STATE OF LOUISIANA COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT

JERRY GROVES

NO. 2017 CW 1288

VERSUS

NATIONAL TRUST INSURANCE COMPANY, ET AL

DEC 28 2017

In Re:

National Trust Insurance Company, Eric W. Martin, and Reed's Metals of Sulphur LA, Inc., applying for supervisory writs, 19th Judicial District Court, Parish of East Baton Rouge, No. 659032.

BEFORE: GUIDRY, PETTIGREW AND CRAIN, JJ.

WRIT GRANTED. The district court abused its discretion in denying Defendants', National Trust Insurance Company, Eric W. Martin, and Reed's Metals of Sulphur La, Inc., Motion for Change of Venue, Forum Non Conveniens as the convenience of the parties and witnesses, as well as the interest of justice, require this case to be heard in Calcasieu Parish. La. Code Civ. P. art. 123. See also Holland v. Lincoln Gen. Hosp., 2010-0038 (La. 10/19/10), 48 So.3d 1050. Accordingly, the ruling of the district court denying the Motion for Change of Venue, Forum Non Conveniens is reversed, vacated, and set aside. The district judge is hereby ordered, consistent with this action, to transfer the matter forthwith.

JTP WJC JMG

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