

**STATE OF LOUISIANA
COURT OF APPEAL, SECOND CIRCUIT
430 Fannin Street
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No. 56,686-CW

DEAN E. GILBERT

VERSUS

SIDNEY H. CATES, IV, INDIVIDUALLY, AND IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS JUDGE OF THE ORLEANS PARISH CIVIL DISTRICT COURT; DWIGHT A. GILBERT, INDIVIDUALLY, AND IN HIS CAPACITY AS ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE SUCCESSION OF BERNADETTE GAINES GILBERT; THOMAS J. CORTAZZO, INDIVIDUALLY, AND AS COUNSEL FOR THE SUCCESSION OF BERNADETTE GAINES GILBERT; DARRYL M. GILBERT, INDIVIDUALLY, AND AS AN HEIR TO THE SUCCESSION OF BERNADETTE GAINES GILBERT, BALDWIN HASPEL BURKE & MAYER; JUSTIN ISREAL WOODS, INDIVIDUALLY, AND IN HIS CAPACITY AS CLERK OF COURT FOR THE LOUISIANA FOURTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEAL; ANDREW "DREW" BLANCHFIELD, INDIVIDUALLY, AND IN HIS CAPACITY AS CAPACITY AS MANAGING PARTNER OF KEOGH COX; CHELSEA R. NAPOLEON, INDIVIDUALLY, AND IN HER CAPACITY AS CLERK OF THE ORLEANS PARISH CIVIL DISTRICT COURT; AND SANDRA A. VUJNOVICH, INDIVIDUALLY, AND IN HER CAPACITY AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE JUDICIAL COMMISSION OF LOUISIANA DEBRA DAVE, AN AGENT TO THE SUCCESSION OF BERNADETTE GAINES GILBERT

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On application of Dean E. Gilbert for SUPERVISORY WRIT in No. 2024-3686 on the docket of the ORLEANS CIVIL DISTRICT COURT, Parish of ORLEANS CIVIL, Judge James Edward Kuhn, Ad Hoc.

In Proper Person

Dean E. Gilbert

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Before COX, THOMPSON, and ROBINSON, JJ.

WRIT DENIED.

Applicant, Dean E. Gilbert, seeks expedited review of the action of the trial court’s ruling denying his motion to depose Judge Sydney H. Cates, IV. On the showing made, this writ is denied. U.R.C.A. 4-5.

Shreveport, Louisiana, this 23 day of September, 2025.

  

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