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You are hereby notified that the Court, by its Clerk and Commissioners, has entered the following order:

No. 2022XX1444

Balele v. McCallum, L.C. #2018CV741

On December 27, 2022, Pastori M. Balele filed a document that, on its cover page, is labeled both a "Petition to Bypass the Court of Appeals" and a "Writ of Mandamus." Mr. Balele filed this petition after receiving a December 6, 2022 order from the court of appeals denying him permission to initiate an appeal of Dane County Circuit Court Judge Josann M. Reynolds' May 30, 2019 order, which barred Mr. Balele from making further filings in Balele v. McCallum, et al., Dane County Circuit Court Case No. 2018CV741. See Balele v. McCallum, 2022XX1444, unpublished order (Wis. Ct. App. Dec. 6, 2022), citing Balele v. Roggensack, Case No. 2016AP2534, unpublished order (Wis. Ct. App. Nov. 2, 2017) (requiring Mr. Balele to obtain prior approval from the court of appeals for any future filings to prevent additional frivolous litigation).

In his December 27, 2022 filing in this court, Mr. Balele appears to ask this court to order Judge Reynolds to grant certain forms of relief to Mr. Balele, and to order the Dane County Clerk of Circuit Court, Carlo Esqueda, to ensure that Mr. Balele's filings are forwarded to Judge Reynolds for review.

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The relief requested by Mr. Balele appears to be more appropriately the subject of a petition for supervisory writ than a petition for bypass. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that Mr. Balele's December 27, 2022 filing shall be construed as a petition for supervisory writ against the Circuit Court for Dane County, Honorable Josann M. Reynolds, presiding, as well as the Dane County Clerk of Circuit Court, Carlo Esqueda. The clerk of this court is directed to open a new case number, with a case caption that is in accordance with this order, and to file the petition for supervisory writ in the new case. This court will issue an order deciding the petition in due course. No action will be taken on the current submission in case number 2022XX1444.

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Clerk of Supreme Court