 864-4371

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 2nd Thursday of each month.

CHEROKEE COUNTY 260 Cedar Bluff Rd. Centre, AL 35960

Hours: 8:30AM-3:30PM Days: 1st Tu

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (256) 927-8249 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 1st Tuesday of each month.

CHILTON COUNTY Chilton Co. Courthouse 500 2nd Ave. North Clanton, AL 35045

Hours: 9AM-4PM Days: Tu,W,Th Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (205) 280-7207

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Hours: 8AM-2:30PM Days: 3rd Tu and W Lunch: 12:00PM-12:30PM

CHOCTAW COUNTY 117 South Mulberry Butler, AL 36427

Main Office: (205) 459-7325

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Effective October 2016 this office will be open Tu & W of the third week of the month

CLARKE COUNTY 146 Clark St Grove Hill, AL 36451

Hours: 8AM-5PM Days: Th,F Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (251) 275-4351

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

CLAY COUNTY County Extension Bldg. 93 County Road 31

Hours: 9AM-3:30PM Days: 2nd W Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Ashland, AL 36251 Main Office: (256) 354-3685 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

CLEBURNE COUNTY

Cleburne County Court House

120 Vickery St. Heflin, AL 36264

Hours: 8:30AM-3:45PM Days: 3rd Th

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (256) 463-2164 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Effective April 21, 2016 this location will be open the third Thursday of the month

COFFEE COUNTY 1015 E Mckinnon St New Brockton, AL 36341

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: Tu,W Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (334) 894-5218

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

COLBERT COUNTY

4500 Hatch Bvld.

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

Lunch: OPEN

Sheffield, AL 35660 Main Office: (256) 383-2923

CDL: (256) 383-2923 Reinstatement: (256) 383-9991

Reinstatement will be closed on December 8th, 9th and 30th. Reinstatement will be closed from 2:00-4:00 on 12-22-16.

CONECUH COUNTY Alabama State Trooper Office 106 Hillcrest Drive Evergreen, AL 36401

Hours: 8AM-5PM Days: M,Tu,Th,F Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (251) 578-5726 CDL: (251) 578-5726 Reinstatement: N/A

COOSA COUNTY 309 Jackson Street Rockford, AL 35136

Hours: 9AM-4:00PM Days: 1st and 3rd Tuesday

Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (256) 377-1043

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month.

COVINGTON COUNTY Covington Co Courthouse Andalusia, AL 36420

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M, Tu, W Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (334) 428-2595

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

CRENSHAW COUNTY Crenshaw Co Courthouse 301 Glenwood Ave Luverne, AL 36049

Hours: 8AM-4PM Days: 3rd W Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (334) 335-6568

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Lunch: 11:30AM-12:30PM

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM

Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM

Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM

Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

Hours: 8AM-4:00PM

Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM

Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Hours: 8AM-4PM

Days: W, 2nd Tu

Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Lunch: OPEN

Days: M,Tu

CULLMAN COUNTY Cullman Co. Courthouse 500 2nd Ave SW

Cullman, AL 35055 Main Office: (256) 775-4822

CDL: (256) 775-4822 Reinstatement: N/A

DALE COUNTY 202 Hwy 123 South Ozark, AL 36360

Main Office: (334) 774-6229

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

DALLAS COUNTY 102 Church St. Room 101

Selma, AL 36701 Main Office: (334) 875-1341 CDL: (334) 875-1341

DEKALB COUNTY 1209 Forest Ave North Fort Payne, AL 35967

Reinstatement: N/A

Main Office: (256) 845-6089

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

ELMORE COUNTY 303 Hill St.

Wetumpka, AL 36092

Main Office: (334) 567-8871

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

ESCAMBIA COUNTY Escambia Co Courthouse 314 Belleville Ave Brewton, AL 36426

Main Office: (251) 867-0293 CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open every Wednesday and the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

ETOWAH COUNTY Building T-24 Rains Street Gadsden, AL 35905

Main Office: (256) 492-5035

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

FAYETTE COUNTY Fayette Co. Courthouse Annex 103 1st Ave NE #2

Fayette, AL 35555 Main Office: (205) 932-6427

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A Hours: 8AM-2:30PM Days: 2nd W

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM

Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

Lunch: OPEN

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Open on the second Wednesday of the month.

FRANKLIN COUNTY Franklin Co Courthouse 410 N. Jackson Ave. Russellville, AL 35653 Hours: 8AM-4PM Days: 1st W Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (256) 332-8888

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 1st Wednesday of each month.

GENEVA COUNTY Geneva Co Courthouse 200 N Commerce St Geneva, AL 36340

Hours: 8AM-3:45PM Days: 2nd F Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (334) 684-5640

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

During the month of November, this office will be open on Friday, November 18th.

GREENE COUNTY Green County Courthouse 400 Morrow Avenue Eutaw, AL 35462

Hours: 8AM-2:30PM Days: 3rd Tu Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (205) 372-1533

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

HALE COUNTY 701 Hall Street Greensboro, AL 36744 Hours: 8AM-2:30PM Days: 1st & 3rd Th Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (334) 624-7770

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Effective November 2016 this office will be open the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

HENRY COUNTY Henry Co Courthouse 101 Court Square Abbeville, AL 36310 Hours: 8AM-4PM Days: 1st W Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (334) 585-3257

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 1st Wednesday of each month

HOUSTON COUNTY Trooper Post 5679 Montgomery Hwy

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M.Tu.W.Th.F Lunch: OPEN

Dothan, AL 36303 Main Office: (334) 983-5616

CDL: (334) 983-1156 Reinstatement: (334) 983-5616

The Reinstatement office will be closed until further notice

JACKSON COUNTY 102 East Laurel St. Scottsboro, AL 35768

Hours: 8:00AM - 4:00pm Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (256) 259-6693 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Hours of operation from November 17, 2016 until January 9, 2017 will be 9:00am-3:30pm.

JEFFERSON COUNTY Bessemer Courthouse 1801 3rd Avenue Bessemer, AL 35020

Hours: 8AM-5PM Davs: M.Tu.W.Th.F Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (205) 426-7958

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

JEFFERSON COUNTY Hours: 7AM-5PM Trooper Post Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F 908 Bankhead Hwy W. Lunch: OPEN Birmingham, AL 35201

Main Office: (205) 252-7445 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: (205) 252-7445

LAMAR COUNTY Lamar Co Jail 1118 County Road 9 Vernon, AL 35592

Hours: 8AM-2:30PM Days: 3rd W Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (205) 695-7105

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

14451 Market Street Suite 150 Moulton, AL 35650

Days: 1st T

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (256) 974-2425

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 1st Tuesday of each month.

LEE COUNTY

1220 Fox Run Ave. Opelika, AL 36801

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

Lunch: OPEN (Reinstatement closed 12:00-1:00)

Main Office: (334) 742-9986 CDL: (334) 742-9986 Reinstatement: (334) 742-9986

LIMESTONE COUNTY

100 South Clinton Street Suite C

Hours: 8AM-4PM Days: M, Tu, W, Th, F

Athens, AL 35611

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (256) 233-4152 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

LOWNDES COUNTY 105 East Tuskeena Street Hayneville, AL 36044

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: 2nd W Lunch: OPEN

Main Office: (334) 548-2637

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

MACON COUNTY Gomillion Bldg 302 South Main Street

Hours: 9AM-4PM Davs: 2nd W Lunch: OPEN

Tuskegee, AL 36083 Main Office: (334) 720-0574

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

MADISON COUNTY Redstone Arsenal Building 3220

Hours: 8:30AM-4PM Days: W

Huntsville, AL 35808

Main Office: (256) 539-0681

CDL: N/A

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Reinstatement: N/A

MADISON COUNTY

Hours: 8AM-4:00PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

1115-A Church St. Huntsville, AL 35801

Lunch: OPEN

Main Office: (256) 539-0682 CDL: (256) 539-0681 Reinstatement: (256) 539-0682

MARENGO COUNTY 101 North Shiloh Street Linden, AL 36784

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: Th.F Lunch: OPEN

Main Office: (334) 295-2242

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office will be closed on December 23rd.

MARION COUNTY 4521 Military St South Hamilton, AL 35570

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (205) 921-4743 CDL: (205) 921-4743 Reinstatement: N/A

MARSHALL COUNTY 357 Blout Avenue Guntersville, AL 35976

Hours: 8AM-4:00PM Days: M.Tu.W.Th.F Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (256) 582-0664

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

MOBILE COUNTY 3400 Demetroplis Road Mobile, AL 36693

Lunch: OPEN-Reinstatement closed 12:00 -1:00 on Tuesdays

Main Office: (251) 660-2330 CDL: (251) 660-2330 Reinstatement: (251) 660-2330

MONROE COUNTY 121 Pineville Rd. Monroeville, AL 36460

Hours: 8AM-3PM Days: Tu,W Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (251) 743-4107

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Hours: 8AM-4:45PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: OPEN

301 South Ripley St. Montgomery, AL 36102

Main Office: (334) 242-4400 CDL: N/A Reinstatement: (334) 242-4259

Reinstatement, MVR's and Accident Reports only at this location. Driver License Testing and Star ID/ Licenses are done at 1040 Coliseum Blvd.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY 1040 Coliseum Blvd Montgomery, AL 36109

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: OPEN

Main Office: (334) 274-0306 CDL: (334) 274-0306 Reinstatement: N/A

All driver license testing and Star ID/Driver License issuance done at this location. Reinstatement, MVR's and Accident reports are done at 301 S. Ripley Street, Montgomery

MORGAN COUNTY Morgan Co. Courthouse 402 Lee Street Decatur, AL 35601

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: OPEN

Main Office: (256) 351-4665 CDL: (256) 351-4665 Reinstatement: N/A

PERRY COUNTY Perry Courthouse Annex 1710 S. Washington St. Suite 104 Hours: 8AM-2:30PM Days: 3rd Tu Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (334) 683-8076

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Marion, AL 36756

This office is open the 3rd Tuesday of each month.

PICKENS COUNTY Hours: 8AM-2:30PM 155 Reform Street Days: W

Service Center Building Carrollton, AL 35447

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (205) 367-9436

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Effective November 2016 this officewill be open every Wednesday.

