

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

STATE OF LOUISIANA

No. 2024-KK-00494

VS.

CLEVELAND JOSEPH ELY

IN RE: State of Louisiana - Applicant Plaintiff; Applying For Supervisory Writ,
Parish of East Baton Rouge, 19th Judicial District Court Number(s) DC-22-01841,
Court of Appeal, First Circuit, Number(s) 2024 KW 0007;

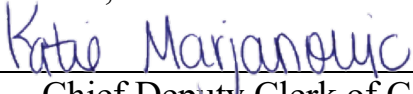
June 25, 2024

Writ application granted. See per curiam.

JBM
JLW
SJC
WJC

Hughes, J., dissents and would deny.
Genovese, J., dissents and would deny.
Griffin, J., dissents and would deny.

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Chief Deputy Clerk of Court
For the Court

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PER CURIAM.

Granted. We recognize that a trial court’s ruling on a motion in limine should only be reversed on a showing of an abuse of discretion. *State v. Dressner*, 08-1366, p. 17 (La. 7/6/10), 45 So. 3d 127, 138. In the instant matter, the defendant’s statements in the recorded interview with respect to the death of the witness, Shawn George, are relevant under La. C.E. art. 401 as to the charge of illegal use of weapons or dangerous instrumentalities, La. R.S. 14:94 A. We grant the State’s writ application and reverse the trial court’s denial of the State’s motion in limine. The State is permitted to introduce the recorded interview of defendant, limited to that portion of the interview concerning the death of Shawn George.