

STATE OF LOUISIANA
COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT

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NO. 2013 CW 2158

VERSUS

MICHAEL FORD

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In Re: Michael Ford, applying for supervisory writs, 18th
Judicial District Court, Parish of West Baton Rouge,
No. 011836.

BEFORE: WHIPPLE, C.J., WELCH AND CRAIN, JJ.

WRIT DENIED. Expungement matters are reviewed by this Court under its civil appellate jurisdiction. See **State v. Tillman**, 42,688 (La. App. 2d Cir. 11/14/07), 969 So.2d 824. The district court's ruling denying relator's request for expungement will be an appealable, civil judgment once a written judgment is signed by the district judge that contains proper decretal language identifying (a) the party in whose favor the judgment is rendered, (b) the party against whom the judgment is rendered, and (c) the relief granted or denied. La. Code Civ. P. art. 1918. See **Carter v. Williamson Eye Center**, 2001-2016 (La. App. 1st Cir. 11/27/02), 837 So.2d 43; **Johnson v. Mount Pilgrim Baptist Church**, 2005-0337 (La. App. 1st Cir. 3/24/06), 934 So.2d 66. Once an appealable judgment is signed, an appeal can be taken by filing a motion for appeal, along with an order for the judge's signature showing the return date of the appeal, with the district court within the time delays set out in Louisiana Code of Civil Procedure Article 2087. Filing documents directly with this Court does not suspend the running of the appeal delays. La. Code Civ. P. art. 2121. See **Strickland v. Layrisson**, 96-1280 (La. App. 1st Cir. 6/20/97), 696 So.2d 621, writ denied, 97-1940 (La. 11/14/97), 704 So.2d 228.

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