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STATE OF LOUISIANA

COURT OF APPEAL

FIRST CIRCUIT

NO. 2006 CA 1073

VERNON C. SHIELDS

VERSUS

O. KENT ANDREWS, WARDEN, ALLEN CORRECTIONAL CENTER & RICHARD STALDER, SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY & CORRECTIONS

Judgment rendered March 28, 2007.

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Appealed from the 19th Judicial District Court in and for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana Trial Court No. 532,444 Honorable Janice Clark, Judge

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MELINDA L. LONG BATON ROUGE, LA ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANT-APPELLEE RICHARD STALDER

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BEFORE: PETTIGREW, DOWNING, AND HUGHES, JJ.

PETTIGREW, J.

In this case, petitioner, an inmate in the custody of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections ("DPSC"), sought review of Administrative Remedy Procedure No. ALN-2004-216, which had denied petitioner's appeal of the DPSC Disciplinary Board's decision to sentence him to a loss of twenty-four weeks of incentive pay and a custody change to maximum status, working cellblock, for a rule violation. Following a *de novo* review of the record herein, including the traversal by petitioner and the Commissioner's Report, the trial court maintained the decision by DPSC, dismissing petitioner's suit with prejudice. This appeal followed. After a thorough review of the record and relevant jurisprudence, we find no error of law or abuse of discretion by the trial court. Therefore, we affirm the trial court's judgment in accordance with Uniform Rules--Courts of Appeal, Rule 2-16.2A(5), (6), (7), and (8). All costs associated with this appeal are assessed against petitioner, Vernon C. Shields.

AFFIRMED.

¹ According to the record, petitioner was in possession of a letter, the contents of which, if circulated among the other inmates, could tend to threaten the safety, security, and orderly operation of the prison.