

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF
OHIO, *et al.***

Relators,

v.

**OHIO REDISTRICTING COMMISSION,
et al.,**

Respondents.

Case No. 2021-1449

**Original Action Filed Pursuant to Ohio
Const., art. XIX, Sec. 3(A)**

RELATORS' MOTION FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

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This motion is brought in support of Relators' First Amended Complaint challenging the recently enacted congressional district plan under Article XIX. Relators hereby move this Court to schedule oral argument.

Respectfully submitted,

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MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT

Pursuant to Article XIX, Section (3)(A), and S.Ct.Prac.R. 17.02, Relators League of Women Voters, *et al.*, respectfully move for oral argument before the Court on the merits of their redistricting challenge to the congressional district plan (“the Enacted Plan”) adopted by the General Assembly.

Oral argument should be held in this redistricting challenge for three reasons. First, this action presents questions of significant legal importance: it is the Court’s first opportunity to interpret the new requirements for congressional redistricting as set forth in Article XIX of the Ohio Constitution. Second, the question presented—whether the Enacted Plan complies with the strict anti-gerrymandering criteria overwhelmingly approved by voters in 2018—is a matter of great public importance. Third, this action involves complex issues of law and fact, as demonstrated by the large amounts of evidence submitted by Relators as well as the substantive arguments related to the proper interpretation and application of Article XIX’s requirements, that should be heard on the merits by this Court.

Given the seminal importance and complexity of this action, the Court would benefit from the fullest opportunity to ask questions of the parties’ legal counsel.

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