

Federal Appeals Court Rules Wake County Districts Are Unconstitutional

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In a ruling released Friday, a three-judge panel from the U.S. Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that election maps the state legislature redrew in 2013 and 2015 for the Wake County school board and Board of Commissioners are unconstitutional. The Court found the maps gave an unfair advantage to voters in suburban districts. The 2-1 court decision ordered the federal trial judge to prohibit use of the new maps that were to be used in November's election. The decision affects all nine school board seats and two newly created regional Board of Commissioners seats that were scheduled to be on the Nov. 8 ballot.