

Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal State of Louisiana

No. 25-C-617

MARY HOTARD BECNEL, AS INDEPENDENT EXECUTRIX
OF THE SUCCESSION OF DANIEL E. BECNEL, JR.

versus

CAMILO K. SALAS III

IN RE CAMILO K. SALAS III

APPLYING FOR SUPERVISORY WRIT TO THE FORTIETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT,
PARISH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, STATE OF LOUISIANA, DIRECTED TO THE HONORABLE
JAMES E. KUHN, JUDGE AD HOC, DIVISION A, NUMBER 70,582

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January 14, 2026



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

WRIT DENIED

Defendant/relator, Camilo K. Salas, III, seeks review of the trial court's judgment, denying Mr. Salas' motion to recuse the Honorable Michael Kirby, *Ad Hoc*, from this case. Mr. Salas claims the trial court erred in finding the motion to recuse untimely and applied the incorrect legal standards.

With his writ application, Mr. Salas provided an unsigned notice of intent to apply for writs and the trial court's reasons for judgment. Mr. Salas did not include the motion to recuse, the opposition to the motion, or any exhibits which may have been attached thereto, as required by La.

U.R.C.A., Rule 4-5 C(8) and (9). Without these pleadings or the hearing transcript, we have no evidence to consider relative to the timeliness or merits of the motion to recuse. Accordingly, on the showing made, we deny this writ application.

Gretna, Louisiana, this 14th day of January, 2026.

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