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Subject: Legislative Redistricting

Dear Circuit Clerks,

Attached please find the Memorandum and Order denying the NAACP's Motion for Temporary Restraining Order. The Court specifically found the previous judgment approving the 2025 redistricting lines was stripped of its binding effect. As you may recall, our office advised the affected counties that due to the Callais holding, the most recent legal legislative redistricting lines were adopted in 2022. Thus, the conclusion of this office was those House and Senate district lines should be restored.

It is my understanding that most of the affected counties have completed the changes to revert back to the 2022 redistricting lines. If your county has not done so yet, there will be a limited window to complete that between December 10, 2026 and December 31, 2026. Secretary Watson is very appreciative of those who went ahead and prepared to make sure we are as ready as possible for 2027. Elections take a team, so we wanted to give Mississippians the best chance possible to have constitutionally supported lines drawn in time to avoid any confusion.

Sincerely,

Laura Henderson-Courtney