Dear Voter,

The role of an election commissioner in our democracy is a very significant one. Over the years, natural attrition has resulted in our team of commissioners being short in some areas. Our goal is to have a full staff in all areas so that every election, even those with the largest turnout, will operate with the efficiency that has become the standard in our parish.

A great many of our group have served for years and have found their position to be rewarding and fulfilling in a way that extends far beyond the financial compensation. Neighborly spirit and civic pride run deep through our commissioner team, and we would welcome the opportunity to have you join us in this important endeavor. Your contribution to our parish will be a tremendous one and you will join the ranks of some of our community’s most dedicated individuals.

Please contact our office if you are interested in becoming a commissioner, need more information, or know of a club or group that might schedule a commissioner recruitment presentation. I appreciate your consideration of serving as an election commissioner in East Baton Rouge Parish.

-Doug Welborn, Clerk of Court
**Why Become an Election Commissioner**

If one’s vote is one’s voice, then our election commissioners can be considered the choral directors of our democracy. The importance of the election commissioner’s role cannot be stressed enough, and by joining their dedicated ranks, you will ensure that your fellow citizens are able to cast their vote in the timely and efficient manner that has become the tradition in East Baton Rouge Parish.

The pay for an election commissioner is $200 per day. The pay for a commissioner in charge is $250 per day. The day begins at approximately 6:30 a.m. (5:30 for Tuesday elections) and ends with the completion of poll closing duties after 8:00 p.m.

Our commissioners are a diverse and talented group, sharing civic pride and love of community. Our precincts in East Baton Rouge Parish are known for their effective operations, and we are fortunate to have a top team of election commissioners in our community to ensure that each and every voice has the opportunity to be heard.

**Who Is Eligible To Become an Election Commissioner**

Election commissioners must meet the following requirements:

- Must be a registered qualified voter in East Baton Rouge Parish.

- Must be able to perform all the essential duties listed in the Secretary of State’s Informational Pamphlet.

- Must not have been convicted of an election offense.

Commissioners in charge must meet the above requirements, plus must successfully complete a special commissioner in charge course and have served as an election commissioner in at least two elections during the previous four year period.

**How to Become an Election Commissioner**

All interested parties are encouraged to contact the Clerk of Court’s Office for information on becoming an Election Commissioner. The staff will schedule you to attend a commissioner’s school, at the end of which you be given a written exam.

Upon passing the examination, you are certified as a commissioner and eligible to work in East Baton Rouge Parish.

The Parish Board of Election Supervisors is responsible for drawing commissioners for all elections. Commissioners in charge are selected for a period of one calendar year. Commissioners and commissioners in charge must be recertified by December 31 of the year of the new term for the Clerk of Court.

For more information, please call our Elections Department at (225) 295-4765 or email: elections@ebrclerkofcourt.org

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