

**STATE OF LOUISIANA**  
**COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT**

STATE OF LOUISIANA

NO. 2015 KW 0490

VERSUS

ROBERT CHOUEST

**MARCH 23, 2015**

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In Re: State of Louisiana, applying for supervisory writs,  
17th Judicial District Court, Parish of Lafourche, No.  
521702.

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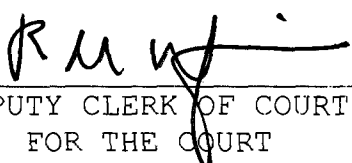
**BEFORE: McDONALD, CRAIN AND HOLDRIDGE, JJ.**

**WRIT GRANTED WITH ORDER.** The trial court's ruling granting a mistrial is reversed. On the showing made, the trial court erred as a matter of law in granting a mistrial when the record did not establish a sequestration violation. Furthermore, if such a violation occurred, the defendant has not established material prejudice. The matter is remanded for further proceedings in accordance with this ruling.

**JMM**  
**WJC**

**Holdridge, J.,** dissents and would deny the writ.

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