PIKE COUNTY
Pike County Courthouse
120 W Church St

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: W,Th,F Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (334) 566-7031

CDL: N/A

Troy, AL 36081

Reinstatement: N/A

effective October 2016 the office will be open every Wed, Thurs. and Friday.

RANDOLPH COUNTY Randolph County Courthouse

Hours: 9AM-3:30PM
Days: 2nd Th of month
Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

1 S Main St **Wedowee**, AL 36278

Main Office: (256) 357-2339

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 2nd Thursday of each month.

RUSSELL COUNTY 1320 Broad Street **Phenix City**, AL 36867

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (334) 298-1953

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

 SHELBY COUNTY
 Hours: 8AM-4:30PM

 104 Depot Street
 Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

 Columbiana, AL
 35186

 Lunch: 12:00PM-1:30PM

Main Office: (205) 669-2614

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office will be closed on December 23rd and 30th.

SHELBY COUNTY

Shelby County Courthouse Annex 1018 County Services Drive **Pelham**, AL 35124 Hours: 8AM-4:30PM
Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F
Lunch: 12:00PM-1:00PM

Main Office: (205) 620-5891

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office will be closed on December 23rd and 30th.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY 48 Court Street **Ashville**, AL 35953

Hours: 8AM-4PM Days: 1st Tu Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (205) 594-2442

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 1st Tuesday of each month.

ST. CLAIR COUNTY St. Clair Co. Courthouse 1815 Cogswell Ave **Pell City**, AL 35125

Hours: 8AM-5PM
Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F
Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Main Office: (205) 338-0526 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

SUMTER COUNTY 104 Hospital Drive **Livingston**, AL 35470

Hours: 8AM-2:30PM Days: 2nd & 4th Tu Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

Main Office: (205) 652-7686 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Effective Nov 2016 this office will be open the 2nd and 4th Tues of each month.

TALLADEGA COUNTY Talladega Co Courthouse 1 Court Square

Talladega, AL 35160 Main Office: (256) 362-2911

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: OPEN

TALLAPOOSA COUNTY

Tallapoosa County Courthouse Annes 395 Lee Street Alexander City, AL 35010

Main Office: (256) 329-0229 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

Hours: 8AM-4PM Days: 3rd Tu & W Lunch: 12PM-1PM

This office is open the 3rd Tuesday and Wednesday of each month.

TALLAPOOSA COUNTY Dadeville Co. Courthouse 125 N. Broadnax St. Dadeville, AL 36853

Main Office: (256) 825-1087

Reinstatement: N/A

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: closed Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Driver license services are available at the Alex City driver license office.

Hours: 8AM-5PM

Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY Trooper Post

CDL: N/A

2645 Skyland Blvd E. Tuscaloosa, AL 35405

Main Office: (205) 553-0729 CDL: (205) 553-0729 Reinstatement: (205) 553-3511

Reinstatement will be closed 12/19/16 thru 12/23/16.

Lunch: 12:30 - 1:30 (Reinstatement Closed)

WALKER COUNTY Walker Co Courthouse 1801 3rd Ave S

Jasper, AL 35501 Main Office: (205) 221-7589

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

WALKER COUNTY Bevill State Community College

101 State St Sumiton, AL 35148

Main Office: (205) 648-2991 CDL: (205) 648-2991 Reinstatement: N/A

WASHINGTON COUNTY Washington Co Courthouse Chatom, AL 36518

Main Office: (251) 847-6713 CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

WILCOX COUNTY 219 Claiborne St. Building 3, Suite D Camden, AL 36726

CDL: N/A Reinstatement: N/A

Hours: 8AM-5PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F

Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Hours: 8AM-4PM Days: M,Tu,W,Th,F Lunch: OPEN

Hours: 8AM-4:30PM Days: First Tues/Month Lunch: 12PM-1PM

Hours: 8AM-2:30PM Days: 1st Tu

Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM

This office is open the 1st Tuesday of each month.

WINSTON COUNTY Double Springs Municipal Building

Main Office: (334) 682-5110

23415 Highway 195 Double Springs, AL 35553 Hours: 8AM-2:30PM Days: 2nd W Lunch: 12PM-12:30PM Case 2:21-cv-01530-AMM Document 92-2 Filed 12/27/21 Page 22 of 22 http://www.alea.gov/Home/DriverLicensePages/wfDLOffices.aspx

Main Office: (205) 489-1141

CDL: N/A

Reinstatement: N/A

This office is open the 2nd Wednesday of each month.

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Table 4b. Reported Voting and Registration, by Sex, Race and Hispanic Origin, for States: November 2020 (In thousands)

