

# Engage:

## Police Juries Graphic Organizer

**Directions:** Read the article on common law and summarize each paragraph. Vocabulary terms are provided. The first one is done for you.

Opening Line of Paragraph	Vocabulary	Paragraph Summary in My Own Words
Unique in the United States, police juries are elected political bodies that govern most parishes in the state of Louisiana...	<p><b>parish:</b> term used in Louisiana for “county”</p> <p><b>ordinances:</b> laws</p>	<i>Some of Louisiana’s parishes are governed by police juries, which possess legislative and executive authority</i>
Police juries predate Louisiana statehood in 1812...	<b>delineated:</b> outlined	
The original law that established police juries was passed at the Second Session of the Third Legislature of the Territory of Orleans 1811...	<p><b>prescribed:</b> stated as a rule to be followed</p> <p><b>gendarmerie:</b> law enforcement</p>	

<p>In parishes where voters have replaced police juries with other forms of government in recent years, proponents of the switch have cited the efficiency of an administrative branch working separately from a legislative body, as opposed to the somewhat antiquated system of police jurors serving both the legislative and executive functions...</p>	<p><b>antiquated:</b> outdated</p>	
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