

IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF  
SABINE COUNTY, TEXAS

FINDINGS OF FACT REGARDING POLITICAL BOUNDARIES  
OF SABINE COUNTY, TEXAS  
FOLLOWING PUBLICATION OF 2020 CENSUS DATA  
AND  
ORDER TO RETAIN EXISTING POLITICAL BOUNDARIES

On the 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021, the Commissioners Court of Sabine County met in regular/called session, having posted notice of said hearing in compliance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

The Commissioners Court of Sabine County has previously retained the firm of Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP, of Austin, Texas, to conduct an Initial Assessment of existing political boundaries of Sabine County, following the issuance of census data by the United States Census Bureau. Attached to this Order, and incorporated herein for all purposes by reference, is a copy of the initial assessment conducted by Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP. This assessment is based upon PL94-171 data, as required by federal law, and is further based upon information provided to Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP by the Texas Legislative Council, other official sources of information, and by Sabine County, Texas.

Based upon this information, Sabine County has a total maximum deviation of 8.77%. The term total maximum deviation is determined by dividing the total population of Sabine County by four, the number of Commissioners Court precincts to determine an ideal precinct size. The actual population of each precinct is then determined, based upon the official population data contained within the census count, as defined by Public Law 94-171. The actual population of each precinct is compared to the ideal precinct size and a range of deviation by percentage is determined. Any total maximum deviation in excess of ten percent (10%) is presumptively unconstitutional under established federal law.

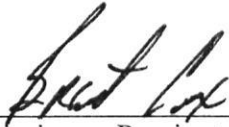
As a result of this determination, Sabine County has no constitutional duty to redistrict its political boundaries so as to achieve "One-Person-One-Vote" numerical balance between the four commissioners court precincts at this time.

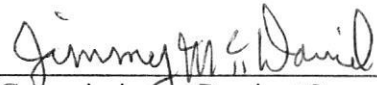
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, ADJUDGED and DECREED that the Commissioners Court of Sabine County, Texas expressly finds that it has no legal duty to redistrict at this time.

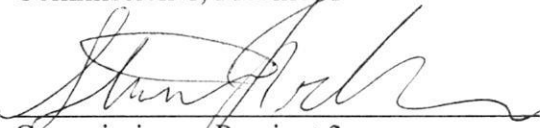
The public interest will be served by preserving the existing political boundaries of Sabine County, which remain in compliance with applicable state and federal law. The Commissioners Court hereby enters the following findings of fact and of law:

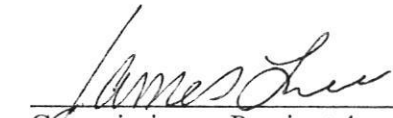
1. Sabine County has a total maximum deviation, as defined in this order, of 8.77%.
2. Any total maximum deviation in excess of ten percent (10%) is presumptively unconstitutional under federal law.
3. Sabine County, acting by and through its Commissioners Court, expressly finds that it has no legal duty to redistrict its political boundaries, and therefore elects to retain its existing political boundaries in the belief that voting rights are sufficiently preserved by continuity with existing boundaries, and such polling places and procedures as have been utilized in prior elections.
4. The current political boundaries of the Commissioners Court, Justice of the Peace and Election precincts of Sabine County, and shall remain in effect until altered or amended by subsequent Order of the Commissioners Court.

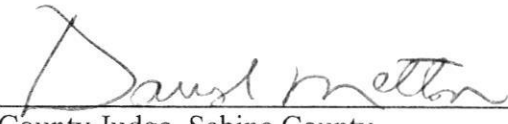
Signed this 8th day of November, 2021.


  
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Commissioner, Precinct 1

  
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Commissioner, Precinct 2

  
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Commissioner, Precinct 3

  
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Commissioner, Precinct 4

  
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County Judge, Sabine County

  
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County Clerk, Sabine County