						Registered					Voted		
		Total	Total citizen	Total	Percent registered	Margin of	Percent registered	Margin of		Percent voted	Margin of	Percent voted	Margin of
STATE	Sex, Race, and Hispanic-Origin	population	population	registered	(Total)	error 1	(Citizen)	error 1	Total voted	(Total)	error 1	(Citizen)	error 1
US	Total	252,274	231,593	168,308	66.7	0.4	72.7	0.4	154,628	61.3	0.4	66.8	0.4
	Male Female	121,870 130,404	111,485 120,108	79,340 88,968	65.1 68.2	0.5	71.2 74.1	0.5	72,474 82,154	59.5 63.0	0.5	65.0 68.4	0.5 0.5
	White alone	195,227	181,891	134,889	69.1	0.4	74.2	0.4	124,301	63.7	0.4	68.3	0.4
	White non-Hispanic alone	157,442	154,827	118,389	75.2	0.4	76.5	0.4	109,830	69.8	0.4	70.9	0.4
	Black alone	32,219	30,204	20,844	64.7	1.0	69.0	1.0	18,922	58.7	1.0		1.0
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	16,094 42,468	11,530 30,627	7,354 18,719	45.7 44.1	1.5 1.0	63.8 61.1	1.7	6,881 16,459	42.8 38.8	1.5 0.9	59.7 53.7	1.7
	White alone or in combination	199,610	185,983	137,710	69.0	0.4	74.0	0.4	126,753	63.5	0.4	68.2	0.4
	Black alone or in combination	34,471	32,275	22,241	64.5	0.9	68.9	0.9	20,152	58.5	1.0	62.4	1.0
ALABAMA	Asian alone or in combination Total	17,273 3,769	12,641 3,716	8,157 2,527	47.2 67.0	1.4 3.1	64.5 68.0	1.6 3.1	7,593 2,247	44.0 59.6	1.4 3.3	60.1 60.5	1.6 3.3
ALADAIVIA	Male	1,780	1,755	1,187	66.7	4.5	67.6	4.5	1,038	58.4	4.8	59.2	4.8
	Female	1,990	1,960	1,340	67.3	4.3	68.4	4.3	1,209	60.7	4.5	61.6	4.5
	White alone	2,657	2,619	1,860	70.0	3.6	71.0	3.6	1,647	62.0	3.8	62.9	3.8
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	2,587 973	2,569 973	1,825 590	70.6 60.6	3.6 6.1	71.0 60.6	3.6 6.1	1,617 533	62.5 54.8	3.9 6.2	63.0 54.8	3.9 6.2
	Asian alone	55	45	23	В	В	В	В	21	В	В	В	
	Hispanic (of any race)	79	53	35	В	В	В	В	30	В	В	В	В
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	2,692 988	2,654 988	1,883 603	69.9 61.0	3.6 6.0	70.9 61.0	3.6 6.0	1,665 543	61.9 54.9	3.8 6.2	62.7 54.9	3.8 6.2
	Asian alone or in combination	58	48		01.0 B	0.0 B	01.0 B	B	21	34.3 B	0.2 B	34.5 B	
ALASKA	Total	528	516	383	72.6	3.2	74.2	3.1	330	62.4	3.4	63.8	3.4
	Male	269	264	195	72.6	4.4	74.1	4.4	165	61.4	4.8	62.6	4.8
	Female White alone	259 345	253 343	188 265	72.5 76.7	4.5 3.7	74.3 77.3	4.5 3.7	165 243	63.5 70.3	4.9 4.0	65.1 70.9	4.9
	White non-Hispanic alone	345	323	251	77.2	3.8	77.5	3.8	230	70.6	4.1	71.0	4.0
	Black alone	17	16	11	В	В	В	В	8	В	В	В	В
	Asian alone	35 28	27 27	18 21	B B	B B	B B	B B	17 17	B B	B B		
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	375	372		76.6	3.5	77.1	3.5	259	69.2	3.9		
	Black alone or in combination	18	17	12	В	В	В	В	8	В	В	В	В
	Asian alone or in combination	43	35	24	В		В	В	22	В	В		
ARIZONA	Total Male	5,638 2,739	5,075 2,465	3,878 1,784	68.8 65.1	2.5 3.8	76.4 72.4	2.5	3,649 1,653	64.7 60.4	2.6 3.9	71.9 67.1	2.6 3.9
	Female	2,899	2,403	2,095	72.3	3.4	80.3	3.2	1,996	68.9	3.5	76.5	3.4
	White alone	4,840	4,365	3,328	68.8	2.7	76.3	2.7	3,152	65.1	2.8	72.2	2.8
	White non-Hispanic alone	3,140	3,096	2,480	79.0	3.0	80.1	3.0 9.9	2,385	76.0	3.1	77.0	3.1 11.3
	Black alone Asian alone	279 206	259 158	205 111	73.3 53.8	10.4 14.1	79.2 70.2	14.8	179 107	63.9 52.0	11.3 14.1	69.1 67.9	11.3
	Hispanic (of any race)	1,800	1,340	895	49.7	5.1	66.8	5.5	814	45.2	5.1	60.8	5.8
	White alone or in combination	4,966	4,472	3,422	68.9	2.7	76.5	2.6	3,242	65.3	2.8	72.5	2.8
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	344 226	323 177	266 130	77.3 57.8	8.9 13.3	82.2 73.5	8.4 13.4	235 127	68.3 56.2	9.9 13.4	72.7 71.5	9.8 13.8
ARKANSAS	Total	2,283	2,195	1,361	59.6	3.4	62.0	3.4	1,186	51.9	3.4	54.0	3.5
	Male	1,101	1,057	641	58.2	4.9	60.6	4.9	546	49.6	4.9	51.6	5.0
	Female	1,182	1,138	720	60.9	4.6	63.3	4.7	640	54.1	4.7	56.2	4.8
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	1,867 1,744	1,808 1,733	1,139 1,111	61.0 63.7	3.7	63.0 64.1	3.7	1,014 988	54.3 56.7	3.8 3.9	56.1 57.0	3.8
	Black alone	336	325	186	55.3	8.5	57.1	8.6	146	43.3	8.4	44.7	8.6
	Asian alone	24	18	14	В	В	В	В	11	В	В	В	В
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	134	83	30	22.6	12.4	36.4	18.1	29	21.4	12.1	34.6	17.9
	Black alone or in combination	1,900 348	1,841 337	1,153 193	60.7 55.4	3.7 8.3	62.6 57.2	3.7 8.4	1,023 148	53.8 42.7	3.7 8.3	55.5 44.1	3.8 8.5
	Asian alone or in combination	25	19	16	В	В	В	В	12	В	В	В	В
CALIFORNIA	Total	30,342	25,946	18,001	59.3	1.2	69.4	1.2	16,893	55.7	1.2		1.2
	Male Female	14,786 15,556	12,580 13,366	8,549 9,452	57.8 60.8	1.7 1.6	68.0 70.7	1.7	8,012 8,882	54.2 57.1	1.7 1.6	63.7 66.5	1.8
	White alone	21,941	18,971	13,508	61.6	1.4	71.2	1.4	12,628	57.6	1.4	66.6	1.4
	White non-Hispanic alone	12,090	11,685	9,133	75.5	1.6	78.2	1.6	8,711	72.1	1.7	74.6	1.7
	Black alone Asian alone	1,947	1,834 3,958	1,249 2,491	64.1 49.1	4.3	68.1 62.9	4.3	1,173	60.3 46.7	4.4	64.0 59.9	4.4
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	5,072 11,165	3,958 8,305	2,491 5,014	49.1 44.9	2.8	62.9	3.1 2.3	2,370 4,539	46.7	2.8	59.9	3.2 2.4
	White alone or in combination	22,586	19,549	13,924	61.6	1.3	71.2	1.3	13,024	57.7	1.4	66.6	1.4
	Black alone or in combination	2,139	2,021	1,371	64.1	4.1	67.8	4.1	1,295	60.5	4.2	64.1	4.2
COLORADO	Asian alone or in combination Total	5,405 4,525	4,250 4,200	2,665 2,993	49.3 66.2	2.8	62.7 71.3	3.0 2.9	2,529 2,837	46.8 62.7	2.8	59.5 67.6	3.1
	Male	2,254	2,076	1,452	64.4	4.2	70.0	4.2	1,355	60.1	4.3	65.3	4.3
	Female	2,271	2,124	1,541	67.9	4.1	72.6	4.0	1,482	65.3	4.1	69.8	4.1
	White non-Hispanic alone	4,001 3,267		2,733 2,396	68.3 73.3	3.0	72.9 74.4	3.0	2,606 2,316	65.1 70.9	3.1	69.5 71.9	3.1 3.3
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	186	3,220 181		73.3 54.5	14.4	74.4 56.0	3.2 14.6	2,316	70.9 51.6	14.5	71.9 53.1	3.3 14.7
	Asian alone	152	115	57	37.7	16.0	49.9	19.0	50	32.7	15.5	43.2	18.8
	Hispanic (of any race)	854	618	374	43.8	7.4	60.5	8.5	315	37.0	7.2	51.1	8.7
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	4,123 203	3,858 198	2,801 118	67.9 58.3	3.0 13.7	72.6 59.7	3.0 13.8	2,658 113	64.5 55.6	3.1 13.8	68.9 57.0	3.1 13.9
	Asian alone or in combination	171	135	72	42.2	15.4	53.8	17.5	65	37.7	15.1	48.1	17.6
CONNECTICUT	Total	2,777	2,524	1,850	66.6	3.2	73.3	3.2	1,681	60.5	3.3	66.6	3.4
	Male Female	1,333	1,204	843 1,008	63.2 69.8	4.7	70.0 76.3	4.7	767 915	57.5 63.4	4.9 4.6	63.7	5.0
	Female White alone	1,444 2,197	1,320 2,043	1,008	70.2	4.3 3.5	76.3 75.5	3.4	1,392	63.4	4.6 3.7	69.3 68.1	4.6
	White non-Hispanic alone	1,841	1,788	1,381	75.0	3.6		3.6	1,270	69.0	3.9		3.9
	Black alone	323	282	192	59.5	9.4	68.3	9.5	184	56.8	9.4	65.2	9.7
	Asian alone	216 461	158 347	96 235	44.4 51.0	12.0	60.5 67.8	13.7 9.4	90 196	41.6 42.4	11.9	56.6 56.4	13.9
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	2,211	2,058	1,548	70.0	8.7 3.5	67.8 75.2	9.4 3.4	1,395	42.4 63.1	8.6 3.7	67.8	10.0
	Black alone or in combination	326	285	195	59.9	9.3	68.6	9.4	184	56.3	9.4	64.5	9.7
DELAWASE	Asian alone or in combination	216		96	44.4	12.0	60.5	13.7	90	41.6	11.9	56.6	13.9
DELAWARE	Total Male	766 361	722 339	542 247	70.8 68.3	3.0 4.5	75.1 72.8	3.0 4.4	489 223	63.8 61.6	3.2 4.7	67.7 65.7	3.2 4.7
	Female	404	383	296	73.1	4.0	77.2	3.9	266	65.8	4.7	69.5	4.7
	White alone	540	519	392	72.6	3.5	75.5	3.5	348	64.4	3.8	67.0	3.8
	White non-Hispanic alone	495	490	378	76.3	3.5	77.1	3.5	335	67.8	3.9		3.9
	Black alone	172	164	114	66.6	6.3	69.8	6.3	106	61.7	6.5	64.7	6.6

