



# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

## CITIZENS INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

### **PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA** **2020 Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission**

Date: **Wednesday, May 19, 2021**  
Time: **6:00 PM**  
Place: **Remote Virtual Participation Only**

#### **Meeting Access:**

**Zoom:** <https://zoom.us/j/93433910146> or call (669) 900-6833 or (253) 215-8782  
**ID:** 934 3391 0146

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- Smart phone users with the Zoom app can also select the “raise your hand” feature.

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- Attendees by phone can “raise your hand” by pressing star-9. When it is your turn to speak, we will announce you by caller I.D. or your phone number. When called upon, please state your name for the record. We reserve the right to mute a microphone for profane, harassing or offensive language; or for speaking beyond the time limit set by the Chair.

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Commission Members: Commissioner Cheryl Trosky, First District  
Commissioner Karen Twibell, First District  
Commissioner William McClintock, Second District  
Commissioner Megan Turley, Second District, Vice Chair  
Commissioner Norman “Doug” Bradley, Third District  
Commissioner Benjamin Olmedo, Third District  
Commissioner James Bray, Fourth District  
Commissioner Amanda Ochoa, Fourth District  
Commissioner Glenn Morris, Fifth District, Chair  
Commissioner Jannet Rios, Fifth District  
(Vacant), Member-At-Large

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Commissioner disclosure of ex parte communications pursuant to County Ordinance Code Sec. 2-10.9A(5)(h) are posted on the commission website at [www.countyofsb.org/redistricting.sbc](http://www.countyofsb.org/redistricting.sbc).
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5. Approval of Minutes of May 5, 2021.
6. Commission applicant interviews to fill the at-large position. (Note: Additional interviews were held May 12, 2021)
7. Discussion, deliberation, and possible action regarding the commissioner appointment for the At-Large Commissioner and administer oath of office.
8. Outreach: Update on work on marketing materials.
9. Demonstration and discussion of public mapping tools and related budget issues.
10. Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding scheduling of public hearings through map adoption.

11. Discussion and possible action regarding future training sessions and other future agenda items.

#### ADJOURNMENT

#### Agenda Packet Items:

- Item 06 Interview Schedule
- Item 06 Interview Questions
- Item 06 Candidate Applications
- Item 10 Proposed Public Hearing Schedule
- Item 11 Proposed Future Agenda Items



# COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

## CITIZENS INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

### Summary of Proceedings 2020 Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission

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#### BOARD ACTION SHOWN IN CAPS

##### 1. Commission Convened

###### Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Bradley, Bray, McClintock, Morris, Ochoa, Olmedo, Trosky, Turley, Twibell

Commissioners Absent: Rios (Excused)

CHAIR MORRIS MENTIONED THAT AGENDA ITEMS 2 AND 3 ARE INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

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4. Approval of Minutes of April 21, 2021.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 21, 2021.

MOTION CARRIED: 9 AYES 1 ABSENT

5. Public Comment

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CHAIR MORRIS ANNOUNCED THE RECEIPT OF WRITTEN COMMUNICATION AFTER THE DEADLINE, WAS POSTED ON THE WEBSITE, AND WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED.

PUBLIC COMMENT.

CHARLES BELL, HEARD REGARDING PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED WRITTEN COMMENT.

LATA MURTI, HEARD AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE COMMISSION ADDRESSING CONCERN ABOUT THE SUGGESTED OUTREACH LIST AND FORM AND ACCESSIBILITY.

WRITTEN COMMENT:

CHARLES BELL ON BEHALF OF THE CALIFORNIA HISPANIC CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE, WROTE REGARDING REPLACEMENT OF COMMISSIONER HUDLEY AND UNDERREPRESENTATION OF HISPANICS.

SADIE STERN, WROTE REQUESTING THE LAND TITLED TO THE FIRST NATION OF COASTAL CENTRAL SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA BE DESIGNATED FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLE AND RECOGNIZED AS ITS OWN DISTRICT.

ROBERT MERCADO, WROTE REGARDING COMMISSIONER HUDLEY'S REPLACEMENT, UNDERREPRESENTATION OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY, AND RECOMMENDED AN APPOINTMENT BE MADE FROM DISTRICT 3.

WRITTEN COMMENT SUBMITTED PAST THE DEADLINE:

ROBIN SERRITSLEY, WROTE REGARDING HOPE THAT DISTRICT 3 BOUNDARIES ARE CHANGED SO EVERYONE HAS A VOICE AND A VOTE. REFERENCED LAW FIRM PARTISANSHIP AND COMMISSION SELECTION.

ROBERT MERCADO, WROTE REGARDING COMMISSIONER HUDLEY'S REPLACEMENT, UNDERREPRESENTATION OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY, AND RECOMMENDED AN APPOINTMENT BE MADE FROM DISTRICT 3.

