

STATE OF LOUISIANA  
COURT OF APPEAL, SECOND CIRCUIT  
430 Fannin Street  
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No. 57,207-CW

BILLY THEUS, DETRICK THEUS,  
LABOYCE WILLIAMS, KENDRA WILLIAMS  
AND BILLY THEUS, JR. O/B/O DECEDENT,  
GWENDOLYN THEUS

VERSUS

ALLSTATE VEHICLE AND PROPERTY  
INSURANCE COMPANY, ATMOS ENERGY  
CORPORATION, WILBURN DELANCEY  
AND LINDA DELANCEY

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On application of Billy Theus, Detrick Theus, LaBoyce Williams, Kendra Williams, and Billy Theus, Jr. on behalf of the decedent Gwendolyn Theus for SUPERVISORY WRIT in No. 48,438 on the docket of the Fifth Judicial District, Parish of RICHLAND, Judge Stephen Gayle Dean.

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Before PITMAN, STONE, and COX, JJ.

**WRIT GRANTED; REMANDED WITH INSTRUCTION AND FOR  
PERFECTION OF APPEAL.**

The applicants, Billy Theus, Detrick Theus, Laboyce Williams, Kendra Williams, and Billy Theus, Jr. on behalf of the decedent Gwendolyn Theus, seek

supervisory review of the trial court's June 18, 2026, ruling granting summary judgment to Allstate Vehicle and Property Insurance Company ("Allstate") and Linda Delancey ("DeLancey"). Additionally, the applicants seek supervisory review of the trial court's July 14, 2026, ruling denying their motion for leave to file a first amended petition.

The June 18, 2026, ruling is an appealable partial final judgment, La. C.C.P. arts. 1841, 1915(A)(1), and 2083, but it lacks proper decretal language as required by La. C.C.P. art. 1918, as it fails to fully state the relief awarded, that the claims against Allstate and DeLancey were dismissed. *Burch v. Burch*, 51,780 (La. App. 2 Cir. 1/10/18), 245 So. 3d 1138. Accordingly, the ruling is not immediately appealable until amended to comply with La. C.C.P. art. 1918. The July 14, 2026, ruling is an interlocutory ruling that may be considered with the unrestricted appeal of the partial final judgment. La. C.C.P. art. 1841; *Reliable Life Ins. Co., Inc. v. Miller*, 56,345 (La. App. 2 Cir. 8/27/25), 420 So. 3d 773, *writ denied*, 25-01216 (La. 12/9/25), 422 So. 3d 297.

The applicants' notice of intent to seek supervisory review of these two rulings can be considered as a timely motion for a devolutive appeal, and under *Shows v. Shows*, 434 So. 2d 1090 (La. 1983), the trial court's order fixing the time for filing is hereby considered as an order granting a devolutive appeal of the rulings.

Accordingly, the writ is hereby granted and remanded to the trial court to amend the June 18, 2026, judgment pursuant to La. C.C.P. art. 1918 and 1951, and once so amended, for perfection of an appeal for appellate review of both rulings.

Shreveport, Louisiana, this 19 day of August, 2026.

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