

# TEXAS PUBLIC POLICY BEHIND CHANGES TO TEXAS JUDICIAL ELECTION STRUCTURE

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# Policy Overview

## ELECTION INTEGRITY ACT

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1. IN THE PAST 50 YEARS THERE HAVE BEEN 1,500 VOTES CAST WITH PROVEN FRAUD OUT OF 3 BILLION VOTES CAST - RESULT ELECTION INTEGRITY ACT
1. IN THE PAST 50 YEARS THERE HAVE BEEN 1.5 MILLION PERSONS KILLED BY GUN VIOLENCE  
RESULT -NO GUN LEGISLATION ENACTED

## □ System:

There are presently 18 statewide elected officials in Texas - All are elected mostly by the white community, including 9 Supreme Court Justices

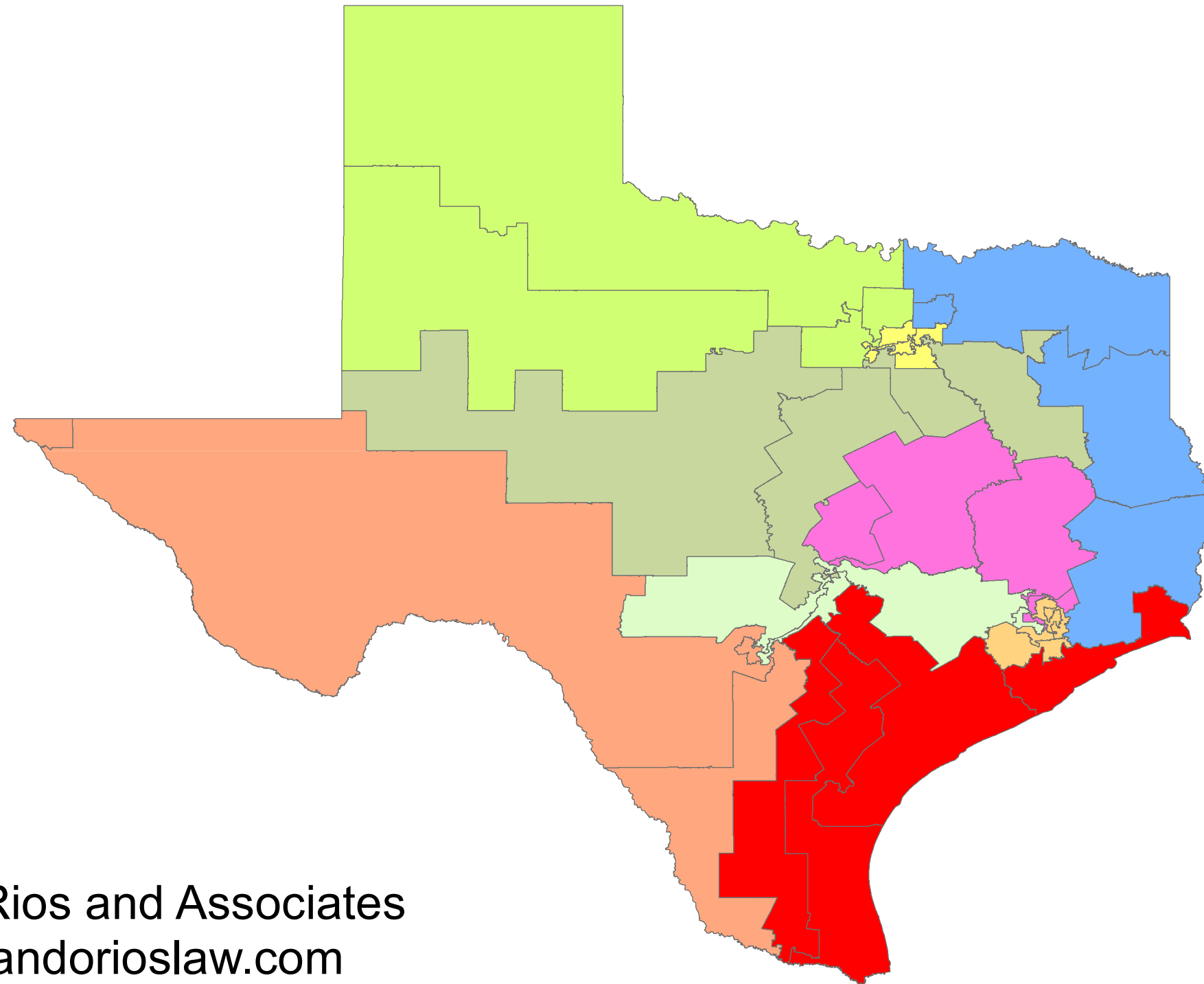
Minority Supreme Court Justices are usually appointed and they immediately loose the at large election

