

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

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| STATE OF TEXAS, |) | |
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| Plaintiff, |) | |
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| v. |) | Civil Action No. 11-1303 |
| |) | (RMC-TBG-BAH) |
| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and |) | |
| ERIC H. HOLDER, in his official |) | |
| capacity as Attorney General of the |) | |
| United States |) | |
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| Defendants, and |) | |
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| Wendy Davis, <i>et. al.</i> , |) | |
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| Intervenor-Defendants. |) | |

ORDER

Plaintiff State of Texas seeks summary judgment and a declaration that (1) the State's proposed redistricting plans for the U.S. House of Representatives, the Texas House of Representatives, and the Texas State Senate¹ neither have the purpose nor will have the effect of denying or abridging the right to vote on account of race, color, or membership in a language minority and otherwise fully comply with Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 1973c; and (2) that the State's redistricting plans for the U.S. House of Representatives, Texas House of Representatives, and Texas State Senate may be implemented without delay.

The three-judge panel appointed to hear the case received extensive briefing and held lengthy oral argument on November 2, 2011. If any one of the plans is not precleared by this Court

¹ Without challenge to the State's redistricting plan for the Texas State Board of Education, the Court gave preclearance to that plan by Order dated September 22, 2011.

