

LOUISIANA COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT

Christopher M. Jones v. Lisa C. Jones, Viola Chatelain, Curtis Chatelain, Donna Saacks, and Christina Deleon

No. 2025 CW 1025 · No. 2025 CW 1025 · Decided December 30, 2025

SUMMARY

The Louisiana Court of Appeal, First Circuit declined to consider a supervisory writ application challenging an interlocutory judgment because it appeared to be filed outside the applicable 30-day period. The court stated that any new application must include specified notices and documentation, comply with the appellate rules, and be filed by January 26, 2026.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Louisiana Court of Appeal, First Circuit
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Lanier, J.; Wolfe, J.; Hester, J.
JURISDICTION	Louisiana Court of Appeal, First Circuit
DECIDED	December 30, 2025
DOCKET	2025 CW 1025
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Application for supervisory writs challenging an interlocutory judgment of the Twenty-Second Judicial District Court for St. Tammany Parish.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Unknown
PARTIES	Viola Chatelain, Donna Saacks

TOPICS

- writ of certiorari
- appellate procedure
- interlocutory appeal
- civil procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

- appellate procedure
- civil procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the supervisory writ application challenging the trial court's interlocutory judgment was timely filed under the Uniform Rules of Louisiana Courts of Appeal.

HOLDINGS

1. A supervisory writ application challenging an interlocutory judgment must be filed within 30 days of notice of the judgment; because this application was filed on October 14, 2025, after the July 15, 2025 judgment, the court did not consider the writ application as apparently untimely.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“A supervisory writ application challenging a trial court's interlocutory judgment must be filed within 30 days of the notice of judgment.”

“WRIT NOT CONSIDERED.”

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The underlying matter involved an interlocutory judgment signed by the trial court on July 15, 2025. The relators filed their supervisory writ application in the Court of Appeal on October 14, 2025. The appellate court noted that the application appeared to lack timely filing documentation and required any renewed application to include notices of judgment, notices of intent, return-date orders, and other pertinent materials.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Viola Chatelain and Donna Saacks applied for supervisory writs from an interlocutory judgment signed by the Twenty-Second Judicial District Court on July 15, 2025. They filed the writ application in the Louisiana Court of Appeal, First Circuit, on October 14, 2025. The appellate court did not consider the writ because it appeared untimely and directed that any new application include specified notices, orders, and other documentation and be filed by January 26, 2026.

DISPOSITION

other

OPINION

PER CURIAM.

STATE OF LOUISIANA COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT CHRISTOPHER M. JONES
NO. 2025 CW 1025 VERSUS LISA C. JONES, VIOLA CHATELAIN, CURTIS CHATELAIN,
DONNA SAACKS, AND CHRISTINA DECEMBER 30, 2025 DELEON In Re: Viola Chatelain
and Donna Saacks, applying for supervisory writs, 22nd Judicial District Court, Parish of St.
Tammany, No. 201216288. BEFORE: LANIER, WOLFE, AND HESTER, JJ. WRIT NOT
CONSIDERED.

A supervisory writ application challenging a trial court's interlocutory judgment must be filed within 30 days of the notice of judgment. See Uniform Rules of Louisiana Courts of Appeal, Rules

4-2 and 4-3. Judgment was signed on July 15, 2025, and this writ application was filed with this court on October 14, 2025.

Accordingly, the writ appears to be untimely. In the event a new writ application is filed, this court requires copies of any notices of the July 15, 2025 judgment and all notices of intent and return date orders filed with the trial court. Supplementation of this writ application and/or an application for rehearing will not be considered. Uniform Rules of Louisiana Courts of Appeal, Rules 2-18.7 & 4-9.

In the event relators seek to file a new application with this court, it must contain all pertinent documentation, including the missing items noted herein and all documentation to show this writ application was timely, and must comply with Uniform Rules of Louisiana Courts of Appeal, Rule 2-12.2. Any new application must be filed on or before January 26, 2026, and must contain a copy of this ruling.

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