

Alain J. Hogue



Métis lawyer Alain Hogue was born in St. Boniface in 1944, the son of Anthony and Yvonne Hogue. Alain is an LL.B. graduate of the University of Manitoba. He operates Alain J. Hogue Law Corp. Hogue is a descendant of the Beauchemin family who were with Alexander Henry the Younger at his Pembina post in 1801-1804.

Alain represented George Forest in the famous parking ticket case that re-established French as one of the two official languages in Manitoba. George was a co-founder of Festival du Voyageur in 1970. Born on May 14, 1924 at La Salle, Manitoba. His parents were Gabriel A. Forest and Elise Desgagnes, a Métis from St. Norbert. He served for many years as Vice-president and secretary of L'Union national Métisse Saint-Joseph du Manitoba.

In March of 1975, George Forest was issued a parking ticket in English only. He refused to pay it and this begins a process that is ultimately settled by the Supreme Court of Canada on December 13, 1979. The judgment rendered by this court reinstating French as one of the two official Languages in Manitoba thus rendering void a law passed in 1890. In this court battle George was represented by Métis lawyer Alain Hogue.



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