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Florida City Commissions

Statistics and Findings

Goal:

- Present information from cities in the state of Florida to determine the lost or gained efficiency of having 2 at-large city commission seats.
- Prevent future conflicts (e.g. collusion) and attempt to maximize equal representation.

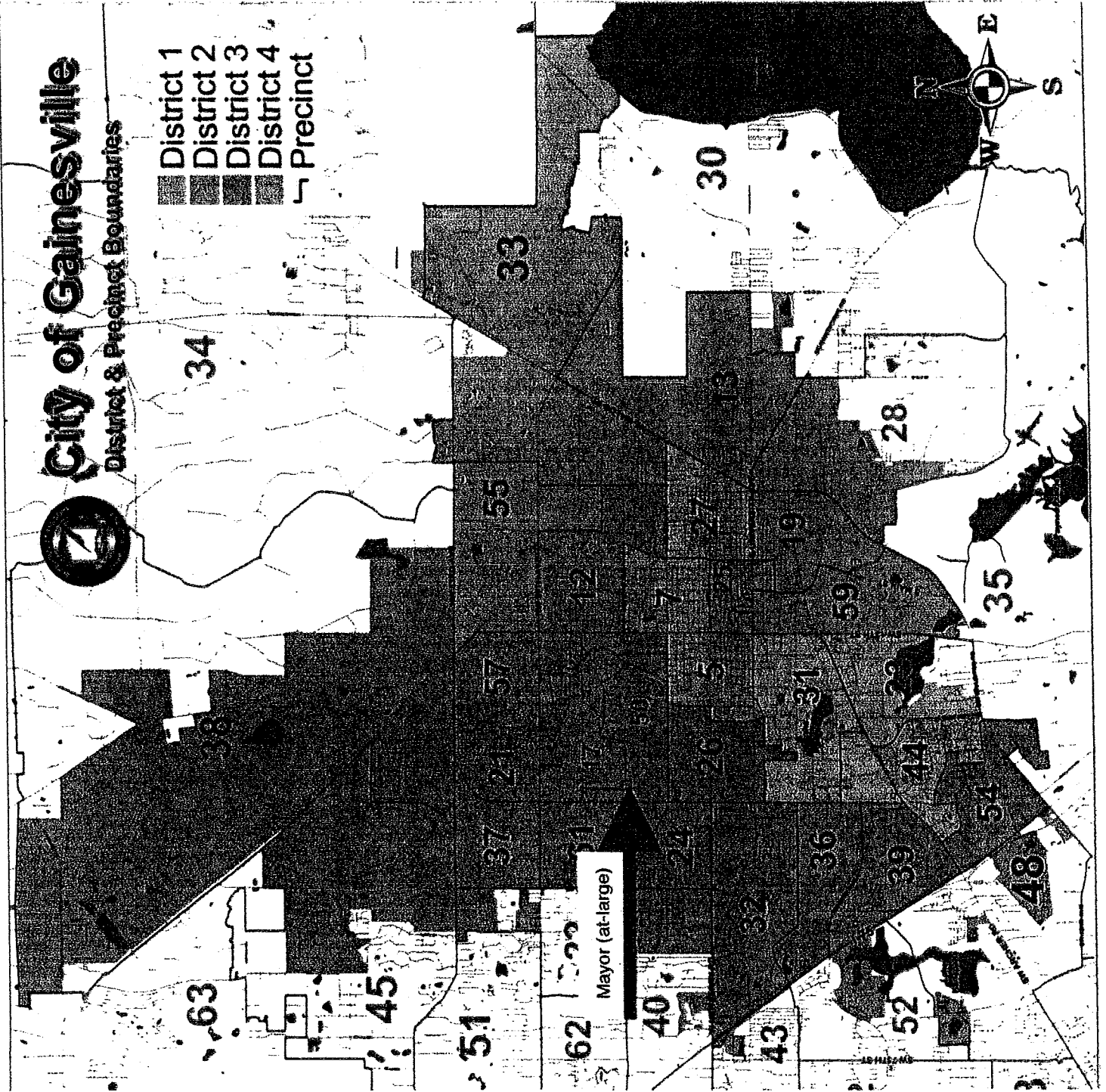
The Issue

- The Gainesville city commission consists of 4 district elected and 2 at-large commissioners with a mayor who is elected by the city's voters as a whole.
- Having 2 at-large commissioners creates a conflict because it allows for a misrepresentation of the electorate.

