

BRANDON B. RAY

NO. 25-K-469

VERSUS

FIFTH CIRCUIT

RAYMOND STEIB, JUDGE 24TH JDC

COURT OF APPEAL

STATE OF LOUISIANA



November 07, 2025

Linda Tran
First Deputy Clerk

IN RE BRANDON B. RAY

APPLYING FOR SUPERVISORY WRIT FROM THE TWENTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, PARISH OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, DIRECTED TO THE HONORABLE RAYMOND S. STEIB, JR., DIVISION "A", NUMBER 25-861

Panel composed of Judges Jude G. Gravois,
Marc E. Johnson, and Stephen J. Windhorst

WRIT GRANTED FOR A LIMITED PURPOSE

Relator, Brandon B. Ray, contends that the 24th Judicial District Court has failed to timely rule on a Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus, filed September 25, 2025, and other (*pro se*) motions filed between March and May 2025, and seeks a writ of mandamus from this Court. Review of the official court record revealed the court appointed counsel for Relator on March 14, 2025, and defense counsel filed Omnibus Motions and Order for Pre-Trial motions a few days later. The minute book contains an entry dated June 26, 2025 that states defense counsel adopted Relator's *pro se* motions to suppress evidence and for additional discovery. The record also shows that the motion(s) hearing has been reset five times between May and September 2025, but a hearing was held on October 29, 2025.

The October 29, 2025 minute entry for the case reveals that the district court ruled upon all outstanding motions besides the Motion to Suppress Evidence and the Motion to Suppress Statement. The district court took the motions to suppress

under advisement, and the court scheduled a court status hearing and ruling on motions on Friday, November 14, 2025.

Considering the foregoing, in the event the trial court does not rule upon the motions to suppress at the November 14, 2025 hearing, this writ is granted for the limited purpose of ordering the district court to rule on Relator's outstanding motions to suppress, or provide reasons to this Court why it cannot, by December 1, 2025.

Gretna, Louisiana, this 7th day of November, 2025.

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SJW

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I CERTIFY THAT A COPY OF THE DISPOSITION IN THE FOREGOING MATTER HAS BEEN TRANSMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH **UNIFORM RULES - COURT OF APPEAL, RULE 4-6** THIS DAY **11/07/2025** TO THE TRIAL JUDGE, THE TRIAL COURT CLERK OF COURT, AND AT LEAST ONE OF THE COUNSEL OF RECORD FOR EACH PARTY, AND TO EACH PARTY NOT REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL, AS LISTED BELOW:

CURTIS B. PURSELL
CLERK OF COURT

25-K-469

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24th Judicial District Court (Clerk)
Hon. Raymond S. Steib, Jr. (DISTRICT JUDGE)
Thomas J. Butler (Respondent)

MAILED

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