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REPUBLICAN PARTY OF NEW MEXICO DAVID GALLEGOS, TIMOTHY JENNINGS, DINAH VARGAS, MANUAL GONZALES JR, BOBBY AND DEE ANN KIMBRO, And PEARL GONZALES

Plaintiffs.

LARRY MARKER

Intervening Plaintiff.

Vs.

Case No. D-506-CV-202200041

MAGGIE TOULOUSE OLIVER in her official Capacity as New Mexico Secretary of State.
MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM in her official Capacity as Governor of New Mexico, HOWIE MORALES in his official capacity as New Mexico Lieutenant Governor and President of New Mexico Senate, MIMI STEWART in her official capacity As President Pro Tempore of the New Mexico Senate and BRIAN EGOLF in his official capacity As Speaker of the New Mexico House of Representatives.

Defendants.

INTERVENING PLAINTIFFS COMPLAINT
AND
STATEMENT OF CONCURRENCE IN SUPPORT
OF PLAINTIFFS ALLEGATIONS

Larry Marker (Intervenor) files this Complaint and Statement of Concurrence in Support of Plaintiffs Allegations. Intervenor is a resident of New Mexico residing six miles North of Roswell in Chaves County. Intervenor is an Independent Oil Producer with other Business Interest related to Agriculture and activities common to traditional rural New Mexico. Intervenor has Conservative Christian beliefs and traditional values common among Citizens residing in all of Southeastern NM. Intervenor does have Standing in this Matter as a Citizen and Registered Voter in the State of New Mexico.

1-A special session of the New Mexico Legislature was held this past December of 2021. That special legislative session resulted in the redrafting of New Mexico voting Districts creating new boundaries for the New Mexico House and Senate, the Public Education Commission and the Congressional districts. The three elected Congressional Representatives from these Congressional Districts represent the Citizens of New Mexico in the United States Congress.

2-The subject of the case at bar is newly drafted Congressional Map created and made law by Senate Bill One (SB-1). The newly drafted and approved 2021 Congressional Map SB-1 attached as Exhibit A. The current or old Congressional Map drafted and approved in 2012 is attached as Exhibit B.

#### Intervening Plaintiffs Specific Allegation.

- 3- The subject Senate Bill One Map (SB-1) is as drafted a Violation of Article II Section 8 of the New Mexico Constitution as relating to limiting Intervenor freedom of choice and association. *Please see Kane v. City of Albuquerque, 2015-NMSC-027*. The referenced authority is applicable in the area of limiting the field of Candidates that would share any common interest of Intervenor, obviously limiting his ability to vote for a Candidate of his choice.
- 4-New Mexico also in *Kane*, further determines that Laws limiting the field of candidates are unconstitutional when they burden an identifiable segment of voters, such as voters who share a particularized viewpoint, economic status, or associational preference.
- 5-The identifiable segment of voters burdened are the voters that have been able to support and vote for individuals that have for decades shared common economic and traditional interest in most if not all aspects of small town or rural life.

  Intervenor is on all fours a member of that segment of voters that are now burdened with the reality of not having a legitimate opportunity of supporting or voting for a Candidate that we associate with or is part of our Community of interest.

6-The business, economic and cultural interest of Intervenor are not shared by any measurable amount with the vast majority of voters or traditional candidates in the newly drafted CD-1(Exhibit A), again limiting the field of Candidates also limits the Voters right to vote for a Candidate of his choice, this is as established by New Mexico Law a violation of I Plaintiffs Article II Section 8 rights.

7-Senate Bill one clearly removes Intervenors opportunity and right of voting for or providing support for a Congressional Candidate that is part of his community of interest.

8- To further buttress Intervenors allegation of violation of his Article II Section 8 rights. Established New Mexico law is that communities of interest shall be preserved in the redrafting of District Maps:

Please see MAESTAS V. HALL, 2012-NMSC-006.¶ 34Districts shall be drawn consistent with traditional districting principles. Districts shall be composed of contiguous precincts, and shall be reasonably compact. To the extent feasible, districts shall be drawn in an attempt to preserve communities of interest and shall take into consideration political and geographic boundaries. In addition, and to the extent feasible, the legislature may seek to preserve the core of existing districts, and may consider the residence of incumbents.

9-The Redrafting of boundaries not adhering to established law and principles did in fact facilitate the removal of Intervenor from the Current CD-3 (Exhibit B) to Congressional District CD-1 (Exhibit A) clearly prohibiting him from voting for a Candidate that would share his economic, cultural and traditional values.

10-Even a cursory review of the difference of the boundaries between the Congressional Map approved by SB-1 in Exhibit A and the current or old map shown by Exhibit B brings into question the legitimacy of the newly drafted Map.