City of Gainesville

District & Precinct Boundaries

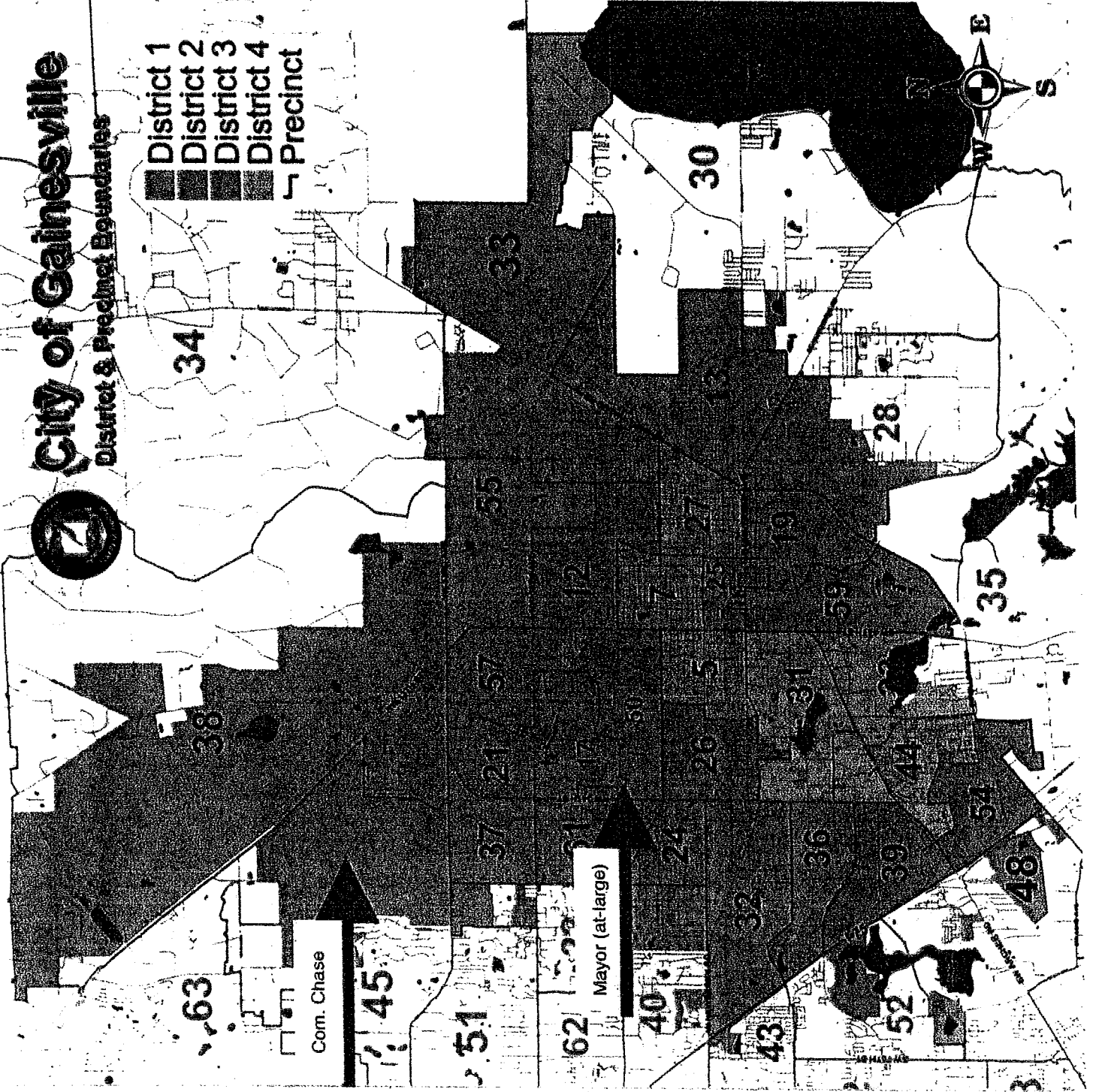
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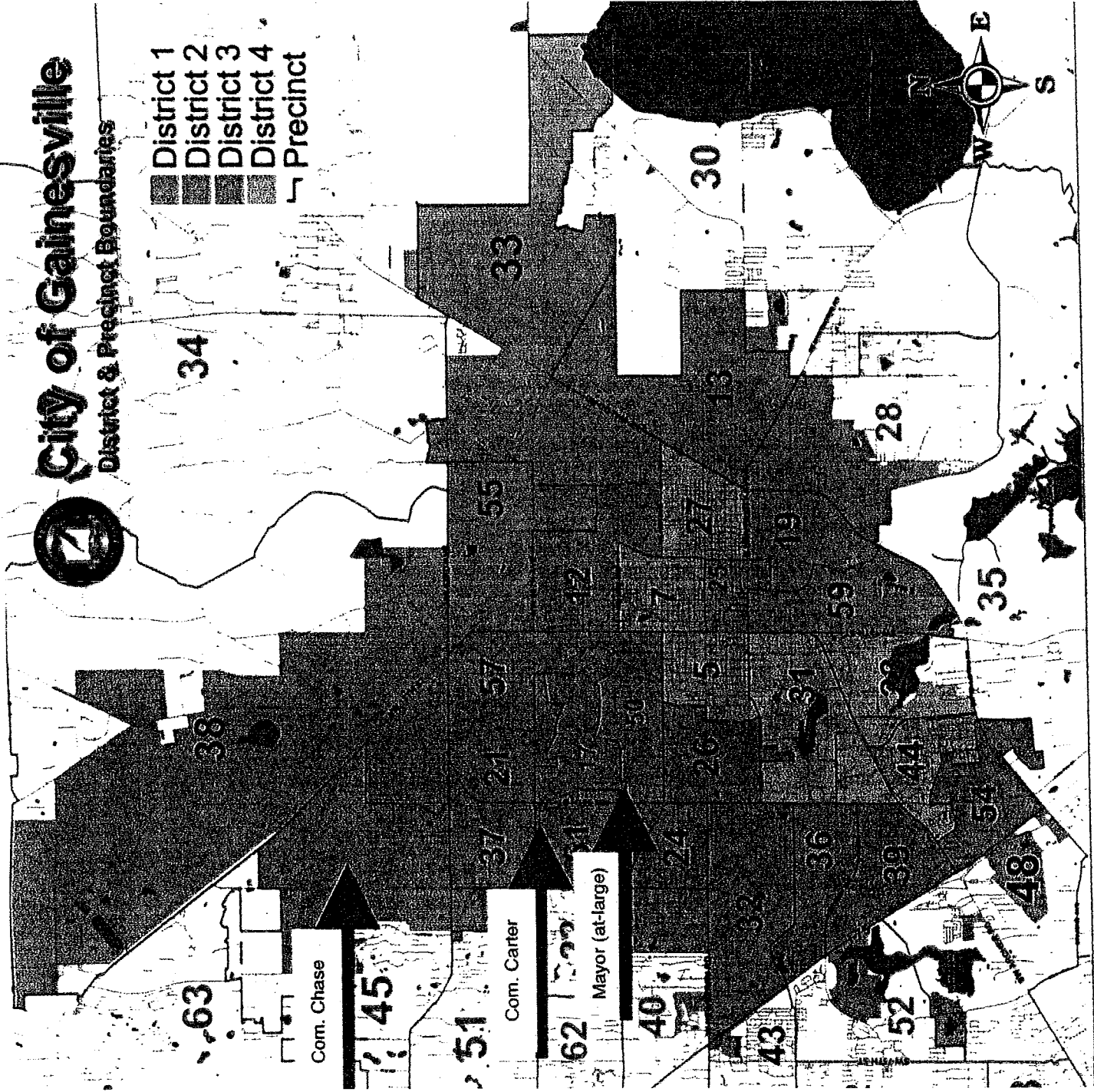
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Mayor (at-large)

