

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

STATE OF LOUISIANA

No. 2025-KH-00894

VS.

ANDREW D. WETZEL

IN RE: Andrew Wetzel - Applicant Defendant; Applying For Supervisory Writ;

December 23, 2025

Writ application granted. See per curiam.

CRC
JLW
JDH
WJC
JBM
PDG

Guidry, J., recused.

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Katja Marjanovic
Chief Deputy Clerk of Court
For the Court

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On Supervisory Writ to the 19th Judicial District Court,
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PER CURIAM:

Granted. Applicant’s pleading, while captioned as an “Application for Post-Conviction Relief,” is an action seeking relief related to parole, and therefore venue is in the parish of East Baton Rouge. *See Smith v. Cajun Insulation*, 392 So.2d 398, 402 n.2 (La. 1980) (courts should look beyond the caption to ascertain the claim’s substance); La. R.S. 15:571.15 (“Venue in *any action* in which an individual committed to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections contests the computation of his sentence or sentences, discharge, good time dates, or any action concerning parole shall be in the parish of East Baton Rouge.”) (emphasis added). Accordingly, the 19th Judicial District Court is ordered to accept, file, and act upon the pleading, which is herewith transferred to the district court. The district court is ordered to provide this Court with a copy of its judgment.