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Census Bureau to Hold News Conference on Release of 2020 Census Redistricting Data

August 05, 2021

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What:

The U.S. Census Bureau will hold a news conference to discuss the release of the first local level results from the 2020 Census. States use these data on race, Hispanic origin, and the voting-age population to redraw the boundaries of their congressional and state legislative districts.

The news conference will provide initial analysis of the first local level results from the 2020 Census on population change, race, ethnicity, the age 18 and over population, and housing occupancy status.

A live Q&A session with Census Bureau subject-matter experts will immediately follow the briefing for credentialed media who have

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When:

Thursday, August 12, at 1 p.m. EDT

Who:

- Ron Jarmin, acting director, U.S. Census Bureau
- James Whitehorne, chief,
 Redistricting & Voting Rights Data
 Office, U.S. Census Bureau
- Nicholas Jones, director and senior advisor of Race and Ethnic Research and Outreach, Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau
- Marc Perry, senior demographer, Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau
- Michael C. Cook, Sr., chief, Public Information Office, U.S. Census Bureau (moderator)

The event will be recorded and available for viewing in the 2020 Census Redistricting Files Press Kit. A transcript will also be available in the press kit.

Access:

The news briefing can be viewed on the Census Bureau's Census Livepage.

Dial-in information for accredited media to ask questions will be

registration. Q&A participation is limited to accredited media only following the presentation.

RSVP:

Members of the media who would like to attend this news conference and ask questions should RSVP using the Eventbrite webpage.

Interviews:

Please contact the Census Bureau's Public Information Office at pio@census.govor 301-763-3030 or 877-861-2010 to request an interview.

Resources:

 2020 Census Redistricting Files Press Kit

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When Will I Receive My 2020 Redistricting Data?

2020 census geography was delivered to all 50 states by February 12, 2021.

Due to the series of natural disasters and the worldwide pandemic 2020, the Census Bureau delayed delivery of apportionment numbers to the President of the United States until April 30, 2021.

The legacy file format of the first **2020 Public Law 94-171 data** (100% count) release (**August 12**, **2021**) is the format used by the Census Bureau in previous decades. For the 2020 Census, the Bureau also released the data in another format (**September 16**, **2021**) for direct use with database and spreadsheet applications.

The data provided with Maptitude for Redistricting is sourced from the first (legacy format) release from the Census Bureau. Please note this Census Bureau statement:

"The data included in the August and September deliveries will be identical. States can use either the August delivery or the September delivery as appropriate, taking their own statutes and constitutional requirements into account. The Census Bureau considers both releases to be official and fit for use."

The Public Law 94-171 data were made available to Maptitude for Redistricting users on August 16th, within just a few days of the August 12th release by the Census Bureau.

See this article for more information:

https://www.caliper.com/press/pr20210815-census-2020-data-redistricting.htm

You will find the official press releases announcing the latest release information at: https://www.census.gov/newsroom/press-releases/2021/news-conference-2020-census-redistricting-data.html

https://www.census.gov/newsroom/press-releases/2021/statement-redistricting-data-timeline.html

As of September 27, 2021, there have been no errata to the data published by the Census Bureau: https://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/decennial-census/data/errata-notes.html

2020	data	Beginner	Census	Bureau	PL 94-171

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North Dakota Plan - House Bill No. 1504

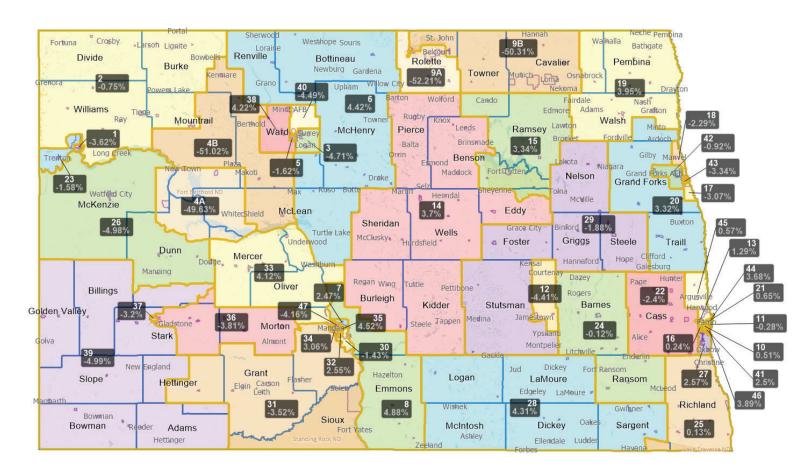
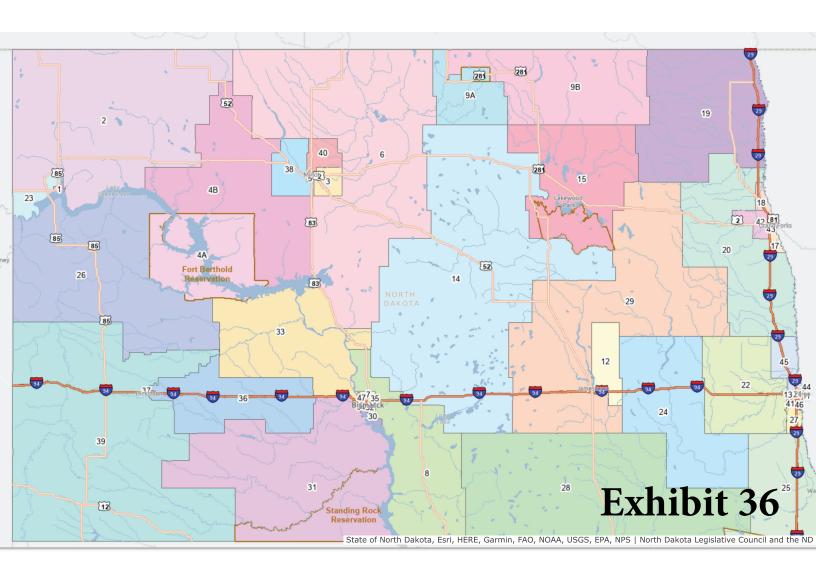


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Transcript of Charles Leander Walen

Date: December 7, 2022

Case: Walen, et al. -v- Burgum, et al.

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3	FOR THE DISTRICT OF NORTH DAKOTA	2	ON BEHALF OF PLAINTIFFS:	
1	EASTERN DIVISION	3	PAUL R. SANDERSON, ESQUIRE	
;	CHARLES WALEN, an individual; :	4	RYAN J. JOYCE, ESQUIRE	
,	and PAUL HENDERSON, an :	5	EVENSON SANDERSON	
	individual, :	6	1100 College Drive, Suite 5	
3	Plaintiffs, :	17	Bismarck, North Dakota 58501	
	v. : Case No.	8	(701) 751-1243	
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1	capacity as Governor of the :	10	ON BEHALF OF DEFENDANTS:	
	State of North Dakota; and :	11	DAVID R. PHILLIPS, ESQUIRE	
	ALVIN JAEGER, in his official :	12	BAKKE GRINOLDS WIEDERHOLT	
	capacity as Secretary of :	13	300 West Century Avenue	
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1 APPEARANCES CONTINUED 2 ALSO PRESENT: 3 KRISTIN HOERTER, Paralegal, NARF 4 LAURIE STIRLING, Paralegal, NARF 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	7 1 PROCEEDINGS 2 CHARLES LEANDER WALEN, 3 having been duly sworn, testified as follows: 4 EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR 5 INTERVENOR-DEFENDANTS 6 BY MR. GABER: 7 Q Mr. Walen, my name is Mark Gaber. I'm a 8 lawyer for the intervenor-defendants in this case, 9 and I will be asking you some questions. 10 I'll start, can you state your name, for 11 the record. 12 A Charles Walen. 13 Q And have you been deposed before? 14 A Yes. 15 Q How many times? 16 A One time that I can remember, and it was 17 for a work-related reason. 18 Q About how long ago was that? 19 A Fifteen-plus years ago. 20 Q All right. So I'll spend just a couple 21 of minutes here with some ground rules since it's
22 23 24 25	22 been a while since you've done this. The main one 23 is to be cognizant that we have a court reporter 24 who is taking down all of our words. So that
CONTENTS EXAMINATION OF CHARLES LEANDER WALEN By Mr. Gaber By Mr. Phillips 25 6 7 EXHIBITS	PAGE 25 makes it important that we endeavor to talk slowly 8 1 and that we not talk over each other. That, you 2 know, can be awkward sometimes because that's not 3 how one has a normal conversation. But for her 4 benefit please keep that in mind, and I'll also do 5 my best not to talk over you when you're giving an 6 answer. 7 Does that make sense?
8 (none) 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	8 A Yes, that does. 9 Q And then another is that you have to give 10 verbal responses to my questions. She can't take 11 down, you know, head nods and the like. And since 12 we're doing this remotely, that's even harder, I 13 imagine, than it might be if we were in the same 14 room with one another. So do try, though again at 15 times it can be awkward to give a verbal response 16 to each question. Okay?
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25	17 A Understand. 18 Q I will assume that you understand my 19 questions unless you say something. So, you know, 20 if I ask you a question and you don't understand 21 it or I do a poor job of asking it, please just 22 let me know, and I will clarify so that we are 23 both on the same page. 24 Okay? 25 A I will do so.

