## NC REDISTRICTING LITIGATION

A CASE BY CASE BREAKDOWN



## THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA'S REDISTRICTING

In 2023, the North Carolina General Assembly passed new State House, State Senate, and Congressional maps. These maps were fiercely criticized by lawmakers, pro-democracy organizations and advocates, and voters over concerns of discrimination and gerrymandering.

Since the maps were enacted, several lawsuits have been filed to stop the maps from being used. This pamphlet identifies the cases and the claims, impacted areas, and proposed relief that each case brings forward.





# NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONFERENCE OF THE NAACP V. BERGER

Filed in federal court on Dec. 19, 2023, on behalf of the North Carolina State Conference of the NAACP, Common Cause and individual Black voters, the plaintiffs are challenging the state House, state Senate, and Congressional maps.

- Represented by: Southern Coalition for Social Justice, NAACP, Hogan Lovells
- Maps challenged: State House, State Senate, Congressional Maps
  - Impacted areas: House Districts 4, 5, 7, 10, 12, 24, 25, 32 (northeast North Carolina); 35 (Wake County); and 71 (Winston-Salem); Senate Districts 1 and 2 (northeast North Carolina); 7 and 8 (Wilmington); and 42 (Mecklenburg County); Congressional Districts 1 (northeast North Carolina); 5, 6, 9 and 10 (Triad area)
- Claims: Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, intentional discrimination in violation of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments, racial gerrymandering in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment, malapportionment in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment's one-person, one-vote guarantee
- Proposed relief: 2026

#### PIERCE V. STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Filed in federal court on Nov. 20, 2023, on behalf of two Black voters, the plaintiffs are challenging the state Senate map, alleging that reconfigured districts in northeastern North Carolina's Black Belt violate Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act by diluting Black voting power.

- Represented by: Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer & Poyner Spruill
- Maps challenged: State Senate Map
  - Impacted areas: Senate
     Districts 1 and 2
     (northeast North
     Carolina)
- Claims: Section 2 of the Voting Rights Act
- Proposed relief: 2024

#### WILLIAMS V. HALL

Filed in federal court on Dec. 4, 2023, on behalf of several Black and Latino voters, the plaintiffs are challenging the Congressional map, arguing certain districts are racially gerrymandered and intentionally discriminatory by redrawing effective crossover districts and weakening minority opportunity districts.

- Represented by: Patterson Harkavy & Elias Law Group
- Maps challenged: Congressional Map
  - Impacted areas:
     Congressional Districts
     1 (northeast North
     Carolina); 6 (Triad
     area); 12, and 14
     (Charlotte and
     Mecklenburg/Gaston/
     Cabarrus counties)
- Claims: Intentional discrimination in violation of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments, racial gerrymandering in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment
- Proposed relief: 2026

## BARD V. NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Filed in state court on Jan. 31, 2024, on behalf of 11 North Carolina voters, the plaintiffs are challenging the state House, state Senate, and Congressional maps, alleging all three maps violate the North Carolina Constitution's unenumerated rights clause by taking away the right of North Carolinians to have fair elections.

- Represented by: Robert F. Orr, Greene Wilson Crow & Smith, Andrew M. Simpson
- Maps challenged: State House, State Senate, Congressional Maps
  - Impacted areas:
    - House District 105 (Mecklenburg County)
    - Senate District 7 (New Hanover County)
    - Congressional Districts 6, 13, and 14 (Davidson, Franklin and Burke Counties)
- Claims: North Carolina State
  Constitution's Unenumerated
  Right to Fair Elections
- Proposed relief: 2024

