

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana

STATE OF LOUISIANA

No. 2025-KH-00902

VS.

KENNETH W. HARPER

IN RE: Kenneth W. Harper - Applicant Defendant; Applying For Supervisory Writ,
Parish of Caddo, 1st Judicial District Court Number(s) 340,040, Court of Appeal,
Second Circuit, Number(s) 56,483-KH;

November 19, 2025

Writ application denied. See per curiam.

PDG
JLW
JDH
WJC
JBM
JMG
CRC

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Katie Marjanovic
Chief Deputy Clerk of Court
For the Court

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**ON SUPERVISORY WRITS TO THE FIRST
JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, PARISH OF CADDO**

PER CURIAM:

Denied. Despite the caption of his pleading in the district court, to the extent that applicant contests the validity of his conviction and sentence, he has presented an application for post-conviction relief. *See State ex rel. Curry v. State*, 2017-0737 (La. 8/3/18), 250 So.3d 261. As such, 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.