Harris County recently elected 17 persons of color to judicial positions – now the State want to appoint district judges.

Texas attempts to use citizen voting age population (**citizenship question**) to redistrict elected representative - 35 minority elected State Reps becomes 28 - Texas turns blue in 2 or 20 years

RESTRUCTURING JUDICIAL SYSTEM, INCLUDING  
APPEALS COURTS, DESIGNED TO MAINTAIN  
POLITICAL POWER - FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS PROTECTIONS  
NECESSARY - John Lewis Act - Sec 5 DOJ Preclearance

## 9 SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS FOR TEXAS SUPREME COURT



### 2020 Redistricting

- SD9
- SD8
- SD7
- SD6
- SD5
- SD4
- SC3
- SC\_2
- SC\_1

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## Texas Supreme Court Draft Plan

### Supreme Court District 1 (15,34,27,14)

Dist	Total	18+POP	18+Black	%18+Black	H18+Pop	%HVAP	Min VAP
15	698,488	469,736	9,005	1.92%	362,563	77.18%	
34	698,487	509,432	57,171	11.22%	76,265	14.97%	
27	698,488	479,210	6,143	1.28%	386,548	80.66%	
14	698,488	523,376	102,584	19.60%	98,932	18.90%	
	2,793,951	1,981,754	174,903	8.83%	924,308	46.64%	55.47%

### Supreme Court District 2 (16,23,28,20)

Dist	Total	18+POP	18+Black	%18+Black	H18+Pop	%HVAP	Min VAP
16	698,488	493,308	16,937	3.43%	382,998	77.64%	
23	698,488	495,643	11,733	2.37%	317,004	63.96%	
28	698,488	469,130	25,988	5.54%	363,346	77.45%	
20	698,488	508,656	28,880	5.68%	328,642	64.61%	
	2,793,952	1,966,737	11,733	0.60%	1,391,990	70.78%	71.37%

### Supreme Court District 3 (9,29,18,22)

Dist	Total	18+POP	18+Black	%18+Black	H18+Pop	%HVAP	Min VAP
9	698,488	500,162	188,674	37.72%	170,492	34.09%	
29	698,488	472,448	58,123	12.30%	341,069	72.19%	
18	698,488	517,176	199,925	38.66%	172,321	33.32%	
22	698,488	499,041	55,835	11.19%	106,088	21.26%	
	2,793,952	1,988,827	502,557	25.27%	789,970	39.72%	64.99%

### Supreme Court District 4 (30,33,24,32)

Dist	Total	18+POP	18+Black	%18+Black	H18+Pop	%HVAP	Min VAP
30	698,488	492,398	225,221	45.74%	154,333	31.34%	
33	698,488	469,372	81,526	17.37%	287,664	61.29%	
24	698,488	528,185	51,971	9.84%	107,125	20.28%	
32	698,488	526,565	60,302	11.45%	108,985	20.70%	
	2,793,952	2,016,520	419,020	20.78%	658,107	32.64%	53.42%

