

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
COURT OF APPEAL, SECOND CIRCUIT  
430 Fannin Street  
Shreveport, LA 71101  
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No. 56,828-CM

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 PRE-LODGING MOTION in No. 2020-9908 on the docket of the ORLEANS CIVIL DISTRICT COURT, Parish of ORLEANS CIVIL, Judge James Edward Kuhn, Ad Hoc.

Dean E. Gilbert

In Proper Person

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Before COX, STEPHENS, and HUNTER, JJ.

**O R D E R**

The applicant's request for a stay is denied.

Shreveport, Louisiana, this 7 \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ January \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

MS

JSC

MHH

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