

CLARENCE GIBSON

NO. 24-KH-527

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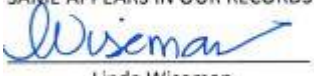
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November 14, 2024

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IN RE CLARENCE GIBSON

APPLYING FOR SUPERVISORY WRIT FROM THE TWENTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, PARISH OF JEFFERSON, STATE OF LOUISIANA, DIRECTED TO THE HONORABLE R. CHRISTOPHER COX, III, DIVISION "B", NUMBER 07-6779

Panel composed of Judges Fredericka Homberg Wicker,
Marc E. Johnson, and Scott U. Schlegel

WRIT DENIED

In this *pro se* writ application, relator, Clarence Gibson, seeks review of the trial court's March 27, 2009 ruling denying his Motion for New Trial and for Post-Verdict Judgment of Acquittal ("Motion for New Trial"). For the following reasons, we deny this writ application.

Relator was charged with aggravated rape of a known juvenile in violation of La. R.S. 14:42. In 2009, after a jury trial, he was convicted of the lesser included offense of sexual battery, in violation of La. R.S. 14:43.1, and sentenced to 25 years of imprisonment at hard labor. Relator's conviction and sentence were reviewed and upheld by this Court and the Louisiana Supreme Court. *State v. Gibson*, 09-486 (La. App. 5 Cir. 3/9/10), 38 So.3d 373, *writ denied*, 10-802 (La. 11/5/10), 50 So.3d 814.

On November 6, 2024, relator filed this writ application, entitled "Direct Appeal for Judgment of Conviction," stating he was denied a fair trial. However,

relator does not set forth any argument as to why his trial was not fair; rather he simply states, “Claim: Right to a Fair Trial [sic] 6th Amendment.” Relator attached a copy of his Motion for New Trial, which was denied by the trial court in March 2009, to his writ application.

After review, we find that relator’s writ application is deficient because he has failed to include a notice of intent to file this writ application, an order from the trial court setting a return date, and a copy of the trial court’s ruling, in violation of U.R.C.A., Rules, 4-2, 4-3, 4-5(C). Further, this writ application is untimely, as it was not filed within the time delays set forth in U.R.C.A., Rule 4-3.

To the extent relator contends this writ application is an appeal of the trial court’s March 2009 judgment denying his Motion for New Trial, we find relator is not entitled to appeal this ruling. Not only would an appeal be untimely pursuant to La. C.Cr.P. art. 914, but also the Louisiana Constitution does not provide for a second direct appeal. *State v. Howard*, 53,104 (La. App. 2 Cir. 1/15/20), 289 So.3d 1176, 1179, *writ denied*, 20-400 (La. 6/22/20), 297 So.3d 722. Relator’s conviction and sentence were affirmed on appeal in 2010. *See Gibson, supra*. Once an appellate court renders judgment and that judgment becomes final, the criminal defendant no longer has a right to appeal. *Howard*, 289 So.3d at 1179.

For these reasons, we deny relator’s writ application.

Gretna, Louisiana, this 14th day of November, 2024.

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