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## SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

## No. 12-CC-0763

## BRANDON MASON, ET AL.

v.

## JAMES RAY HILTON, ET AL.

On Writ of Certiorari to the First Circuit Court of Appeal

PER CURIAM:

Granted. The decision of the trial court to deny the defendants' right to a jury trial is reversed and the defendants' right to jury trial is reinstated. "The right of a litigant to a jury trial is fundamental in character and the courts will indulge every presumption against a waiver, loss, or forfeiture thereof." *Berrigan v. Deutsch, Kerrigan & Stiles*, 04-0189 (La. 3/26/04), 871 So.2d 332.