

**Joe Woodson, Jr.**

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**From:** Linda & Curt <spyderman113@cox.net>  
**Sent:** Sunday, July 03, 2011 7:44 PM  
**To:** Joe Woodson, Jr.  
**Subject:** Redistricting Proposal

Dear Mr. Woodson,

I am emailing regarding the proposal of a Hispanic House District.

This will be an unpopular decision and not good for Springdale. This is awarding preferential action in favor of one race. I believe that the Hispanic population should be treated as Arkansans. Do we then need to designate a district for the Marshallese population? Or what about the Italians in Tontitown? Or the Africian Americans? This is a type of reverse discrimination.

My concern for the City of Springdale is that this action is creating even more division between the west side and the east side. When the new HarBer High School was built, it divided Springdale. With help from our city council and our mayor, we are gradually overcoming that.

Having a Hispanic district will divide the city again.

Please consider these two issues before "carving out" a portion of our city. I ask you to encourage us to live together and work together as citizens, not as individual races with separate voting privledges prejudice to an individual race. Elections should be for the betterment of ALL the people.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this very important issue.

A concerned Springdale resident

**Joe Woodson, Jr.**

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**From:** Homer Lenderman <homerlenderman@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 04, 2011 9:27 AM  
**To:** Jon Moran; James Miller; kelly.boyd@sos.arkansas.gov; Allen Gordon; Joe Woodson, Jr.; Homer Lenderman; Darrell Kirby; Peggy Williams; cityofbrookland@yahoo.com Contact; Barry Riley; Jon Milligan; Jerry Qualls  
**Subject:** reapportionment

I have spoken with many of you about the upcoming reapportionment and understand the difficult task that you have. My district (House district #76) exceeds the population goal by about 3600. Craighead county has a population of about 96,000. The appropriate place to move this population to the districts that need to grow is to go to the south of Jonesboro where district #74 (Rep. Wilkins), district #75 (Rep. Hubbard) and I share a common border. As the growth continues along highway #1 toward Harrisburg this would also be logical for one representative to serve this area of common interests. I urge you to leave district #76 with the approximate boundaries that now exist. There are six small towns: Bay, Black Oak, Brookland, Caraway, Lake City and Monette that have much in common. I have not spoken to anyone in these areas that wish to have their representative district moved to an adjacent county. As the incumbent representative I wish to continue serving this area of Craighead county. Thank you for your consideration in this very important matter.

Sincerely,  
Homer Lenderman  
State Representative  
House District #76

Contact Board of Apportionment

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Your Comments to the Board of Apportionment

The best way to insure a continuation of, and an increase in, racial discrimination in the state of Arkansas is to create an Hispanic, Black, Marshallese, white or other racial legislative district in the state. Please think of the long term consequences of such an action. You will immediately create an "us" against "them" situation which is in direct opposition to a true democratic form of government.<br><br>I realize that most politicians consider first their opportunity of keeping a particular political party in power, but please, this one time, consider what is best for all the people of the state.<br><br>I agree with Adam Arroyos and Kathy Jaycox, in the "Benton County Daily Record" article when they suggest that you do not create a racial legislative district. We are all in this together, not as racially or culturally divisive groups.<br><br>Use existing county lines as much as possible in creating the new districts. and do not allow racial and cultural divisions to determine where those legislative district lines should be drawn. It is not that difficult.



Contact Board of Apportionment

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Your Comments to the Board of Apportionment

As a minority person, I am opposed to the redistricting of Arkansas to create a "Hispanic District". The state cannot afford to set such a precedent: we will then have to carve up the state into "Black Districts", "Asian Districts", "white Districts". What you intend to do will divide this country even more along racial lines.

# CITY OF LEPANTO ARKANSAS

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June 22, 2011

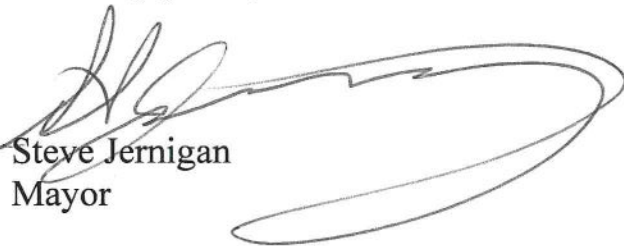
Joe Woodson, Jr.  
Redistricting Coordinator  
Arkansas Board of Apportionment  
Suite 150, Victory Building  
1401 West Capitol Avenue  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. Woodson:

We believe it would be in the best interest of the City of Lepanto for all of Poinsett County to remain in the same House of Representative District and add the areas that are needed to meet the population requirements.

Thank you for this consideration.

Sincerely yours,



Steve Jernigan  
Mayor



## CITY OF *Searcy*

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**DAVID MORRIS**  
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City Clerk-Treasurer

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June 23, 2011

Mr. Joe Woodson, Jr.  
Redistricting Coordinator  
Arkansas Board of Apportionment  
Suite 160, Victory Building  
1401 West Capitol Avenue  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. Woodson:

I write to you as a word of encouragement for your consideration in keeping White County as intact as possible in the reapportionment process for the redistricting of our Arkansas Senate District 29. Remaining intact as possible in our Senate district will be a tremendous benefit to us in our overall goal, as we continue building a spirit of cooperation between the county and various cities within White County.