6. Training 6: Voting Rights – Presentations by Asian Americans Advancing Justice – LA

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and Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund. Guest Speakers: Sara Rohani, AAAJ-LA Staff Attorney; Julia Marks AAAJ-Asian Law Caucus Program Manager & Staff Attorney; and Steve Ochoa, MALDEF National Redistricting Coordinator

*The mission of Asian Americans Advancing Justice – Los Angeles is to advocate for civil rights, provide legal services and education, and build coalitions to positively influence and impact Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders and to create a more equitable and harmonious society.*

*Founded in 1968, MALDEF (Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund) is the nation's leading Latino legal civil rights organization. MALDEF's commitment is to protect and defend the rights of all Latinos living in the United States and the constitutional rights of all Americans.*

MS. MARKS GAVE AN OVERVIEW AND PRESENTED INFORMATION ON THE VOTING RIGHTS ACTS.

MR. OCHOA PRESENTED INFORMATION ON REDISTRICTING FUNDAMENTALS AND CRITERIA:

- CONSTITUTIONAL MANDATE: ONE PERSON, ONCE VOTE
- FEDERAL LEGAL MANDATE: THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
- CONTIGUITY
- MAINTAINING NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST (COI)
- PRESERVE CITIES OR CENSUS DESIGNATED PLACES
- FOLLOW NATURAL OR ARTIFICIAL BOUNDARIES
- COMPACTNESS

MS. ROHANI PRESENTED INFORMATION ON THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND BEST PRACTICES FOR REACHING AAPI COMMUNITIES IN REDISTRICTING.

#### OUTREACH

- SHARE REDISTRICTING INFO WITH MEDIA ORGANIZATIONS
- CREATE MATERIALS AND DISTRIBUTE THROUGH A VARIETY OF CHANNELS
- HOST WORKSHOPS AND GATHER COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST TESTIMONY
- PARTNER WITH COMMUNITY LEADERS
- NON-DIGITAL (MAILERS)
- GATHER INPUT OUTSIDE OF HEARINGS
- ATTEND COMMUNITY EVENTS, ISSUE SURVEYS AND PUBLISH ON SOCIAL MEDIA SITES

#### HEARINGS

- HOLD IN THE EVENING OUTSIDE OF NORMAL WORKING HOURS AND IN DIFFERENT REGIONS OF THE COUNTY (IF IN PERSON), AND DEDICATE HEARINGS TO SPECIFIC REGIONS (IF VIRTUAL)

- PROVIDE MORE NOTICE THAN LEGAL MINIMUM
- LIVESTREAM AND/OR RECORD ALL HEARINGS AND POST ON REDISTRICTING WEBPAGE
- LIVE TRANSLATIONS OF HEARINGS (FOR APPLICABLE LANGUAGES UNDER SECTION 203 AND VOTING RIGHTS ACT)
- ACCEPT WRITTEN AND VERBAL COMMENT

#### LANGUAGE ACCESS

- ENSURE MATERIALS ARE DISTRIBUTED IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES
- TRANSLATED MATERIALS SHOULD BE SHARED WITH CIVIL, CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, POSTED ONLINE, AND SENT TO ETHNIC NEWS MEDIA SOURCES, INCLUDING PRINT, WEB AND RADIO OUTLETS.

#### OUTREACH SUGGESTIONS

- USE OF WECHAT AND WHATSAPP SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS
- UTILITY BILL INSERTS/MAILERS
- USE A VIRTUAL/IN-PERSON HYBRID MEETING/HEARING MODEL (DUE TO COVID)
- BEGIN COLLECTING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST TESTIMONY BEFORE DATA IS AVAILABLE

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

ANDY CALDWELL, HEARD REGARDING CONCERNS ABOUT THE INFORMATION AND TRAINING FOR THE PUBLIC TO BE ABLE TO DRAW MAPS AND RECOMMENDED PROCEEDING QUICKLY.

LATA MURTI, HEARD REGARDING IMPORTANCE OF TRANSLATION INTO DIFFERENT LANGUAGES ON THE WEBSITE NOW BEFORE THE DATA IS RELEASED.

RENEE O'NEILL, HEARD IN AGREEMENT WITH ANDY CALDWELL REGARDING TRAINING FOR THE PUBLIC.

