STATE OF LOUISIANA COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT

STATE OF LOUISIANA

NO. 2018 KW 1370

VERSUS

JERMAINE COATES

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In Re:

Jermaine Coates, applying for supervisory writs, 19th Judicial District Court, Parish of East Baton Rouge, No. 06-95-2911.

BEFORE: WHIPPLE, C.J., McCLENDON AND HIGGINBOTHAM, JJ.

WRIT GRANTED IN PART AND DENIED IN PART. The district court is directed to review relator's motion for appeal, allegedly filed on August 2, 2018 both to determine if relator filed it timely under the "mailbox rule" of Houston v. Lack, 487 U.S. 266, 108 S.Ct. 2379, 101 L.Ed.2d 245 (1988), and to determine whether, if read fairly and in conformance with principles applicable in review of pro se pleadings, it constituted a motion for appeal. See generally Haines v. Kerner, 404 U.S. 519, 520, 92 S.Ct. 594, 596, 30 L.Ed.2d 652 (1972); State ex rel. Johnson v. Maggio, 440 So.2d 1336, 1337 (La. 1983). As it concerns the motion to reconsider sentence, the writ application is denied.

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