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CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT REJECTS ARGUMENT ON SAN DIEGO COUNTY REDISTRICTING MAPS

On August 13, 2025, the California Supreme Court denied a petition for review of lower court decisions rejecting the Chaldean Coalition's attack on the supervisorial maps adopted by the San Diego County Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) in 2021. Specifically, the California Supreme Court refused to review the Court of Appeal for the Fourth Appellate District's decision in April 2025, affirming the trial court's decision in 2023 to uphold the IRC maps.

The California Supreme Court's decision reaffirms that Petitioner's claims were unfounded, and that Petitioner ignored the myriad of factors the IRC balanced in drawing the electoral lines for the County's supervisorial districts. The IRC is gratified that the California Supreme Court rejected any further changes to the validity of the IRC maps and the integrity of the Commission's mapping process that included receiving public input on virtually every aspect of the IRC's redistricting. The two lower courts' rulings affirming the maps remain undisturbed. As the trial court noted in 2023, "the IRC commendably performed a difficult and complex task in weighing the multitude of factors that go into establishing a fair redistricting."

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Link to California Supreme Court Decision on Denial of Petition for Review:

https://appellatecases.courtinfo.ca.gov/search/case/disposition.cfm?dist=0&doc_id=3133128&doc_no=S291294&request_token=NilwLSEnTkW3WyBdSSFdUEtJUFw0UDxTKiJOTzNSMCAgCg%3D%3D

Link to Court of Appeal's Decision on Chaldean Coalition v. the County of San Diego Independent

Redistricting Commission: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/redistricting/docs/news-articles/Statement%20of%20Decision-D082834%20D084330.pdf>