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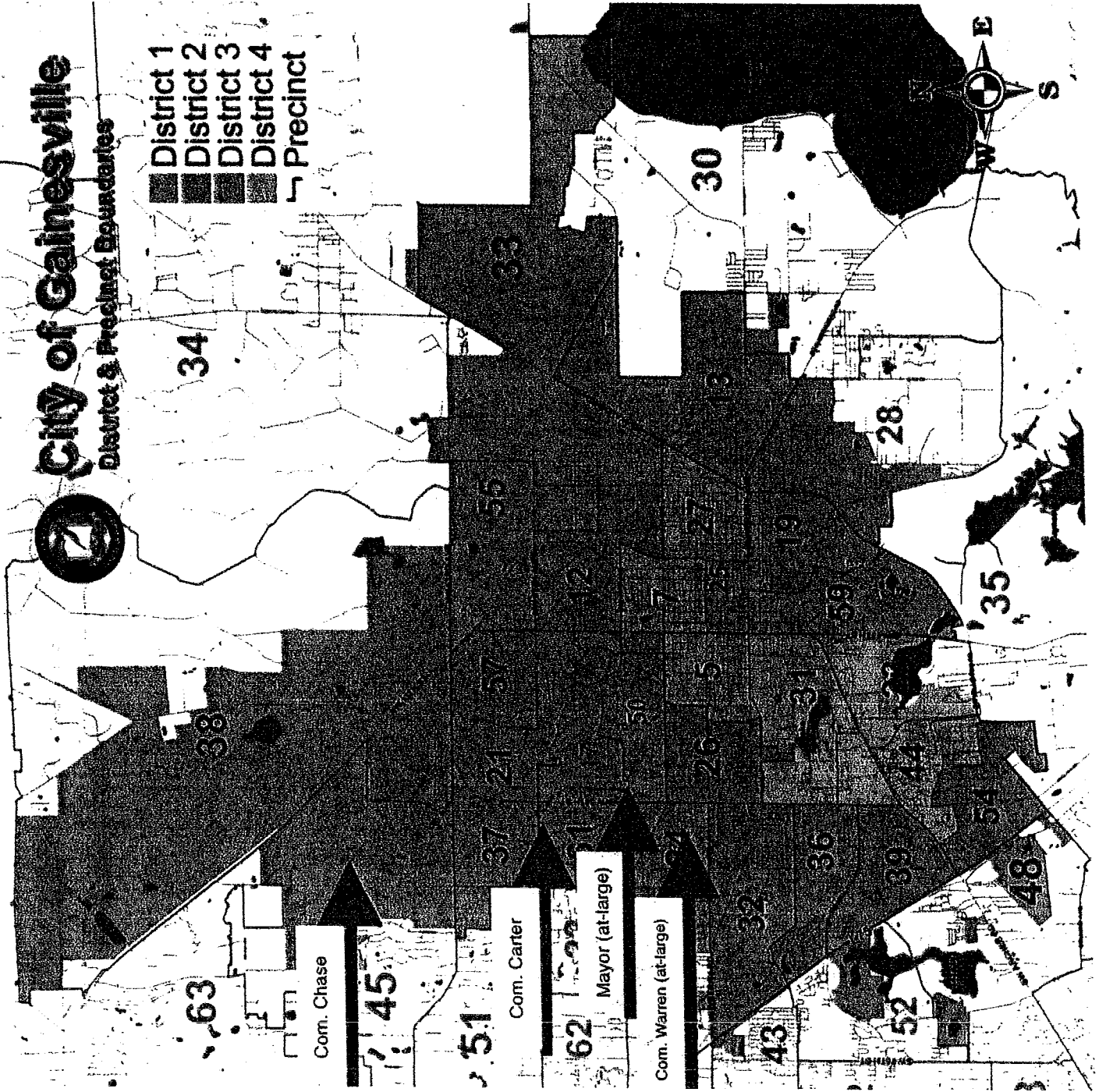
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Mayor (at-large)

Com. Warren (at-large)

