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## Supreme Court to Hear Redistricting Case at Special Session on Jan. 10, 2012

San Francisco — The California Supreme Court will hold a special calendar session from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Tuesday, January 10, 2012, to hear oral arguments in *Vandermost v. Bowen (Citizens Redistricting Commission, Intervener)* (S198387), a case addressing the district lines that will be used for the California state Senate elections next year.

<http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/calendars/documents/SJAN12SS.PDF>.

On December 9, 2011, the Supreme Court issued an “order to show cause” in response to a petition seeking relief under article XXI, section 3 of the California Constitution, on the ground that a referendum measure challenging the Citizens Redistricting Commission’s certified state Senate district map is likely to qualify for the November 2012 ballot and hence stay implementation of the map.

In light of the very short time frame imposed by the impending 2012 electoral cycle, the court sought and obtained expedited briefing, requiring briefing by the parties by December 19, 2011, and briefing by any amicus curiae by December 22, 2011.

The calendar session will be held in the Supreme Court Courtroom in the Earl Warren Building, Fourth Floor, 350 McAllister Street, San Francisco 94102. Legal briefs in the case are available on the California Courts Web site at <http://www.courts.ca.gov/16252.htm>.

The court also will hear oral arguments in three other cases during its regular calendar session on January 5, 2012, in San Francisco:

<http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courts/calendars/documents/SJANA12.PDF>.