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1 Q I don't anticipate us taking much of your	I problem.
2 time today. But if we do need a break or if you	2 MR. GABER: Okay. That sounds good.
3 need a break, please let me know, and we can go	3 Q And, Mr. Walen, other than the Zoom
4 ahead and take one. The only thing that I ask is	4 screen that's open, are there any other screens,
5 if that's the case, that you answer any question	5 e-mail, anything like that, that are open on your
6 that is pending, and then we can go ahead and take	6 computer?
7 a break.	7 A My company e-mail is open because I
8 Does that sound good?	8 cannot I'm not supposed to close it.
9 A That sounds good. And I am at work, so	9 Q That's fine with me. I just ask that you
10 just bear that in mind.	10 not, like, e-mail someone to get answers to
11 Q Okay.	I I questions during the deposition. But I don't want
12 A I'm in a private office.	12 to get you in trouble with your job.
13 Q All right. Well, I'll try not to keep	What did you do to prepare for today's
14 you too long from your job.	14 deposition?
Someone, one of the other attorneys might	15 A I read through the interrogatories that I
16 object to a question that I ask. If they do, you	16 had before, and then I watched the deposition this
17 know, let them state that objection, but then you	17 morning.
18 can go ahead and answer my question.	18 Q Did you meet with your counsel before
Does that make sense?	19 today's deposition?
20 A Yes.	20 A By phone only.
21 Q And is there any reason that you can't	21 Q And when was that?
22 answer my questions today truthfully and fully?	22 A Yesterday and today.
23 A No.	23 Q Did you meet with your counsel after this
24 Q Now, you mentioned you're at your office.	24 morning's deposition?
25 Is there anyone else in the room there	25 A For one question only.
10	12
1 with you?	I Q And I don't want to know what the
2 A No.	2 question and answer were.
3 Q And did you bring any notes with you	Did you review any documents in
4 today?	4 preparation for the deposition?
5 A Yes.	5 A Yes.
6 Q What's the nature of those notes?	6 Q And when were those documents?
7 A They were from the deposition this	7 A I as because of this morning's
8 morning with Paul. I just took some notes then so	8 deposition I looked at my e-mail and my text
9 that any questions that might be similar, I'll	9 messages so that I could answer that question.
10 have the answer.	10 Q And can you just be a little bit more
11 Q Well, I would it's probably best if	11 specific. What in particular were you looking
12 I know you were present this morning. You know, I	12 for?
13 don't know, maybe I'll direct this to your	13 A To see if I had anything in those areas
14 counsel. Typically if someone has notes, you	14 that pertained to this case.
15 know, we are entitled to see those. I don't know	15 Q And what did you do to make that
16 if you would rather he not have those notes or if	16 determination? Did you run a search, or what was
17 you're fine producing them.	17 your process?
THE WITNESS: The only thing that's on	18 A I did a just I did a search based on
19 the notes are names and dates.	19 lawsuit and I did a search based on redistricting.
20 MR. GABER: So then it sounds like you	20 Q And that was in your personal e-mail?
21 may be fine producing them.	21 A Correct.
22 I don't know, Paul, if you have a	22 Q What's that e-mail address?
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123 preference,	23 A ChuckWalen@Gmail.com.
23 preference. 24 MR. SANDERSON: I don't doesn't	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
24 MR. SANDERSON: I don't doesn't 25 matter. You can make a request. Shouldn't be a	

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1 between my attorney and myself.	3 15 Q And what county is that in?
2 Q And what about with respect to your text	2 A Mountrail.
3 messages?	3 Q How long have you lived there?
4 A There was only one outside of the	in the second se
5 attorney.	the state of the s
6 Q And what was that text message?	
	7 Q Where did you live before that?
*	8 A West Fargo, North Dakota.
9 lawsuit, I'm willing to help.	9 Q And do you have any other residences
10 Q Who was that communication with?	10 besides the House in New Town?
11 A Jay Sandstrom.	11 A No.
12 Q Jay Sandstrom?	12 Q And you're registered to vote at that
13 A Yes.	13 address?
14 Q And who is he?	14 A We're not required to register in North
15 A He is a member of our district.	15 Dakota.
16 Q Did you say a member of your district?	16 Q I'm sorry, I actually knew that. That is
17 A Yes. Or constituent of our district.	17 the address you use to vote?
18 Q You reached out to him?	18 A Yes.
19 A No; he reached out to me.	19 Q And that am I right that that's in
20 Q When you say a constituent of your	20 Legislative District 4 for the state Senate and in
21 district, is he like is he affiliated with the	21 District 4A for the State House?
22 Republican party, or is he what's his role?	22 Is that right?
23 A He is a member of the Republican party.	23 A Correct.
24 Q Does he hold any official position with	24 Q What do you do for work?
25 the party?	25 A I am an accountant.
	4
1 A No.	I Q And where do you work?
Q When was that text message? Or when was	2 A At United Quality Cooperative.
3 that text exchange?	3 Q And what's the nature of that business?
4 A I don't know the date. I'd have to look	4 A Restate question.
5 back at the records.	5 Q What's the nature of that business?
6 Q Okay.	6 A It is a truck stop, fuel, bulk fuel,
7 A It was after the redistricting.	7 grocery store, lumberyard, elevator. It's a Cenex
Proof of the Real	8 place.
that was by searching for the word "lawsuit" and	9 Q And how long have you worked there?
0 searching for the word "redistricting"?	10 A Eleven years.
1 A Correct.	11 Q What's your educational background?
2 Q Besides those two search terms, did you	12 A High school graduate and come college.
13 search for anything else?	13 Q Do you hold any positions with any
14 A No.	14 political parties?
15 Q What kind of cellphone do you use?	15 A Yes.
16 A Smartphone, Samsung.	16 Q And what are those?
7 Q Samsung'? Okay.	17 A I'm the District chair for District 4,
8 So other than looking through and	18 I'm the Northwest regional chair for the state
9 searching through your e-mail and your text	19 party, Republican party.
20 messages, did you review any other documents to	20 Q How long have you been the District 4
21 prepare for today?	21 Republican chair?
22 A Other than the deposition, no. The	22 A Approximately ten years.
23 interrogatories that were asked.	23 Q And that's a position elected by the
_	24 local party members?
	25 A Yes.
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17 Part of the party? 17 18 19 19 19 19 19 19 19
2 regional chair for the party? 3 A Four years. 4 Q Is that also elected? 5 A Yes. 6 Q Do you have any other positions with the 7 North Dakota Republican party? 8 A No. 9 Q What about the national Republican party; 10 do you have any involvement there? 11 A No, none. 12 Q And any other political organizations? 13 A No. 14 Q Have you worked on political campaigns? 15 A Yes; in my district. 16 Q And which types of campaigns? 17 A The legislative for Senator and for 18 Congress for North Dakota. 19 Q I'm going to circle back to your 20 conversation that you had with Mr. Sandstrom. 21 What did he say on that conversation? 22 A I don't he just asked if there's any 24 Q Did you speak with him by phone in 29 Q Is that also elected? 4 kind of just give me the sort of you explanation 4 kind of just give me the sort of you explanation 5 of who talked to who and who was involved and how 6 that came about, please. 7 A Myself, Terry Jones, Donita Bye, and 8 Jordan Kannianen were the executive committee of 9 District 4. We discussed what options would be. 10 Q So I think it would be helpful for the 11 court reporter if you could spell those, the last 12 two names at least. I think Terry Jones, and then 13 I believe there were two other names of the 14 executive committee folks? 15 A Donita Bye is D-O-N-I-T-A, B-Y-E. Jordan 16 Kannianen is J-O-R-D-A-N, K-A-N-N-I-A-N-E-N. He's 17 also my son-in-law. 18 Q Well, it's good that you got his name 19 spelled right. 20 So the four of you was this while 21 redistricting was still ongoing in the 22 A I don't he just asked if there's any 23 way he could help. 24 A It would be after the bill was passed.
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1 A Other than his reaching out to me by his 1 the other two folks you mentioned, was anyone else
2 text, I talked to him by phone. 2 involved in conversations about the potential to
3 Q And what did you discuss in that 3 file a lawsuit?
4 conversation? 4 A No.
5 A I don't remember. That's over a year 5 Q And Jordan, is it Kannianen?
6 ago. 6 A Kannianen.
7 Q Have you run for office other than the 7 Q Jordan K, is he a member of the state
8 party positions? 8 legislature?
9 A Yes. 9 A He is the state Senator.
11 A West Fargo School Board, I won. 11 A District 4.
12 Q Anything else? 12 Q When did you first get in touch with your
13 A No. 13 attorneys in this case?
14 Q How did you become involved in this 15 A I will defer to them on that question. 15 Parts are supported.
15 lawsuit? 15 Don't remember the date exactly.
16 A I did not like the fact that I lost a 16 Q So if you don't know exactly, sort of
17 representative to represent me, so talking with 17 roughly when would that have been? Was it during
18 people within my district, we decided that I 18 the legislative process or afterwards, this year,
19 should be the one to represent the people of 19 last year?
20 District 4. 20 A It would be short very shortly after
21 Q And did someone I know you had this 21 the redistricting.
22 text exchange with Mr. Sandstrom. 22 Q And did you reach out to them or did they
23 He reached out to you. 23 reach out to you?
24 Is that right? 24 MR. SANDERSON: Object to the form, to
25 A He reached out to me after seeing the 25 the extent it calls for attorney-client

