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NO. 2015 KW 1545

VERSUS

JERROD R. VEZINA

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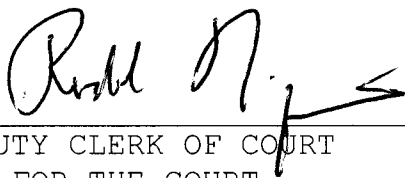
In Re: Jerrod R. Vezina, applying for supervisory writs, 22nd
Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Tammany, No.
540873.

BEFORE: McDONALD, McCLENDON AND THERIOT, JJ.

WRIT DENIED. It is well-settled that a guilty plea by its nature admits factual guilt and relieves the State of the necessity to prove it by a contested trial. See **State v. Crosby**, 338 So.2d 584, 586 (La. 1976); **State v. Bourgeois**, 406 So.2d 550, 552 (La. 1981). Furthermore, if the substantive issue an attorney failed to raise has no merit, then the claim the attorney was ineffective for failing to raise the issue also has no merit. **State ex rel. Roper v. Cain**, 99-2173 (La. App. 1st Cir. 10/26/99), 763 So.2d 1, 5 (per curiam), writ denied, 2000-0975 (La. 11/17/00), 773 So.2d 733.

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