

**STATE OF LOUISIANA  
COURT OF APPEAL, SECOND CIRCUIT  
430 Fannin Street  
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No. 56,639-KW

STATE OF LOUISIANA

VERSUS

JIMMIE C. DUNCAN

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On application of State of Louisiana for SUPERVISORY WRIT in No. 1994-F-42 on the docket of the Fourth Judicial District, Parish of OUACHITA, Judge Alvin Rue Sharp.

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Before, STONE, COX, and MARCOTTE, JJ.

**WRIT GRANTED FOR TRANSFER.**

The applicant, the State of Louisiana, seeks review of the July 24, 2025, oral ruling of the trial court denying the State's motion to recuse the trial judge who granted Duncan's post-conviction relief claims from presiding over Duncan's bail hearing. Supervisory jurisdiction over cases in which the death penalty has actually been imposed appears to be vested in the Louisiana Supreme Court, under its exclusive appellate jurisdiction in La. Const. art. 5 § 5(A) and now under La. C. Cr. P. art. 930.8 (B)(1), effective August 1, 2025. See also, La. Sup. Ct. R. 10 § 5(b). Further, the constitutional grant of supervisory authority to the Louisiana Supreme Court is plenary, unfettered by jurisdictional requirements, and exercisable at the complete discretion of the court in the interests of judicial

economy, the need to provide a definitive resolution of an issue or other compelling reasons. *Scott v. Louisiana State Police*, 24-01591 (La. 1/9/25), 398 So. 3d 634. The State’s writ is granted for the limited purpose of transfer to the Louisiana Supreme Court for its consideration and disposition.

Shreveport, Louisiana, this 6 day of August, 2025.

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