

The Supreme Court of Ohio

CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 3, 2008

[Cite as *04/03/2008 Case Announcements*, 2008-Ohio-1621.]

MERIT DECISIONS WITH OPINIONS

2006-1529. State v. Fairbanks, Slip Opinion No. 2008-Ohio-1470.

Ross App. No. 05CA2870, 2006-Ohio-3530. Judgment reversed.

Moyer, C.J., and Lundberg Stratton, O'Connor, O'Donnell, and Cupp, JJ., concur.

Pfeifer and Lanzinger, JJ., dissent.

2007-0195. Cummins Property Servs., L.L.C. v. Franklin Cty. Bd. of Revision, Slip Opinion No. 2008-Ohio-1473.

Board of Tax Appeals, No. 2005-R-591. Decision affirmed.

Moyer, C.J., and Lundberg Stratton, O'Connor, O'Donnell, and Cupp, JJ., concur.

Pfeifer and Lanzinger, JJ., concur in judgment only.

2007-0747. State ex rel. Pilkington N. Am., Inc. v. Indus. Comm., Slip Opinion No. 2008-Ohio-1506.

Franklin App. No. 06AP-232, 2007-Ohio-1011. Judgment reversed.

Moyer, C.J., and Pfeifer, Lundberg Stratton, O'Connor, O'Donnell, Lanzinger, and Cupp, JJ., concur.

2007-1595. Disciplinary Counsel v. Tomlan, Slip Opinion No. 2008-Ohio-1471.

On Certified Report by the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline, No. 06-079. John Richard Tomlan, Attorney Registration No. 0007449, is indefinitely suspended from the practice of law in Ohio.

Moyer, C.J., and Lundberg Stratton, O'Donnell, and Cupp, JJ., concur.

Pfeifer, O'Connor, and Lanzinger, JJ., dissent and would permanently disbar the respondent.

2007-1953. Disciplinary Counsel v. Higgins, Slip Opinion No. 2008-Ohio-1509.

On Certified Report by the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline, No. 07-046. Brian Patrice Higgins, Attorney Registration No. 0075652, is indefinitely suspended from the practice of law in Ohio.

Moyer, C.J., and Lundberg Stratton, O'Connor, O'Donnell, Lanzinger, and Cupp, JJ., concur.

Pfeifer, J., dissents and would permanently disbar the respondent.

2007-1956. In re Application of Sherman, Slip Opinion No. 2008-Ohio-1472.

On Report by the Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness, No. 346. The application of Roderick Delvair Sherman for admission to the practice of law in Ohio is disapproved, but he may reapply for the February 2010 bar examination.

Moyer, C.J., and Pfeifer, Lundberg Stratton, O'Connor, O'Donnell, Lanzinger, and Cupp, JJ., concur.

2007-2298. Disciplinary Counsel v. Ita, Slip Opinion No. 2008-Ohio-1508.

On Certified Report by the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline, No. 07-070. Timothy A. Ita, Attorney Registration No. 0029549, is publicly reprimanded.

Moyer, C.J., and Pfeifer, Lundberg Stratton, O'Connor, O'Donnell, Lanzinger, and Cupp, JJ., concur.

DISCIPLINARY CASES

2006-2334. Disciplinary Counsel v. Rafidi.

On application for reinstatement of Joseph F. Rafidi, Attorney Registration No. 0073061. Application granted. Respondent is reinstated to the practice of law in Ohio.

MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS

2008-0521. In re Application of Mitchell.

This cause is pending before the court upon the filing of a report by the Board of Commissioners on Character and Fitness. On March 31, 2008, applicant, Geoffrey Christopher Mitchell, filed a motion to unseal record. Upon consideration thereof,

It is ordered by the court that the motion is granted, and the record in this matter shall be unsealed.

MEDIATION REFERRALS

The following case has been referred to mediation pursuant to S.Ct.Prac.R. XIV(6):

2008-0289. State ex rel. Barnes v. Cleveland.
In Mandamus.