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1 communications.	23
1 Total Control of the Control of th	l looks like you said something after "someone needs
2 And, Charles, I'd instruct you not to	2 to represent District 4."
discuss or testify to any communications you've	3 A No. That was the end.
4 had with counsel in this deposition.	4 Q So your objection is that you have you
5 Q And just to be clear, I only mean I	5 get to vote for one state representative rather
6 don't want you to tell me what was said or	6 than two state representatives.
7 anything like that. I just mean, you know, who	7 Is that correct?
8 generated the who initiated the contact?	8 A Correct. And now I'm not I'm not
9 A I don't remember.	9 being represented by two, like I have been in the
10 Q Who is paying for your legal counsel?	10 past. When the rest of the state gets two, I only
11 A I'm not sure who is all paying. I know a	11 get one.
12 few that are.	12 Q So that's your complaint, that you think
13 Q Who can you identify?	13 you should be able to have two representatives,
14 A Paul Henderson, Terry Jones, Jay	14 not just one?
15 Sandstrom. Those are the ones I remember.	15 A Yes, that is the complaint.
16 Q And is there an agreement among that	16 Q Is there anything else about the
17 group of people to split, it's like an equal	17 redistricting plan that you object to?
18 share, or what's the arrangement?	18 A No.
19 A I don't know what the arrangement is.	19 Q And the extent of the unequal treatment
20 Q Are you aware of whether or not you	20 that you think the plan has is that you're
21 know the name, are you aware that if there are	21 represented by one person rather than two?
22 other people or groups who are contributing?	22 A Correct.
23 A I don't know if there are or not.	23 Q And that's the sole reason why you'd like
24 Q What members of the legislature have you	24 to see the district changed to be one full
25 discussed this litigation with?	25 district?
1 A Terry Jones, Jordan Kannianen	1 A Correct.
2 and (inaudible.)	2 Q Would you also like to see the district
3 Q We missed the third one.	3 be represented by two Republicans in the State
4 A Clayton Fegley, who is the 4B	4 House?
5 representative currently.	5 A I would like that personally, yes.
6 Q And what have you I guess roughly when	6 Q Did you vote in the 2022 election?
7 have you spoken with those three people?	7 A Yes.
8 A I talk to them regularly, as I'm the	8 Q And do you regularly vote in elections?
9 District chair.	9 A Yes; every election since I was 18.
10 Q And what form does that communication	10 Q Where does so you said that I think
11 take? Do you ever text with those folks?	11 you said Terry Jones has a house down the street
12 A All it's always verbal. Terry lives	12 from you.
13 one about three houses away from me, and	13 Is that right?
14 Jordan, I see him very often.	14 A Yes.
15 Q Makes sense. Family.	15 Q How frequently does he stay there?
16 A Right.	16 A All the time. He lives there.
_	MR. GABER: I'm going to take a short
17 Q Any other legislators that you have 18 spoken with about this lawsuit?	18 break, if that's okay. Maybe ten minutes.
19 A No.	19 THE WITNESS: Okay.
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	(A recess was taken.)
A Decide to become a what?	MR. GABER: Well, Mr. Walen, I don't have
Q Why did you decide to become a plaintiff?	22 any further questions for you. Thank you for your
23 A Because I feel that someone needs to	23 time. Mr. Phillips, representing the Governor and
24 represent District 4.	24 the Secretary of State, I think will have some
25 Q And you're cutting out a little bit. It	25 questions.