STATE	Sex, Race, and Hispanic-Origin Asian alone	Total population	Total citizen	Total	Percent registered	Margin of	Percent registered	Margin of		Percent	Margin of	Percent voted	
	Asian alone	population		registered	(Total)	error 1	(Citizen)	error 1	Total voted	voted (Total)	error 1	(Citizen)	Margin of error ¹
		31	population 21	18	В	В	В	В	18	В	В	В	В
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	57 554	37 531	22 404	73.0	B 3.5	76.1	B 3.4	20 359	B 64.8	B 3.7	67.6	B 3.7
	Black alone or in combination	181	171	121	67.2	6.1	70.9	6.1	112	62.0	6.3	65.3	6.4
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	Asian alone or in combination Total	36 576	26 534	23 464	80.5	B 2.7	86.9	B 2.4	23 448	77.8	B 2.8	84.0	2.6
	Male	264	245	209	79.0	4.1	85.1	3.7	200	75.7	4.3	81.5	4.0
	Female White alone	312 278	288 253	255 229	81.7 82.5	3.6 3.7	88.4 90.5	3.1	248 223	79.5 80.3	3.7 3.9	86.0 88.1	3.3
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	243 251	232 243	213 202	87.5 80.4	3.4 3.9	91.5 83.2	3.0 3.7	206 193	84.9 76.7	3.7 4.1	88.8 79.3	3.4 4.0
	Asian alone	36	27	25	В	В	8 B	В	25	В	В.	В	В
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	50 285	32 259	26 234	82.3	B 3.7	B 90.4	B 3.0	26 228	80.2	B 3.8	88.0	
	Black alone or in combination	256	248	207	80.6	3.8	83.3	3.7	197	76.9	4.1	79.5	4.0
FLORIDA	Asian alone or in combination Total	40 17,244	30 15,645	27 10,495	60.9	B 1.5	67.1	B 1.5	27 9,720	56.4	B 1.5	62.1	B 1.6
	Male	8,263	7,523	4,965	60.1	2.2	66.0	2.2	4,563	55.2	2.2	60.7	2.3
	Female White alone	8,982 13,675	8,121 12,515	5,530 8,468	61.6 61.9	2.1 1.7	68.1 67.7	2.1	5,157 7,887	57.4 57.7	2.1 1.7	63.5 63.0	2.2
	White non-Hispanic alone	9,553	9,374	6,676	69.9	1.9	71.2	1.9	6,260	65.5	2.0	66.8	2.0
	Black alone Asian alone	2,652 585	2,344 462	1,533 260	57.8 44.5	3.7 8.2	65.4 56.4	3.8 9.2	1,375 257	51.8 43.9	3.8 8.2	58.7 55.6	3.9 9.2
	Hispanic (of any race)	4,439 13,843	3,394 12,675	1,992 8,569	44.9 61.9	3.2 1.7	58.7 67.6	3.6 1.7	1,789 7,982	40.3 57.7	3.1 1.7	52.7 63.0	3.6
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	2,819	2,504	1,624	57.6	3.6	64.9	3.7	1,460	51.8	3.6	58.3	1.7 3.8
GEORGIA	Asian alone or in combination Total	591 8,032	467 7,400	266 5,233	45.0 65.2	8.2 2.2	56.9 70.7	9.1 2.2	263 4,888	44.4 60.9	8.2 2.2	56.2 66.1	9.2 2.3
ocondin.	Male	3,765	3,461	2,354	62.5	3.3	68.0	3.3	2,180	57.9	3.3	63.0	3.4
	Female White alone	4,267 4,785	3,938 4,521	2,880 3,297	67.5 68.9	3.0 2.8	73.1 72.9	2.9 2.7	2,707 3,079	63.5 64.3	3.0 2.9	68.7 68.1	3.0
	White non-Hispanic alone	4,239	4,194	3,152	74.3	2.8	75.1	2.8	2,947	69.5	2.9	70.3	2.9
	Black alone Asian alone	2,569 389	2,513 217	1,721 124	67.0 31.8	3.7 9.6	68.5 56.9	3.6 13.6	1,608 116	62.6 29.8	3.8 9.4	64.0 53.3	3.8 13.7
	Hispanic (of any race)	739	403	192	25.9	6.9	47.6	10.7	178	24.1	6.8	44.2	10.7
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	4,857 2,702	4,593 2,597	3,351 1,776	69.0 65.7	2.7 3.6	73.0 68.4	2.7 3.6	3,127 1,657	64.4 61.3	2.8 3.7	68.1 63.8	2.8
HAMAN	Asian alone or in combination	398	226 980	133 673	33.3 63.8	9.6	58.7	13.3	125 630	31.4 59.7	9.4	55.2 64.3	13.4 3.4
HAWAII	Total Male	1,056 509	980 481	333	65.4	3.3 4.6	68.7 69.3	3.3 4.6	313	61.5	3.3 4.7	65.2	4.8
	Female White alone	546 261	499 246	340 184	62.3 70.5	4.6 6.2	68.2 74.8	4.6 6.1	317 175	57.9 67.0	4.6 6.4	63.5 71.1	4.7 6.4
	White non-Hispanic alone	228	218	165	72.4	6.5	75.6	6.4	159	69.5	6.7	72.7	6.6
	Black alone Asian alone	18 489	18 436	15 291	B 59.5	B 4.8	B 66.7	8 4.9	11 268	B 54.8	8 4.9	B 61.4	5.0
	Hispanic (of any race)	71	66	35	В	в	В	В	30	В	н.5	В	В
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	374 25	359 25	260 15	69.6 B	5.2 B	72.5 B	5.2 B	248 11	66.4 B	5.4 B	69.2 B	5.4 B
	Asian alone or in combination	613	561	377	61.4	4.3	67.2	4.3	351	57.3	4.3	62.7	4.4
IDAHO	Total Male	1,370 679	1,299 643	900 434	65.7 63.9	3.1 4.5	69.3 67.5	3.1 4.5	843 410	61.6 60.4	3.2 4.5	64.9 63.8	3.2
	Female	691	656	466	67.5	4.3	71.1	4.3	433	62.7	4.5	66.0	4.5
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	1,279 1,130	1,227 1,119	857 800	67.0 70.8	3.2	69.8 71.5	3.2	806 755	63.0 66.8	3.3 3.4	65.6 67.5	3.3 3.4
	Black alone Asian alone	10 22	7 12	5	B B	B B	B B	B B	4	B B	B B	B B	B B
	Hispanic (of any race)	166	119	63	38.1	9.5	53.2	11.6	55	33.1	9.3	46.3	11.6
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	1,303 16	1,252 13	873 8	67.0 B	3.2 B	69.8 B	3.1 B	822 7	63.0 B	3.2 B	65.6 B	3.2 B
	Asian alone or in combination	22	12	7	В	В	В	В	5	В	В	В	В
ILLINOIS	Total Male	9,658 4,671	8,860 4,281	6,590 3,098	68.2 66.3	2.0	74.4 72.4	1.9 2.8	6,058 2,876	62.7 61.6	2.0	68.4 67.2	3.0
	Female	4,987	4,579	3,492	70.0	2.7	76.3	2.6	3,182	63.8	2.8	69.5	2.8
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	7,551 6,218	7,015 6,075	5,303 4,826	70.2 77.6	2.2	75.6 79.4	2.1 2.1	4,849 4,429	64.2 71.2	2.3	69.1 72.9	2.3
	Black alone	1,335 643	1,270 452	861	64.5 51.5	5.2 8.0	67.8	5.2	811 313	60.7 48.7	5.3	63.8 69.3	5.3 8.8
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	643 1,421	1,016	331 532	51.5 37.4	8.0 5.5	73.3 52.4	8.4 6.8	475	48.7 33.4	8.0 5.4	46.8	6.8
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	7,600 1,382	7,064 1,317	5,331 895	70.1 64.8	2.2 5.1	75.5 67.9	2.1 5.1	4,873 839	64.1 60.7	2.3 5.2	69.0 63.7	2.3 5.2
	Asian alone or in combination	652	461	340	52.2	7.9	73.8	8.3	322	49.4	7.9	69.9	8.7
INDIANA	Total Male	5,096 2,463	4,921 2,375	3,412 1,632	67.0 66.2	2.7 3.9	69.3 68.7	2.7 3.9	3,002 1,408	58.9 57.2	2.8 4.1	61.0 59.3	
	Female	2,633	2,546	1,781	67.6	3.7	69.9	3.7	1,594	60.5	3.9	62.6	3.9
+	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	4,318 4,122	4,219 4,107	2,967 2,904	68.7 70.5	2.9	70.3 70.7	2.9 2.9	2,601 2,546	60.2 61.8	3.0 3.1	61.7 62.0	3.1
	Black alone	473	467	306	64.7	8.6	65.5	8.6	281	59.5	8.8	60.2	8.8
+	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	178 225	114 135	76 72	42.5 32.1	14.9 13.3	66.1 53.5	17.8 18.3	68	38.5 26.4	14.7 12.6	59.9 44.0	18.4 18.2
	White alone or in combination	4,420	4,315	3,010	68.1	2.9	69.8	2.9	2,632	59.5	3.0	61.0	3.0
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	532 189	520 125	333 76	62.7 40.0	8.2 14.4	64.2 60.3	8.2 17.6	299 68	56.3 36.3	8.4 14.1	57.6 54.7	8.5 17.9
IOWA	Total Male	2,361 1,167	2,293 1,133	1,742 853	73.8 73.2	3.1 4.4	76.0	3.0 4.3	1,618 785	68.5 67.3	3.2 4.6	70.5 69.2	3.2 4.6
	Female	1,194	1,160	888	74.4	4.3	75.3 76.6	4.2	833	69.7	4.5	71.8	4.5
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	2,160 2,068	2,125 2,050	1,630 1,603	75.4 77.5	3.1 3.1	76.7 78.2	3.1 3.1	1,521 1,496	70.4 72.3	3.3 3.3	71.5 73.0	3.3
	Black alone	95	87	55	58.6	16.4	63.5	16.6	40	42.6	16.4	46.2	17.2
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	77 108	52 90	36 42	B 39.1	B 16.6	B 46.8	B 18.6	36 40	B 37.0	B 16.5	B 44.2	B 18.5
	White alone or in combination	2,176	2,141	1,645	75.6	3.1	76.9	3.1	1,536	70.6	3.3	71.8	3.3
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	110 80	103 55	71 39	64.4 B	14.7 B	69.0 B	14.7 B	56 39	50.7 B	15.4 B	54.2 B	15.9 B
KANSAS	Total	2,157	1,975	1,398	64.8	3.5	70.8	3.5	1,297	60.1	3.6	65.7	3.7
 	Male Female	1,057 1,101	969 1,006	667 731	63.1 66.4	5.1 4.9	68.9 72.7	5.1 4.8	621 676	58.7 61.4	5.2 5.1	64.0 67.2	5.3 5.1
+	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	1,867 1,566	1,749 1,556	1,263 1,171	67.7 74.8	3.7	72.2 75.3	3.7	1,181	63.3 70.2	3.8	67.5	3.9