7. Outreach: Update on work on marketing materials.

MS. NENTWIG, TRIPEPI SMITH, PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING UPDATE:

#### NEW DEDICATED WEBSITE:

- DrawSantaBarbaraCounty.org IN PROGRESS
- PLANNING TO SHARE WITH OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE ON MAY 12

#### SOCIAL MEDIA

- WORKING ON COMMISSION ACCOUNTS FOR FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM



- WORKING THROUGH SET UP PROCESS WITH OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE AND THE COUNTY
- TRIPEPI SMITH WILL DEVELOP WEEKLY CONTENT FOR OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE REVIEW/APPROVAL (FOR SHARING ON THE COMMISSION AND POTENTIALLY COUNTY ACCOUNTS)

#### INFORMATIONAL VIDEO

- ANIMATED INFORMATIONAL VIDEO CURRENTLY IN DEVELOPMENT
- RECEIVED INPUT/GUIDANCE FROM OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE ON APRIL 28
- INTENDED USE FOR SOCIAL MEDIA, WEBSITE, KICK OFF PRESENTATIONS, ETC.
- CAPTIONING WILL BE AVAILABLE IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES
- PLANNING TO SHARE DRAFT VIDEO WITH OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE ON MAY 12

#### PRESENTATION FOR COMMISSIONERS' USE

- FINALIZING PRESENTATION BASED ON FEEDBACK AND EXAMPLES FROM THE COMMISSION AND OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE.
- SHARED DRAFT WITH OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE AND WORKING TO FINALIZE THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE VERSION (CAN BE TRANSLATED INTO MULTIPLE LANGUAGES)

MS. NENTWIG STATED THAT ONCE THE WEBSITE IS UP, ALL THE INFORMATION ON THE EXISTING WEBSITE WILL BE MOVED. THE WEBSITE WILL HAVE A PLACE TO REQUEST A SPEAKER FOR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS.

MRS. TILTON STATED NDC IS FINALIZING THE CALENDAR WITH THE 7 PRE-MAP AND 7 POST-MAP HEARINGS, CENSUS DATA DEADLINES, POSTING REQUIREMENTS, AND MEETING DATE/TIME MANDATES.

CHAIR MORRIS MENTIONED THAT THE MAY 19 COMMISSION MEETING WILL INCLUDE INFORMATION ABOUT MAPPING TOOLS.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

ANDY CALDWELL, HEARD REGARDING POSSIBILITY OF WORKING WITH CITIES DIVIDED BY DISTRICT GOING THROUGH THE SAME PROCESS, AND EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ON WHAT THE COUNTY IS AND DOES, AND HOW IT INTERRELATES WITH THE CITIES.

DR. JOHNSON STATED THAT INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED, AND SUGGESTS NOT COMBINING HEARINGS, AS THEY TEND NOT TO WORK OUT WELL.

SPENCER BRANDT, HEARD REGARDING THE IMPORTANCE OF MATERIALS DISTRIBUTION, AND ENCOURAGED LOOKING AT THE CENSUS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE STRATEGIES IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY.

LATA MURTI, HEARD REGARDING CLARIFICATION OF THE OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE.

CHAIR MORRIS BRIEFLY DESCRIBED THE OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE AND CONSISTS OF VICE CHAIR TURLEY, COMMISSIONER BRAY AND RIOS.

8. Discussion and direction to reassign Commissioner Olmeda from the At-Large position to the vacant Third District position, and to establish the process for appointing a candidate from the applicant pool to fill the At-Large position.

NDC REACHED OUT TO 13 CANDIDATES AND 6 ARE INTERESTED IN INTERVIEWING.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CHARLES BELL, HEARD REGARDING THE LETTER SUBMITTED IN APRIL ABOUT FILLING THE DISTRICT 3 VACANCY, AND DISAGREES WITH THE COMMISSION'S CHOICE OF FAVORING PARTY PREFERENCE OVER LATINO UNDERREPRESENTATION.

ANDY CALDWELL, HEARD REGARDING CONCERNS ABOUT LATINO UNDERREPRESENTATION, OPPOSES SELECTING PARTY OVER MINORITY, AND REFERENCED ROBERT MERCADO'S RECENT OP ED.

LEE HELLER, HEARD AND COMMENTED THAT THE SELECTION TO FILL THE VACANCY MUST BE MADE FROM THE EXISTING POOL OF 45 CANDIDATES.

SPENCER BRANDT, HEARD REGARDING THE CANDIDATE POOL AND VACANCY.

KYRA SOLIS, HEARD REGARDING LATINX AND PARTY REPRESENTATION.

RENEE O'NEILL, HEARD REGARDING COMMISSIONERS KNOWING THEIR ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES, AND SUPPORTS A DIVERSE COMMISSION.

LATA MURTI, HEARD REGARDING THE GOOD FAITH EFFORT SHOWN IN SELECTING THE COMMISSIONERS, AND IN SUPPORT OF MOVING COMMISSIONER OLMEDO TO DISTRICT 3.

MS. ORDIN REVIEWED THE ORDINANCE REGARDING FILLING A VACANCY.

