

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

STATE OF LOUISIANA

No. 2021-KH-00264

VS.

VICTOR COVINGTON

IN RE: Victor Covington - Applicant Defendant; Applying For Supervisory Writ,
Parish of East Feliciana, 20th Judicial District Court Number(s) 96-CR-1253, 1st
Circuit Court of Appeal, Number(s) 2020 KW 0919;

April 27, 2021

Writ application denied. See per curiam.

PDG

JLW

JDH

SJC

JTG

WJC

JBM

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Chief Deputy Clerk of Court
For the Court

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**ON SUPERVISORY WRITS TO THE TWENTIETH
JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, PARISH OF EAST FELICIANA**

PER CURIAM:

Denied. The application was not timely filed in the district court, and applicant fails to carry his burden to show that an exception applies. La.C.Cr.P. art. 930.8; *State ex rel. Glover v. State*, 93-2330 (La. 9/5/95), 660 So.2d 1189.

Applicant has now fully litigated his application for post-conviction relief in state court. Similar to federal habeas relief, *see* 28 U.S.C. § 2244, Louisiana post-conviction procedure envisions the filing of a second or successive application only under the narrow circumstances provided in La.C.Cr.P. art. 930.4 and within the limitations period as set out in La.C.Cr.P. art. 930.8. Notably, the legislature in 2013 La. Acts 251 amended that article to make the procedural bars against successive filings mandatory. Applicant's claims have now been fully litigated in accord with La.C.Cr.P. art. 930.6, and this denial is final. Hereafter, unless he can show that one of the narrow exceptions authorizing the filing of a successive application applies, applicant has exhausted his right to state collateral review. The district court is ordered to record a minute entry consistent with this per curiam.