

# The Supreme Court of Ohio

---

## CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 6, 2022

[Cite as *04/06/2022 Case Announcements*, 2022-Ohio-1152.]

---

## MERIT DECISIONS WITH OPINIONS

**2020-1131. M.R. v. Niesen, Slip Opinion No. 2022-Ohio-1130.**

Hamilton App. No. C-200302, **2020-Ohio-4368**. Cause dismissed.

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

## MOTION AND PROCEDURAL RULINGS

**2021-0719. Navistar, Inc. v. Dutchmaid Logistics, Inc.**

Licking App. No. 2020 CA 00003, **2021-Ohio-1425**. On motion for admission pro hac vice of Lawrence R. Lassiter. Motion granted. Lawrence Lassiter shall not participate in oral argument scheduled for April 13, 2022, because his motion for admission pro hac vice was not filed at least 30 days prior to oral argument as required by S.Ct.Prac.R. 2.02(B)(4). Pursuant to Gov.Bar R. XII(4), counsel shall file a notice of permission to appear pro hac vice with the Supreme Court's Office of Attorney Services within 30 days.

**2021-0934. In re D.R.**

Hamilton App. No. C-190594, **2021-Ohio-1797**. On motion of amicus curiae Ohio Attorney General for divided oral-argument time. Motion granted. Amicus curiae Ohio Attorney General shall share time allotted to appellant.

**2021-0948. State v. Stansell.**

Cuyahoga App. No. 109023, **2021-Ohio-2036**. On motion of amicus curiae Ohio Attorney General for divided oral-argument time. Motion granted. Amicus curiae Ohio Attorney General shall share time allotted to appellee.

**2021-1518. Disciplinary Counsel v. Carr.**

On respondent's motion to continue oral argument. Motion denied.

**2022-0052. Buckeye Inst. v. Kilgore.**

Franklin App. No. 21AP-193, **2021-Ohio-4196**. On motion for admission pro hac vice of Joseph Henchman. Motion granted. Pursuant to Gov.Bar R. XII(4), counsel shall file a notice of permission to appear pro hac vice with the Supreme Court's Office of Attorney Services within 30 days.

**2022-0141. Clay v. McCarty.**

In Habeas Corpus. On respondent Steve Mylett's motion to dismiss. Motion denied as moot. Petitioner's motion to strike motion to dismiss denied as moot.

**2022-0303. League of Women Voters of Ohio v. LaRose.**

On complaint invoking this court's original jurisdiction pursuant to Article XIX, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution. On motion for admission pro hac vice of Julie A. Ebenstein. Motion granted. Pursuant to Gov.Bar R. XII(4), counsel shall file a notice of permission to appear pro hac vice with the Supreme Court's Office of Attorney Services within 30 days.

**MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS**

**In re Homrighausen, Dover Mayor.**

On March 14, 2022, the state of Ohio presented a request that the chief justice establish a special commission of three retired judges pursuant to R.C. 3.16(C). Pursuant to R.C. 3.16, the special commission shall be established by the chief justice, not sooner than 14 days after receipt of the request, to consider the suspension from public office of Richard Homrighausen, mayor of the city of Dover, in relation to felony charges pertaining to official conduct in office.

Accordingly, the following three retired judges are hereby appointed and directed to proceed as provided by R.C. 3.16:

Judge John G. Haas

Judge R. Alan Corbin

Judge Reeve W. Kelsey

Pursuant to R.C. 3.16(C)(1), at least one member of the special commission is of the same party as the public official and all members of the special commission shall receive compensation for their services and reimbursement for expenses incurred in connection with special-commission functions, from funds appropriated by the attorney general's office.

It is further ordered that Bryan Smeenck, deputy chief legal counsel in the Office of the Chief Legal Counsel at the Supreme Court of Ohio, shall serve as secretary to the special commission, with authority to contact the parties, schedule hearings, and sign orders on behalf of and at the direction of the special commission.

All documents in this matter shall be filed with the secretary to the special commission either by mail or in another manner directed by the secretary. The original and five copies of all documents shall be filed. All documents filed with the special commission shall also be served on all other parties to this matter on the day of filing with the secretary.

Pursuant to R.C. 3.16(C)(2), all meetings of the special commission shall be closed to the public and the records shall not be made available to the public for inspection or copying until the special commission issues its written report or otherwise concludes its proceedings.