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS AND CONSIDERATIONS:

- SAFEGUARD AGAINST ETHNICITY/RACE, AND SELECT THE MOST QUALIFIED CANDIDATE.
- COMMISSIONER OLMEDO MAY SERVE BEST IN THE AT-LARGE POSITION AND ABLE TO WORK WITHIN ALL DISTRICTS THROUGH OUT THE COUNTY.
- MOVING COMMISSIONER OLMEDO TO DISTRICT 3 WILL EXPAND THE CANDIDATE POOL SELECTION FOR THE AT-LARGE POSITION.
- FILLING THE DISTRICT 3 VACANCY FROM THE EXISTING POOL MAY DECREASE THE CANDIDATE SELECTION.
- CONCERNS ABOUT THE LACK OF LATINO REPRESENTATION.
- EXPAND CANDIDATE POOL TO INTERVIEW KEVIN KASEFF, LUPE ALVAREZ, AND INCLUDE PREVIOUSLY INTERVIEWED CANDIDATE KEVIN ILAC.
- POSSIBLE VACANCIES MAY OCCUR IN THE FUTURE AND CONSIDERATION TO INTERVIEW DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES ALSO.

COMMISSIONER OLMEDO COMMENTED HE WOULD BE MORE EFFECTIVE AND SERVE BEST IN THE AT-LARGE POSITION, AND IS WILLING TO SERVE WHEREVER NEEDED.

MRS. TILTON STATED THE EXISTING POOL CONSISTS OF 2 LATINO REPUBLICANS, AND 6 DEMOCRATS (NON-LATINO).

COMMISSIONER OLMEDO, STATED IT MAKES MORE SENSE FOR HIM TO MOVE TO DISTRICT 3, IN ORDER TO EXPAND THE CANDIDATE POOL FOR THE AT-LARGE SEAT.

DR. JOHNSON, COMMENTED THAT KEVIN ILAC IS THE ONLY REMAINING ASIAN CANDIDATE.

MOTION TO INTERVIEW THE 6 REMAINING DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES, 2 LATINO REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES, AND KEVIN ILAC.

MOTION AMENDED TO INTERVIEW THE 6 REMAINING DEMOCRATIC AND 2 LATINO REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES, AND CONSIDER KEVIN ILAC (NO INTERVIEW – USE DECEMBER 9, 2020 INTERVIEW) FOR THE AT-LARGE POSITION WITH COMMISSIONER OLMEDO BEING REASSIGNED AS THE DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE.

MOTION CARRIED: 9 YES 1 ABSENT

9. Discussion and possible action regarding future training sessions and other future agenda items.

- COMMISSIONER INTERVIEWS (MAY 12 AT 7PM)
- SPANISH TRANSLATION OF AGENDA
- MAPPING TOOLS, OUTREACH SCHEDULE, FUTURE MEETINGS SCHEDULE (MAY 19)

CLOSED SESSION

10. Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation  
Pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9  
Name of case: The Coalition of Labor, Agriculture & Business of Santa Barbara County v. Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors; County of Santa Barbara Citizens' Independent Redistricting Commission, Frederic D. Woocher; Strumwasser & Woocher, LLP; Case No. 21CV01642

MS. ORDIN ANNOUNCED THERE WILL BE A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE LISTED LITIGATION INCLUDING ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ANDY CALDWELL, HEARD REGARDING CLARIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE OF THE CLOSED SESSION ITEM, AND MS. ORDIN PROVIDED AN EXPLANATION.

RECESSED FOR CLOSED SESSION AT 8:34PM.

RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION AT 9:04PM.

11. Announcement of reportable items from closed session.

MS. ORDIN ANNOUNCED DIRECTION WAS GIVEN TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF THE COMPLAINT.

ADJOURNMENT – The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 12, 2021, at 7 p.m.

Agenda Packet Items:

Item 04 Minutes of April 21, 2021

Item 09 Proposed Future Agenda Items

Item 10 Coalition of Labor, Agriculture & Business v. Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors, et al.



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Interview start times are an estimate and may start several minutes earlier (or later) than listed.

Name	City	Race/Ethnicity	Age	Gender	Party
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Wednesday, May 12, 2021							
7:20 PM	D1	DeWitt, Gerald	Santa Barbara	W	68	M	DEM
7:35 PM	D5	O'Neill, Renee	Santa Maria	W	66	F	DEM
7:35 PM	D3	Alvarez, Lupe	Guadalupe	H/L	52	M	REP
7:50 PM	D5	Martinez, Tom	Santa Maria	H/L	70	M	REP
8:05 PM	D5	Hartman, Michael	Santa Maria	W	42	M	DEM
8:20 PM	D5	Ilac, Kevin*	Santa Maria	A; NH/OPI; W	41	M	NPP

\* Mr. Ilac will not be reinterviewed; instead view Mr. Ilac's December 9 interview time marker 01:17:00.

