

**19TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

11-OCT-2017

**TO: MARK A CUNNINGHAM
JONES WALKER
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NEW ORLEANS, LA 70170-5100**

JOSEPH ALLEN ETAL VS LA STATE GOVERNOR ETAL

CASE NUMBER: C655079

JUDGE: TODD HERNANDEZ

DIVISION: SECTION 27

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED OF THE FOLLOWING ACTION FOR THE

**AFOREMENTIONED CASE: THE COURT ENCLOSES A COPY OF THE RULING ON THE
MATTERS HELD AUGUST 21, 2017. (SEE DECREE)**

**WENDY RICHARDSON
JUDICIAL ASSISTANT TO JUDGE
TODD HERNANDEZ**

NOTIFIED:

JOSEPH ALLEN, STEVEN AYRES
ASHLEY HURLBURT, RORY KEVIN
GATES, JAMES HOWARD, DEMARCUS
MORROW, RODNEY WALLER, KEITH
ARCEMENT, FREDERICK BELL,
GNEARO CRUZ GOMEZ, SAM YBARRA,
MICHAEL CARTER, AND JAMES PARK *on*
Behalf of themselves and all others similarly
Situated

: NUMBER 655,079 SECTION 27

: 19TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

Versus

JOHN BEL EDWARDS, in his official capacity
As GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA, ZITA
JACKSON ANDRUS, CHRIS L. BOWMAN,
FLOZELL DANIELS, JR., THOMAS D.
DAVENPORT, JR., PATRICK J. FANNING, W.
ROSS FOOTE, KATHERINE E. GILMER,
MICHAEL C. GINART, JR., FRANK
HOLTHAUS, DONALD W. NORTH AND
MOSES JUNIOR WILLIAMS *in their official*
Capacities as members of the Louisiana Public
Defender Board; AND JAMES T. DIXON, JR.
In his capacity as THE LOUISIANA STATE
PUBLIC DEFENDER

: PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

: STATE OF LOUISIANA

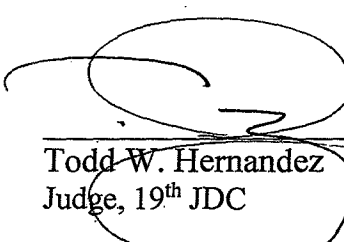
**RULING ON EXCEPTIONS OF NO RIGHT OF ACTION, NO CAUSE OF
ACTION, AND LACK OF SUBJECT MATTER JURISDICTION
FILED BY AND ON BEHALF OF ALL DEFENDANTS**

This matter came before the court for hearing on the 21st day of August, 2017 on the
above titled exceptions by the defendants, Hon. John Bel Edwards, Governor of Louisiana and
all other named defendants.

After consideration of the arguments of counsel, law and evidence, the court *denies* the
defendants' exception of No Right of Action, No Cause of Action and Lack of Subject Matter
Jurisdiction.

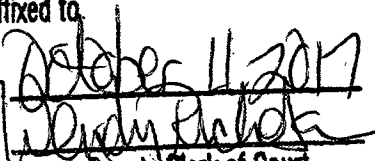
A judgment shall be submitted in accordance with Uniform District Court Rule 9.5. Each
party shall each bear their own cost of these proceedings.

Signed this 11th day of October, 2017.


Todd W. Hernandez
Judge, 19th JDC

I hereby certify that on this day a copy of the
written reasons for Judgment was mailed by me, with
sufficient postage affixed to.

Done and signed on

October 11, 2017

Wendy Kishel
Deputy Clerk of Court

FILED

OCT 11 2017

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