## COURT OF APPEALS OF OHIO, EIGHTH DISTRICT COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

NO. 81550

STATE OF OHIO, EX REL. :

WILLIE LEE JESTER

PETITION FOR WRIT OF

Relator

MANDAMUS

VS.

KATHLEEN ANN SUTULA, JUDGE: COURT OF COMMON PLEAS:

Respondent

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JUDGMENT : WRIT DENIED.

DATE OF JOURNALIZATION : OCTOBER 3, 2002

APPEARANCES:

For relator: WILLIE LEE JESTER

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SWEENEY, JAMES D., P.J.:

**(¶1)** Willie Lee Jester, the relator, has filed a complaint for a writ of mandamus

which requires Judge Kathleen A. Sutula, to issue findings of fact and conclusions of law

with regard to a petition for post-conviction relief that was filed in the underlying action of

State v. Jester, Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas Case No. CR-184772. Judge

Sutula has filed a motion for summary judgment which we grant for the following reasons.

**{¶2}** Attached to Judge Sutula's motion fior summary judgment is a copy of a

judgment entry, as journalized on August 22, 2002, which demonstrates that Jester's

petition for post-conviction relief was voluntarily dismissed. Accordingly, Jester's request

for findings of fact and conclusions of law is moot. State ex rel. Snider v. Stapelton (1992),

65 Ohio St.3d 40, 600 N.E.2d 240; State ex rel. Richard v. Wells (1992), 64 Ohio St.3d 76,

591 N.E.2d 1240.

**{¶3}** Accordingly, we grant Judge Sutula's motion for summary judgment. Costs

to Jester. It is further ordered that the Clerk of the Eighth District Court of Appeals,

pursuant to Civ.R. 58(B), shall serve upon all parties notice of this judgment and date of

entry.

Writ denied.

MICHAEL J. CORRIGAN, J., and

PATRICIA A. BLACKMON, J., CONCUR.

JAMES D. SWEENEY PRESIDING JUDGE