STATE OF LOUISIANA COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT

TECHLINE SPORTS LIGHTING, LLC

NO. 2014 CW 0212

VERSUS

LOUISIANA LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

FEBRUARY 19, 2014

In Re:

Techline Sports Lighting, LLC, applying for expedited supervisory writs, 19th Judicial District Court, Parish of East Baton Rouge, No. 600,095 c/w 627,483.

BEFORE: PARRO, KUHN, AND THERIOT, JJ.

WRIT GRANTED. The district court's order signed January 10, 2014, consolidating Suit No. 627,483 with Suit No. 600,095 is hereby reversed. The motion to consolidate filed by Respondent Louisiana Leadership Institute is hereby denied. Consolidation is only appropriate for two or more separate suits that are pending in the same court. La. C.C.P. art. 1561. A judgment was rendered in Suit No. 600,095 on May 23, 2011. That judgment is now final, non-appealable, and is no longer pending.

MRT RHP

KUHN, **J**., concurs in granting the writ. I would reverse the district court's order signed January 10, 2014, consolidating Suit No. 627,483 with Suit No. 600,095 and remand the matter to the district court with instructions to conduct a contradictory hearing on the motion to consolidate filed by Respondent Louisiana Leadership Institute as mandated by La. C.C.P. art. 1561. Further, I would stay all proceedings in Docket No. 627,483 pending a ruling on the motion to consolidate.

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