I believe this to be a priority with the leaders in the City of Searcy and White County, as it will promote unity that is so critical for our area to continue moving forward. With the 2010 United States Census count in excess of 77,000 for White County, we are close to the 83,000 required for a Senate District and with the addition of a few townships from a surrounding county we could easily meet the population requirements for the "one man – one vote" doctrine. We believe a plan uniting the majority of White County citizens with common goals will be in the best interest of our city and county.

We thank you in advance for your consideration to this request.

With the warmest and kindness of personal regards, I remain ✓

Sincerely,

David Morris  
Mayor of Searcy

**CITY OF MARKED TREE  
1 ELM STREET  
MARKED TREE, ARKANSAS 72365**

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June 22, 2011

Joe Woodson, Jr.  
Redistricting Coordinator  
Arkansas Board of Apportionment  
Suite 150, Victory Building  
1401 West Capitol Avenue  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Mr. Woodson:

I would like to voice my opinion on redistricting.

I understand some of the proposals are to split up Poinsett County.

I know from experience it will be better to keep Poinsett County intact and I know you will have to add a portion of another county because of the population decrease. In 1999, when I was elected, I had Poinsett County less the City of Trumann. I also had a portion of Jackson County. It was not just a section blocked out but a long narrow section that was part of Newport, Tuckerman, Grubbs, Beedeville and all the way to Black River. It was very hard to serve and figure out when I was in or out of my district. It was changed to just Poinsett County with the 2000 Census.

As a constituent, I would appreciate your consideration in leaving Poinsett County intact.

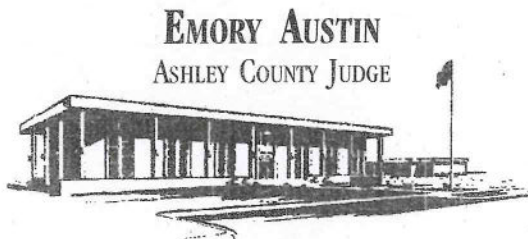
Sincerely,



Wayne Nichols  
Mayor

CC: Rep. Larry (Buddy) Lovell  
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ASHLEY COUNTY COURTHOUSE  
205 E. JEFFERSON ST. #14 HAMBURG, AR 71646  
870-853-2000 FAX 870-853-2005

TO: Governor Mike Beebe  
Attorney General Dustin McDaniel  
Secretary of State Mark Martin  
and  
**Arkansas Reapportionment Board of State Representative and State Senate Districts**

Gentlemen:

Excerpt of Minutes of Meeting of Ashley County, Arkansas, Quorum Court on June 14, 2011:

On June 14, 2011 at the regular meeting of the Ashley County Quorum Court, after being apprised during business session of the present territorial proposals for reapportionment of state representative and state senate positions as they would include Ashley County, Arkansas, or parts thereof, and after being advised that present proposals put parts of Ashley County with areas of Arkansas which are not common with or representative of the citizens of Ashley County, Arkansas, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously approved by the Quorum Court members present, McCain, Lawrence, Rice, Sasser, Gilbert, Sims, Deal, Thurman and Rawls, and with no negative votes, the following resolution was adopted:

"BE IT RESOLVED BY THE QUORUM COURT OF ASHLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS, as follows:

That the Arkansas Reapportionment Board having authority to determine territorial districts for state representatives and state senators, and the Secretary of State of Arkansas, be and they are hereby requested that in rezoning efforts for positions to include Ashley County, Arkansas, or parts thereof, they make every effort to keep Ashley County intact as far as possible rather than combine part or all of Ashley County with districts which are not representative of the citizens of Ashley County, Arkansas."

Other non-related business matters of the Quorum Court of Ashley County, Arkansas held at the meeting are not included in this certificate.

Certificate dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2011.

ASHLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS

BY: Genie Kersten  
Genie Kersten, Ashley County Clerk  
FILED FOR RECORD  
ASHLEY COUNTY CLERK

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GENIE KERSTEN  
BY Beverly Rush

ASHLEY COUNTY, ARKANSAS

BY: Emory Austin  
Emory Austin, Ashley County Judge

Recorded on this 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2011  
County Record, 44 on pages  
424 in the Ashley County Clerk's  
office. Genie Kersten, County Clerk  
By Beverly Rush D.C.



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Your Comments to the Board of Apportionment

I am the Poinsett County Clerk and I work very closely with the Election Commissioners on all elections. I know how very important it is to avoid as many "splits" as possible. My county is a poor county and we need all the representation possible. I feel if at all possible, our county should stay intact. We have just finished with redistricting our Justice of the Peace districts and I am well aware of the process involved, but do ask for your consideration of my request.