Wednesday, May 19, 2021							
6:05 PM	D5	Adams, Kathryn	Santa Maria	W	63	F	DEM
6:20 PM	D3	Kaseff, Kevin	Los Olivos	W	60	M	DEM
6:35 PM	D4	Keller, Janice	Lompoc	W	72	F	DEM



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## INTERVIEW QUESTIONS FOR COMMISSION FINALISTS

(see agenda to be posted 72 hours in advance at [www.countyofsb.org/redistricting.sbc](http://www.countyofsb.org/redistricting.sbc) )

Responses limited to no more than three minutes per question.

1. Why do you want to serve on the Redistricting Commission?
2. Given the commission's seated members, and what you know about their backgrounds and skill sets, could you highlight elements of your personal background, experiences, skills, and knowledge of Santa Barbara County that you think will add to the overall diversity of the commission?
3. How would you help the commission to draw lines that promote "communities of interest?"
4. Could you describe a project or other experience in which you had to collaborate with a group of individuals in order to reach a common goal? When you disagreed with others, how did you handle those disagreements?
5. How do you think the commission should address the problem of public education and outreach on redistricting to help encourage broad participation in the commission's work? What are some ideas you have for the Commission to solicit public input on the redistricting process, and methods of public outreach to ensure transparency?



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SANTA BARBARA COUNTY CLERK  
RECORDER AND ASSESSOR

APPLICATION FOR "COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA  
CITIZENS' INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION"

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Applications Due By: August 21, 2020, 5:00PM

Application Revised: 6/29/2020

Date Received:

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please complete each item below and sign the application. For more information please [review the ordinance](#), visit the redistricting webpage at: [www.countyofsb.org/redistricting](http://www.countyofsb.org/redistricting) or email questions to [redistricting@countyofsb.org](mailto:redistricting@countyofsb.org).

Please print legibly in ink or type. When completed, print and sign the application. Submit the application by mail, drop off or email as listed on the signature page.

1. Today's Date: August 10, 2020

2. NAME:

DeWitt

Gerald

W.

Last

First

Middle

Number

Street

Santa Barbara

93105

City

Zip Code

6. Are you or have you been employed by the County of Santa Barbara? ☒ YES ☐ No If YES, list:

Department: HCS/Public Health Services Title: Admin. Office Pro II (last)

Date: 2003-2013

**Demographic Section: Providing this information is optional. You may select "decline to state" for each answer. County Ordinance Code Section 2-10.9A, (4)(h)(3) requires six of the 11 appointees, in addition to meeting minimum requirements, be chosen in a way that ensures the Commission reflects the County's diversity, including racial, ethnic, geographic, age, and gender diversity. However, formulas or specific ratios shall not be applied for this purpose.**

7. Please describe your ethnic origin. Mark one or more boxes.

- ☐ BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN: All persons having origins in any of the original Black racial groups of Africa.
- ☐ HISPANIC/LATINO: All persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- ☐ ASIAN: All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- ☐ NATIVE HAWAIIAN/OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER: All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- ☐ AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE: All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintain cultural affiliation or community recognition.

☒ WHITE (not of Hispanic Origin): All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.

☐ Decline to state

8. Select the gender you identify as:

☐ Female ☒ Male ☐ Non-Binary ☐ Decline to state

9. What is your age: 68 ☐ Decline to state

10. EXPERIENCE: Please explain why you are interested in serving and what experience you bring to the Commission. Attach an additional page if necessary.

I have lived in Santa Barbara County continuously since arriving to attend UCSB in 1970. During my senior year, I became involved in a major growth study for the City of Santa Barbara, which led to a lifelong interest in the government of my community. I served for two years on the City Planning Commission, before being elected to the City Council in 1981. I was reelected twice, before stepping down in 1993.

I went on to work for the County Public Health Department. In my ten years there, I developed an appreciation for the importance of accurate census data in the funding of vital community services.

I also appreciate the importance of accurate, non-political boundaries between supervisorial districts - with communities of interest kept together wherever practically possible. As the county's population shifts northward, this is even more important.

I am now retired and feel fortunate to own a home in the community where I have worked so hard to stay. (Though I must say, between a broken leg last year and this year's pandemic, I am also anxious to get out of that home!) I feel that I know the County well, and would appreciate this opportunity to contribute once again.



11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Give any other relevant information pertaining to your qualifications and experience that bear on your application for the Commission.

**\*Required Selection Criteria: Please answer the following yes/no questions.**

\*Are you a resident of the County of Santa Barbara?

☒ Yes ☐ No

\*Are you registered to vote in the County of Santa Barbara?

☒ Yes ☐ No

\*Have you changed your registered political party affiliation within the past 5 years?

☐ Yes ☒ No

\*Have you voted in Santa Barbara County in at least one of the last three statewide elections?

