

SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

No. 2016-CC-1026

JOHNETTE L. MARTIN

VS.

**ST. BERNARD PARISH GOVERNMENT,
THROUGH ITS PRESIDENT CHARLES PONSTEIN,
AND LYNN DEAN, INDIVIDUALLY AND IN HIS
CAPACITY AS FORMER PARISH PRESIDENT**

**ON WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE COURT OF APPEAL,
FOURTH CIRCUIT, PARISH OF ST. BERNARD**

JOHNSON, C.J., additionally concurs.

I agree that defendant's writ application in this matter, challenging the lower courts' denial of its motion for summary judgment, was properly denied. However, I write separately to strongly encourage the district court to swiftly move this case toward a resolution.

Plaintiff's claim arises out of her termination as parish attorney in 1995 – over twenty years ago. I urge the district court to actively manage this litigation and set necessary deadlines for discovery and motions so that a trial on plaintiff's suit, pending for twenty years, can be scheduled soon.