NEWS ADVISORY Luther Strange Alabama Attorney General



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE March 25, 2015

For More Information, contact:
Mike Lewis (334) 343-2199
Joy Patterson (334) 242-7491
Claire Haynes (334) 242-7351
Page 1 of 1

AG STRANGE STATEMENT ON U.S. SUPREME COURT RULING ON ALABAMA REDISTRICTING PLAN

(Montgomery) - Alabama Attorney General Luther Strange announced today that the U.S. Supreme Court decided Alabama's redistricting case, *Alabama Legislative Black Caucus and Alabama Democratic Conference v. Alabama*.

The plaintiffs challenged Alabama's most recent House and Senate Districts. The lower federal district court upheld the districts. The Supreme Court held that the district court applied the wrong legal standards, and it vacated the lower court's decision. The case will now return to the district court for reconsideration.

"While I am disappointed that the Supreme Court vacated the district court's decision, the Court did not invalidate the redistricting plan as a whole or any specific district," said Attorney General Strange. "My office will continue defending the State's legislative districts."

After this decision, the House and Senate districts remain the same. There is no need to hold new elections or reapportion the legislative districts.



-30-