



AGENDA

**February 23, 2010 ~ University Center ~ 525 S. State St., Chicago
9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

Redrawing the Boundaries: An Illinois Redistricting Discussion

9:00 a.m. – Welcome & Introductions

9:15 a.m. – Redistricting 101

- Justin Levitt, Brennan Center for Justice at NYU
- Virginia Martinez, Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund

10:45 a.m. – Break

11:00 a.m. – Illinois Mapping Project and Illinois Demographics

- Mike McDonald, George Mason University
- Rob Paral, Rob Paral and Associates

12:30 p.m. – Lunch

1:00 p.m. – Illinois Redistricting in Years Past

- Ami Gandhi, Asian American Institute
- Bill O'Connor, former member, Illinois House

1:45 p.m. – Break

2:00 p.m. – Redistricting Reform Proposals in Illinois

- Senator Kwame Raoul, 13th District, Chicago
- Mary Schaafsma, League of Women Voters of Illinois

3:15 p.m. – Closing Thoughts

3:30 p.m. – Adjourn

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