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In response to the suggestion in "The Daily Record" that a house "Hispanic" district should be formed in Northwest Arkansas. I think that if you want to continue the racist divisions in Arkansas and the United States you should definitely create an "Hispanic" district. That would insure that we would continue the "us" against "them" mentality. We all live in this state and in this country, please, please, ignore racism and color differences in each area and create districts which are geographically reasonable and include all of us equally. Do not reduce yourselves to this "racist" approach. It is beneath our collective dignity. "One nation under God, indivisible" should mean something. I prefer to call myself an American who happens to live in Arkansas.

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Contact Board of Apportionment

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Your Comments to the Board of Apportionment

I do not want Springdale split.





June 21, 2011

Secretary of State Mark Martin  
State Capitol Room 256  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Secretary Martin:

The attached resolution from the Greater Pine Bluff Chamber of Commerce speaks to our position regarding the state legislative redistricting process. Further, the resolution specifically addresses our concerns for Pine Bluff and Jefferson County in the Senate redistricting process.

Please contact me at 870-535-0110 if you have any questions regarding this resolution.

Sincerely,

Michelle Rocha, Director  
Business & Government Divisions

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**Arkansas**  
**Secretary of State**



**GREATER PINE BLUFF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**REDISTRICTING OF ARKANSAS STATE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS**

**WHEREAS**, results of Census 2010 population counts require the redistricting of state Senate Districts in the State of Arkansas; and

**WHEREAS**, declining population in South Arkansas necessitates that new Senate Districts in South Arkansas be drawn with a broader configuration than in the past; and

**WHEREAS**, several preliminary map versions are currently being used for discussion purposes and others may arise before the target completion date for the process; and

**WHEREAS**, many of these preliminary maps include parts of Jefferson County in Senate Districts with other cities and geographic areas that do not share interests and concerns common to Pine Bluff and Jefferson County; and


**WHEREAS**, the Greater Pine Bluff Chamber of Commerce believes it to be in the best interest of the citizens and businesses of Pine Bluff and Jefferson County that the city of Pine Bluff comprise the majority vote in at least one newly drawn Senate district, so as to maintain continuity of representation and communities of interest; and

**WHEREAS**, it is also believed by The Chamber that Jefferson County would be best served by inclusion in no more than two newly drawn Senate Districts, so as to minimize the splitting of political subdivisions and maintain continuity of representation and communities of interest with geographically neighboring cities that experience similar economic conditions and have fundamental similarities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Greater Pine Bluff Chamber of Commerce proposes to continue evaluating subsequent restricting map versions using the above criteria.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS OF THE GREATER PINE BLUFF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:**

**That the Greater Pine Bluff Chamber of Commerce, in a June 20, 2011 vote, supports attempts by the State Board of Apportionment to place Pine Bluff and Jefferson County, Arkansas, in newly drawn state Senate Districts with neighboring communities and counties most similar to our area.**

  
Kaleybra Morehead, Ed.D.  
Chairman  
Greater Pine Bluff Chamber of Commerce

6/20/11  
Date

June 20, 2011

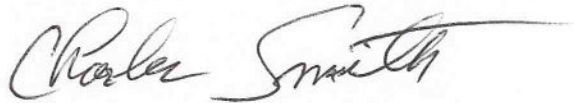
Ark Sec. of State  
State Capitol Rm 256  
Little Rock, Ar 72201

Dear Sir:

I am writing in regard to the problem of redistricting in our state.

We don't want our votes to be irrelevant. We are small enough in population as it is.  
Splitting our county's votes in half would do just that.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Charles Smith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending from the end of the name.

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**Arkansas Secretary of State  
Mark Martin**



June 20, 2011

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State Capitol Room 256  
Little Rock, Ar 72201

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Sincerely,

Katey Smith  
4054 Hwy 60 W  
Terrisville, Ar 72126

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**Arkansas Secretary of State  
Mark Martin**

William J. Ryker  
Justice of the Peace  
District 10  
Lonoke County  
P.O. Box 404  
Lonoke, AR 72086

June 18, 2011

Secretary of State Mark Martin  
256 State Capitol Building  
500 Woodlane Avenue  
Little Rock, AR 72201


Dear Mark Martin.

House of Representatives, district 15, serves the central and southern parts of Lonoke County J.P. Districts.

District 15 currently meets all the requirements of an ideal district including; population, equal representation, compactness of the district and preservation of communities.

To keep the wants of the communities in Lonoke County represented by Walls McCrary we need to preserve the core of District 15 with out any changes.

Sincerely,



William J. Ryker  
Lonoke County, JP district 10

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June 20, 2011

The Honorable Mark Martin  
Secretary of State – State of Arkansas  
Attention: A.J. Kelly  
State Capitol Room 256  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

Dear Secretary of State Martin,

Please accept this letter regarding the upcoming “redistricting” of Legislative Seats in Arkansas. I feel it is critically important to keep White County as intact as possible during this process. We have worked hard during the last few years to promote unity between our Cities, County and communities and it is my opinion that dividing our district would do irreparable harm to this effort.

Please carefully consider White County and its uniqueness during the upcoming “redistricting” process. I welcome any comments or questions you may have regarding this matter.

Yours Truly,

Michael Lincoln  
White County Judge

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Secretary of State