

1 **ARTICLE 24 – LAW AND FORUM**

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4 **EXISTING STATE LEASE FORM (REV. 2000)**

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6 Paragraph No. 16.

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8 In all suits arising out of this contract, the parties hereto agree that Louisiana Law shall
9 govern, and that the state courts of Louisiana shall be the proper forum, unless such suit is
10 required to be filed in or is removed to any federal court in this state.

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12 **AUGUST 2016 DRAFT**

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14 ARTICLE 24 - LAW AND FORUM

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16 Lessee agrees that the terms and provisions of this Lease shall be construed in accordance with
17 the laws of the State of Louisiana and that the courts of this State shall be the proper forum for
18 any litigation related to this Lease, unless such litigation is required to be filed in or is removed
19 to a federal court of this State.

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21 Lessee further agrees that the rule of construction requiring that the terms and provisions of an
22 instrument be construed against the drafting party is not and shall not be applicable to this Lease.

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24 **PROPOSED RE-WRITE (TRACK CHANGES)**

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26 Lessee agrees that the terms and provisions of this Lease shall be construed in accordance with
27 the laws of the State of Louisiana ~~and that the courts of this State shall be the proper forum for~~
28 ~~any litigation related to this Lease,~~ Lessee further agrees that any litigation arising in
29 connection with this Lease shall be instituted before the Nineteenth Judicial Court in the Parish
30 of East Baton Rouge, unless such litigation is required to be filed in or is removed to a federal
31 court of this State.

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33 Lessee further agrees that the rule of construction requiring that the terms and provisions of an
34 instrument be construed against the drafting party is not and shall not be applicable to this Lease.

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36 **PROPOSED RE-WRITE (CLEAN VERSION)**

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38 Lessee agrees that the terms and provisions of this Lease shall be construed in accordance with
39 the laws of the State of Louisiana. Lessee further agrees that any litigation arising in connection
40 with this Lease shall be instituted before the Nineteenth Judicial Court in the Parish of East
41 Baton Rouge, unless such litigation is required to be filed in or is removed to a federal court of
42 this State.

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2 instrument be construed against the drafting party is not and shall not be applicable to this Lease.
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