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**Pro hac vice pending*

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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 DISTRICT OF UTAH**

COMMISSIONERS AMELIA POWERS
 GARDNER, a registered Utah voter and
 elected official, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR DEIDRE
 HENDERSON, in her official capacity,

Defendant.

**DECLARATION OF
 CLINT PAINTER**

Case No. 2:26-cv-00084-RJS

District Judge Robert J. Shelby

**THREE-JUDGE PANEL
 REQUESTED**

DECLARATION OF CLINT PAINTER

I, Clint Painter, am a citizen of the State of Utah and the United States, at least 18 years of age, and competent to make this declaration, as follows:

1. I am a registered Utah voter.
2. I am currently serving as a county commissioner for Juab County, Utah.
3. The selection of Map 1 has caused me uncertainty and confusion. The districts have shifted to the point that I do not know which congressional district I am supposed to be a part of, or whether I will be able to vote for the U.S. Representative who has been representing me.

4. In the normal redistricting process, I would be able to provide input to my representatives on the boundaries to be drawn. But Judge Gibson's selection of Map 1 cut me out of any ability to provide input into the boundaries in my district.

5. I have developed a valuable working relationship with my current representative that I wish to perpetuate. I am concerned that I will not be able to do so under Map 1. This relationship has allowed me to advance my federal policy goals and desires, including federal public land and water issues, business growth, regulatory barriers, homelessness, opioid addiction, and illegal immigration, to name but a few.

6. Map 1 ignores geographical concerns that I could have raised during a normal, constitutional redistricting process. For example, Map 1 places many of the fastest growing cities in Utah—including Eagle Mountain, Lehi, Santaquin, and

Saratoga Springs—in the same congressional district, which would be my district. By the time the next census is taken and a new map created in 2030, my district will likely be heavily lopsided compared to other districts, so my vote will be diluted.

7. The Legislature had also recognized that the People in western Juab County shared more in common with Utah’s western and southern rural counties, and the People in eastern Juab County with the Wasatch Front counties. The Legislature districted them accordingly. Now, under Map 1, eastern Juab County will be in a district with predominantly rural counties, with whom it has less in common. These rural counties, and western Juab county, are now outnumbered in terms of population by the portion of the Wasatch Front in their district, effectively eliminating the rural representation enjoyed under the 2021 congressional map. In the normal, constitutional redistricting process, I could have raised these concerns with the Legislature.

8. I believe that Judge Gibson’s selection of a map drawn by liberal voting groups will not result in a fair election race.

9. The selection process going into Map 1 has eroded my confidence in the congressional districting process and the 2026 election.

10. I joined this lawsuit to uphold my oath to “support, obey, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Utah,” and to “discharge the duties” of my “office with fidelity.” I hold my oath sacred.


11. I believe that Map 1 is unconstitutional, because it was not selected by the Legislature, as the U.S. Constitution requires. Yet I am being coerced to violate my oath to implement it.

12. The unconstitutional nature of that map has deprived me of my right to choose my representative in accord with the U.S. and Utah Constitutions.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the above statements are true and correct.

2/7/2026

Date

Signed by:

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Commissioner Clint Painter
Juab County, Utah