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Judicial Interest Rate Determination for 2009

R.S. 13:4202(B), as amended by Acts 2001, No. 841, requires the Louisiana Commissioner of Financial Institutions to determine the judicial interest rate for the calendar year following the calculation date. The commissioner has determined the judicial interest rate for the calendar year 2009 in accordance with R.S. 13:4202(B)(1).

The commissioner ascertained that on October 1, 2008 the approved discount rate of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors was 2.25 percent.

R.S. 13:4202(B)(1) mandates that on and after January 1, 2002, the judicial interest rate shall be three and one-quarter percentage points above the Federal Reserve Board of Governors approved discount rate on October 1, 2008. Thus, the effective judicial interest rate for the calendar year 2009 shall be 5.50 percent per annum.

R.S. 13:4202(B)(2) provides that the publication of the commissioner's determination in the *Louisiana Register* "shall not be considered rulemaking within the intendment of the Administrative Procedure Act, R.S. 49:950 et seq., and particularly R.S. 49:953." Therefore, (1) a fiscal impact statement, (2) a family impact statement, and (3) a notice of intent are not required to be filed with the *Louisiana Register*.

John P. Ducrest, C.P.A.  
Commissioner

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