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GJTBS expanded to Lafayette, the heart of Acadiana, in 2001. The six attorneys in this office are experienced in litigating and trying claims involving automobile crashes, trucking/transportation, employer's liability, products liability, Jones Act, LHWCA, General Maritime Law, professional liability— including medical, real estate, and legal—and construction defects. We also provide various-sized companies with corporate counsel that includes drafting and review of contracts, master service agreements, asset purchase agreements, stock sale agreements, employment and HSE manuals, and transportation agreements, as well as obtaining permits from various state agencies.

The lawyers in our Acadiana office handle matters in the following parishes: Lafayette, Acadia, Vermilion, Iberia, St. Mary, St. Martin, Iberville, Jefferson Davis, Avoyelles, Rapides, Cameron, Calcasieu, Allen, Evangeline, Beauregard, St. Landry, Sabine, and Vernon. We also handle cases in the Northern part of the state on a case-by-case basis.

Lafayette is located along Interstate 10 between New Orleans and Houston, and is at the south end of Interstate 49 that leads to Shreveport. It is the center of Acadiana, which includes the parishes of Acadia, Iberia, Evangeline, Lafayette, Vermilion, St. Mary, St. Martin and St. Landry. Lafayette is the capital of this eight-parish metro-retail area of more than 700,000 people. It is the financial, service, medical, educational, technological, cultural, energy, entertainment, and consumer capital of Acadiana. The University of Louisiana-Lafayette was founded in 1898 in Lafayette and is the second-largest, four year university in the state.

Also known as the Hub City, Lafayette has been ranked in the top 10 in several major publications as the best place to start and grow a business. Acadiana's top businesses bring in almost \$1 billion annually. Lafayette is known for its entrepreneurial spirit and is a hub for the energy services sector. Lafayette has five major hospitals and two heart hospitals offering the best in cardiovascular care. Lafayette's crime rate is one of the lowest in the state for a city of its size.

Culturally, Lafayette is as diverse as they come and is home to the Acadiana Symphony Orchestra, the Festival International, Performing Arts of Acadiana, University Art Museum, and Acadiana Village. And you cannot mention Lafayette or Acadiana without talking about food. The area is well known as one of the top places to visit in Louisiana if you are looking for great food. There are many fine restaurants that specialize in Cajun and Creole cuisine—famous dishes like gumbo, jambalaya, po-boys and etouffee.

When your activities take you to Acadiana, GJTBS is there to serve your needs.

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- Insurance Defense
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