



Greg Champagne  
Sheriff

## St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office

### Special Services Department

Post Office Box 7 • Hahnville, Louisiana 70057

Voice (985) 783-1355 • Fax (985) 783-1195

## N e w s      R e l e a s e

October 1, 2009

### **Sheriff Champagne Appointed to Louisiana Supreme Court Task Force on Court Security**

St. Charles Parish Sheriff Greg Champagne has been selected by Chief Justice Catherine D. Kimball to serve on the six member Louisiana Supreme Court Task Force on Court Security. This task force is responsible with considering possible measures to improve security in the Louisiana district courts and courthouses, as well as minimum standards for implementation. It was created by order of the chief justice on August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

Sheriff Champagne has previously served as an Assistant District Attorney in St. Charles Parish for over 13 years prior to being elected Sheriff in 1995. He is a former President of the Louisiana Sheriff's Association and serves on the Louisiana State Law Institute's Committee on Criminal Justice.

"I am honored by Chief Justice Kimball's confidence in me to serve on this important task force which will have the mission of making recommendations to improve the level of security in district courts throughout Louisiana." The sheriff said. The timing is also perfect as we have been working for the past several months to implement a new security plan right here in the St. Charles Parish Courthouse.

Sheriff Champagne will represent the Louisiana Sheriffs who have primary responsibility for court security in the state. Other members of the committee are Judge Jerome J. Barbera, III Chairman, Judge Tiffany Gautier Chase, Roland Dartez, Judge Edwin Lombard, and Louis Perret.