

To: Ohio Redistricting Commission
From: Harriet W. Slive, citizen, speaking for many

Dear Commission,

The citizens of Ohio rely on their elected representatives for

- Transparency
- Fairness
- Inclusion
- Citizens to matter

Citizens do NOT want gerrymandering. They want to win or lose based on merit and integrity, not manipulation. Manipulation hurts the soul- for all involved, public and private.

So far you have:

- Waited until after September 1 to hold this process
- Give very short notice for testimony
- Withheld your proposed map for review before the hearing
- Not provided an easy or findable path for written testimony during a pandemic
- Not looked with curiosity and openness at the many good maps proposed

As a consequence, voters worry that you won't do what you were elected to do. We worry that you have lost grace and integrity.

Please make this right. For all of us.

Thank you.

Ohio Constitution, Article XI, Section 6:

(A) No general assembly district plan shall be drawn primarily to favor or disfavor a political party.

(B) The statewide proportion of districts whose voters, based on statewide state and federal partisan general election results during the last ten years, favor each political party shall correspond closely to the statewide preferences of the voters of Ohio.

(C) General assembly districts shall be compact.