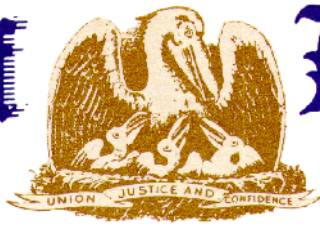


State of Louisiana



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION NO. 72 BJ 2009

SPECIAL ELECTION - FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the office of district judge, Fourth Judicial District Court, Election Section 2, Division E, due to the resignation of the Honorable Marcus Clark, effective November 19, 2009; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 18:583(C) and (D)(2) and R.S. 18:621(A)(2) and (3) mandate that the governor shall call a special election to fill an anticipated vacancy in an existing judgeship when more than twelve (12) months of the term remain unexpired, in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 18:621(A)(3) and/or the dates for elections set forth in R.S. 18:402;

NOW THEREFORE I, Bobby Jindal, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and 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 Fourth Judicial District Court, Election Section 2, Division E, for the purpose of electing a judge to fill a vacancy in the office.

SECTION 2: Any qualified person desiring to become a candidate for said 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 R.S. 18:461, *et seq.*, and all other applicable provisions of the Louisiana Election Code, R.S. 18:1, *et seq.*, during the period commencing on Wednesday, February 3, 2010 and ending at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 5, 2010.

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

SECTION 4: The primary election shall be held on Saturday, March 27, 2010, and the general election shall be held on Saturday, May 1, 2010, at the times and places, and in the manner, prescribed by law.

SECTION 5: The Secretary of State, Commissioner of Elections, Parish Board of 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 Fourth Judicial District Court, Section 2, Division E, are hereby authorized, requested, directed and empowered to exercise every lawful function and to do every act necessary to conduct said special elections, to cause the returns thereof to be made, to canvass and promulgate the results thereof, and to perform all related and incidental functions thereto.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 17th day of November, 2009.

/S/Bobby Jindal

GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

**ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR**

/S/Jay Dardenne
SECRETARY OF STATE