

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

CINDY WILLIAMS VS.

No.2020-C-00858

NORMAN S. HALEY

C/W

CINDY H. WILLIAMS

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IN RE: Cindy Williams - Applicant Plaintiff; Applying For Writ Of Certiorari, Parish of Orleans Civil, Orleans Civil District Court Number(s) 2018-07976, 2018-8728, Court of Appeal, Fourth Circuit, Number(s) 2019-CA-0116 C/W 2019-CA-0479;

October 20, 2020

Writ application granted. See per curiam.

JLW

JDH

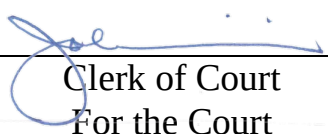
JTG

WJC

JHB

Crichton, J., additionally concurs and assigns reasons.

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PER CURIAM

Writ Granted. Considering the unique facts of this case, the conduct of respondent, and the fact that relator was ultimately successful in obtaining a permanent injunction against respondent, the district court's decision to award attorney's fees in connection with respondent's motion to dissolve the temporary restraining order was an abuse of discretion. Accordingly, the judgment of October 31, 2018, awarding respondent attorney's fees in the amount of \$8,290.00 is reversed.

Further, considering the egregious nature of respondent's behavior, the trial court did not manifestly err in permanently enjoining respondent "from communicating with [relator] in any manner." Accordingly, the ruling of the court of appeal amending the March 12, 2019 judgment to remove the restriction barring respondent from communicating with relator is reversed, and the trial court judgment prohibiting respondent from communicating with relator in any manner is reinstated. The ruling of the court of appeal, insofar as it removes the restriction barring communications between relator and respondent's agents or assigns, is affirmed.