### Supreme Court District 5 (13,19,26,12)

Dist	Total	18+POP	18+Black	%18+Black	H18+Pop	%HVAP	Min VAP
13	698,488	519,246	27,677	5.33%	104,659	20.16%	
19	698,487	522,651	31,060	5.94%	154,048	29.47%	
26	698,488	501,751	33,636	6.70%	74,472	14.84%	
12	698,488	512,015	56,365	11.01%	95,231	18.60%	
	2,793,951	2,055,663	148,738	7.24%	428,410	20.84%	28.08%

**Supreme Court District 6 (11,25,6,5)**

Dist	Total	18+POP	18+Black	%18+Black	H18+Pop	%HVAP	Min VAP
11	698,488	522,630	18,741	3.59%	150,490	28.79%	
25	698,487	517,497	28,854	5.58%	225,713	43.62%	
5	698,488	512,562	70,801	13.81%	107,904	21.05%	
6	698,488	516,544	47,311	9.16%	83,867	16.24%	
	2,793,951	2,069,233	165,707	8.01%	567,974	27.45%	35.46%

**Supreme Court District 7 (3,4,1,36)**

Dist	Total	18+POP	18+Black	%18+Black	H18+Pop	%HVAP	Min VAP
3	698,488	500,074	40,905	8.18%	63,806	12.76%	
4	698,488	521,731	54,344	10.42%	50,809	9.74%	
1	698,488	523,448	91,032	17.39%	64,643	12.35%	
36	698,488	511,826	45,351	8.86%	111,741	21.83%	
	2,793,952	2,057,079	231,632	11.26%	290,999	14.15%	25.41%

**Supreme Court District 8 (31,17,8,2)**

Dist	Total	18+POP	18+Black	%18+Black	H18+Pop	%HVAP	Min VAP
31	698,487	501,657	54,721	10.91%	98,053	19.55%	
17	698,487	532,324	67,060	12.60%	105,442	19.81%	
8	698,488	516,691	43,658	8.45%	86,450	16.73%	
2	698,488	508,081	63,224	12.44%	139,320	27.42%	
	2,793,950	2,058,753	228,663	11.11%	429,265	20.85%	31.96%

**Supreme Court District 9 (10,21,35,7)**

Dist	Total	18+POP	18+Black	%18+Black	H18+Pop	%HVAP	Min VAP
10	698,487	513,735	51,616	10.05%	116,957	22.77%	
21	698,488	552,796	18,050	3.27%	131,893	23.86%	
35	698,487	499,695	45,942	9.19%	279,766	55.99%	
7	698,488	518,945	53,557	10.32%	133,505	25.73%	
	2,793,950	2,085,171	169,165	8.11%	662,121	31.75%	39.87%

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## 7 Courts of Appeals SB11

### Population Analysis- Existing Districts

Top to Bottom Deviation = 6.92%

District	Total	Deviation*	%Deviation
1	1,132,423	-2,459,800	-68.48%
2	1,588,835	-2,003,388	-55.77%
3	4,061,783	469,560	13.07%
4	5,107,629	1,515,406	42.19%
5	4,919,299	1,327,076	36.94%
6	6,816,036	3,223,813	89.74%
7	1,519,556	-2,072,667	-57.70%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25,145,561</b>		

\*Ideal Precinct = 3,592,223

### Voting Age Population by Race

District	VAP	Black VAP	% Black VAP	Hisp VAP	% Hisp VAP	Com Min
1	840,027	46,861	4.14%	232,719	27.70%	31.84%
2	1,145,792	37,079	2.33%	675,041	58.91%	61.25%
3	2,857,438	117,019	2.88%	1,932,996	67.65%	70.53%
4	3,733,766	381,382	7.47%	615,761	16.49%	23.96%
5	3,608,680	546,873	11.12%	1,026,482	28.44%	39.56%
6	4,946,903	798,480	11.71%	1,525,980	30.85%	42.56%
7	1,147,131	196,229	12.91%	134,165	11.70%	24.61%