11-Obvious to any individual with basic knowledge of New Mexico its history, traditions, culture and economic structure is the fact that the newly drafted SB-1 Map shown in Exhibit A denies Intervenor his right to participate in any meaningful way in future Congressional elections a clear violation of the Constitutional mandate of "Freedom of Elections" in Article II Section 8 of the New Mexico Constitution.

Statement and Argument in Support of Plaintiffs Allegations and Complaint.

12-Intervening Plaintiff does further state and support the allegations and specific claims Plaintiffs have put forth in their complaint filed on January 21<sup>st</sup> 2022.

13-The Congressional Districts drafted and approved by SB-1, Exhibit A also specifically violate Intervenors Article II Section 18 rights as established by *MAESTAS V. HALL, 2012-NMSC-006.* 

14- Established by *MAESTAS V. HALL*, are clear Legal Standards and Principles that were mostly if not completely ignored by New Mexico Legislature when drafting and approving the Subject Map.

15-Exasperating the issue is the fact that The Governor inexplicably signed into law a Bill that even the most casual observer would conclude runs afoul the Constitution, established redistricting laws, principles and clearly violates well established principals relating to Political Gerrymandering.

#### Conclusion and Relief Requested.

16-Intervening Plaintiff does request this Court to fully consider the Legal Authorities, Facts and Pleadings as presented and issue an Order consistent with established redistricting laws and principles.

17-Intervening Plaintiff does request this Court issue an Order that declares Senate Bill One and the subject Congressional Map as drafted illegal and void. For violations of Article II Sections 8 and 18 of the New Mexico Constitution.

18-Intervening Plaintiff does request this Court to issue an Order that declares

Senate Bill One and the subject Congressional Map as drafted illegal and void for violation of the established laws and principles relating to Partisan

Gerrymandering.

19-Intervening Plaintiff does request this Court to issue an Order that is within its Authority and Jurisdiction as to the adoption of Congressional Concept E (Justice Chaves Map) attached as Exhibit C.

20-Intervening Plaintiff does request that in the Alternative this Court issue an Order that Senate Bill 1 and the subject Congressional Map as drafted is illegal and void and further order this matter be remanded back to the Legislature to provide the Citizens of New Mexico a Legal, Legitimate Congressional Map that fully adheres to established Laws and Principles of Redistricting and the Constitution of the State of New Mexico.

Respectfully Submitted: Larry Marker P.O. Box 3188 Roswell, NM 88201 575-910-0300 larrym\_gdc@hotmail.com Certificate of service.

I do certify a copy of this Motion to Intervene Was mailed first class to these Parties.

