

Ohio Redistricting Commission

Dear Commissioners:

There is a problem of enormous proportion in Ohio. The problem has corroded our political process leading to a system of one party rule.

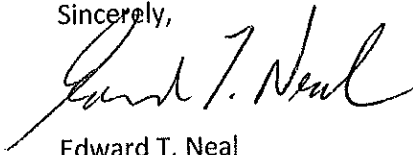
The voters of Ohio overwhelmingly recognize this problem as gerrymandered state voting districts. Not once but twice they have voted by a landslide majority to change the process on how districts are drawn.

I am one of those voters. I want districts that are under the command of the will of the people, not the command of a political party. I want politicians who must appeal to multiple groups of voters and their interests, not the interests of one political party. I want districts that address the issues in my town and area, not the issues of a corner of a district miles and miles and miles away.

The task of the Redistricting Commission is very clear and defined. Our state government has had over a year to prepare for this task. There are no excuses for inaction nor sidestepping the charge given to the commission by the voters of Ohio.

Draw districts that are fair and follow the will of the people. That is the only effort that will reverse the corrosive effects of our current system.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edward T. Neal". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "E".

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