

**Agenda**

**Hearing #7**

**Pennsylvania Legislative Reapportionment Commission**

**October 13, 2021**

**2:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

**North Office Building, Hearing Room 1**

**The Voting Rights Act and Issues Affecting Racial and Other Minorities**

Call to Order and Opening Remarks

1. Ben Williams, Esquire, Program Principal, Elections & Redistricting Program, National Conference of State Legislatures -- *Overview of the Voting Rights Act*
2. Dr. David Lublin, Professor and Chair, Department of Government, American University -- *Drawing Effective Minority Districts*
3. Dr. Trey Hood, Professor of Political Science at the University of Georgia and Director of the Survey Research Center -- *The Impact of the Voting Rights Act on Legislative Redistricting*
4. Dr. Matt Baretto, Professor of Political Science, University of California Los Angeles -- *Creating Coalition Districts to Enhance the Representation of Minorities*

5. Victor Martinez, CEO of VP Broadcasting and the host El Relajo de la Mañana -- *Dynamics of the Lehigh Valley Hispanic Community*
6. Will Gonzalez, Executive Director, CEIBA -- *Hispanic Communities: Their Growing Influence in the Philadelphia Area*
7. Bishop Dwayne Royster, Executive Director, POWER Interfaith, Philadelphia -- *The Effect of Gerrymandering on Minority Communities of Interest*
8. Linda J. Miller, Member of PA Cohort for Redistricting for Delta Sigma Theta -- *The Effect of Gerrymandering on Minority Communities of Interest*

Closing Remarks and Adjournment