

STATE OF LOUISIANA

NO. 25-K-353

VERSUS

FIFTH CIRCUIT

DONALD WARDEN

COURT OF APPEAL

STATE OF LOUISIANA

August 18, 2025

Susan Buchholz

Chief Deputy Clerk

ON APPLICATION FOR REHEARING

Panel composed of Jude G. Gravois,
Marc E. Johnson, and Scott U. Schlegel

DENIED WITHOUT REASONS

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SUS

DISSENTS IN PART WITH REASONS

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I would grant the rehearing for the limited purpose of reviewing, on briefs only, the merits of the whether the trial court abused its discretion by excluding the text messages between the victims' grandmother and their mother. In all other respects, I agree that the application for rehearing should be denied.

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A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Curtis B. Pursell".

CURTIS B. PURSELL
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