STATE	Sex, Race, and Hispanic-Origin	Total population	Total citizen population	Total registered	Percent registered (Total)	Margin of error ¹	Percent registered (Citizen)	Margin of error 1	Total voted	Percent voted (Total)	Margin of error 1	Percent voted (Citizen)	Margin of error 1
	Black alone Asian alone	106 86	97 54	69 13	65.4 B	15.2 B	71.4 B	15.1 B	59 11	55.8 B	15.9 B	61.0 B	16.3 B
	Hispanic (of any race)	317	210	108	34.1	9.6	51.5	12.4	96	30.1	9.3	45.5	12.4
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	1,916 121	1,798 112	1,298 82	67.7 67.9	3.7 14.0	72.2 73.3	3.6 13.7	1,216 72	63.5 59.6	3.8 14.7	67.6 64.3	3.8 14.9
	Asian alone or in combination	87	55	14	В	В	В	В	12	В	В	В	В
KENTUCKY	Total Male	3,384 1,616	3,227 1,524	2,450 1,159	72.4 71.7	3.2 4.6	75.9 76.0	3.1 4.5	2,210 1,057	65.3 65.4	3.4 4.9	68.5 69.4	3.4 4.9
	Female	1,768	1,703	1,291	73.0	4.4	75.8	4.3	1,153	65.2	4.7	67.7	4.7
	White alone	2,994	2,888	2,194	73.3	3.3	76.0	3.3	1,997	66.7	3.6	69.1	3.5
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	2,845 259	2,831 224	2,165 167	76.1 64.5	3.3 11.7	76.5 74.6	3.3 11.5	1,971 140	69.3 54.0	3.6 12.2	69.6 62.5	3.6 12.7
	Asian alone	46	31	24	В	В	В		24	В	В	В	В
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	163 3,063	60 2,957	30 2,243	73.2	B 3.3	75.8	B 3.2	26 2,035	66.4	B 3.5	68.8	B 3.5
	Black alone or in combination	306	271	198	64.7	10.8	73.0	10.6	161	52.5	11.2	59.3	11.8
LOUISIANA	Asian alone or in combination Total	49 3,438	35 3,299	24 2,286	66.5	B 3.2	69.3	B 3.2	24 2,041	B 59.4	B 3.3	61.9	3.3
LOUISIANA	Male	1,618	1,557	1,073	66.3	4.6	68.9	4.6	959	59.4	4.8	61.6	4.9
	Female	1,820	1,742	1,214	66.7	4.4	69.7	4.3	1,082	59.5	4.5	62.1	4.6
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	2,212 2,048	2,120 2,022	1,486 1,426	67.2 69.6	3.9 4.0	70.1 70.5	3.9 4.0	1,362 1,309	61.6 63.9	4.1	64.2 64.7	4.1
	Black alone	1,068	1,048	720	67.5	5.4	68.7	5.4	607	56.9	5.7	57.9	5.7
	Asian alone	84	57	23	B	B	B	B	23	B	B	B	17.0
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	210 2,261	131 2,169	84 1,524	40.0 67.4	13.9 3.9	64.3 70.3	17.3 3.9	72 1,396	34.3 61.8	13.5 4.0	55.1 64.4	17.9 4.1
	Black alone or in combination	1,092	1,072	737	67.5	5.3	68.8	5.3	624	57.2	5.6	58.2	5.7
MAINE	Asian alone or in combination Total	90 1,087	63 1,075	29 832	76.5	B 3.2	77.4	B 3.2	26 766	70.5	B 3.4	71.3	B 3.4
	Male	523	515	383	73.2	4.8	74.3	4.8	351	67.2	5.1	68.2	5.1
	Female White alone	564 1,036	560 1,031	449 803	79.5 77.5	4.2 3.2	80.2 77.9	4.2 3.2	415 739	73.5 71.3	4.6 3.5	74.1 71.7	4.6 3.5
	White non-Hispanic alone	1,036	1,031	798	77.7	3.2	77.9	3.2	739	71.5	3.5	71.7	3.5
	Black alone	13	8	4	В	В	В	В	4	В	В	В	В
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	10 11	7	6 7	B B	B B	B B		6 7	B B	B B	B B	B B
	White alone or in combination	1,058	1,053	818	77.3	3.2	77.7	3.2	752	71.1	3.5	71.4	3.5
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	15 18	10 15	12	B B	B B	B B	B B	6 12	B B	B B	B B	B B
MARYLAND	Total	4,606	4,303	3,383	73.4	2.7	78.6	2.6	3,166	68.7	2.9	73.6	2.8
	Male	2,199	2,052	1,517	69.0	4.1	73.9	4.0	1,430	65.0	4.2	69.7	4.2
	Female White alone	2,407 2,757	2,251 2,650	1,865 2,069	77.5 75.0	3.6 3.4	82.9 78.1	3.3 3.4	1,737 1,917	72.2 69.5	3.8 3.7	77.2 72.3	3.7 3.6
	White non-Hispanic alone	2,487	2,469	1,934	77.8	3.5	78.3	3.5	1,786	71.8	3.8	72.3	3.8
	Black alone Asian alone	1,421 302	1,289 239	1,022 166	71.9 55.0	4.8 11.8	79.3 69.7	4.5 12.2	971 153	68.3 50.6	4.9 11.8	75.3 64.1	4.8 12.8
	Hispanic (of any race)	323	195	150	46.2	12.1	76.7	13.2	145	44.9	12.1	74.4	13.6
	White alone or in combination	2,840	2,732	2,151	75.7	3.4	78.7	3.3	1,999	70.4	3.6	73.2	3.5
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	1,482 337	1,350 273	1,083 201	73.1 59.7	4.6 11.0	80.2 73.5	4.3 11.0	1,032 187	69.6 55.6	4.8 11.1	76.4 68.6	4.6 11.5
MASSACHUSETTS	Total	5,514	4,897	3,546	64.3	2.6	72.4	2.6	3,249	58.9	2.7	66.3	2.7
	Male Female	2,642 2,872	2,311 2,586	1,656 1,891	62.7 65.8	3.8 3.6	71.6 73.1	3.8	1,505 1,744	57.0 60.7	3.9 3.7	65.1 67.4	4.0 3.7
	White alone	4,429	4,140	3,174	71.7	2.8	76.7	2.7	2,936	66.3	2.9	70.9	2.9
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	3,953 489	3,799 390	2,949 165	74.6 33.6	2.8 8.3	77.6 42.2	2.8 9.7	2,749 142	69.6 29.0	3.0 8.0	72.4 36.4	3.0 9.5
	Asian alone	415	244	139	33.5	9.3	57.1	12.7	109	26.3	8.7	44.9	12.8
	Hispanic (of any race)	636	449	271	42.6	8.3	60.4	9.8	227	35.8	8.1	50.7	10.0
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	4,597 640	4,251 484	3,233 211	70.3 32.9	2.7 7.2	76.1 43.5	2.7 8.8	2,988 181	65.0 28.3	2.9 6.9	70.3 37.4	2.9 8.5
	Asian alone or in combination	433	262	157	36.3	9.3	60.1	12.1	128	29.4	8.8	48.7	12.4
MICHIGAN	Total Male	7,790 3,795	7,467 3,616	5,513 2,648	70.8 69.8	2.1 3.1	73.8 73.2	2.1 3.0	4,994 2,378	64.1 62.7	2.2 3.2	66.9 65.8	2.2 3.2
	Female	3,995	3,851	2,865	71.7	2.9	74.4	2.9	2,616	65.5	3.1	67.9	3.1
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	6,269 5,922	6,118 5,865	4,568 4,408	72.9 74.4	2.3	74.7 75.2	2.3	4,144 3,997	66.1 67.5	2.5	67.7 68.2	2.5 2.5
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	1,021	984	713	69.8	5.6	72.4	5.6	628	61.5	6.0	63.8	6.0
	Asian alone	281	145	72	25.7	10.5	49.6	16.8	65	23.3	10.2	45.1	16.7
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	406 6,374	302 6,223	178 4,649	43.9 72.9	10.6 2.3	58.9 74.7	12.2 2.3	165 4,225	40.7 66.3	10.5 2.4	54.7 67.9	12.3 2.4
	Black alone or in combination	1,091	1,054	773	70.9	5.4	73.3	5.3	684	62.7	5.7	64.9	5.8
MINNESOTA	Asian alone or in combination Total	309 4,339	173 4,142	90 3,436	29.3 79.2	10.5 2.5	52.1 82.9	15.3 2.4	84 3,225	27.1 74.3	10.2 2.7	48.3 77.9	15.3 2.7
	Male	2,149	2,051	1,690	78.6	3.6	82.4	3.5	1,575	73.3	3.9	76.8	3.8
	Female White alone	2,190	2,091	1,746	79.7	3.5	83.5	3.3	1,649	75.3	3.8	78.9	3.7
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	3,744 3,573	3,678 3,555	3,086 2,990	82.4 83.7	2.6 2.5	83.9 84.1	2.5 2.5	2,918 2,840	77.9 79.5	2.8	79.3 79.9	2.8
	Black alone	260	197	139	53.5	12.2	70.5	12.8	130	50.2	12.2	66.1	13.3
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	179 209	115 156	91 116	51.2 55.8	15.2 14.8	79.4 74.7	15.3 15.0	74 98	41.3 46.8	15.0 14.9	64.0 62.7	18.2 16.7
	White alone or in combination	3,816	3,750	3,146	82.5	2.5	83.9	2.5	2,979	78.1	2.8	79.4	2.7
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	299 191	236 127	170 104	56.9 54.3	11.3 14.6	72.0 81.4	11.5 14.0	161 86	54.0 45.1	11.4 14.6	68.3 67.5	11.9 16.8
MISSISSIPPI	Asian alone or in combination Total	2,212	2,177	1,749	54.3 79.1	14.6 2.8	81.4 80.4	2.7	1,531	45.1 69.2	3.2	70.3	16.8
	Male	1,029	1,015	792	76.9	4.2	78.0	4.2	680	66.1	4.8	67.0	4.8
	Female White alone	1,182 1,350	1,162 1,337	957 1,054	81.0 78.1	3.7 3.6	82.4 78.8	3.6 3.6	850 921	71.9 68.3	4.2	73.2 68.9	4.2
	White non-Hispanic alone	1,300	1,295	1,026	78.9	3.6	79.2	3.6	904	69.5	4.1	69.8	4.1
	Black alone	792	787	654	82.5	4.2	83.1	4.1	573	72.3	4.9	72.8	4.9
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	37 67	20 53	9 34	B B	B B	B B		23	B B	B B	B B	B
	White alone or in combination	1,375	1,363	1,079	78.5	3.6	79.2	3.5	942	68.5	4.0	69.1	4.0
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	805 41	799 24	666 13	82.8 B	4.1 B	83.4 B	4.1 B	582 11	72.4 B	4.9 B	72.9 B	4.8 B
MISSOURI	Total	4,637	4,475	3,388	73.1	2.7	75.7	2.7	2,990	64.5	2.9	66.8	2.9
	Male	2,205	2,136	1,556	70.5	4.0	72.9	4.0	1,361	61.7	4.3	63.7	4.3
	Female White alone	2,432 3,871	2,340 3,812	1,832 2,935	75.3 75.8	3.6 2.9	78.3 77.0	3.5 2.8	1,629 2,576	67.0 66.5	4.0 3.2	69.6 67.6	4.0

