



ST. GEORGE CITIZENS FILE THEIR OWN APPEAL

St. George electors and property owners appeal ruling denying the incorporation of the City of St. George

ST. GEORGE, La. (August 8, 2022) –

On October 12, 2019, the citizens of St. George voted in favor of incorporating the City of St. George. Since that time, Mayor-President Broome and Council Member Cole have fought against the citizens' right to vote by suing the incorporators.

For several years, St. George has been immersed in litigation. During this time, individual citizens were forced to remain silent. On August 8, 2022, individual citizens filed their own appeal in support of incorporating the City of St. George. Louisiana Revised Statute 33:5 authorizes individual electors and property owners within the area proposed for incorporation to appeal a judgment denying incorporation. The citizens of St. George will no longer be silent while the Plaintiffs, neither of whom reside in the incorporated area, continue to litigate to deny the incorporation and the citizens' right to vote.

Mark D. Plaisance and Marcus J. Plaisance, of Plaisance Law, LLC, lead this appeal. Plaisance Law principally practices in appellate courts and the Louisiana Supreme Court. Mark D. Plaisance previously represented the City of Baker in its fight for an independent school system and worked on issues regarding the creation of the Central City School System. Plaisance Law offers decades of appellate experience handling hundreds of appeals and will now defend the largest incorporation effort in Louisiana's history.

The citizens of St. George followed the process provided by law and qualified for election. This process was approved by the Secretary of State, the Registrar of Voters, and the Governor. On October 12, 2019, 17,422 (54%) voters in the area to be incorporated voted in favor of incorporation. The foundation of our country is the right to vote. This right to vote is sacred in America and elections have meaning. Now, the citizens of St. George raise their voice together demanding that the election to incorporate St. George be upheld.

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About St. George, Louisiana

Created by a vote of the citizens on October 12, 2019, the City of St. George comprises an area in the southeastern portion of East Baton Rouge Parish. The City of St. George is the fifth largest city in Louisiana. The City of St. George is the largest incorporation effort in Louisiana history. For more information, visit www.stgeorgelouisiana.com.

About Plaisance Law

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