

# State of Louisiana



## EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT PROCLAMATION NUMBER 15 JBE 2020

### ***SPECIAL ELECTION – ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, 4<sup>TH</sup> SUPREME COURT DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA, PARISHES OF BIENVILLE, CALDWELL, CATAHOULA, CLAIBORNE, CONCORDIA, EAST CARROLL, FRANKLIN, GRANT, JACKSON, LASALLE, LINCOLN, MADISON, MOREHOUSE, OUACHITA, RAPIDES, RICHLAND, TENSAS, UNION, WEST CARROLL, AND WINN***

**WHEREAS,** a vacancy will exist in the office of Associate Justice, 4<sup>th</sup> Supreme Court District of Louisiana, Parishes of Bienville, Caldwell, Catahoula, Claiborne, Concordia, East Carroll, Franklin, Grant, Jackson, LaSalle, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Rapides, Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll, and Winn, due to the resignation of the Honorable Marcus Clark, effective June 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS,** Louisiana Revised Statute 18:621 requires the Governor to call a special election to fill the vacancy in an existing judgeship when more than twelve (12) months of the term remain unexpired, in accordance with the provisions of La. R.S. 18:621 and/or the dates for elections set forth in La. R.S. 18:402.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, JOHN BEL EDWARDS,** Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

**SECTION 1:** A special primary and a special general election shall be held throughout the jurisdiction of the 4<sup>th</sup> Supreme Court District of Louisiana, Parishes of Bienville, Caldwell, Catahoula, Claiborne, Concordia, East Carroll, Franklin, Grant, Jackson, LaSalle, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Rapides, Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll, and Winn, for the purpose of electing an associate justice to fill the vacancy in the office.

**SECTION 2:** Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate for the office shall file a notice of candidacy, accompanied either by a qualifying fee or a nominating petition, as required or authorized by law, with the appropriate election official in the manner and form, and under the procedures and conditions, provided by La. R.S. 18:461 *et seq.*, and all other applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, La. R.S. 18:1 *et seq.*, during the period commencing Wednesday, July 15, 2020, and ending at 4:30 p.m. Friday, July 17, 2020.

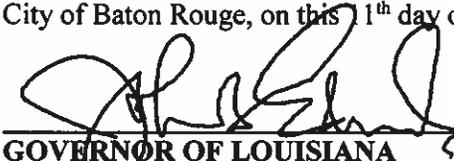
**SECTION 3:** The special election shall be held and conducted under the applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, La. R.S. 18:1 *et seq.*

**SECTION 4:** The primary election shall be held Tuesday, November 3, 2020, and the general election shall be held Saturday, December 5, 2020, at the times and places and in the manner, prescribed by law.

**SECTION 5:** The Secretary of State, Commissioner of Elections, Parish Board of Election Supervisors, Clerk of Court, Registrar of Voters, and all other persons charged with any power, function, right, duty or responsibility in conducting elections in the jurisdiction of the 4<sup>th</sup> Supreme Court District of Louisiana, Parishes of Bienville, Caldwell, Catahoula, Claiborne, Concordia, East Carroll, Franklin, Grant, Jackson, LaSalle, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Rapides, Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll, and Winn, are hereby authorized, requested, directed and empowered to exercise every lawful function and to do every act necessary to conduct the special election, to cause the returns to be made, to canvass and promulgate the results, and to perform all related and incidental functions.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 1<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

  
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE SECRETARY  
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