☒ Yes ☐ No

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2. NAME:

**Alvarez**

**Lupe**

Last

First

Middle

**Guadalupe**

**93434**

City

Zip Code

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9. What is your age: 52 ☐ Decline to state

10. EXPERIENCE: Please explain why you are interested in serving and what experience you bring to the Commission. Attach an additional page if necessary.

I, Lupe Alvarez, am applying for the County of Santa Barbara Citizens' Independent Redistricting Commission. As a concerned native of Santa Barbara County, who was born in Santa Maria and raised in Guadalupe (where I still live), I will bring a balanced, neutral, and positive perspective to the very important decision of dividing out county into equal numbers for a fair and democratic representation of the people and for the people in this county.

My experience is as follows:

- I have been the co-manager of Lupe's Company (property management and development), 1986-present
- Councilmember, City of Guadalupe, 2002-2004
- Mayor, City of Guadalupe, 2004-2012 (four 2-year terms)
- Vice-Chair, Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (APCD), 2007
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- Vice-Chair, Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG), 2008
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*Guadalupe "Lupé" Alay* 8-21-2020

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Hartman Michael Wayne  
Last First Middle

Number Street  
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10) EXPERIENCE: Please explain why you are interested in serving and what experience you bring to the Commission.

The ability to serve one's community has always been a major message of mine to my students. Over the past twenty years, I believe that one of my roles as a Social Studies teacher is to lead by example. I have tried to model proper behavior, the ability to listen to differing opinions, to seek out others' perspectives, and to be able to build consensus. This commission would be an opportunity to 'put my money where my mouth is'. If I truly want to show my students how they can make an impact in their community, then this is a great way of demonstrating it for them.

I have been a teacher and coach in this community for over twenty years. I have raised my family in this community. I want to be able to do my part to help ensure that all the groups that make this such a diverse and vibrant place to live feel that they are heard and represented in their government. Too often, people feel that government is 'someone else's responsibility'. This kind of disenfranchised thinking only leads to a disconnect between the people and the government. This is the antithesis of what our government is founded upon. We need more connections, more relationships, more voices, not fewer.

I feel that this commission would be a great way to serve my community, I know that I have the ability and awareness to help redraw the lines of our County Supervisorial Districts. This can lead to more profound and long lasting relationships, and those are the ties that can create a better future for our community.

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Bachelor of Science Carleton College, Northfield MN Major -- Political Science (International Relations) Minor -- Political Economics

Single Subject CA Teaching Credential -- Social Science Physical Education

Teacher -- St. Joseph High School 2001-2012

-- Arroyo Grande High School 2012-Present

Coaching -- Football -- St. Joseph High School 1999-2011 (Head Coach 2005-2011)

Arroyo Grande High School 2012-Present (Head Coach 2017-Present)

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Last

Kevin

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William

Middle

Santa Maria

City

93458

Zip Code

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As a person who has grown up in a military and law enforcement family and is currently serving as a Government teacher for the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, I know what a life of service entails. Safe guarding our democracy is one of the founding principles of being an American citizen.

I believe due to my years (19) of public service as an educator that I am uniquely suited to be on this redistricting commission. Also I believe that because I have taught government for all those years I bring a keen insight and understanding of why this process is important and how it should be conducted to represent the American ideals of equality and equity in our representative democracy.

Also being a man of a multi-ethnic background I have learned over the years to see with eyes that search for all people to have their voices heard. It is why I serve on multiple committees for our local schools in Santa Maria, especially our Ethnic <sup>and gender</sup> Studies committee.

I believe that for your committee to succeed you need people of a diverse background who have worked in collaborative processes and know how important our democracy is and why representation matters. I feel my resume and experience fits those needs for this commission.

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- \* 19 year veteran high school teacher who has primarily taught Government and AVID.
- \* Department Chair of Social Sciences
- \* Head Coach of multiple Varsity sports for both boy+girl athletes.
- \* School Site Council President
- \* Multiple committee member for SMJUHSD (EGS, AVID, SS, Parent Outreach)
- \* Lifelong voter since college
- \* BA in History, MA in Administration

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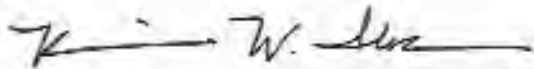
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"May you live in interesting times." This apocryphal phrase has been invoked in the Western world for decades. Sometimes it is perceived as a blessing; sometimes it is perceived as an ironic curse. Given the unprecedented events we are all now living through in the United States, I find it to be deeply appropriate in both senses.

With a pandemic spreading tragedy and chaos across the nation, and with wildfires currently spreading destruction across our beautiful home state, surely we might mark this moment as "cursed". But I also see the blessing: emergencies bring us together; they inspire us to rise to the level of our best selves.