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THE WITNESS: Okay.	1 A Yes.	27
2 EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANTS	2 Q And all other state-wide elections?	
3 BY MR. PHILLIPS:	3 A Yes.	
4 Q Thank you, Mr. Walen. I'm did we lose	4 Q The home that you're in in New Town, do	
5 him? Oh.	5 you own or rent that home?	
6 A Yeah.	6 A Own.	
7 Q Mr. Walen, I am David Phillips. I'm the	7 Q And do you live there all year round, or	
8 attorney representing the defendants in this case,	8 do you leave for part of the year?	
9 Governor Burgum and Secretary Jaeger. And I have	9 A I live here all year round.	
10 just a few followup questions for you and we'll	10 Q The home that you live in now, is that in	
11 get you out of here.	11 the subdistrict that's known as Subdistrict 4A?	
Mr. Wafen, what is your race or	12 A Correct.	
13 ethnicity?	13 Q Have you ever lived in the subdistrict	
14 A American, Caucasian.	14 that's known as Subdistrict 4B?	
15 Q I think the very beginning of there cut	15 A No.	
16 off. I'm sorry, could you just repeat your	16 Q In this case the defendants and the	
17 answer?	17 intervenors have served what's known as written	
18 A I'm American, Caucasian.	18 discovery. Those are interrogatories and requests	
19 Q And white would be another way to	19 for production of documents.	
20 describe you?	20 Do you remember participating in	
21 A Yes.	21 answering those?	
22 Q Do you consider yourself to be Native	22 A Yes.	
23 American?	23 Q And did you sign at the bottom of those	
24 A I am an American native. I was born in	24 answers?	
25 this country.	25 A Yes.	
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1 Q Would it be fair to say you don't	1 Q Earlier today you talked about some	
2 consider yourself to be an American Indian?	2 searching that you did today on your phone and	
3 A Correct.	3 your e-mail.	
4 Q I may jump around here a little bit, my	4 Did you do any searching of electronic	
5 apologies in advance. I just wanted to clarify a	5 records before today for purposes of responding to	
6 few things that you testified to earlier.	6 discovery requests?	
You had talked earlier about running and	7 A No.	
8 winning a seat on the West Fargo School Board.	8 Q Have you reviewed the legislative record	
9 Is that correct?	9 about the 2021 redistricting that's found on the	
10 A Yes.	10 website of our state legislature?	
Q I just want to follow up briefly.	11 A Only to the extent to know what the	
What years were you on the school board?	12 boundaries were.	
13 A Approximately well, it would be in the	13 Q In other words, looking at the boundary	
14 1990s.	14 maps?	
15 Q For how many years?	15 A Correct.	
16 A Four years.	16 Q Have you watched any of the videos in the	
17 Q And a few other clarifications.	17 legislative record dealing with the 2021	
18 If I recall correctly, did you say you	18 redistricting?	
19 voted in every election since you were 18?	19 A No.	
20 A Yes.	20 Q Other than the maps, have you looked at	
21 Q Were all of those elections in the State	21 any other documents in the legislative record?	
22 of North Dakota? 23 A Yes.	22 A Yes. I try to look at them when they're	
	23 in session.	
24 Q And would that include all state	Q Which documents would those have been?	
25 legislative elections?	25 A Daily it would be the videos of the	

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1 sessions, and then I just watch bits and pieces.	1 A How the process was going.
Q Those videos, did you watch those live as	2 Q Do you remember anything that Clayton
they were taking place during the redistricting	3 told you about how the process was going?
process?	4 A No.
5 A No.	5 Q Do you remember anything that you told to
Q Other than the videos, have you reviewed	6 Clayton during those conversations?
any documentation, either before or after the	7 A Yes.
commencement of this lawsuit, generated at the	8 Q What did you tell Clayton, that you can
legislature relating to redistricting?	9 recall?
0 A No.	10 A That depending on how the redistricting
1 Q You had testified earlier about some	11 turned out, that we'd look at what legal action we
2 conversations that you had with North Dakota	12 could take to keep it together, if they decided to
3 legislators. And you had mentioned Terry Jones,	13 split it.
4 Clayton Fegley. My handwriting is horrible and	14 Q When you say "keep it together," do you
5 the spelling was difficult. Who were the other	15 mean not subdistricted?
6 names again?	16 A Correct.
7 A Jordan Kannianen.	17 Q How many conversations during the
8 Q And if I	18 redistricting process did you have with Jordan,
9 A (Inaudible.)	19 and I won't attempt the last name.
0 Q Say that one more time?	20 A Regarding the lawsuit, not that many. He
1 A Senator Jordan Kannianen.	21 is my son-in-law, so I communicate with him daily.
2 Q And was there one more?	22 Q And during the redistricting process you
3 A No; it was just those three.	23 had multiple conversations with him?
4 Q Correct me if I'm wrong. If I remember	24 A Yes.
5 your testimony, I believe you said that those	25 Q And do you remember anything that he told
conversations all took place after the	1 you in those conversations during the
redistricting was completed at the state in 2021.	2 redistricting process about the redistricting
Is that correct?	3 process?
A I talk with them regularly as the	4 A No.
district chair.	5 Q Do you remember anything that you told
Q Did you talk with them	6 him during the redistricting process about the
A Only related to this lawsuit, it would be	7 redistricting process?
after.	8 A That if that if the district got
Q Related to the lawsuit, after.	9 split, that we'd look at what legal actions we
What conversations did you have with	10 could take to keep it together.
1 Terry Jones during the redistricting process?	11 Q Did you have any conversations with any
2 A Just discussed bound you know, asking	12 of those three individuals during the
3 what our boundaries would be.	13 redistricting process about the Voting Rights Act?
4 Q Did you have any discussions about the	14 A No.
5 issues you're raising in this lawsuit?	15 Q Have you ever had a conversation with
6 A Yes, we could have.	16 anyone employed with the North Dakota Legislative
7 Q Do you know how many times you talked to	17 Council about the 2021 redistricting process?
8 Terry Jones during the redistricting process?	18 A No.
	19 Q Have you ever had a conversation with
	20 anyone else who's employed by or is an agent of
0 a week.	21 the State of North Dakota about the 2021
Q What about Clayton Fegley; how many times	
2 did you talk to Clayton during the redistricting	22 redistricting process?
3 process?	23 A No.

A Two, three times, maybe four at most.

Q And what did you talk about with Clayton?

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Q Did you, personally, attend or provide

25 any testimony at any of the committee hearings or

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debates on redistricting in 2021? A No.	1 MR. GABER: Nothing further from me.
3 Q Have you hired an expert to testify at	Thank you, Mr. Walen, I appreciate it.
4 trial about the Voting Rights Act in this case?	MR. SANDERSON: And, Chuck, you have the right to read and sign your deposition or you can
5 A I have not.	4 right to read and sign your deposition or you can 5 waive that right. It's up to you. Paul waived
6 Q Were you aware of whether or not the	6 his earlier, if that's what you want to do.
7 plaintiff's have done so, including you or your	7 THE WITNESS: I can waive it.
8 co-plaintiffs?	8 MR. SANDERSON: All right. Chuck, thank
9 A You'll have to ask the attorneys.	9 you for your time.
MR. PHILLIPS: Let's take a short break.	10 COURT REPORTER: Mr. Phillips, same order
11 We'll go off the record for just a few minutes.	11 as earlier?
12 (A recess was taken.)	12 MR. PHILLIPS: Yes.
13 BY MR. PHILLIPS:	13 COURT REPORTER: Mr. Sanderson, same
14 Q You testified earlier about going through	14 order as earlier?
15 and searching your e-mails and texts today.	15 MR. SANDERSON: Same order, please.
Since the commencement of this lawsuit,	16 COURT REPORTER: Thank you.
17 have you deleted any texts that have been deleted	17 (Off the record at 2:57 p.m. EST.)
18 and wouldn't have shown up in your results?	18
19 A No.	19 19
20 Q Do you keep all of your text messages	20
21 without ever deleting them?	21
22 A They're after a period of time they're	22
23 automatically deleted. I don't know what that	23
24 time frame is.	24
25 Q From your Samsung phone?	25
34	
1 A Correct.	1 ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DEPONENT
2 Q And what about your e-mails; are they	2 I, CHARLES LEANDER WALEN, do hereby
3 have they been deleted either automatically or by	3 acknowledge that I have read and examined the
4 you since the commencement of this lawsuit?	4 foregoing testimony, and the same is a true,
5 A Not that I'm aware of.	5 correct and complete transcription of the
6 Q So we will likely be making a followup	6 testimony given by me, and any corrections appear
7 request in this case. And so I would ask that you	7 on the attached Errata sheet signed by me.
8 preserve and don't make any deletions, to the	8
9 extent it's already happened don't do any further	9
10 deletions of any texts on your phone or any	10 (DATE) (SIGNATURE)
11 e-mails so that we can make that request and that	1 1
12 they don't get inadvertently deleted.	12
And additionally, I would also ask, we'll	113
14 likely make a request for the notes that you	14
15 discussed earlier that you took in the last	15
16 deposition today, the first deposition today, I	16
17 should say. I'd request that you keep those and	17
18 hold on to them, too, because we'll likely be	18
19 making a request for a copy of those.	19
20 A I will send those to the attorney, to our	20
21 attorneys.	21
22 Q Perfect.	22
23 MR. PHILLIPS: Thank you. I have no	23
24 further questions.	3 1/1
25 Mr. Gaber?	24 25