					Percent		Percent			Percent		Percent	
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:	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	3,687 518	3,664 507	2,816 373	76.4 72.1	2.9 7.8	76.8 73.6	2.9 7.8	2,488 351	67.5 67.8	3.2 8.2	67.9 69.2	3.2 8.1
	Asian alone	138	64	38	В	7.8 B	75.0 B	7.0 B	38	07.8 B	B	B	0.1 B
	Hispanic (of any race)	232	178	127	54.8	14.2	71.3	14.7	95	40.9	14.0	53.3	16.3
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	3,941 552	3,873 533	2,963 381	75.2 69.0	2.9 7.8	76.5 71.4	2.8 7.8	2,588 351	65.7 63.6	3.1 8.1	66.8 65.8	3.1 8.2
	Asian alone or in combination	146	72	46	В	В	В	В	46	В	В	В	В
MONTANA	Total Male	836 415	827 411	641 322	76.6 77.8	2.6 3.7	77.5 78.4	2.6 3.6	607 299	72.6 72.0	2.8 4.0	73.5 72.5	2.8
	Female	422	411	318	75.5	3.8	76.7	3.7	309	73.2	3.9	74.4	3.8
	White alone	772	765	597	77.3	2.7	78.0	2.7	572	74.0	2.8	74.7	2.8
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	757 4	751 4	584	77.2 B	2.7 B	77.8 B	2.7 B	560	74.0 B	2.9 B	74.6 B	2.9 B
	Asian alone	10	7	4	В	В	В		4	В	В	В	В
	Hispanic (of any race)	20	19	15	В	В	В			В	В		В
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	791	784 6	609	77.0 B	2.7 B	77.7 B			73.6 B	2.8 B	74.3 B	2.8 B
	Asian alone or in combination	13	10	5	В	В	В		5	В	В	В	В
NEBRASKA	Total	1,435	1,369	971	67.7	3.4	70.9	3.4	892	62.2	3.5	65.2	3.5
	Male Female	708 728	674 695	464 507	65.6 69.7	4.9 4.7	68.9 73.0	4.9 4.6	421 471	59.6 64.7	5.0 4.8	62.5 67.8	5.1
	White alone	1,301	1,255	903	69.4	3.5	71.9	3.5	826	63.5	3.6	65.8	3.7
	White non-Hispanic alone	1,205	1,202	877	72.7	3.5	72.9	3.5		66.5	3.7	66.6	3.7
	Black alone Asian alone	80 26	71 17	45 9	B B	B B	B B			B B	B B	B B	B B
	Hispanic (of any race)	98	55	28	В	В	В		27	В	В	В	В
	White alone or in combination	1,307	1,261	907	69.4	3.5	71.9	3.5	830	63.5	3.6	65.8	3.7
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	82 26	73 17	47	B B	B B	B B		46 9	B B	B B	B B	B B
NEVADA	Total	2,402	2,198	1,455	60.6	3.2	66.2	3.3	1,351	56.3	3.3	61.5	3.4
	Male	1,192	1,088	698	58.6	4.6	64.1	4.7	649	54.5	4.7	59.7	4.8
	Female White alone	1,210 1,691	1,110 1,561	757 1,072	62.6 63.4	4.5 3.8	68.2 68.6	4.5 3.8	702 1,013	58.0 59.9	4.6	63.2 64.9	4.7
	White non-Hispanic alone	1,091	1,361	868	71.7	4.2	73.1	4.2	827	68.3	4.3	69.7	4.3
	Black alone	233	232	155	66.5	9.6	66.8	9.6	136	58.2	10.0	58.5	10.0
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	230 654	195 515	136 268	59.0 41.0	10.4 6.5	69.7 52.0	10.5 7.5	134 239	58.4 36.6	10.4	68.9 46.4	10.6 7.5
	White alone or in combination	1,815	1,652	1,113	61.4	3.7	67.4	3.7	1,050	57.9	3.8	63.6	3.8
	Black alone or in combination	259	258	167	64.6	9.2	64.9	9.2	146	56.3	9.6	56.6	9.6
NEW HAMPSHIRE	Asian alone or in combination Total	252 1,101	217 1,077	146 843	57.8 76.6	10.0 2.9	67.2 78.3	10.2	144 797	57.2 72.4	10.0 3.0	66.5 74.0	10.3
NEW HAIVIPSHIKE	Male	542	531	401	74.1	4.3	75.5	4.2	375	69.2	4.5	70.5	4.5
	Female	559	546	442	78.9	3.9	80.9	3.8	423	75.5	4.1	77.4	4.1
	White alone	1,030	1,015	813	78.9	2.9	80.0	2.8	771	74.8	3.1	75.9	3.0
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	1,000	993 20	799 4	79.8 B	2.9 B	80.5 B	2.8 B	758 4	75.8 B	3.1 B	76.4 B	3.1 B
	Asian alone	27	17	9	В	В	В		8	В	В	В	В
	Hispanic (of any race)	38	31	19 823	B 70.0	B 2.9	B 70.0			B 74.0	3.0		3.0
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	1,045	1,030 32	14	78.8 B	2.9 B	79.9 B			74.8 B	3.0 B	75.9 B	3.U
	Asian alone or in combination	27	17	9	В	В	В		8	В	В	В	В
NEW JERSEY	Total Male	6,801 3,281	5,921 2,814	5,008 2,366	73.6 72.1	2.2 3.2	84.6 84.1	1.9 2.8	4,638 2,193	68.2 66.8	2.3	78.3 77.9	2.2 3.2
	Female	3,520	3,107	2,560	75.0	3.0	85.0	2.6	2,193	69.5	3.4	78.7	3.0
	White alone	4,900	4,462	3,826	78.1	2.4	85.7	2.1	3,543	72.3	2.6	79.4	2.5
	White non-Hispanic alone	3,755	3,636	3,134	83.5	2.5	86.2	2.3	2,950	78.6	2.7	81.1	2.7
	Black alone Asian alone	994 810	850 524	658 443	66.2 54.7	5.9 7.1	77.5 84.5	5.6 6.4	606 408	60.9 50.4	6.1 7.1	71.3 77.9	6.1 7.3
	Hispanic (of any race)	1,347	996	817	60.7	5.7	82.0	5.2	719	53.4	5.8	72.1	6.1
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	4,971 1,064	4,520	3,884	78.1	2.4	85.9	2.1	3,602	72.5	2.6	79.7	2.5 5.8
	Asian alone or in combination	816	907 530	716 449	67.2 55.1	5.6 7.0	78.9 84.7	5.3 6.3	663 414	62.3 50.8	5.8 7.1	73.1 78.1	7.3
NEW MEXICO	Total	1,610	1,498	1,028	63.9	3.0	68.6	3.0	938	58.3	3.1	62.6	3.2
	Male	784	732	495	63.1	4.4	67.6	4.4	450	57.4	4.5	61.4	4.6
	Female White alone	826 1,340	766 1,249	533 881	64.5 65.7	4.2 3.3	69.5 70.5	4.2		59.2 60.6	4.3	63.7 65.0	4.4
	White non-Hispanic alone	745	741	578	77.5	3.9	78.0	3.9	542	72.7	4.1	73.1	4.1
	Black alone	34	32	24	В	В	В		21	В	В	В	В
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	28 636	15 539	12 323	50.7	B 5.3	B 59.9	5.6	12 290	45.6	B 5.2	53.8	5.7
	White alone or in combination	1,384	1,288	911	65.8	3.2	70.7	3.2	840	60.7	3.3	65.2	3.4
	Black alone or in combination	46	44	34	В	В	В			В	В		В
NEW YORK	Asian alone or in combination Total	38 15,105	25 13,298	9,370	62.0	B 1.6	70.5			57.0	B 1.7	64.7	B 1.7
	Male	7,164	6,216	4,309	60.1	2.4	69.3	2.4	3,936	54.9	2.5	63.3	2.6
	Female	7,941	7,082	5,061	63.7	2.3	71.5	2.2	4,673	58.8	2.3	66.0	2.3
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	10,551 8,764	9,556 8,365	6,933 6,188	65.7 70.6	1.9 2.0	72.5 74.0	1.9 2.0	6,443 5,775	61.1 65.9	2.0	67.4 69.0	2.0
	Black alone	2,554	2,329	1,598	62.6	3.8	68.6	3.8	1,459	57.1	3.9		4.0
	Asian alone	1,533	1,019	593	38.7	5.1	58.2	6.4	528	34.5	5.0	51.9	6.4
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	2,330 10,786	1,608 9,748	991 7,086	42.5 65.7	4.5 1.9	61.6 72.7	5.3 1.9		37.9 60.7	4.4 2.0	54.9 67.1	5.4
	Black alone or in combination	2,722	2,464	1,694	62.2	3.7	68.7	3.7		55.9	3.8	61.8	3.9
	Asian alone or in combination	1,630	1,096	665	40.8	5.0	60.7	6.1	568	34.9	4.9	51.9	6.2
NORTH CAROLINA	Total Male	8,113	7,391	5,161	63.6	2.2	69.8	2.2	4,780	58.9 56.7	2.3	64.7	2.3
	Male Female	3,854 4,259	3,464 3,928	2,377 2,783	61.7 65.3	3.3 3.0	68.6 70.9	3.3 3.0	2,185 2,595	56.7 60.9	3.3	63.1 66.1	3.4
	White alone	5,775	5,194	3,638	63.0	2.6	70.0	2.6	3,379	58.5	2.7	65.0	2.8
	White non-Hispanic alone	4,859	4,765	3,418	70.4	2.7	71.7	2.7	3,173	65.3	2.8		2.8
	Black alone Asian alone	1,752 317	1,707 221	1,166 168	66.6 53.1	4.5 11.5	68.3 76.4	4.5 11.7	1,083 156	61.8 49.3	4.6 11.5	63.4 70.9	4.6
	Hispanic (of any race)	989	492	267	27.0	6.1	54.3	9.8	240	24.2	5.9	48.8	9.8
	White alone or in combination	5,894	5,313	3,725	63.2	2.6	70.1	2.6	3,449	58.5	2.7	64.9	2.7
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	1,802 344	1,757 247	1,209 182	67.1 52.9	4.4 11.0	68.8 73.5	4.4 11.5	1,118 170	62.0 49.4	4.5 11.0	63.6 68.6	4.6 12.1
	, Gran arone or all combindtion									65.3			
NORTH DAKOTA	Total	571	556	429	75.2	2.9	77.3	2.9	373	05.5	3.2	67.1	3.2

