

# The Supreme Court of Ohio

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## CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 7, 2021

[Cite as *10/07/2021 Case Announcements*, 2021-Ohio-3598.]

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## MERIT DECISIONS WITH OPINIONS

**2019-0487. *State v. Lawson*, Slip Opinion No. 2021-Ohio-3566.**

Lawrence C.P. No. 17-CR-333. Judgment affirmed. Sentence ordered to be carried into execution by the warden of the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility or, in his absence, by the deputy warden on Tuesday, January 6, 2026, in accordance with the statutes so provided.

Kennedy, Fischer, and DeWine, JJ., concur.

Donnelly, J., concurs, with an opinion.

O'Connor, C.J., concurs in judgment only and concurs in Justice Donnelly's concurring opinion.

Stewart, J., concurs in part and dissents in part and would reverse the death sentences.

Brunner, J., dissents, with an opinion.

**2021-0409. *State ex rel. Jones v. Hogan*, Slip Opinion No. 2021-Ohio-3567.**

Franklin App. No. 20AP-319, 2021-Ohio-526. Judgment affirmed. Appellant's application to take judicial notice pursuant to Evid.R. 201 denied.

O'Connor, C.J., and Kennedy, Fischer, DeWine, Donnelly, Stewart, and Brunner, JJ., concur.

## AFFIDAVITS OF DISQUALIFICATION

The chief justice has released the following judicial-disqualification opinions, which were previously issued as entries in response to affidavits of disqualification filed pursuant to R.C. 2701.03.

**21-AP-091. In re Disqualification of Mallory, [2021-Ohio-3572](#) (decided July 22, 2021).**

**21-AP-095. In re Disqualification of Schmidt, [2021-Ohio-3571](#) (decided Aug. 3, 2021).**

## **MOTION AND PROCEDURAL RULINGS**

**[2021-0732. Alejo v. Cleveland Mun. Court.](#)**

In Mandamus and Procedendo. Relator ordered to show cause within 14 days why this cause should not be dismissed.

**[2021-0995. State ex rel. Davis v. Sheldon.](#)**

Allen App. No. 1-21-07. On appellant's motion for mediation. Motion denied.

## **DISCIPLINARY CASES**

**[2020-0227. Disciplinary Counsel v. Falconer.](#)**

On application for reinstatement by respondent, Christine Lynn Falconer, Attorney Registration No. 0069256, last known business address in Carrollton, Ohio. Application granted. Christine Lynn Falconer reinstated to the practice of law in Ohio.

## **MEDIATION MATTERS**

The court refers the following cases to mediation under S.Ct.Prac.R. 19.01 and stays all filing deadlines for each case until further order of this court. The court will not issue any decision on the merits in these cases until mediation has concluded.

**[2021-1187. State ex rel. Huth v. Animal Welfare League of Trumbull Cty., Inc.](#)**

In Mandamus.

**[2021-1217. PCM, Inc. v. McClain.](#)**

Board of Tax Appeals, No. 2020-477.