STATE OF LOUISIANA COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT

STATE OF LOUISIANA

NO. 2022 CW 1069

VERSUS

DYLAN PIZZOLATO

CONSOLIDATED WITH

PRISCILLA NOEL LEFEBURE

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NOVEMBER 21, 2022

DYLAN JACAOB PIZZOLATO

In Re:

Katherine Reznik Benoit, applying for supervisory writs, Family Court in and for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, No. 217897 c/w 218072.

BEFORE: THERIOT, CHUTZ, AND HESTER, JJ.

WRIT GRANTED IN PART WITH ORDER; REFERRED TO YET-TO-BE-LODGED APPEAL PANEL IN PART. The portion of the August 29, 2022 judgment denying in forma pauperis status to relator is reversed. The family court abused its discretion in denying in forma pauperis status to relator based upon her poverty and lack of means. See Benjamin v. National Super Markets, Inc., 351 So.2d 138 (La. 1977), writ denied, 366 So.2d 561 (La. 1979). Judgment is granted in favor of relator, Katherine Reznik Benoit, granting her request for in forma pauperis status pursuant to La. Code Civ. P. art. 5181. This matter is remanded to the family court with instructions to proceed with lodging the appeals with this court. To the extent relator seeks review of the portion of the August 29, 2022 judgment related to the family court's contempt ruling, this matter is referred to the yet-to-be-lodged appeal panel.

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