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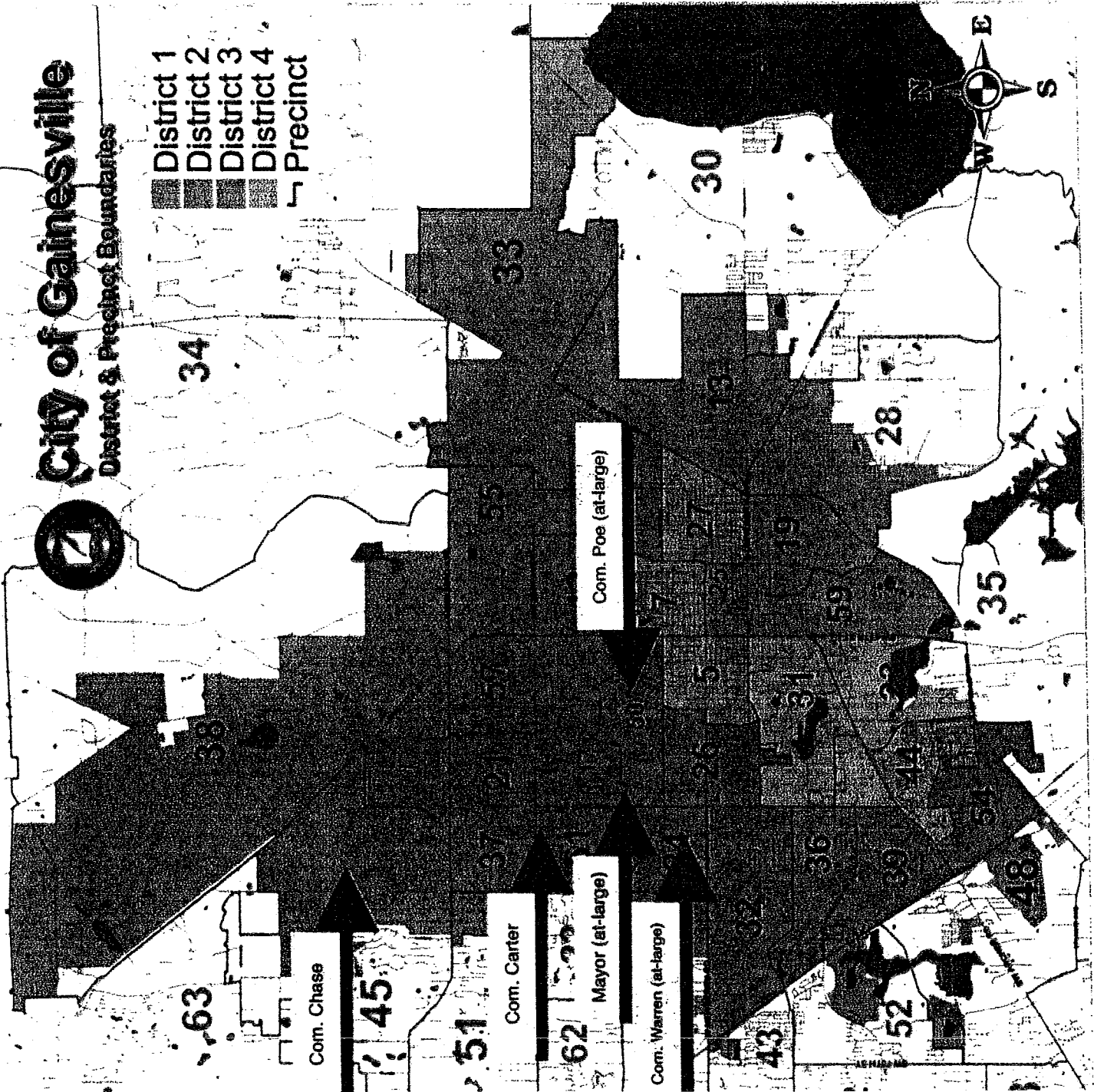
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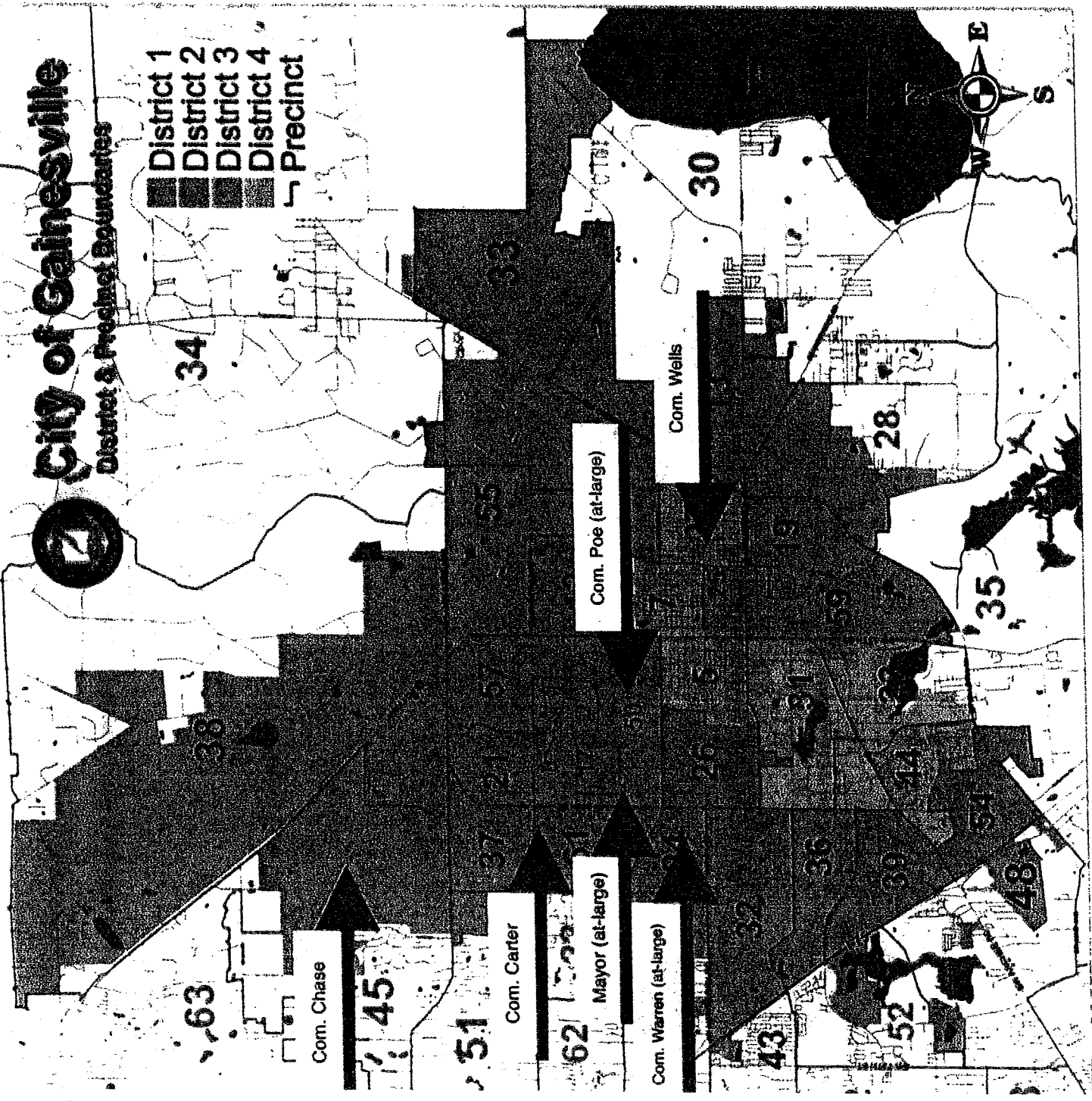
