

Georgia Think Tank Issues Statement on SCOTUS Ruling in Water Dispute

Georgia Public Policy Foundation 'Disappointed' in Ruling

ATLANTA, GA, UNITED STATES, June 27, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Kyle Wingfield, president of the Georgia Public Policy Foundation, issued this statement in response to today's ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court in the water dispute between Florida and Georgia:

"The Georgia Public Policy Foundation is disappointed the Court today declined the opportunity to end this misguided legal assault on Georgia and remanded the case to the Special Master for further proceedings.

"We agree with Justice Clarence Thomas, in his dissent, that the Court already had all the facts it needed to make the central determination in the case: that the meager, speculative benefits Florida might gain in some instances from a decree altering water flow in the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint river basin would not come close to outweighing the great costs Georgia would suffer as a result.

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"But then, this matter has always been primarily an effort by Georgia's neighbors to conjure unfounded doubt about metro Atlanta's future vitality, as a means of boosting their own economic competitiveness. That is a poor reason to have this fight, and we remain confident Georgia will eventually prevail.



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"Unfortunately, along the way, taxpayers in both states will incur millions of dollars more in legal fees they would have avoided had the Court done the right thing."

To interview Kyle Wingfield, email info@georgiapolicy.org or call 404-256-4050.

Click here to read the Supreme Court Opinion and Justice Clarence Thomas' dissent.

About the Georgia Public Policy Foundation: The Foundation, established in 1991, is a nonprofit, independent, state-focused think tank that proposes market-oriented approaches to public policy to improve the lives of Georgians. The Think Tanks and Civil Society Program has ranked the Foundation as one of the the "Best Independent Think Tanks" in its 2017 Global Go-To Think Tank Index, released in February 2018. Regular events include Leadership Breakfasts and Policy Briefing

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