

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

STATE OF LOUISIANA

NO. 2018 KW 1361

VERSUS

DENNIS JOHNSON

DEC 07 2018

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In Re: State of Louisiana, applying for supervisory writs,  
19th Judicial District Court, Parish of East Baton  
Rouge, No. 12-17-0030.

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

**WRIT GRANTED.** The district court's ruling denying the state's motion to compel a DNA sample is reversed. The routine collection of DNA, considered the "fingerprints for the twenty-first century," to identify the arrestee does not violate a reasonable expectation of privacy and requires neither probable cause nor a warrant. See **State v. Franklin**, 2011-1909 (La. 12/16/11), 76 So.3d 423, 424 (per curiam). Further, the collection of DNA from an arrestee is now a mandatory part of the booking procedure for felony offenses. See La. R.S. 15:609A(1). The state's motion is granted, and this matter is remanded to the district court for further proceedings.

**WJC**  
**JMM**

**Holdridge, J., concurs.**

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