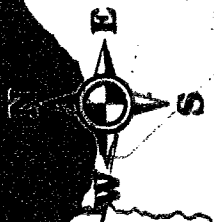
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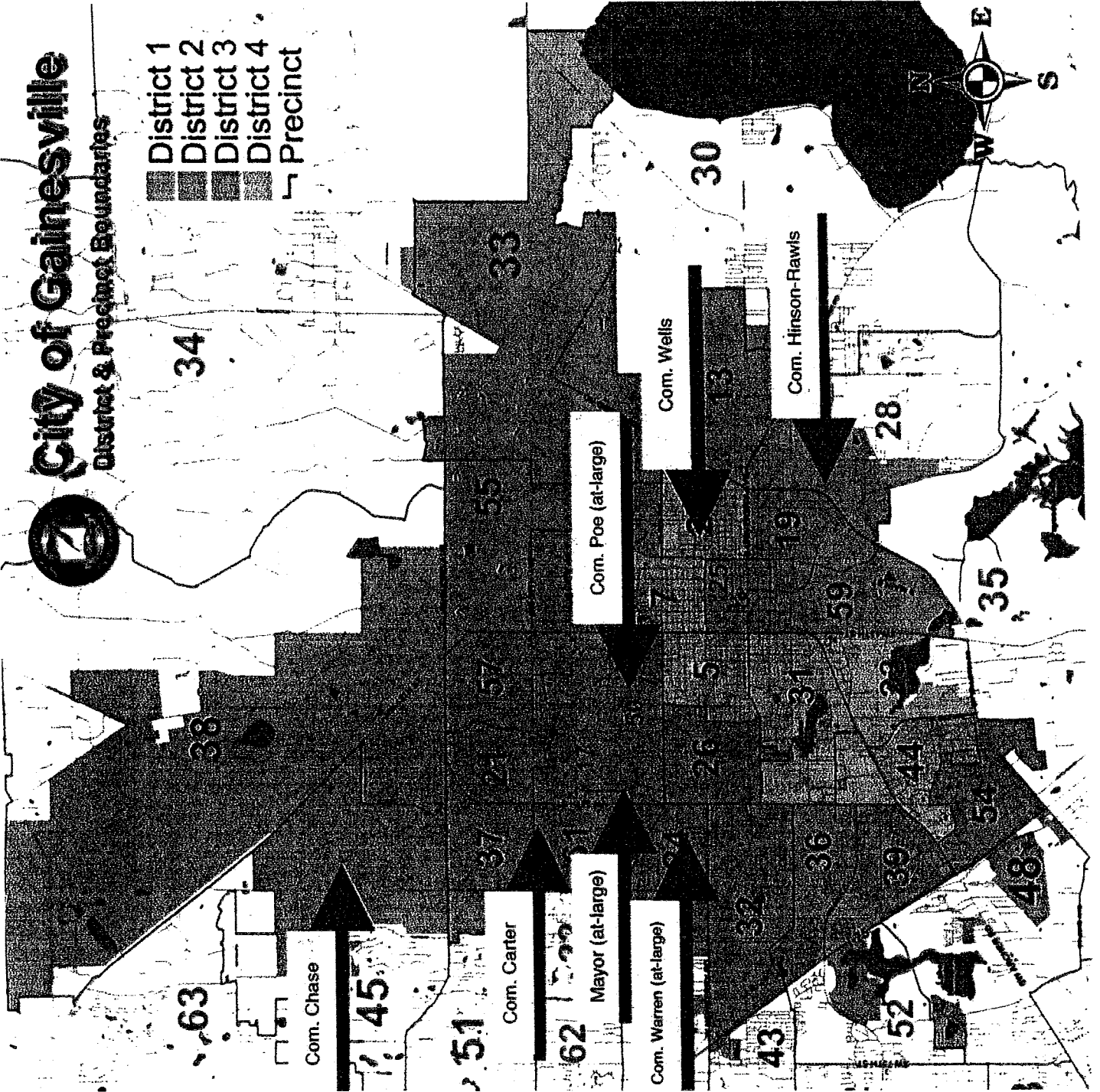
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The Study

