STATE OF LOUISIANA COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST CIRCUIT

STATE OF LOUISIANA IN THE INTEREST OF K.B. AND T.B.

NO. 2018 CW 0260

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In Re:

G.B. and C.B., applying for supervisory writs, 17th Judicial District Court, Parish of Lafourche, No. J- 12972 & J-13406.

BEFORE: GUIDRY, PETTIGREW AND CRAIN, JJ.

WRIT GRANTED. The juvenile court erred in denying G.B. and C.B.'s request to assert a blanket Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination at the hearing on the State's Petition to Terminate Parental Rights. See State ex rel W.M. IV and D.M., 2001-1759 (La. 6/27/01), 794 So.2d 801. Therefore, the juvenile court's January 31, 2018, ruling is reversed, and relators are hereby allowed to assert a blanket Fifth Amendment privilege and shall not be compelled to testify at the hearing on the State's Petition to Terminate Parental Rights.

JTP WJC JMG

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