

Press Release

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Alaska Supreme Court Oral Argument in Redistricting Cases

Anchorage, AK, March 15, 2022: The Alaska Supreme Court will hear oral arguments regarding the 2021 Redistricting Plan on Friday March 18, 2022 at the Anchorage Boney Courthouse in the Supreme Court Courtroom beginning at 9:00 am. The petitioners will present arguments about the <u>February 16, 2022 decision</u> issued by Anchorage Superior Court Judge Thomas Matthews regarding five cases from around the state challenging the Redistricting Board's Plan.

Oral argument will be held before the Supreme Court as follows:

- 9:00AM 10:00AM: Alaska Redistricting Board's petition for review regarding Senate District K. 30 minutes per side: Redistricting Board and East Anchorage Plaintiffs.
- 10:15AM 11:15AM: Alaska Redistricting Board's petition for review regarding House
 District 3 and Municipality of Skagway's petition for review regarding House Districts 3 &
 4. 30 minutes per side: Redistricting Board and Municipality of Skagway.
- 11:30AM 12:50PM: Matanuska-Susitna Borough's & City of Valdez's petitions for review regarding House Districts 29, 30, and 36. 40 minutes total for the Borough & City (20 min each, absent different agreement); 40 minutes total for Redistricting Board, Doyon Intervenors, and Calista Parties to divide by agreement.

Parties and attorneys will be present in person for the arguments. The public and media are encouraged to view the arguments via livestream provided by KTOO on Gavel Alaska.

<u>Briefings, orders and motions in the case</u> are viewable on the court system's <u>Most Frequently</u> Requested Appellate Cases webpage.

The Supreme Court will issue a decision in the matter no later than April 1, 2022.

The Supreme Court panel will consist of Chief Justice Daniel Winfree, Justice Dario Borghesan, Justice Jennifer Henderson, and two Senior Justices, Justice Robert Eastaugh and Justice Warren

Matthews. Justice Peter Maassen recused himself from the matter, and Justice Susan Carney is not able to participate due to scheduling conflicts.

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