-Based on three variables:

- 1). Population (cities of 100,000+)
- 2). Number of Commissioners
- 3). Number of Commissioners at-large

Statistics of Florida City Commissions

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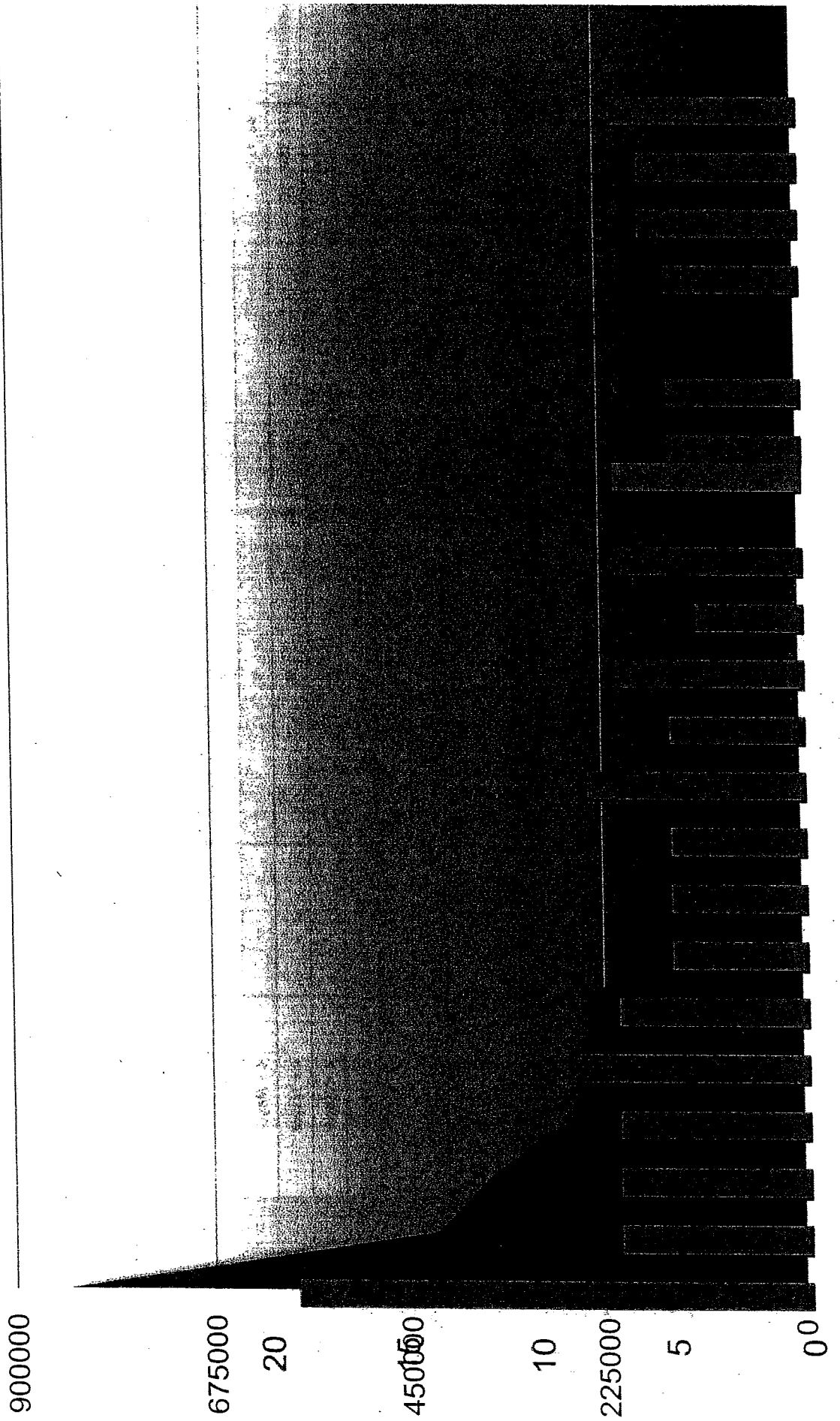
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| Brandon | 109,000 | No Organized Chamber | | | |
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| Lakeland | 100,710 | 4 | 2 | 6 + Mayor | |
| Spring Hill | 100,000 | No Organized Chamber | | | |

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Population/Rep. Distribution



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Coral Springs

Population:

126,604 (Larger than Gainesville)

Number of Commissioners: 4

Number of Commissioners at-large:
all 4 commissioners and the mayor are
elected at-large.