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SIAIE	White alone	503	495	393	78.2	3.0	79.3	3.0	352	70.0	3.3	71.0	3.3
	White non-Hispanic alone	489	487	388	79.3	3.0	79.7	3.0	348	71.1	3.3	71.5	3.3
	Black alone Asian alone	13 10	8 7	2	B B	B B	B B	B B	3	B	B B	B B	B B
	Hispanic (of any race)	16	11	6	В	В	В		5	В	В	В	В
	White alone or in combination	512	505	400	78.2	3.0	79.3	2.9	356	69.5	3.3	70.5	3.3
	Black alone or in combination Asian alone or in combination	15 12	10	4	B B	B B	B B	B B	2	B B	B B	B B	B B
OHIO	Total	8,951	8,740	6,733	75.2	1.9	77.0	1.8	6,128	68.5	2.0	70.1	2.0
	Male	4,311	4,211	3,219	74.7	2.7	76.4	2.7	2,913	67.6	2.9	69.2	2.9
	Female White alone	4,640 7,416	4,529 7,300	3,514 5,724	75.7 77.2	2.6 2.0	77.6 78.4	2.5 2.0	3,216 5,223	69.3 70.4	2.8	71.0 71.5	2.8 2.2
	White non-Hispanic alone	7,410	7,064	5,535	77.2	2.0	78.4	2.0	5,077	71.6	2.2	71.9	2.2
	Black alone	1,069	1,042	758	70.9	5.4	72.8	5.4	678	63.4	5.8	65.1	5.8
	Asian alone	234	167	101	43.2	13.1	60.6	15.3	96	41.0	13.0	57.5	15.5
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	383 7,592	299 7,476	226 5,844	59.0 77.0	10.8	75.8 78.2	10.6 2.0	175 5,324	45.7 70.1	10.9	58.7 71.2	12.2 2.1
	Black alone or in combination	1,181	1,153	831	70.4	5.2	72.1	5.2	738	62.5	5.5	64.0	5.5
	Asian alone or in combination	260	192	126	48.7	12.5	65.8	13.8	121	46.7	12.5	63.1	14.1
OKLAHOMA	Total Male	2,942 1,434	2,800 1,367	1,884 856	64.0 59.7	3.5 5.1	67.3 62.6	3.5 5.2	1,631 741	55.5 51.7	3.6 5.2	58.3 54.2	3.7 5.3
	Female	1,508	1,433	1,028	68.2	4.7	71.7	4.7	890	59.0	5.0	62.1	5.1
	White alone	2,289	2,175	1,537	67.1	3.9	70.6	3.9	1,347	58.9	4.1	62.0	4.1
	White non-Hispanic alone	1,977	1,962	1,442	73.0	4.0	73.5	3.9	1,276	64.6	4.3	65.0	4.3
	Black alone Asian alone	231 26	218 19	123	53.3 B	12.4 B	56.4 B	12.7 B	108	46.8 B	12.4 B	49.5 B	12.8 B
	Hispanic (of any race)	348	248	106	30.6	10.2	42.8	13.0	75	21.6	9.1	30.3	12.1
	White alone or in combination	2,402	2,288	1,588	66.1	3.8	69.4	3.8	1,382	57.6	4.0	60.4	4.0
	Black alone or in combination	255 43	242	130	50.9	11.8	53.6 B	12.1	113	44.3 B	11.8	46.6	12.1
OREGON	Asian alone or in combination Total	3,369	36 3,242	2,590	76.9	B 2.9	79.9	B 2.8	2,402	71.3	B 3.1	74.1	3.0
	Male	1,645	1,572	1,245	75.7	4.2	79.2	4.0	1,144	69.5	4.5	72.8	4.4
	Female	1,724	1,670	1,345	78.0	3.9	80.5	3.8	1,258	73.0	4.2	75.3	4.2
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	2,955 2,712	2,876 2,696	2,345 2,229	79.4 82.2	2.9 2.9	81.5 82.7	2.9	2,191 2,094	74.2 77.2	3.2 3.2	76.2 77.7	3.1 3.2
	Black alone	82	76	47	57.6	20.6	62.2	20.9	39	47.5	20.8	51.2	21.6
_	Asian alone	143	109	70	49.4	16.3	64.8	17.8	66	46.2	16.2	60.6	18.2
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	281 3,064	201 2,985	122 2,441	43.6 79.7	12.2 2.9	60.8 81.8	14.2 2.8	105 2,265	37.3 73.9	11.9 3.1	51.9 75.9	14.5 3.1
	Black alone or in combination	93	2,983	2,441	62.5	18.9	66.8	19.0	50	53.5	19.5	57.2	20.0
	Asian alone or in combination	179	145	101	56.6	14.4	69.8	14.8	84	47.3	14.5	58.3	15.9
PENNSYLVANIA	Total	9,902	9,621	7,337	74.1	1.8	76.3	1.8	6,756	68.2	1.9	70.2	1.9
	Male Female	4,787 5,115	4,638 4,983	3,489 3,848	72.9 75.2	2.6 2.5	75.2 77.2	2.6 2.4	3,192 3,564	66.7 69.7	2.8 2.6	68.8 71.5	2.8 2.6
	White alone	8,485	8,324	6,390	75.3	1.9	76.8	1.9	5,875	69.2	2.0	70.6	2.0
	White non-Hispanic alone	7,910	7,862	6,115	77.3	1.9	77.8	1.9	5,634	71.2	2.1	71.7	2.1
	Black alone	1,042	981	751	72.0	5.5	76.5	5.3	694	66.6	5.8	70.8	5.7
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	231 618	171 497	88 305	38.0 49.3	13.0 8.7	51.4 61.4	15.5 9.4	84 270	36.3 43.6	12.8 8.6	49.1 54.3	15.5 9.6
	White alone or in combination	8,613	8,453	6,486	75.3	1.9	76.7	1.9	5,965	69.3	2.0	70.6	2.0
	Black alone or in combination	1,139	1,078	824	72.3	5.2	76.4	5.1	761	66.9	5.5	70.6	5.5
RHODE ISLAND	Asian alone or in combination Total	246 840	186 776	103 575	41.8 68.5	12.8 3.2	55.4 74.1	14.8 3.2	99 515	40.3 61.3	12.7 3.4	53.2 66.3	14.8 3.4
KHODE ISLAND	Male	402	377	273	68.0	4.7	72.5	4.7	246	61.3	4.9	65.3	5.0
	Female	438	399	302	69.1	4.5	75.7	4.3	269	61.4	4.7	67.2	4.8
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	742	698	519	69.9	3.4	74.3	3.3	462	62.2	3.6	66.1	3.6
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	659 61	642 53	484 39	73.4 B	3.5 B	75.4 B	3.4 B	429 37	65.1 B	3.8 B	66.8 B	3.8 B
	Asian alone	25	15	10		В	В		10	В	В	В	В
	Hispanic (of any race)	88	60	38	В	В	В		36	В	В	В	В
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	750 68	706 60	525 45	70.0 B	3.4 B	74.4 B		466 41	62.2 B	3.6 B	66.0 B	3.6 B
	Asian alone or in combination	25	15	10	В	В	В		10	В	В	В	В
SOUTH CAROLINA	Total	4,010	3,878	2,713	67.7	3.0	70.0	3.0	2,459	61.3	3.1	63.4	3.1
	Male Female	1,887 2,123	1,820 2,058	1,266 1,447	67.1 68.2	4.4 4.1	69.5 70.3	4.4 4.1	1,158 1,302	61.3 61.3	4.5 4.3	63.6 63.3	4.6 4.3
	White alone	2,123	2,739	2,013	70.9	3.5	73.5	3.4	1,845	64.9	3.6	67.4	3.6
-	White non-Hispanic alone	2,605	2,590	1,945	74.7	3.5	75.1	3.4	1,789	68.7	3.7	69.0	3.7
	Black alone Asian alone	1,032 50	1,012 40	613 37	59.4 B	5.9 B	60.5 B	5.9 B	546 34	52.9 B	6.0 B	53.9 B	6.1 B
	Hispanic (of any race)	257	163	77	30.1	12.1	47.5	16.6	62	24.3	11.3	38.3	16.1
	White alone or in combination	2,888	2,786	2,049	71.0	3.4	73.6	3.4	1,871	64.8	3.6	67.1	3.6
	Black alone or in combination	1,047	1,026	618	59.1	5.9	60.2	5.9	551	52.7	6.0	53.7	6.0
SOUTH DAKOTA	Asian alone or in combination Total	70 659	59 649	53 437	66.3	B 3.4	67.4	B 3.4	51 380	57.7	B 3.5	58.5	B 3.5
	Male	330	326	217	65.6	4.8	66.5	4.8	189	57.2	5.0	57.9	5.0
-	Female	329	323	221	67.0	4.8	68.2	4.8	191	58.1	5.0	59.2	5.0
	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	587 577	585 577	401 397	68.3 68.8	3.5 3.5	68.5 68.8	3.5 3.5	351 348	59.7 60.3	3.7 3.7	59.9 60.3	3.7 3.7
	Black alone	18	13	5	08.8 B	3.5 B	00.0 B		348	60.3 B	3.7 B	60.3 B	3.7 B
	Asian alone	12	9	4	В	В	В	В	4	В	В	В	В
·	Hispanic (of any race)	13	10	6	B	B	B		5	B	B	B CO.2	B
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	600 18	598 13	411	68.5 B	3.5 B	68.7 B	3.5 B	360 4	60.0 B	3.7 B	60.2 B	3.7 B
	Asian alone or in combination	18	15	8	В	В	В	В		В	В	В	В
TENNESSEE	Total	5,283	5,038	3,742	70.8	2.6	74.3	2.5	3,346	63.3	2.7	66.4	2.7
	Male Female	2,544 2,738	2,409 2,629	1,766 1,976	69.4 72.2	3.7 3.5	73.3 75.2	3.7 3.4	1,563 1,783	61.4 65.1	3.9 3.7	64.9 67.8	4.0 3.7
	White alone	4,212	4,014	2,992	71.0	2.9	74.5	2.8	2,677	63.6	3.0	66.7	3.0
	White non-Hispanic alone	3,918	3,890	2,924	74.6	2.8	75.2	2.8	2,619	66.8	3.1	67.3	3.1
·	Black alone	866	853	658	76.0	5.7	77.1	5.6	592	68.3	6.2	69.4	6.2
	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	99 329	65 152	37 72	B 22.0	9.8	47.6	B 17.3	34 63	B 19.1	9.3	B 41.4	B 17.1
	White alone or in combination	4,298	4,101	3,032	70.5	2.8	73.9	2.8	2,708	63.0	3.0	66.0	3.0
	Black alone or in combination	895	882	671	75.0	5.7	76.1	5.6	602	67.2	6.1	68.2	6.1
TEXAS	Asian alone or in combination	111 21,485	76 18,581	49 13,343	43.9 62.1	19.0 1.4	63.7 71.8	22.1 1.4	46 11,874	41.3 55.3	18.8 1.4	59.9 63.9	22.6 1.5
	Total	10,513	9,082	6,338	60.3	2.0	69.8	2.0	5,580	53.1	2.0	61.4	2.1

