



# TOWN OF OSSINING

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**By E-Filing VIA NYSCEF**

Honorable Patrick F. McAllister  
Supreme Court, Steuben County  
3 East Pulteney Square  
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**Re: *Harkenrider, et al. v. Hochul, et al.*** Index No. E2022-0116CV

To the Honorable Judge McAllister and Special Master Dr. Jonathan Cervas,

I write to you as Deputy Supervisor of the Town of Ossining in Westchester County regarding the New York State Senate map, as we understand that you will soon draft and select a new map that will determine our town's representation in the State Legislature for the next decade.

For the past 10 years, Ossining has been included in the 38th Senate District, along with three towns across the Hudson River in Rockland County. The map adopted by the State Legislature in February maintained this configuration, again connecting Ossining with the same three towns in Rockland County. Unlike every other senate district in New York, our district's boundaries remained unchanged, reflecting the understanding by the legislature of the shared interests that unify our communities on both sides of the Hudson River.

Over the past decade, and with the Legislature's maps keeping this district intact, voters in Ossining have become accustomed to this district. I believe that changing the district lines at this point would cause unnecessary confusion for residents. It would seem to make the most sense that limiting the amount of disruption to voters in the midst of all the confusion around redistricting would be beneficial, and considering population growth has allowed this to be the only district that was not slated to change, it would be appropriate to keep the lines of the existing 38th State Senate District undisturbed in your new map.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'EF', written in a cursive style.

**Elizabeth Feldman**

Deputy Supervisor, Town of Ossining