

Testimony of David Majernik (Allegheny Regional Hearing)

The congressional districts should be comprised of those voters with common interests such as those who live in a certain regional suburban area or the city/urban area. To mix suburban voters from the eastern suburbs in a district that has a majority of the City of Pittsburgh with those who live in the southern suburbs does not give representation to those living in the suburbs. We in the eastern suburbs get very little clout or representation because we are always grouped with a larger community in our congressional district.

Those who decide on the congressional districts should be elected representatives who are accountable to the voters for their decisions. Appointed so-called non-partisan representatives are not accountable for their decisions and therefore should be avoided.