

**TRANSPORTATION POLICY**  
**COMMITTEE**

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**RESUME LIST:**

Joseph L. Tagg Catalon

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April 10, 2024


Lafayette City-Parish Council  
ATTN: Veronica L. Arceneaux, Council Clerk  
W. University Ave.  
Lafayette, Louisiana, 70506

RE: Letter of intent, Transportation Policy Committee

Mrs Arceneaux:

Enclosed is a Letter of Intent and resume to be submitted to the above referenced committee,  
for consideration as a member.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



Joseph L. Tagg Catalon  
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Lafayette, Louisiana, 70506

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## LETTER OF INTENT

TO: TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE,

RE: Member Selection

I Am submitting this letter of intent for consideration in becoming a member of the Transportation Policy Committee. During my 38 year career as a Land Professional, acquiring property rights for government, Quasi governmental organizations and the Oil & Gas industry, My objective was to follow and in some cases give feedback to establish policies and procedures that would produce the desired outcome to complete a capital improvement project or Oil & Gas field in an accurate and timely manner.

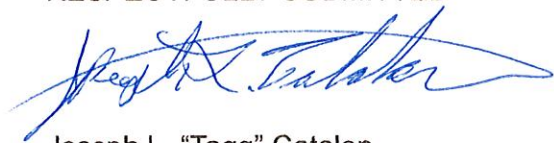
In the late seventies, I first learned and grew to appreciate the policies and procedures for local and state government as it pertains to transportation, land acquisition and relocation assistance. During my tenure with the City of Lafayette, I attended numerous policy review seminars sponsored by the Federal Highway Administration. I also acquired Right of Way and drafted a Federal Relocation Housing Assistance plan for the I-49 corridor. As a land consultant, some 20 years later, I drafted another Federal Relocation Housing Assistance plan for the same corridor.

It was advantageous for me to learn through experience the importance of policies for government and Quasi governmental organizations, so that their Capital Improvement projects could move forward un-interrupted, thus producing results in time constraining situations.

Within the Oil & Gas industry, understanding laws that set policies and procedures for minerals and drilling rights was a requirement to expedite leasing and drilling rights.

As a member of the Transportation Policy Committee, I believe that the knowledge acquired during my 38 years as a land professional gives me a hands on approach to assist members of the Transportation Policy Committee in scrutinizing policies to ensure that the City of Lafayette along with the five smaller municipalities, and unincorporated areas of the Parish of Lafayette is consistent with state and regional planning goals.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



Joseph L. "Tagg" Catalon

RESUME: Joseph L. "Tagg" Catalon  
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Lafayette, Louisiana 70506

A.A.P.L. Membership # 83125

Military Status: U.S. Army Veteran

EDUCATION: B. A.; University of Louisiana at Lafayette (formerly U.S.L.)

Post Graduate Study: University of Louisiana at Lafayette (formerly U.S.L.)  
Louisiana Mineral Law Course  
Louisiana Real Estate Appraisal  
Notary Public Course

A.A.P.L. Sponsored Seminar:  
Oil & Gas Leases (411)  
WI & NRI Calculation  
Due Diligence

IRWA Sponsored Seminar  
Principles of Right of Way Acquisition, Negotiation Techniques & Property Description

SKILLS: Experienced Land Surface, Minerals & Right of Way Land Administration  
All Phases Land Title Abstraction  
Deal Arbitration/Contract review.

EXPERIENCE: Thirty-Eight (38) years of Land and Mineral title research, Title Curative, Right of Way Acquisition, and Oil & Gas Leasing.

**INSURANCE LICENSE: Life/Health & Property/Casualty; State Of Louisiana, Lic. #187637**

**OBJECTIVE:** My objective is to research and create reports; Prepare, evaluate and execute appropriate title curative documents; Acquire Oil & Gas leases and Pipeline Right of Way on behalf of the client in an accurate and timely manner, thus producing results in time constraining situations.

**ABSTRACTING:** Research (examining and retrieving information.) assigned County and Parish Conveyance, Mortgage, Probate and Civil Suit records.

Oil & Gas research: Examining and retrieving oil and gas information from SONRIS and/or the Texas Railroad Commission.

My research determines Land and Mineral Ownerships, HBP status as well as Title Curative initiatives.

Reports generated from research:

- 1) Surface & Mineral Ownership
- 2) Drill Site Runsheets.
- 3) .Leasehold Take Off and Lease Availability Check

**NEGOTIATIONS:**

- 1) Oil & Gas Mineral Leasing
- 2) Right of Way for Pipelines
- 3) Lease Roads
- 4) Seismic permitting

**DOCUMENT ANALYST:** Surface & Minerals Title Opinions

**DUE DILIGENCE:** research and reporting

**GEORAPHICAL AREA:** Louisiana, East Texas and parts West

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