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8	reading and signing was not requested; and that I am	
9	neither counsel for, related to, nor employed by any	
10	0 of the parties to this case and have no interest,	
11	1 financial or otherwise, in its outcome.	
12	2 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and	
13	3 affixed my notarial seal this 16th day of December.	
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1	6 My commission expires:	
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6 and PAUL HENDERSON, on :	5 EVENSON SANDERSON
7 individual, :	6 1100 College Drive, Suite 5
8 Plaintiffs, :	7 Bismarck, North Dakota 58501
1	8 (701) 751-1243
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Il capacity as Governor of the :	11 DAVID R. PHILLIPS, ESQUIRE
12 State of North Dakota; and :	12 BAKKE GRINOLDS WIEDERHOLT
13 ALVIN JAEGER, in his official :	13 300 West Century Avenue
14 capacity as Secretary of :	Bismarck, North Dakota 58503
15 State of North Dakota, :	15 P.O. Box 4247
16 Defendants. :	16 Bismarck, North Dakota 58502-4247
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20 Conducted Virtually	19
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4	CHUCK WALEN	4 EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR	
5	OHO CIE HARDIT	5 INTERVENOR-DEFENDANTS	
6		6 BY MR. GABER:	
7			
[7 Q Good morning, Mr. Henderson. My name is	
8		8 Mark Gaber. I am one of the attorneys for the	
9		9 defendant-intervenors in this case.	
10		And could you just please state your	
11		11 name, for the record.	
12		12 A Yes. It's Paul Henderson.	
13		13 Q And have you been deposed before?	
14		14 A I have not.	
15		15 Q So I'll go over a couple of the ground	
16		16 rules, in that case.	
17		17 The deposition is a little bit different	
18		18 than a normal conversation because we have a court	
19		19 reporter here. She is transcribing everything	
20		20 that we say. So it's important that we both talk	
21		21 slowly so that she can get the words down, but	
22		22 also that we not interrupt each other. And that	
23		23 can sometimes be hard, because in a normal	
24		24 conversation you would anticipate what someone is	
25		25 saying, and maybe interject?	
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1 hours. So just let me know if you need that,	A I guess not. I don't know how to I'm
2 though.	2 not a tech guy, so I don't know that.
3 A Very good.	3 Q I just want to make sure there's not,
4 Q I will assume that you understand my	4 like, e-mail or some sort of messaging software or
5 question unless you say otherwise. So if you	5 anything.
6 don't understand please say so, and I'll do my	6 But it sounds like if it were there, you
7 best to clarify.	7 wouldn't even know what to do with it.
8 Does that work for you?	8 Am I right?
9 A Yes.	9 A That's correct.
10 Q And you have counsel here. There's	10 Q What, if anything, did you do to prepare
11 counsel for the state here. If folks don't like	11 for this deposition?
12 the way I have asked my question, they may object	12 A Not really anything. I knew that it was
13 after I ask it. Unless you're instructed by your	13 coming, and I'm confident in my ability to answer
14 counsel not to answer for attorney-client	14 any questions. I didn't
15 privilege reasons, which I don't anticipate	15 Q Did you have any meetings with your
16 needing to get into that issue, you should just	16 counsel, for example?
17 wait for the objection and then go ahead and	17 A I did, yeah. Just because I've never
18 answer my question.	18 done this before.
Does that make sense?	19 Q And when did that meeting occur?
20 A Yes.	20 A We met yesterday for a small period of
21 Q Is there any reason that you can't answer	21 time.
22 my questions fully and truthfully today?	22 Q And that was in person or over the phone?
23 A No.	23 A It was in person.
24 Q Now, obviously we're doing this	24 Q Who was present for that meeting?
25 deposition remotely. And so I'm going to ask you	25 A Ryan.
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a couple of questions that I wouldn't if I were in	1 Q Anyone else?
2 the room with you.	2 A No.
I gather you are at your counsel's law	3 Q Did you review any documents to assist
4 office.	4 you in getting ready for today?
5 Is that right?	5 A I did not.
6 A That's correct.	6 Q Did you talk to Mr. Walen at all in
7 Q And who is in the room with you?	7 preparing for today?
8 A It's Paul Sanderson and Ryan Joyce.	8 A I did not.
9 Q Anyone else in the room?	9 Q What was your what do you do for work?
10 A No.	10 A I own and operate a farm here in North
11 Q And Mr. Sanderson and Mr. Joyce, are they	11 Dakota.
12 seated to the side of you or across from you?	12 Q And where in North Dakota is that?
13 A Ryan is scated across from me, and Paul	13 A It's in a small village of Calvin, on the
14 is seated to my right.	14 edge of the small village of Calvin.
15 Q And do you have any notes in front of	15 Q And that's
16 you?	16 A In North Dakota.
17 A I will be taking notes, yes.	17 Q Is that in Cavalier County?
18 Q But do you have any notes in front of you	18 A It is.
19 now?	19 Q And how long have you had that farm?
20 A No, I do not.	20 A My entire life.
21 Q And on the computer screen, are there any	21 Q Was that passed down from family, or did
22 windows open, other than this Zoom screen?	22 you start that?
A I don't know.	23 A Not relevant. But, yeah, it was passed
24 Q None that you're looking at on the	24 down.
25 screen?	25 Q Do you have any what sort of roles in

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1 the community do you play? Are you involved in	1 A Yeah. I mean, that there was some
2 local government at all?	2 controversy because we weren't allowed to reorg.
3 A Yeah. I mean, I'm on my township board.	3 Q Do you know why that was the case?
4 I'm on the county zoning board. I'm a volunteer	4 A Yeah. The leadership of the Republican
5 fire department volunteer. I've been an EMT	5 party in the state interpreted a law that was
6 for in the past. And I've also been involved	6 passed in November saying that you if you had
7 in local politics as a participated in all the	7 more than 25 percent population change in your
8 Republican side of the meetings. And I was the	8 district, because of redistricting, you were
9 chairman in District 10 for about nine years.	9 mandatorily you had to you had to reorganize at
10 Q Are the town board and the well, the	10 that point.
11 town board position, is that an elected position?	But there was really nothing this was
12 A The township board is elected, yes. The	12 a new law. And historically if you changed the
13 zoning board is an appointed position.	13 boundaries, you were allowed to reorganize. So
14 Q How long have you been on the town board?	14 there was some controversy there.
15 A Twenty-five years probably.	15 Q There was a meeting where folks walked
16 Q And how frequently are those elections?	16 out.
17 A They're every year. But there's	Is that right?
18 Q Are they partisan or	18 A That was a different meeting. That was a
19 A They're staggered.	19 state meeting that was in, I want to say December
20 No, they're not partisan. They're	20 of last year. So that
21 nonpartisan.	21 Q And was that also related to the
22 Q And what is the I know you said	22 boundaries of the district chairs and whatnot?
23 Calvin, but that's the city that is nearby. Is	23 A Yes.
24 the township different?	24 Q And what was your you were one of the
124 the township direction:	
25 A Veal the township would be Clen Isla	25 participants that walked out
25 A Yeah, the township would be Glen Isle	25 participants that walked out.
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25 that happened?

