

SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

NO. 18-CC-1974

**RICHARD LEE HILL, JR. AND
GLENN ELVIN SMITH**

V.

BECHTEL OG&C CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, INC.

**ON SUPERVISORY WRITS TO THE THIRTY-EIGHTH
JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT FOR THE PARISH OF CAMERON**

PER CURIAM

Granted. Plaintiffs' allegations regarding the validity of the arbitration agreement are intertwined with its arguments relating to the nullity of the underlying agreement. Therefore, the issue is properly presented to the arbitrator, not the court. *See Buckeye Check Cashing, Inc. v. Cardegna*, 546 U.S. 440 (2006); *Cambas Electric, Inc. v. McDonnel Group, LLC*, 16-1774 (La. 10/28/16), 208 So.3d 377. Accordingly, the judgment of the court of appeal is reversed and relators' exception of prematurity is granted.