My "best self" invites me to bring more to my already active civic engagement by applying to join the Santa Barbara Citizens' Independent Redistricting Commission. While I am a registered and regular voter, a member of my local chapter of the Women's League of Voters, and a volunteer in other community organizations, I have come to feel a particular urgency to serve my democracy in these "interesting times."

I remember reading local and state-wide journalism in 2010--at the moment of our last Census-- about the work that the Citizens Redistricting Commission was able to do after passage of the Voters First Act. As someone who voted for Proposition 11 in 2008, I felt proud of California's effort to "move the needle" on the constellation of problems that arise--not just in California but nationally--when legislatures become the central arbiter determining district boundaries, which in turn shape the outcome of elections. Citizen-staffed redistricting commissions in California seemed, to me, to be the best sort of democratic reform. Making citizen-commissioners central to an effort that privileged data-driven analysis and impartial deliberation over the "inside the beltway" status quo seemed to me then--and now--a good way to make elections more competitive and therefore fairer in every district throughout the state.

Yet in 2010, my interest was more "armchair" than "advocate." Since that time, I have become more civically active in my own community on a number of levels, and I have become more generally concerned about the integrity and durability of our nation's most cherished civic ritual: abiding by the "people's voice" through fair elections. I am applying to serve on the county redistricting commission because I am convinced that democracy is not a spectator sport--it requires more from each of us than we sometimes assume, and it requires all of us to pitch in, however we can, in local, state, national, and global arenas.

I am passionately committed to the power and promise of the franchise, and like most Americans, I am troubled by both the historic meaning of "gerrymandering" and the current legal and legislative battles that have tinkered with the outcomes of "one person one vote" in various states and counties

11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Give any other relevant information pertaining to your qualifications and experience that bear on your application for the Commission.

For most of my adult life, I have taught critical thinking, writing, and reading as a professor of English or American Studies at a variety of universities and community colleges. As such, I have learned that for most people, our assumptions about the world are alarmingly unexamined: most of us don't know what undergirds our opinions, our positions, or our views of others with whom we share community. But when we apply reason and inquiry in rigorous, methodical, and self-conscious effort--in other words, when we practice critical thinking--we can learn to "peel the onion" of our own (unexamined) worldviews.

I imagine that what is wanted in members of the county's redistricting commission is the skill of impartial analysis. By analysis, I mean the careful examination of complexities, or the breaking into parts of complicated systems in order to understand the whole.

The relevant analytical skills that belong to me and that might serve the goals of the commission rest primarily on words rather than numbers. Unlike (for example) accountants or computer scientists, my profession has taught me a deep reverence for words and their power to persuade, prevaricate, and promise all manner of things. I have learned to examine them, peer under their skin for biases, beauty, and missing claims, and to use them myself in support of my values and beliefs.

If you choose to select me for service on the commission, you are selecting an analyst of words and a critical thinker/reader whose life's work has immersed her in sentences, paragraphs, persuasive

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By signing below, I declare under penalty of perjury that the answers provided in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:

 8/21/20

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**QUESTION 10:**

across the nation. I am fortunate to live in California, where citizens have been empowered at both state and county levels to carefully and soberly use Constitutional tools to make sure that we, the voters, choose our leaders rather than enabling leaders to choose their voters.

**QUESTION 11:**

historical and literary documents, manifestos, arguments, white papers, poems, content analyses, narratives, and the occasional comic strip. You are also selecting a lifelong learner, willing to give to the commission by receiving opportunities to learn from fellow commissioners and staff whose professional lives have emphasized other literacies than the ones I own.

I'm reminded of a message I once saw on a social media page sponsored by the California Acceleration Project--a state-wide effort to bring more equity to all students seeking higher education. The message was a reminder that people can do complex, high-level analysis while needing a review of basics now and again: "Hello, my name is Joby," the message said. "I have a PhD in Physics and I work at NASA and I just had to look up the equation for the volume of a sphere." Like Joby, I have never been afraid "to learn in public."

Thank you for considering my application.

## APPLICATION FOR “COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CITIZENS’ INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION”

Applications Due By: August 21, 2020, 5:00PM

Application Revised: 6/29/2020

Date Received:

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**Please print legibly in ink or type. When completed, print and sign the application. Submit the application by mail, drop off or email as listed on the signature page.**

1. Today's Date:

2. NAME:

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Last

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First

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Middle

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City

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Zip Code

6. Are you or have you been employed by the County of Santa Barbara? ☐ YES ☐ No If YES, list:

Department:

Title:

Date:

**Demographic Section: Providing this information is optional. You may select “decline to state” for each answer. County Ordinance Code Section 2-10.9A, (4)(h)(3) requires six of the 11 appointees, in addition to meeting minimum requirements, be chosen in a way that ensures the Commission reflects the County's diversity, including racial, ethnic, geographic, age, and gender diversity. However, formulas or specific ratios shall not be applied for this purpose.**

