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## RE: Bellflower Redistricting public comment

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Mon, May 24, 2021 at 9:46 AM

To: 'redistricting@bellflower.org' <redistricting@bellflower.org>

Cc: redistricting <redistricting@bellflower.org>

Good Morning:

I apologize for the delayed response. Thank you for visiting [drawbellflower.org](http://drawbellflower.org). Your feedback has been received.

Sincerely,

Mayra Ochiqui

City Clerk

City of Bellflower

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From: [Bellflower@NDCresearch.com](mailto:bellflower@ndcresearch.com) <[Bellflower@ndcresearch.com](mailto:bellflower@ndcresearch.com)>

Date: Sun, May 16, 2021 at 2:04 PM

Subject: New submission from Contact Us

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### Message

In a meeting with LA County Redistricting Commission, NDC presented a map that shows that they are doing redistricting for the City of Pomona. This can be found here: <https://redistricting.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/CRC-Agenda-only-210526-Mtg-15-ver-1.pdf>

This is incredibly troubling.

You can simply google NDC and see problems with their work. A simple google search for "NDC Doug Johnson" which could be done the day of that hearing would find this immediate article from Arizona:

<https://www.azmirror.com/2021/05/04/irc-picks-mapping-consultant-in-split-vote-over-dem-objections/>

You can also find public testimony from LA Activist Henry Fung here: [https://redistricting.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Public\\_Comment\\_5\\_12\\_21\\_Combinedv2.pdf](https://redistricting.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/Public_Comment_5_12_21_Combinedv2.pdf) and hear all the public comment from that hearing here: <https://youtu.be/uOBmEpO7cHk?t=4862>

You can see the NDC presentation, including his crazy responses to claims that he isn't a partisan Republican, and even calling out his self-described "all-white" redistricting firm here: <https://youtu.be/uOBmEpO7cHk?t=6327>

While the owner of NDC said in his presentation that they weren't partisan this article cites a case where he was the expert witness for the Republican Party in North Carolina.

From that article:

A judge in 2019 threw out Johnson's testimony in defense of the state's legislative districts, ruling that he inaccurately testified that the districts were substantially different than those drawn by Thomas Hofeller, a Republican redistricting guru known for gerrymandering. Hofeller's extensive files became public after his 2018 death.

Where he says he wasn't ever a losing party to a lawsuit, I know that is untrue because of Placentia, and just reading the article it shows examples from up in Kern County and another place where the courts forced the county to redraw maps that he created,

From that article:

A judge in 2018 found that a redistricting map that Johnson helped draw for Kern County, California, deprived Latino voters "of an equal opportunity to elect representatives of their choice." The West Contra Costa Unified School District stipulated in 2019 that its redistricting map, which NDC worked on, would likely be thrown out over the lack of Latino representation if a lawsuit against it went to trial.

Please keep my name and email anonymous. You should have a form to submit anonymous information if you want to really hear from the public.

I hope that NDC is not the firm doing your redistricting.