25 A They will come due in the new year, from

5 (17 to 20)

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17 1 January to Angil I baliave is the time slot for	19 19
1 January to April, I believe, is the time slot for	1 A No.
2 reorganizations in North Dakota.	Q What about an independent candidate?
Q And do you intend to run for a position	A No, I haven't.
4 when that happens?	4 Q Now, I understand that your wife is Donna
5 A I haven't decided yet, but it's possible.	5 Henderson.
6 Q Other than that position as the chair of	6 Is that right?
7 the District 10 for the Republicans, have you held	7 A Correct.
8 any other positions within the state Republican	8 Q And she ran for and was elected as the
9 party?	9 new representative for House District 9B, as in
10 A Yeah. I was on the executive board as a	10 boy.
11 regional chairman for a couple of terms, which	11 Is that right?
12 gave me the ability to be on the executive	12 A That's correct.
13 committee.	13 Q Had she run for office before this
14 Q And when was that?	14 election?
15 A Again, I think it was probably a	15 A Not the State House.
16 four-year stint. But it was probably five years	16 Q What other office had she run for?
17 ago.	17 A She ran for a position at the state party
18 Q What about on the national Republican	18 a couple of years ago.
19 party?	19 Q Did she get elected to that position?
20 A I was available to the national	20 A She did not.
21 Republican party for a couple of conventions. I	21 Q And I should ask, aside from the elected
22 served as the resolution committeeman in 2012 in	22 position you have on the county or, sorry, the
23 Tampa.	23 town board, have you held any other elected
24 Q What does the resolution committeeman do?	24 office?
25 A He takes the resolutions that are in the	25 A No.
18	20
1 national Republican party and reviews them and	1 Q Just the I guess the District 10 for
2 brings forth any relevant new resolutions that	2 the Republican party.
3 might be relevant to the party in the new election	That's elected. Right?
4 cycle.	4 A That is elected, correct. And so is the
5 Q Did you work on the party platform as	5 regional chairmanship. That's an election as
6 part of	6 well.
7 A That's what it is, yes.	7 Q But you have never run for the state
8 Q Aside from your official roles in the	8 legislature?
9 state and national Republican party, are you a	9 A No. I was I did in I ran in our
10 part of any other political organizations?	10 endorsing convention in 2018, but I was
11 A No.	11 unsuccessful.
12 Q Have you worked on any political	12 Q And can you just explain for me the
13 campaigns?	13 endorsing convention versus I know you all have
14 A Certainly.	14 primary elections as well.
15 Q And how many, would you say?	What is the role of the endorsing
16 A Twenty-five.	16 convention?
17 Q So whenever there's an election, are you	17 A The endorsing convention is a political
18 pretty actively involved	18 party function. And so all the constituents that
19 A Yeah.	19 want to declare that they're Republicans go to an
20 Q and working on	20 endorsing convention in the district and vote on
21 A Yes.	21 who they want to run as a candidate.
22 Q And has that been exclusively for	22 Q And if you don't get the endorsement, can
23 Republican candidates?	23 you still run, you know, with the state, on the
24 A It has.	24 primary?
25 Q Never worked for a Democratic candidate?	25 A Certainly.

6 (21 to 24)

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21	23
1 Q It's just a matter of who, you know, gets	1 decided that she probably would have a better
2 the official endorsement of the local party.	2 chance with the name recognition.
3 Is that the idea?	3 Is that the idea?
4 A Yes.	4 A Correct. And she's better looking as
5 Q In the most recent election for your	5 well.
6 wife, did she have the endorsement at the	6 Q And from my experience in Wisconsin, the
7 convention for District 9B?	7 State House races are more on the radio than they
8 A She did.	8 are on the televisions.
9 Q And was that over an incumbent state	9 A True. True.
10 representative?	10 Q I see on her website she says that, you
11 A Correct.	11 know, with the recent redistricting process, our
12 Q What was that person's name?	12 district border has changed, and now I'm very
13 A Charles Damschen.	13 excited about the new District 9B. And she
14 Q And had he been the incumbent for what	14 mentions having worked in Rolla.
15 was formerly District 10?	Did you share her sort of view and
16 A Correct.	16 excitement about the new boundaries for 9B?
17 Q Do you know how long he was in that	17 A We did.
18 position?	18 Q What in particular did you like about
19 A I want to say 12 years.	19 them?
20 Q Okay.	20 A I think the opportunity was that by
21 A I think he served 12 years.	21 moving a great portion of District 10, and
22 Q What motivated your wife to run this	22 combining it with Rollette and Towner Counties,
23 time?	23 that it gave it gave a Republican a chance to
24 A Well, we had talked about running, you	24 win.
25 know. It's kind of a personal choice. And our	25 Q And that in your view was an improvement?
22	24
1 time of life was ready for a to take a run at	1 A It was the reality. I don't know if it
2 the State a State House position.	2 was an improvement, but it was a reality of what
3 Q Did she have any issue with the incumbent	3 we saw as far as the
4 that was part of the motivation?	4 Q And I'm sorry. Continue.
5 A Well, I don't think that was that	5 A I mean, that's we looked at the
6 wasn't any time you run against an incumbent,	6 numbers, and we felt that it was a good
7 there's that. But that wasn't the primary reason,	7 possibility that we could pull it off and she
8 Ibelieve.	8 could win.
9 Q Did the redistricting play a role in her	9 Q Your former district, District 10, that
10 decision?	10 was a district that also favored Republicans.
11 A Well, only reason that that would play a	II Is that right?
12 role is that, again with Donna and I, just our	12 A Correct. Correct.
13 personal conversations, when they dissolved	13 Q And your view is that 9B does as well?
14 District 10 and moved us into District 9, she had	14 A It's a lot closer to 50/50, but it is
15 worked in the Town of Rolla for 14 years, and so	15 there is a slight advantage I think to the
16 she was better positioned, I think, to run against	16 Republicans. It just depends on who comes out to
17 an incumbent, you know, district-wide than I would	17 vote. I mean, I can't I can't sit here and
18 have been.	18 tell you what the vote percentages are, because
19 Q So you guys were sort of deciding as	19 we've only had one election cycle.
20 between the two of you who should run.	20 Q Donna won by a large margin. Right?
21 Is that correct?	21 A She ran I mean, she won handily, yes.
22 A Yeah. I think so. I think we would have	22 Q I think she 56.5 percent against an
23 ran. If all things would have stayed the same,	23 incumbent. Right?
24 you know, one of us would have ran in District 10.	24 A Correct.
25 And given becwork in Rolla you guys	25 O The incumbent Marvin Nelson he had run

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7 (25 to 28)

December 7, 2022 1 for governor before. Right? A Oh, I would say November, December of A He did. 2 last year, somewhere in that area. Q What was your impression in Cavalier Q And did he ask you if you would be 4 County of folks' thoughts on him? willing to be a plaintiff? A I don't really know that. I mean, I --A No. 6 it's not something I had conversations with people Q What did he say? A We just generally talked about the split about more then. Q I gather from the vote totals, they liked and how both him and I picked up on the fact that 9 your wife better? 9 it was probably unconstitutional. And that was A Yeah. Yeah. Well, we worked hard, too, 10 pretty general. Pretty general conversation. 11 so there's that. Q Do you know how he got your name or why Q So how did you become a plaintiff in this 12 he reached out to you? 13 case? A I don't. 14 A Well, I became aware that the split was Q He didn't tell you who had said that he 14 15 going to happen. And I think I had a conversation 15 should call you? 16 with Terry Jones on the phone one day, and we A He did not. But you've got to realize 17 talked about it. And, you know, this was 17 that it's a small state, and I've been in the --18 something that was brand-new, and that raised red 18 politics for 25 years. So it's not like I'm 19 flags for me right away. And I just latched onto 19 unknown. 20 the constitutional argument that's -- that I will Q And you were the -- at the time you were 21 stick with, that in District 9, during our 21 the Republican chair for what was District 10, 22 election I got to vote for one representative, and 22 which covered this part of this territory. Right? 23 the rest of the 47 -- or 45 districts in the state A Correct. 23 24 got to vote for two representatives. So I felt 24 Q And just I think we -- I think this was 25 like that was probably not equal application of 25 implied, but you live in the Subdistrict 9B. 28 1 constitutional law. Is that right? 1 Q So I just want to -- to clarify for the A That's correct. 2 record. When you say "the split," you mean 3 Q And I think you explained it a little District 9 being split into two subdistricts? bit, but make sure I'm right. A Correct. Your concern is that you're unable to Q And you said you had a conversation with vote for two state representatives at large; but, Terry Jones. Mr. Jones was an incumbent state rather, you vote for one that's dedicated to your 8 representative from District 4. 8 subdistrict. Is that correct? Is that your concern? 10 A That's correct. 10 A That's correct. Q And in terms of, you know, you mentioned 11 Q And did he reach out to you? 11 12 that you thought it was unconstitutional. I 12 A He did. 13 Q How do you know Representative Jones? 13 gather that your complaint is that it's unequal 14 A I don't really know him. 14 for you to get one when other voters in the state 15 I mean, I know of him because he was in 15 get two representatives that they vote for. 16 the House. But I didn't -- I don't have a Is that correct? 16 17 personal relationship with Terry. A Yeah. I'm not a lawyer, but I know 17 Q What was the -- did he call you, did he 18 enough to know that that's my experience. 18 19 e-mail you? How did he reach out? Q And when you say you thought it was 20 A I believe he called me. 20 unconstitutional, is that the unequal treatment 21 that you were concerned about? 21 Q And what did you talk about? A Just the -- just the split of the 22 A Correct. 23 district and how that -- how that was going to Q Do you have any other objections or 24 affect us going forward. 24 complaints about the redistricting plan? A I guess I don't. I just -- that's what