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8. Select the gender you identify as:

☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ Non-Binary ☐ Decline to state

9. What is your age: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Decline to state

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PROPOSED TIMELINE

Meeting Type	Date	Time	Quorum	Location	Description
<b>Hearing 1</b>	Wednesday, June 16, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location (or Virtual) SBC Home Street Number TBD Santa Barbara	Redistricting Overview, Input on Communities of Interest, Mapping Tools Training / Business Mtg.
<b>Hearing 2</b>	Saturday, June 19, 2021	10 a.m.	No	Location (or Virtual) District 2 Street Number TBD City TBD	Redistricting Overview, Input on Communities of Interest, Mapping Tools Training
<b>Hearing 3</b>	Wednesday, July 7, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location SBC Home District 1 Street Number TBD Santa Barbara	Redistricting Overview, Input on Communities of Interest, Mapping Tools Training / Business Mtg.
<b>Hearing 4</b>	Friday, July 9, 2021	2 p.m.	No	Location District 3 Street Number TBD City TBD	Redistricting Overview, Input on Communities of Interest, Mapping Tools Training
<b>Hearing 5</b>	Monday, July 12, 2021	6:15 p.m.	No	Location District 3 (Guadalupe) Street Number TBD Guadalupe	Redistricting Overview, Input on Communities of Interest, Mapping Tools Training
<b>Hearing 6</b>	Wednesday, August 4, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location District 5 Street Number TBD City TBD	Redistricting Overview, Input on Communities of Interest, Mapping Tools Training / Business Mtg.
<b>Hearing 7</b>	Thursday, August 12, 2021	12 p.m.	No	Location District 4 Street Number TBD City TBD	Redistricting Overview, Input on Communities of Interest, Mapping Tools Training
<b>Release of Federal Census</b>	mid to late August				
<b>Release of State Adjusted Counts</b>	early to mid October				If released prior to 9/17, then 21-day waiting period before NDC draws maps; if 9/17 through 10/16, then 7-day waiting period; after 10/17 no waiting period.
<b>Commission Meeting</b>	Wednesday, October 6, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location SBC Home Street Number TBD Santa Barbara	Review of 2020 Data, Review of existing districts for population balance / Business Mtg.
<b>Deadline to Submit Initial Draft Maps</b>	Monday, October 18, 2021				

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Meeting Type	Date	Time	Quorum	Location	Description
<b>Hearing 1 Maps</b>	Wednesday, November 3, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location SBC Home Street Number TBD Santa Barbara	Presentation of Draft Maps, identify 3-5 focus maps (Round 1), direction on any map modifications. Business meeting.
<b>Hearing 2 Maps</b>	Friday, November 12, 2021	3 p.m.	No	Location TBD Street Number TBD City TBD	Public Input on Focus Maps (Round 1)
<b>Hearing 3 Maps</b>	Monday, November 15, 2021	6 p.m.	No	Location TBD Street Number TBD City TBD	Public Input on Focus Maps (Round 1)
<b>Hearing 4 Maps</b>	Thursday, November 18, 2021	11 a.m.	No	Location TBD Street Number TBD City TBD	Public Input on Focus Maps (Round 1)
<b>Hearing 5 Maps</b>	Monday, November 22, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location SBC Home Street Number TBD Santa Barbara	Review Focus and Newly Submitted Maps Narrow to 3-4 focus maps (Round 2) Direction on map modifications
<b>Hearing 6 Maps</b>	Wednesday, December 1, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location SBC Home Street Number TBD Santa Barbara	Identify preferred map. Direction on map modifications, if any / Business Mtg
<b>Post Map 3 Days Prior to Adoption</b>	Sunday, December 5, 2021				
<b>Hearing 7 Maps Map Adoption</b>	Wednesday, December 8, 2021	6 p.m.	Yes	Location SBC Home Street Number TBD Santa Barbara	Adopt Map / Business Meeting
<b>Adoption Deadline</b>	Wednesday, December 15, 2021				

Pre-Map Hearings: Code Section 2-10.9A.060 (c) Before the commission draws a map, the commission shall conduct at least seven public hearings, allowing for public input on communities of interest and other matters that must be considered by the commission, and allow members of the public to present ideas and maps for consideration. These meetings are to take place over a period of no fewer than 30 days, with at least one public hearing held in each supervisorial district.

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Elections Code 21508(d)(1) A draft map shall be published on the internet for at least seven days before being adopted as a final map (or 3 days within 28 days of deadline to adopt)

**UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS (PROPOSED)**  
**2020 Citizens Independent Redistricting Commission**

Future agenda items:

- Training 7: Outreach presentations, talking points, website, and marketing materials.