

STATE OF LOUISIANA
COURT OF APPEAL, SECOND CIRCUIT
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No. 56,980-KW

STATE OF LOUISIANA

VERSUS

VICTOR BENARD ARCENEUX

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On application of Victor Benard Arceneaux for SUPERVISORY WRIT in No. 406,363 on the docket of the First Judicial District, Parish of CADDO, Judge John D. Mosely, Jr.

John David Shepherd Jr

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Victor Benard Arceneaux

James Edward Stewart, Sr.
Ashlin Nicole Thomas

Counsel for:
State of Louisiana

Before COX, THOMPSON, and HUNTER, JJ.

WRIT GRANTED; CONVICTION AND SENTENCE AFFIRMED.

The applicant, Victor Benard Arceneaux, seeks supervisory review of his misdemeanor conviction for domestic abuse battery. Arceneaux challenges only the sufficiency of the evidence to convict him. The record in this case supports the trial court's findings that Arceneaux and the victim were in a relationship, and Arceneaux used force or violence upon her. Though there was testimony that the victim was attacked by the defendant's sister and not the defendant, the trial court rejected this testimony and accepted the testimony of the victim in this matter. If believed, the victim's testimony is sufficient to prove the offense. The trial court was able to weigh this testimony against any inconsistencies in the victim's testimony as well as her explanations for those inconsistencies. The trial court is afforded much discretion in making credibility determinations and it is not the province of the reviewing court to disturb credibility determinations or reweigh evidence. *State v. Flores*, 52,639 (La. App. 2 Cir. 4/10/19), 268 So. 3d 1199, writ denied, 19-00877 (La. 11/25/19), 283 So. 3d 496. Ultimately, when reviewed under the standard of review for the sufficiency of evidence provided by *Jackson v. Virginia*, 443 U.S. 307, 99 S. Ct. 2781, 61 L. Ed. 2d 560 (1979), we conclude that the evidence presented was sufficient to support the conviction.

Accordingly, the writ is granted and Arceneaux's conviction and sentence are affirmed.

Shreveport, Louisiana, this 8 day of April, 2026.

JSC

JRT

MJA

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