STATE OF LOUISIANA NO. 22-KH-396

VERSUS FIFTH CIRCUIT

RAYMOND H. KIMBLE, III COURT OF APPEAL

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IN RE RAYMOND H. KIMBLE, III

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 16-3781

Panel composed of Judges Jude G. Gravois, Hans J. Liljeberg, and John J. Molaison, Jr.

WRIT GRANTED FOR LIMITED PURPOSE

Relator, Raymond Kimble, III, seeks review of the trial court's May 26, 2022 Order, in case number 16-3781, denying his "Motion by Owner for Release of Seized Property Inaccord [sic] with LSA-R.S. 15:41." For the following reasons, we grant the writ application for the limited purpose of remanding this matter to the trial court for consideration of relator's motion.

On March 4, 2022, relator filed a "Motion to Release and Preserve" in the trial court, seeking the return of an Apple iPhone 6s Plus seized on April 20, 2016, in connection with these criminal proceedings. On March 9, 2022, the trial court denied relator's motion on the grounds that relator's request for the return of his property did not comply with the provisions of La. R.S. 15:41. Relator filed a writ application with this Court seeking review of the trial court's ruling. On June 23, 2022, this Court denied relator's writ application, finding that relator did not comply with the procedural requirements for the return of his property, pursuant to La. R.S. 15:41(C). *Kimble v. State*, 22-KH-258 (La. App. 5 Cir. 6/23/22) (unpublished writ disposition).

Prior to this Court's ruling in 22-KH-258, relator filed a "Motion by Owner for Release of Seized Property Inaccord [sic] with LSA-R.S. 15:41" in the trial court on May 11, 2022, in which he requested a contradictory hearing with the Clerk of Court regarding his request for the return of his phone. On May 26, 2022, the trial court issued an Order stating that it would not rule on relator's motion until this Court ruled on relator's writ application from the denial of his Motion to Release and Preserve or the time to seek review of that ruling expired. In its May

26, 2022 Order, the trial court then indicated that the Motion by Owner for Release of Seized Property was denied.

In this writ application, relator argues that the trial court should not have denied his Motion by Owner for Release of Seized Property. He argues that the trial court should have ordered a contradictory hearing on the motion with the Clerk of Court or "labeled the motion as moot" until this Court completed its review of the denial of his Motion to Release and Preserve.

Considering that this Court denied relator's writ application in 22-KH-258 on June 23, 2022, and that the trial court did not consider relator's Motion by Owner for Release of Seized Property requesting a contradictory hearing but nevertheless denied the Motion, we vacate the trial court's denial of the Motion, remand this matter, and order the trial court to consider and rule on relator's Motion.

Gretna, Louisiana, this 12th day of September, 2022.

HJL JGG JJM SUSAN M. CHEHARDY CHIEF JUDGE

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