

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

STATE OF LOUISIANA

No.2020-KK-01036

VS.

DAVID PATTON

IN RE: State of Louisiana - Applicant Plaintiff; Applying For Supervisory Writ,
Parish of Orleans Criminal, Criminal District Court Number(s) 547-363, Court of
Appeal, Fourth Circuit, Number(s) 2020-K-0316;

November 24, 2020

Writ application granted. See per curiam.

BJJ

JLW

JDH

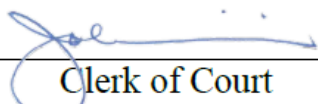
JTG

JBM

WJC

Crichton, J., additionally concurs and assigns reasons.

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Clerk of Court
For the Court

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**ON SUPERVISORY WRIT TO THE CRIMINAL DISTRICT COURT,
PARISH OF ORLEANS CRIMINAL**

PER CURIAM

Writ granted. We find the trial court abused its discretion in granting the defendant's motion for release of unredacted police reports. Pursuant to the facts presented, we further find the state has met its burden of making a prima facie showing that "the witness's safety may be compromised by the disclosure." La. C.Cr.P. art. 729.7. The order of the trial court is reversed, thereby permitting the state to maintain the redactions in the police reports at issue.