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June 5 Roundtable Update

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NEW YORK REDISTRICTING ROUNDTABLE UPDATE

LITIGATION

NYS Congressional Challenge: *Hoffman v IRC* Before Appellate Court Thursday

National political eyes will be on New York this Thursday, May 8th, when the Appellate Division in Albany (3rd Department) will hear arguments on whether to reverse the 2022 state supreme court decision rejecting the effort to send the state congressional map back to the redistricting commission and legislature for final mapping action. The Appellate Division decision is likely to be appealed to the State Court of Appeals. The Thursday hearing will be in the Robert Abrams Justice Building in Albany at 1:00 PM. You can watch the hearing at this link: <https://wowza.nycourts.gov/ad3/ad3.php>

NYC Council Challenge: *Desis Rising v. NYC Districting Commission*

On June 2, the Petitioners Desis Rising Up and Moving and others filed a notice of appeal with the Appellate Division seeking to reverse the New York County State Supreme Court's dismissal of its case alleging that the new NYC Council redistricting map was the result of the city commission's "arbitrary and capricious" process.

Monroe County Legislature: *MacDonald v. County of Monroe*:

On May 25, in Monroe County State Supreme Court, Plaintiff Kenneth MacDonald filed an amended complaint following the court's April 14 order denying his request for a temporary restraining order and preliminary injunction. The amended complaint adds a fourth cause of action alleging that the map violates MacDonald's "fundamental rights of association and free speech secured to political parties and individuals by the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and Article I, §§ 8 and 9 of the New York State Constitution." He further alleges that the speech and association rights of Monroe County's Democratic electors have been "intentionally and impermissibly burdened."

CENSUS

New York Ranks 6th For Educational Attainment

[Stacker](#) has ranked New York as 6th among the 50 states for education achievement levels. Using data from the Census Bureau's 2022 [American Community Survey 5-Year](#)

Estimates, this index evaluates each state's population across seven educational tiers, ranging from individuals not educated past eighth grade to those with graduate or professional degrees. States are ranked by the percentage of the population with a graduate degree. Ties are broken by the percentage with a bachelor's degree or higher. New York #6

Highest level of education completed:

- Less than 9th grade: 6.0%
- 9th to 12th grade, no diploma: 6.6%
- High school graduate (includes equivalency): 25.2%
- Some college, no degree: 15.2%
- Associate degree: 8.9%
- Bachelor's degree: 21.3%
- Graduate or professional degree: 16.8%

June 30 Deadline Approaches for Local Governments to Send CQR Census Challenges

The 2020 Census Count Question Resolution Operation (CQR) gives tribal, state, and local governments an opportunity to request a review of their official 2020 Census counts. The operation allows governments to identify potential errors in legal boundaries and how the Census Bureau processed housing counts. If you represent a local government, learn more here: <https://bit.ly/42CTkLL>