

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

STATE OF LOUISIANA

No. 2025-K-00761

VS.

DEMARIOUS HICKS

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IN RE: State of Louisiana - Applicant Plaintiff; Applying For Writ Of Certiorari,  
Parish of Madison, 6th Judicial District Court Number(s) 185,577, Court of Appeal,  
Second Circuit, Number(s) 56,292-KA;

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**December 23, 2025**

Writ application granted. See per curiam.

JLW  
WJC  
JBM  
CRC

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

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Katie Marjanovic  
Chief Deputy Clerk of Court  
For the Court

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On Writ of Certiorari to the Court of Appeal, Second Circuit, Parish of Madison

**PER CURIAM**

Writ granted. We vacate the ruling of the court of appeal and remand this matter to the trial court for a contradictory hearing to allow the defendant, who has the burden of proof, the opportunity to offer evidence to demonstrate that the jury’s verdict was defective.