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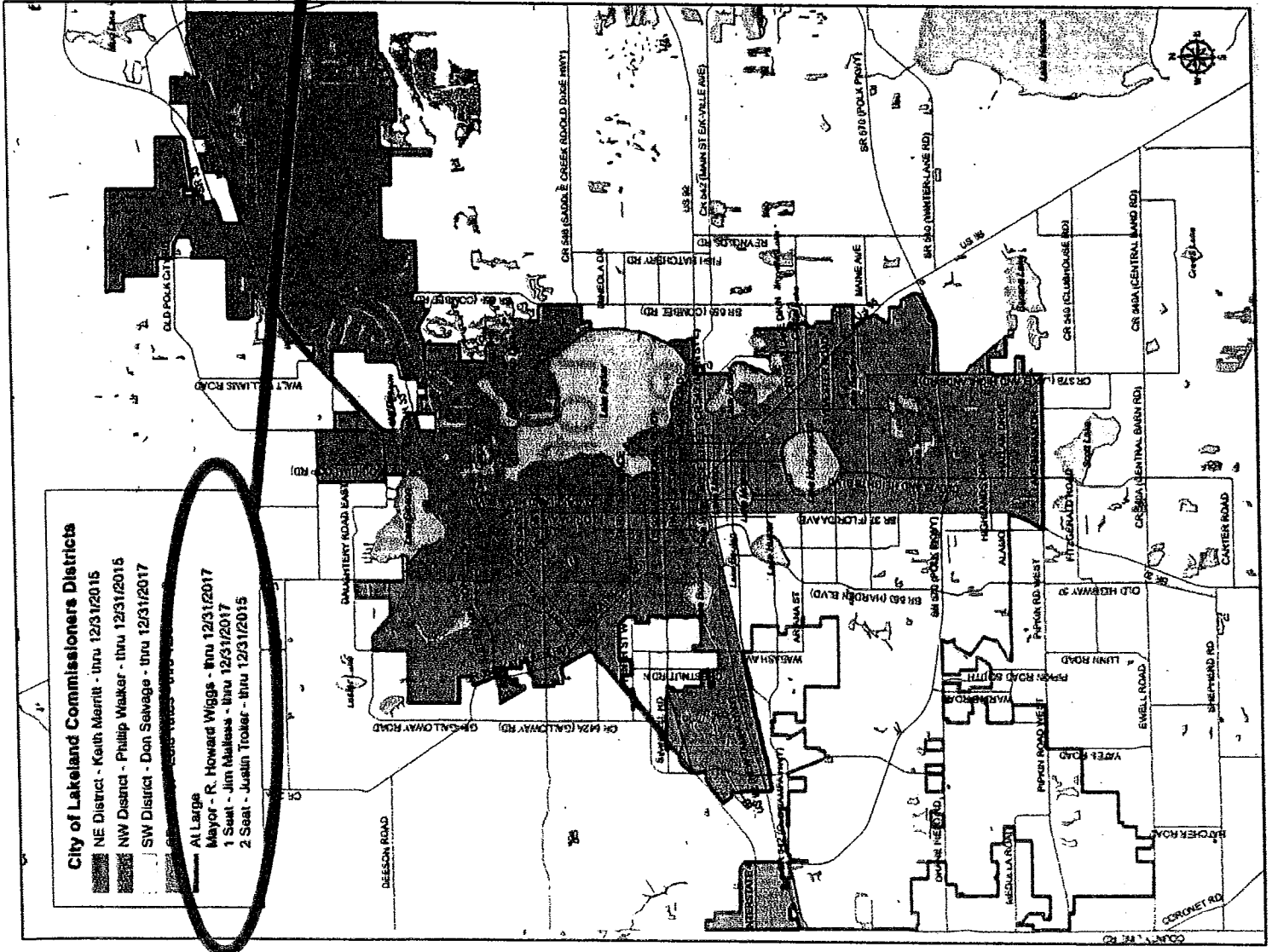
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(smaller than Gainesville)

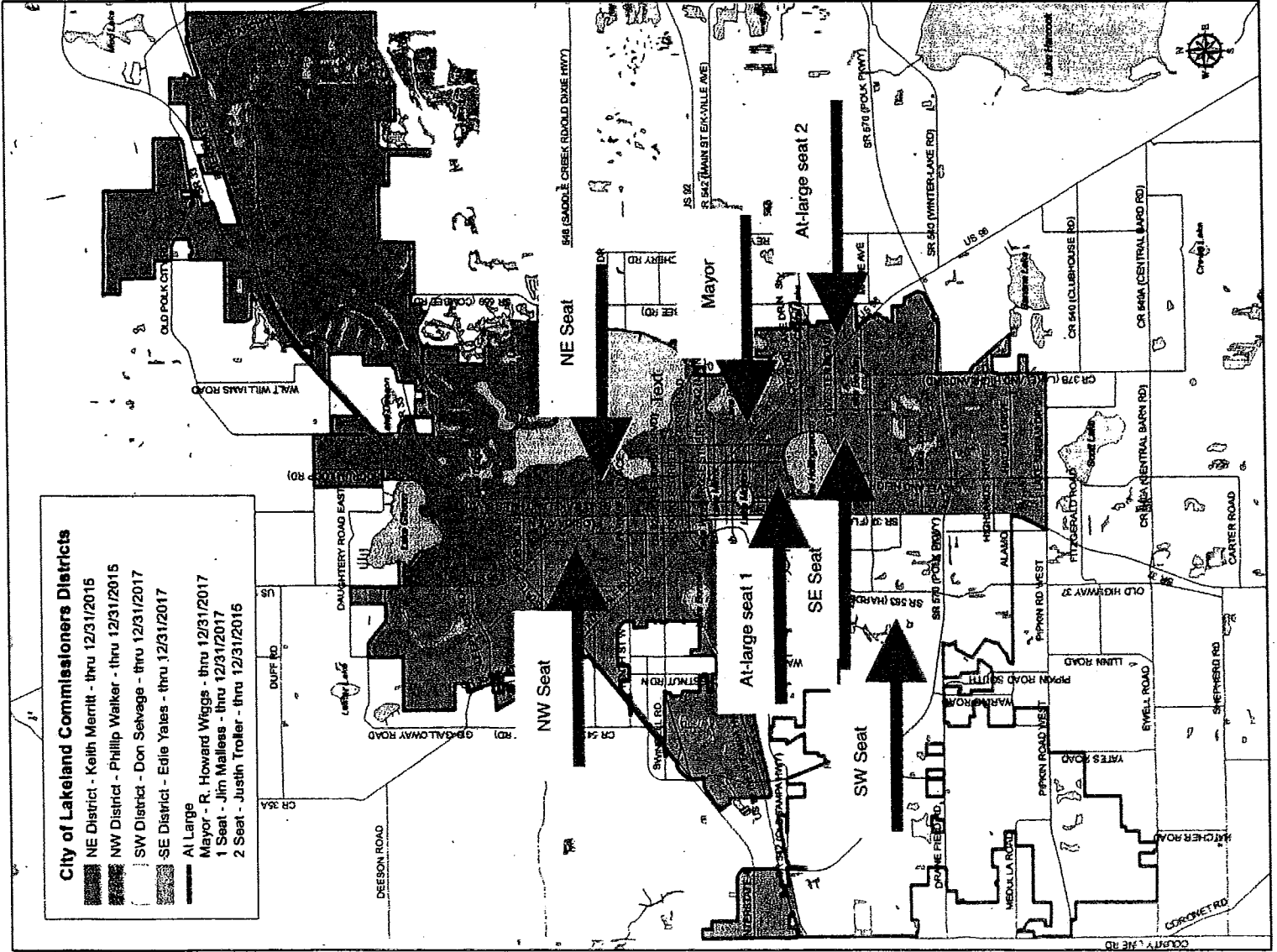
Number of Commissioners at-large: 2 of which are at-large