Q When was that conversation?

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8 (29 to 32)

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29	31
1 I'm basing my participation in, is that it's	1 A Yeah.
2 unconstitutional, in my view.	2 Q During the course of the campaign with
3 Q And would you like to see the map	3 your wife, did you guys text message each other?
4 changed?	4 A I don't think so. We just talked.
5 A I would like to have the opportunity to	5 Q What kind of phone do you have?
6 vote for two representatives, yeah.	6 A Well, I had a Google phone, but I lost
7 Q If that change made it harder for	7 it. And I have an Apple phone now.
8 Republicans to win the district, would you like to	8 Q Is that an iPhone?
9 see that?	9 A Yeah. Don't ask me what flavor it is,
10 A It wouldn't matter.	10 though, because I couldn't tell you.
11 Q And aside from the fact that you cast	11 Q Well, they're very expensive. I just had
12 your ballot for just one rather than two	12 to get a new one. Not great.
13 representatives, is there any other way in which	In your role as the Republican party
14 you were affected by the way the map lines are	14 chair for when it was for District 10, how did
15 drawn?	15 people, how did your sort of constituents or
16 A No. I guess that would be the height of	16 colleagues or party folks, how did they reach out
17 my complaint.	17 to you? How do you all communicate?
18 Q Did you cast a ballot in the 2022 19 election? I assume your wife would have made you.	18 A Normally it was on by phone.
	19 Q Do you sometimes share text messages or
20 A Yes, that is a correct statement.	20 back and forth over written communication with
21 Q Do you regularly vote?	21 those folks?
22 A I do.	22 A No.
Q Is there an election you've missed?	23 Q Never?
24 A Not since I was 18. That's a long time	24 A I don't believe so.
25 ago.	25 Q Who is paying for your attorneys in this
30	32
Q Do you recall that you were the	1 matter?
2 parties in the case were sent some document	A That would be me and a few others.
3 requests?	Q Is that like an hourly rate, or is that
4 A I don't understand that question. Go	4 sort of a lump sum, capped amount? What is the
5 ahead.	5 arrangement there?
6 Q Sorry, that's the way we talk to each	6 A I believe it's an hourly rate.
7 other.	7 Q And who are you said you and some
8 Did you look at any sort of document that	8 others. Who are the other people?
9 had been sent by me or my colleagues or for the	9 A I don't actually have that in front of
10 state for requests for production of the documents	10 me. I mean, I know that Chuck is Chuck Walen
11 that you might have?	11 has signed on to this complaint. I haven't really
12 A Yes. Yes, I perused those. Yes.	12 asked him how much money that he's put into the
13 Q What did you do, what was your process	13 kitty.
14 for determining whether you had material that	14 Q Any other people that you can identify?
15 would respond to those requests?	15 A I'm sorry to say I don't I don't know
16 A Just my memory.	16 that.
17 Q Did you look through any e-mail or look	17 Q Do you know whether there are other
It a share all a constructions and all the construction and built	
18 through your phone at all to see whether you had	18 people and you just don't know who, you can't
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19 text messages or other materials that might 20 respond? 21 A I didn't. I just I don't text much	19 think of who they are? Is that the case? 20 A Yeah. I think there's there's some 21 other donors, but I don't have their names in
19 text messages or other materials that might 20 respond? 21 A I didn't. I just I don't text much 22 and I don't e-mail much, so I didn't do any of	19 think of who they are? Is that the case? 20 A Yeah. I think there's there's some 21 other donors, but I don't have their names in 22 front of me.

25 or organizations?

25 was basically the extent of it?

9 (33 to 36)

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33	35
1 A I think they're all people.	1 A 1980.
2 Q Is the Republican party contributing any	2 Q After high school did you attend any
3 funds to pay for the case?	3 college?
4 A No. No, they're not.	4 A Yeah. I took two years of at NDSU,
5 Q Have you discussed this lawsuit with any	5 and then I did one semester at NDSCS in Wahpeton.
6 legislators?	6 Q What did you study at NDSU?
7 A Besides Terry, I don't believe I have.	7 A Agronomy.
8 Q I suppose when is your wife sworn in?	8 Q And did that result in a degree?
9 Is that January?	9 A It did not.
10 A They actually got sworn in yesterday.	10 Q What about in Wahpeton? You took one
11 Q Oh.	11 semester. Did you have any degree at the
12 A And, so, but this is all preliminary	12 conclusion of that?
13 stuff. The actual session starts in January.	13 A I did not.
MR. GABER: I am going to have us take a	14 Q What did you study in Wahpeton?
15 short break, if you don't mind. I don't think I	15 A Well, my wife was going there for dental
16 have a ton more questions for you, but I want to	16 hygiene, so I studied her quite a bit. Actually,
17 think a little bit and talk to some folks. So	17 it was an agronomy, it was an agronomy semester as
18 maybe just a ten-minute break. Ten- or 15-minute	18 well.
19 break sound good?	19 Q Have you had any other education since
MR. SANDERSON: Yeah, that's fine.	20 high school in terms of technical training or any
MR. GABER: Thank you.	21 other formal education?
22 (A recess was taken.)	22 A I just, I went through the EMT basic
MR. GABER: I do not have any further	23 course. You know, that's probably 20 years ago.
24 questions for you.	I was an EMT for seven years.
I am going to pass the witness to	25 Q Where did you do the EMT course?
34	36
1 Mr. Phillips.	1 A In Rolla.
2 MR. PHILLIPS: Thank you.	2 Q What do you do currently for a living?
3 EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR DEFENDANTS	3 A I'm in agriculture.
4 BY MR. PHILLIPS:	4 Q And are you employed or self-employed?
5 Q Still good morning, Mr. Henderson. I'm	5 A As the owner and operator of a farm.
6 doing the questioning second today, so I will do	6 Q What's the name of the operation?
7 my best not to repeat any of the questions you've	7 A There is no technical name. It's all
8 already been asked. But if I do ask something	8 under my name.
you've already answered, please just bear with me.	9 Q How long have you been doing that?
I am David Phillips. I'm not sure if we	10 A Since I was 18.
It have met before specifically, but I represent the	11 Q And you just farm the property around
12 Governor in this case and the Secretary of State.	12 your residence in Calvin?
13 And I will be doing the followup questions today.	13 A Yeah. I mean, there's it's spread out
14 A Hello.	14 a little bit. But, yeah, it's around.
15 Q I wanted to do just a few followups to	15 Q I'm at a point where I'm likely to jump
16 clean up some of the matters that I heard you	16 around between topics just because I've crossed
17 testify to earlier and to add a little bit more	17 things off my list that Mr. Gaber already covered
18 detail.	18 with you. So please bear with me on that.
I want to start with your background.	What do you consider to be your race or
Where did you go to high school?	20 ethnicity?
21 A I went to a now defunct high school	21 A White, I guess.
22 called Border Central.	22 Q Do you consider yourself to be Native
23 Q Border Central. Where is that located?	23 American?
	a A NI.
24 A In Calvin. Or it was.	24 A No.