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		T. 1.1	*	Total	Percent registered	Margin of	Percent	Margin of		Percent voted	Margin of	Percent	Margin of
STATE	Sex, Race, and Hispanic-Origin	Total population	Total citizen population	registered	(Total)	error 1	registered (Citizen)	error 1	Total voted	(Total)	error 1	voted (Citizen)	error 1
31/112	Female	10,972	9,500	7,005	63.8	1.9	73.7	1.9	6,295	57.4	2.0	66.3	2.0
	White alone	17,042	14,760	10,734	63.0	1.5	72.7	1.5	9,612	56.4	1.6	65.1	1.6
	White non-Hispanic alone Black alone	9,615 2,700	9,423 2,502	7,396 1,759	76.9 65.1	1.8	78.5 70.3	1.8	6,785	70.6	1.9	72.0 60.8	1.9
	Asian alone	1,239	821	521	42.1	3.6 5.7	63.5	6.8	1,521 482	56.3 38.9	5.6	58.7	3.9 7.0
	Hispanic (of any race)	7,730	5,599	3,538	45.8	2.5	63.2	2.8	2,972	38.4	2.4	53.1	2.9
	White alone or in combination	17,361	15,079	10,928	62.9	1.5	72.5	1.5	9,762	56.2	1.6	64.7	1.6
	Black alone or in combination	2,890	2,692	1,882	65.1	3.5	69.9	3.5	1,636	56.6	3.6	60.8	3.7
UTAH	Asian alone or in combination	1,355	937 2,178	601 1,468	44.4 63.3	5.5 2.7	64.2	6.4 2.7	546 1,386	40.3 59.7	5.4 2.8	58.3	6.6 2.8
UTAN	Total Male	2,320 1,146	1,068	699	61.0	3.9	67.4 65.5	4.0	647	56.5	4.0	63.6 60.6	4.1
	Female	1,174	1,110	769	65.5	3.8	69.3	3.8	739	62.9	3.9	66.6	3.9
	White alone	2,096	2,000	1,368	65.3	2.8	68.4	2.8	1,293	61.7	2.9	64.7	2.9
	White non-Hispanic alone	1,860	1,832	1,268	68.2	3.0	69.2	2.9	1,203	64.7	3.0	65.7	3.0
	Black alone Asian alone	40 51	33 18	9 10	B B	B B	B B	B B	9 10	B B	B B	B B	B B
	Hispanic (of any race)	253	180	100	39.4	8.8	55.4	10.6	89	35.3	8.6	49.6	10.6
	White alone or in combination	2,118	2,019	1,378	65.1	2.8	68.2	2.8	1,303	61.5	2.9	64.5	2.9
	Black alone or in combination	48		11	В	В	В	В	11	В	В	В	В
	Asian alone or in combination	55	20	13	В			В	13	В	В	В	В
VERMONT	Total	507 250	500 247	365 178	72.0 71.2	3.4 4.9	73.0 72.1	3.4 4.9	342 163	67.5 65.5	3.6 5.1	68.4 66.3	3.6 5.2
	Male Female	250	253	178	71.2	4.9	72.1	4.9	163	69.4	4.9	70.5	4.9
	White alone	477	474	354	74.3	3.4	74.8	3.4	332	69.7	3.6	70.2	3.6
	White non-Hispanic alone	474	470	351	74.1	3.4	74.6	3.4	329	69.4	3.6	69.9	3.6
	Black alone	8	5		В		В	В	1	В	В		
-	Asian alone Hispanic (of any race)	11	11 6		B B			B B	3	B B	B B		B B
	White alone or in combination	485	482	360	74.1	3.4	74.7	3.4	337	69.4	3.6	69.9	3.6
	Black alone or in combination	10	7	1	В			В	1	В	В		В
	Asian alone or in combination	14	14		В	В	В	В	6	В	В	В	В
VIRGINIA	Total	6,481	5,974	4,541	70.1	2.4	76.0	2.3	4,275	66.0	2.5	71.5	2.4
	Male Female	3,084 3,396	2,842 3,132	2,092 2,449	67.8 72.1	3.5 3.2	73.6 78.2	3.5	1,981 2,293	64.2 67.5	3.6	69.7 73.2	3.6 3.3
	White alone	4,526	4,268	3,393	75.0	2.7	79.5	2.6	3,204	70.8	2.8	75.1	2.8
	White non-Hispanic alone	3,979	3,904	3,160	79.4	2.7	80.9	2.6	3,018	75.9	2.8	77.3	2.8
	Black alone	1,237	1,129	764	61.8	5.5		5.6	722	58.3	5.6	63.9	5.7
	Asian alone	512	409	271	52.9	9.1	66.1	9.6	253	49.4	9.1	61.8	9.9
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	678 4,620	425 4,362	271 3,454	39.9 74.8	8.2 2.7	63.8 79.2	10.2	218 3,248	32.1 70.3	7.8 2.8	51.3 74.5	10.6 2.8
	Black alone or in combination	1,304	1,196	805	61.7	5.4	67.3	5.4	748	57.4	5.5	62.5	5.6
	Asian alone or in combination	535	432	287	53.6	8.9	66.4	9.3	269	50.3	8.9	62.3	9.6
WASHINGTON	Total	5,993	5,389	4,029	67.2	2.5		2.4	3,854	64.3	2.6	71.5	2.5
	Male	2,947	2,638	1,921	65.2	3.6	72.8	3.6	1,806	61.3	3.7	68.5	3.7
	Female White alone	3,046 4,735	2,751 4,413	2,109 3,452	69.2 72.9	3.5 2.7	76.7 78.2	3.3 2.6	2,047 3,309	67.2 69.9	3.5 2.8	74.4 75.0	3.4 2.7
	White non-Hispanic alone	4,122	3,985	3,177	77.1	2.7	79.7	2.6	3,070	74.5	2.8	77.0	2.8
	Black alone	257	210	136	53.1	12.3	64.7	13.0	130	50.8	12.3	61.9	13.2
	Asian alone	557	334	213	38.3	8.4	63.9	10.7	210	37.7	8.4	62.8	10.8
	Hispanic (of any race)	680 4,928	485 4,593	296 3,573	43.6 72.5	8.2 2.6	61.0	9.6 2.5	261 3,426	38.4 69.5	8.1 2.7	53.7 74.6	9.8 2.7
	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	331	4,593	170	51.2	10.9	77.8 59.5	11.5	164	49.4	10.9	57.4	11.6
	Asian alone or in combination	590	363	227	38.5	8.2	62.5	10.4	224	37.9	8.1	61.6	10.4
WEST VIRGINIA	Total	1,397	1,379	928	66.4	3.4	67.3	3.4	773	55.3	3.6	56.1	3.6
	Male	684	675	457	66.9	4.9	67.7	4.9	379	55.4	5.1	56.1	5.2
	Female White alone	714 1,324	704 1,314	471 879	65.9 66.4	4.8	66.8 66.9	4.8	395 735	55.3 55.5	5.0 3.7	56.0 56.0	5.1 3.7
	White non-Hispanic alone	1,324	1,314	879	66.9	3.5	67.0	3.5	733	56.0	3.7	56.1	3.7
	Black alone	45	42		В		В	В	18	В	В		
	Asian alone	5	1		В	В	В	В	1	В	В		
	Hispanic (of any race) White alone or in combination	23 1,346	15 1,336	10 900	66.9	B 3.5	67.4	3.5	754	56.0	B 3.7	56.5	B 3.7
	Black alone or in combination	1,346	50	34	00.9 B	3.3 B	67.4 B	3.3 B	25	30.0 B	3.7 B	30.3 B	3.7 B
	Asian alone or in combination	6	2	2	В	В	В	В	2	В	В	В	В
WISCONSIN	Total	4,538	4,421	3,391	74.7	2.7	76.7	2.6	3,253	71.7	2.8	73.6	2.7
	Male	2,223	2,158	1,616	72.7	3.9	74.9	3.8	1,533	68.9	4.0		4.0
<u> </u>	Female White alone	2,315 4,005	2,263 3,931	1,775 3,119	76.7 77.9	3.6 2.7	78.5 79.3	3.6 2.7	1,720 3,008	74.3 75.1	3.7 2.8	76.0 76.5	3.7 2.8
	White non-Hispanic alone	3,776	3,772	3,020	80.0	2.7	79.3 80.1	2.7	2,914	77.2	2.8	77.2	2.8
	Black alone	263	263	126	47.7	12.1	47.7	12.1	114	43.5	12.0	43.5	12.0
	Asian alone	117	73	44	В	В	В	В	44	В	В	В	В
	Hispanic (of any race)	242	173	105	43.5	13.7	61.0	16.0	101	41.7	13.7		16.2
<u> </u>	White alone or in combination Black alone or in combination	4,113 318	4,040 318	3,192 152	77.6 47.8	2.7 11.0	79.0 47.8	2.6 11.0	3,081 141	74.9 44.3	2.8 11.0	76.3 44.3	2.8 11.0
	Asian alone or in combination	138			47.8	17.1	62.0	20.3	59	44.3	17.1	62.0	20.3
WYOMING	Total	436		296	67.9	3.4	69.3	3.4	280	64.1	3.5	65.5	3.5
	Male	217	212	141	65.0	5.0	66.5	5.0	132	61.1	5.1	62.5	5.1
	Female	219	215	155	70.8	4.7		4.7	147	67.2	4.9		4.8
<u> </u>	White alone White non-Hispanic alone	410 379	405 376	280 265	68.3 70.0	3.5 3.6	69.2 70.6	3.5	265 251	64.5 66.2	3.6 3.7	65.4 66.8	3.6 3.7
	Black alone	3/9	2		70.0 B	3.0 B	70.6 B	3.0 B	1	00.2 B	3.7 B		
	Asian alone	2			В			В		В			
	Hispanic (of any race)	40			В	В	В	В	21	В	В	В	
	White alone or in combination				68.6			3.5	273	64.7			
<u> </u>	Black alone or in combination	4			B			B B	2	B B	B B		
L	Asian alone or in combination	4	2		В	В	В	В		В	В	В	В

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, November 2020

¹ This figure added to or subtracted from the estimate provides the 90-percent confidence interval.

NOTES:
A dash '' represents zero or rounds to zero.
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