Total Number of Commissioners: 6 (plus a mayor)



Note:

The mayor, the southeast district commissioner, and both of the at-large representatives all live in the same district.



City of Hollywood

Population:

146,526 (Larger than Gainesville)

Number of Commissioners:

Consists of 6 districts with 6 commissioners and 1 at-large mayor.

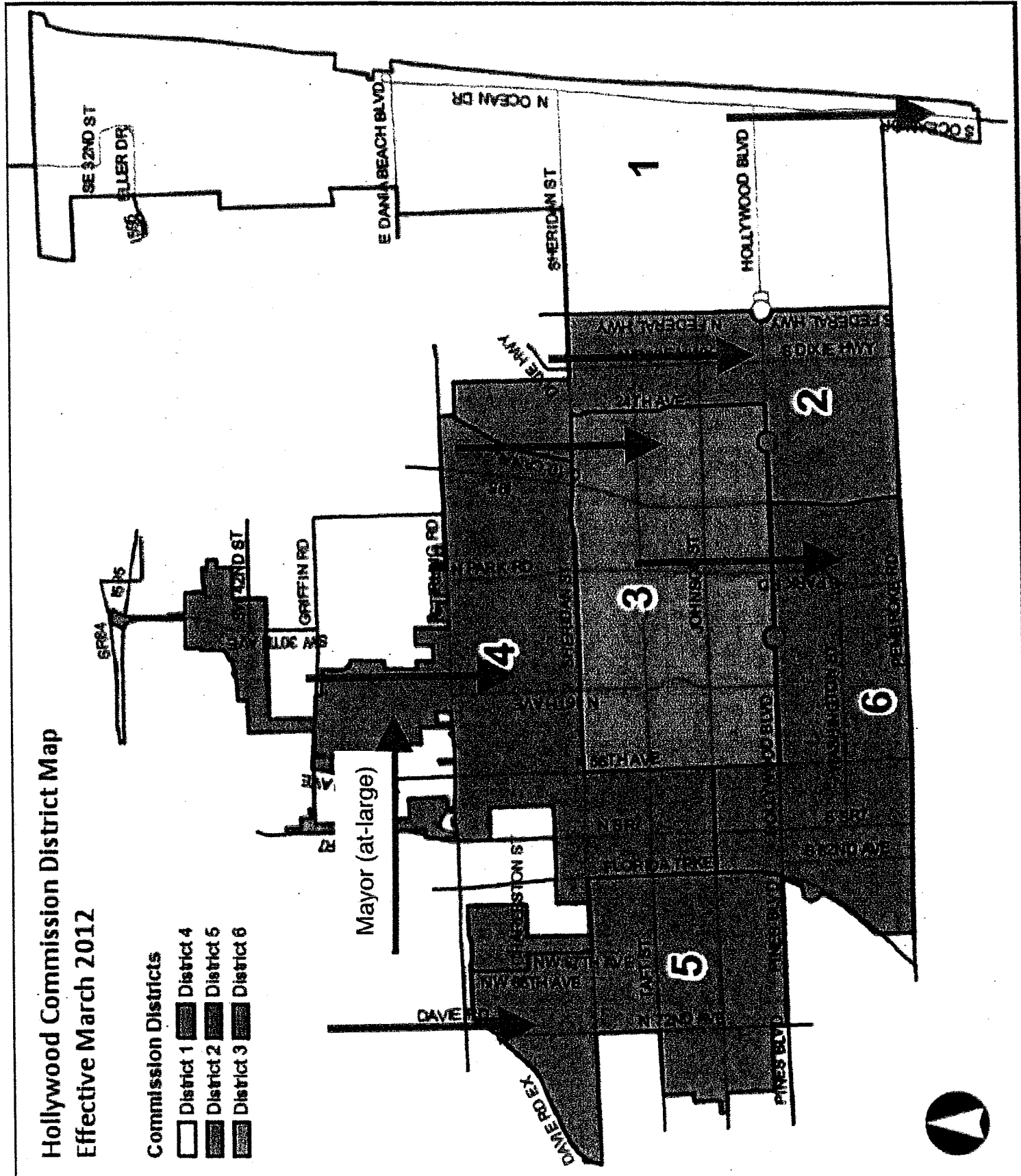
Hollywood Commission District Map Effective March 2012

Commission Districts

-  District 1
-  District 4
-  District 5
-  District 6



Mayor (at-large)



City of Pembroke Pines

Population:

162,329 (Larger than Gainesville)

Number of Commissioners:

4 and 1 mayor elected at-large.



Commission Districts Map

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-  Pembroke Pines Boundary
-  Municipal Boundaries
-  Major Roads
-  District 1
-  District 2
-  District 3
-  District 4

Scale: 1 inch = 1 mile
North Arrow