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10 (37 to 40)

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37	39
1 wife?	1 A Yeah.
A I believe she would be white as well.	2 I mean, we may have taken some vacations
Q Is she Native American?	3 and that type of thing, but our residency has
4 A She is not.	4 always been Calvin.
5 Q I believe you had said in your testimony	5 Q In this lawsuit, is it correct to say
6 earlier that you voted in all of the elections	6 that you're seeking to eliminate the subdistrict
7 since you were 18.	7 seat in District 9?
8 Am I remembering that correctly?	8 A That would be the end result, yes.
9 A That's correct.	9 Q Are you concerned in terms of what that
10 Q Would that include all state-wide	10 would mean for your wife's current seat in the
11 elections in North Dakota?	11 legislature?
12 A As to the best of my recollection, yes.	12 A I mean, obviously it's a concern, but I
13 Q And all state legislative elections?	13 don't it doesn't raise itself to the level of
14 A Correct.	14 overcoming my principles for the
15 Q What's your current address?	15 unconstitutionality of the process here.
16 A 7980 99th Street, Northeast, Calvin with	16 Q Do you know what the effect would be if
17 a C, C-A-L-V-I-N, North Dakota, 58323.	17 the subdistricts were eliminated on your wife's
18 Q And do you live there all year round?	18 seat?
19 A I do.	19 A I don't. I mean, it's never been done
20 Q Do you own any other homes at all?	20 before. We don't know what's the court going to
21 A I don't.	21 rule. I mean, that's, we don't know. If we
22 Q Some people spend part of the year down	22 could talk about what-ifs, I guess. But, I mean,
23 south. Are you that type of person, or do you	23 I don't know.
24 live	24 I don't know. I just I mean, it's
25 A Haven't got there yet. We will be	25 possible that they would require a new election in
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1 renting a place here in Bismarck for the duration	1 2024 over the whole district. And if that
2 of the session.	2 happens, I guess we will work hard for
3 Q Have you already found a place to rent?	3 re-election.
4 A We have.	4 Q Mr. Gaber had asked you earlier about
5 Q And have you signed a lease?	5 your written discovery responses.
6 A No.	6 Do you remember those questions?
7 Q So I take it you have not yet moved to	7 A Yeah. I mean, I looked at them.
8 Bismarck?	8 Q And did you sign those written discovery
9 A We have not.	9 responses?
10 Q Your current address, is that in what's	10 A Yes. Yes.
11 currently districted as Subdistrict 9B?	11 Q Did you look for documents to produce in
12 A That's correct.	12 response to those discovery requests that were
13 Q Have you ever lived in the area that's	13 made in this case?
14 subdistricted as Subdistrict 9A?	14 A No. I didn't really look a lot because I
15 A No.	15 don't text and I don't e-mail a lot. I don't do
16 Q Has your wife lived with you the entire	16 that. Most of my communication is in person or
17 time you've been married?	17 over the phone.
18 A She has.	18 Q Did you look for any physical paper
19 Q How long have you been married?	19 documents?
20 A Changes every year. I think it's 39, but	20 A I don't have those, so I didn't look. I
21 don't quote me on that, because I could get in	21 mean, I just I know I didn't write any letters
22 trouble.	22 or correspond with anybody in that vein, so
23 Q That's fair.	23 Q Have you looked at the legislative record
And has she lived there continuously that	24 in this case on the legislative assembly website?
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25 A I--

25 whole 39 years?

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Q I'm sorry, I cut you off. Go ahead.	1 Q Did you, personally, attend or provide
2 A I have not.	2 any testimony at the redistricting hearings at the
3 Q You haven't looked at any of the	3 legislature?
4 documents or other materials on the legislative	4 A I did not.
5 website relating to redistricting?	5 Q Did you, personally, attend the House or
6 A I have not.	6 Senate floor debate on the redistricting?
7 Q Did you look at those in preparing the	7 A I did not.
8 answers to the written discovery?	8 Q Have you ever reviewed the videos of any
9 A No.	9 of those hearings or debates of the redistricting
10 Q Earlier I believe you had testified about	10 that took place in 2021?
11 a conversation that you had with Terry Jones.	11 A No.
12 Do you recall that?	12 Q Have you ever reviewed transcripts of
13 A Vaguely. I mean, it was a year ago, so I	13 those proceedings?
14 don't I can't get specific what we exactly	14 A I have not.
15 talked about. Generally, though, we talked about	15 Q Have you reviewed any documentation at
16 this, the unconstitutionality of the split.	16 all during the course of this litigation?
17 Q You had mentioned the discussion of the	17 A Just the I signed the complaint and
18 split.	18 I've read that. And of course we had meetings
Do you have any recollection of any	19 with counsel.
20 specific statement that you made during that call?	20 Q I don't want you to tell me about
21 A I don't.	21 anything that you talked about with your counsel.
22 Q And do you have any recollection of any	22 But anything else that you've reviewed? Documents
23 specific statement that Mr. Jones made during that	23 you've reviewed or materials you've reviewed?
24 call?	24 A No.
25 A Specifically, no.	25 Q Have you retained an expert to testify at
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1 Q Do you remember any details at all from	1 trial in this case regarding the Voting Rights
2 that call, other than it involved the split of the	2 Act?
3 districts?	3 A I would have to defer to counsel on that.
4 A No.	4 I don't know.
5 Q Have you ever had any conversation with	5 MR. PHILLIPS: Can we take just a
6 any other North Dakota legislator about the 2021	6 few-minute break. I want to review a few things.
7 redistricting?	7 I may be done, but I just want to check my notes.
8 A No. Not to my recollection.	8 Let's go off the record briefly.
9 Q Have you ever had a conversation with	9 (A recess was taken.)
10 anyone employed with the North Dakota Legislative	MR. PHILLIPS: I don't have any further
11 Council about the 2021 redistricting?	11 questions, Mr. Henderson.
12 A No.	12 THE WITNESS: Okay.
13 Q And that would include Claire Ness. If	13 MR. PHILLIPS: Thank you.
14 you had a conversation with her?	MR. SANDERSON: Any further questions,
15 A I don't know who that is.	15 Mark?
16 Q What about Emily Thompson?	16 MR. GABER: No, nothing from me.
17 A No.	17 Thank you for your time, sir.
18 Q And also Samantha Kramer; have you had a	18 MR. SANDERSON: All right. I have no
19 conversation with her?	19 questions.
	20 Mr. Henderson, you have the right to read
	21 and sign your deposition, or you can waive that
	22 right. It's your choice. What would you like to
22 Jones, have you had any conversation with any	
23 other employee or agent of the State of North	23 do? 24 THE WITNESS: I will waive today.
24 Dakota about the 2021 redistricting?	
25 A No.	25 COURT REPORTER: Mr. Phillips, do you

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3	COURT REPORTER: Mr. Sanderson, do you		3	foregoing proceedings were taken, do hereby certify	
4	need a copy of the transcript?		4	that the foregoing transcript is a true and correct	
5	MR. SANDERSON: Yeah. Electronic		5	record of the proceedings; that said proceedings	
6	condensed, please.		6	were taken by me stenographically and thereafter	
7	MR. PHILLIPS: I'll second that,		7	reduced to typewriting under my supervision; that	
8	electronic condensed is fine.		8	reading and signing was not requested; and that I am	
9	(Off the record at 10:36 a.m. EST.)		9	neither counsel for, related to, nor employed by any	
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