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I was born and raised in Dyer County. I began my law practice there in 1978. I was elected as District Attorney in 1992 and proudly served until my retirement on December 31, 2017. I am aware that there may be a need for judicial redistricting and I wish to share my plan as to West Tennessee.

We have seven districts. Two have five counties, two have three counties, two have two counties, and Shelby County is a one county district. If you place Lauderdale County in the 29th and Henry County in the 27th, you would have two with four counties, four with three counties, and one of Shelby County.

This should more equalize the population and judicial resources in each district and provide the citizens with better access to the courts.

There are very close connections between Dyer and Lauderdale counties. There is close cooperation between the law enforcement agencies and the attorneys regularly appear in the courts of the other county. Many residents travel between the counties to work, shop, attend school, seek medical care, and to worship. At one time both counties were in the same state House district and are presently in the same Senate district.

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