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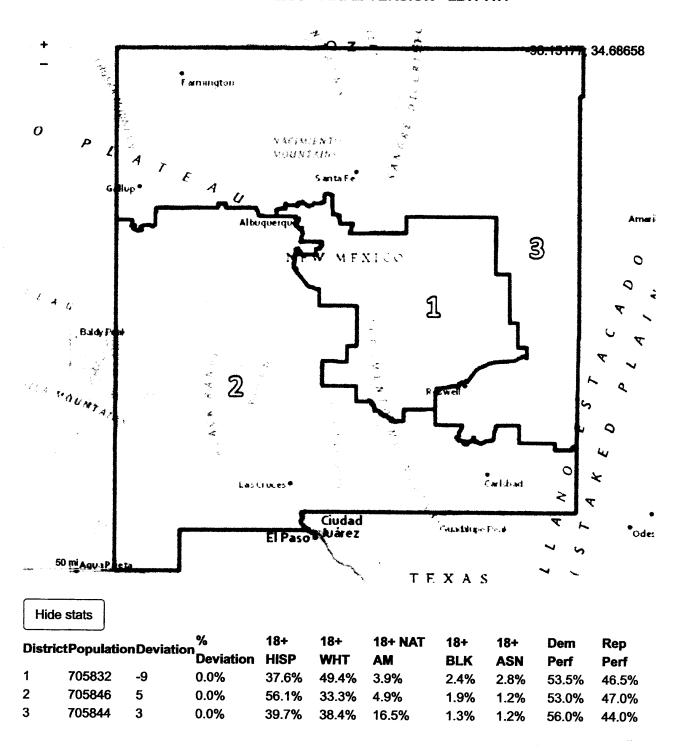
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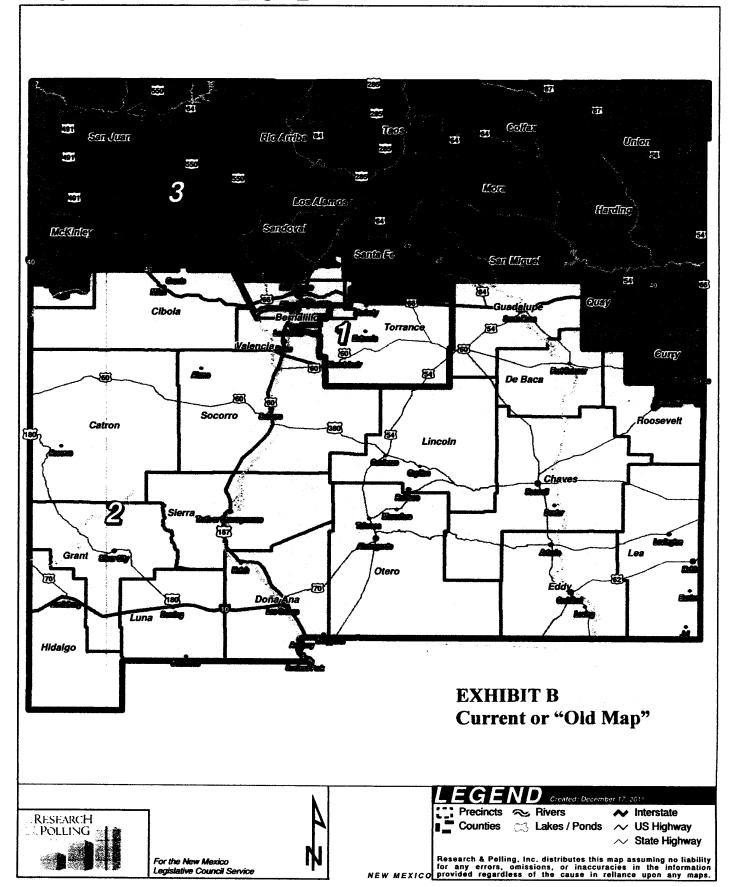
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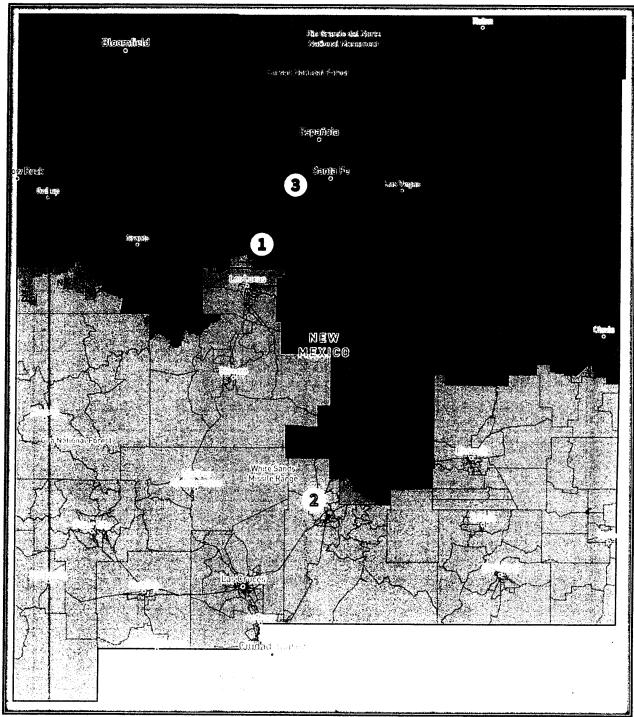
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**EXHIBIT A Senate Bill One Map** 



# **Congressional Concept E-Revised (Justice Chávez Map)**



To view the map in full detail, see previous district boundaries, county boundaries, demographic data, and other data please click or search the following link: <a href="https://districtr.org/plan/63307?portal">https://districtr.org/plan/63307?portal</a>

EXHIBIT C Proposed Map.

## **Congressional Concept E-Revised**

## **Adoption**

The following Committee members voted to adopt this map: Ryan Cangiolosi, Hon. Lisa Curtis, Hon. Michael Sanchez. Robert Rhatigan, Christopher Saucedo, and Justice Edward Chávez. The following member voted against the adoption of this map: Joaquin Sanchez.

## **Population and Deviations**

| District | Populations | Deviation |         |  |
|----------|-------------|-----------|---------|--|
| 1        | 705,822     | -19       | 0.0%    |  |
| 2        | 705,813     | -28       | 0.0%    |  |
| 3        | 705,887     | 46        | 0.0%    |  |
| NM Total | 2,117,522   | Ideal     | 705,841 |  |

| Demographics |                   | Adult Non-Hispanic |       |                    |       |       |       |       |
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| District     | Adult<br>Hispanic | Adult NA<br>Any    | White | Native<br>American | Black | Asian | Other | Total |
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#### **Overall Plan Evaluation**

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### **Split Counties, Split Cities, and Contiguity**

Congressional Concept E-Revised splits 0 cities with a greater-than-ideal population, 5 cities with a less-than-ideal population, and 6 Counties. Congressional Concept E-Revised has no contiguity issues.

### **VRA Compliance**

A VRA analysis was not required for Congressional maps. See pages 24-25, at footnotes 3 and 4 supra.

## Description of Map Objectives and Development based on public input

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