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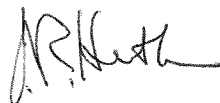
Ladies and Gentlemen:

I served as a member of Arizona's newly created Independent Redistricting Commission from 2001 through 2009.

One of the first, and in retrospect one of the best, decisions made by our commission was to hire Douglas Johnson and his colleagues at National Demographics Corporation as our primary consultants. Mr. Johnson assisted us through every phase of the process, starting with basic organization (since we were a new commission), interpreting and implementing novel provisions in the ballot proposition that created us, conforming our state-law with complex Federal Voting Rights Act requirements that apply to Arizona, organizing and participating in public hearings, responding to idiosyncratic requests from various commissioners, drawing district lines (of course) and testifying in the extended litigation that unavoidably followed our inaugural process (and which, with NDC's help, the commission eventually won on all counts). In short, Mr. Johnson's performance was exemplary in all respects throughout this long and sometimes grueling process. I have never had the opportunity to work with a more highly qualified, hard-working, dedicated, professional and classy individual or group than Mr. Johnson and his associates at NDC, and I am pleased to give them my highest recommendation, without reservation or qualification.

If you would like additional information about our process here in Arizona or our experiences with Mr. Johnson and NDC, please feel free to call me.

Very truly yours,



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