

Congressional Redistricting Hearing

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Dear KLRD,

I, Jeffrey Lee, am a registered Kansas voter.

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I wish to give testimony for the redistricting hearing held on Thursday, Aug. 12 at Matt Ross Community Center in Overland Park, I hope to present this statement orally at this meeting. However, in any case, I want to go on record as requesting the bi-partisan committee made up of an equal number from each party with a requirement of a simple majority to approve any boundary changes to assure fair and open decisions. I also wish to remind everyone that there have been several instances where the courts have had to step in to prevent some of the more blatant attempts at gerrymandering.

Susan Wagle has already made blatant public statements clearly indicating a plan to redraw lines so that Kansas will no longer be likely to reelect a Democrat to Congress. This was done in an attempt

to redraw Congressman Dennis Moore out while he was in office.*
The Kansas legislators have already voted for laws that will restrict voting rights targeting mainly urban area voters. Redistricting is a more blatant and egregious attempt to suppress the will of the voters. If this is the only way a party can retain power, it is a show of weakness, I might even say cowardice. You win voters by representing their best needs and rights not by suppression.

I tell a joke that if God and Satan were running for office in Kansas, when asked who they support most Kansans automatically say, “The Republican.” I don’t claim which side God is on, but I’m pretty sure the Jesus I grew up knowing was a Democrat.

Thank you for the opportunity to speak,

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Lee

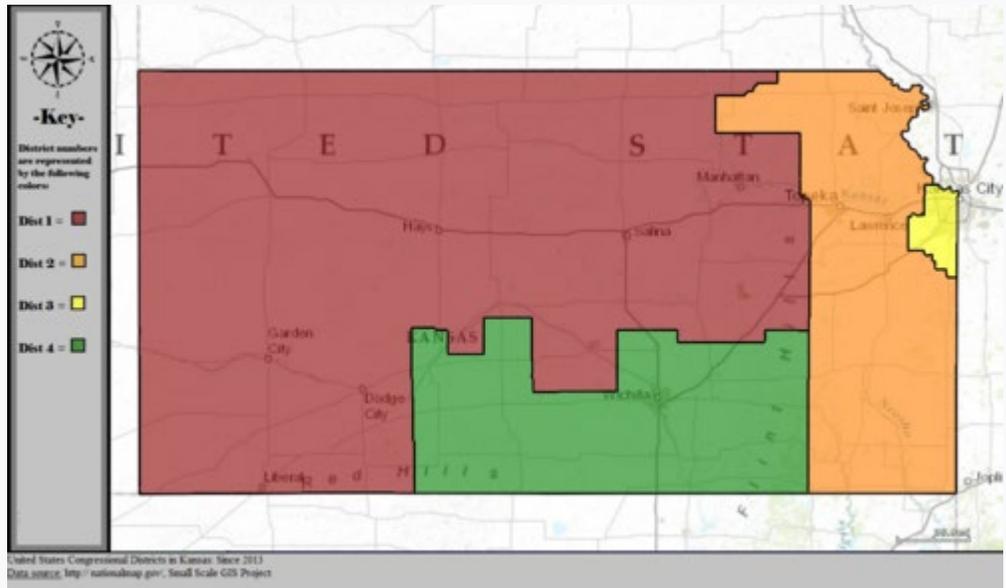
***See attached maps showing the history of Kansas redistricting since 1973.**

Historical and present district boundaries [\[edit\]](#)

Table of United States congressional district boundary maps in the State of Kansas, presented chronologically.^[2] All redistricting events that took place in Kansas between 1973 and 2013 are shown.

Year	Statewide map
1973–1982	<p>-Key- District numbers are represented by the following colors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dist 1 = [Red] Dist 2 = [Orange] Dist 3 = [Yellow] Dist 4 = [Green] Dist 5 = [Blue] <p><small>United States Congressional Districts in Kansas: 1973 - 1982 Data source: http://cmaps.pobci.ac.fdu.edu, Digital Boundary Definitions of United States Congressional Districts, 1789 - 2012.</small></p>
1983–1992	<p>-Key- District numbers are represented by the following colors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dist 1 = [Red] Dist 2 = [Orange] Dist 3 = [Yellow] Dist 4 = [Green] Dist 5 = [Blue] <p><small>United States Congressional Districts in Kansas: 1983 - 1992 Data source: http://cmaps.pobci.ac.fdu.edu, Digital Boundary Definitions of United States Congressional Districts, 1789 - 2012.</small></p>

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Obsolete districts