

The Supreme Court of Ohio

CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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MERIT DECISIONS WITHOUT OPINIONS

2025-1425. State v. Skanes.

Cuyahoga App. No. 114528, [2025-Ohio-4662](#). On memorandum in support of jurisdiction. Appellant’s motion to strike notice of appeal and memorandum in support of jurisdiction granted. Cause dismissed.

DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, J., concur in part and dissent in part and would deny the motion.

2025-1441. Banks v. State.

In Habeas Corpus. On “amended” petition. Petitioner’s motion to notify the court of filing date and request for ruling due to respondent’s failure to file return of writ denied as moot. Sua sponte, amended petition dismissed as moot.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1544. In re Perkins v. CATS Assessment & Treatment Facility.

In Habeas Corpus. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1554. State ex rel. Alford v. Shoop.

In Habeas Corpus. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1556. Taylor v. Camera Sec. Dept.

In Habeas Corpus. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1557. Taylor v. Davis.

In Habeas Corpus. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1558. State v. Taylor.

In Habeas Corpus. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1559. Russell v. Davis.

In Habeas Corpus. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

Brunner, J., dissents and would order a return of writ.

2025-1589. Blust v. Hamilton Cty. Court of Common Pleas, Probate Div.

In Habeas Corpus. On petitioner's petition for the termination/modification of guardianship and other protective arrangement. Petition denied. Petitioner's motion/petition to terminate guardianship denied. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1604. Taylor v. Warden.

In Habeas Corpus. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1613. In re Adams v. Warden, Lorain Corr. Inst.

In Habeas Corpus. On petitioners' request for immediate review. Request denied. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1615. Bergsma v. Tri-Cty. Regional Jail.

In Habeas Corpus. On petitioner’s “motion to seal from public record / provide copies” and motion for discovery of information and pertinent files. Motions denied. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

2025-1617. Rezos v. Mohr.

In Habeas Corpus. Sua sponte, cause dismissed.

Kennedy, C.J., and Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.

MOTION AND PROCEDURAL RULINGS

2025-1519. State v. Bias.

Franklin App. No. 24AP-479, [2025-Ohio-2653](#). On motion for leave to file delayed appeal. Motion denied.

2025-1566. State v. Roman-Navarre.

Stark App. No. 2024CA00185, [2025-Ohio-3156](#). On motion for leave to file delayed appeal. Motion denied.

Brunner, J., dissents.

2025-1568. State v. Jones.

Cuyahoga App. No. 115374. On motion for leave to file delayed appeal. Motion denied.

Fischer, J., dissents.

2025-1677. State ex rel. Rockhold v. Fairfield Cty. Mun. Court.

In Mandamus and Prohibition. On relator’s request for immediate stay. Request denied.

Fischer, J., dissents.

APPEALS ACCEPTED FOR REVIEW

2025-1239. State v. Cuyler.

Cuyahoga App. No. 113967, [2025-Ohio-4461](#). Sua sponte, cause held for the decision in [2024-1464](#), *State v. Fontanez*.

Fischer and DeWine, JJ., dissent.

2025-1430. State v. Jackson.

Lake App. No. 2024-L-037, [2025-Ohio-2634](#).

Fischer, Brunner, and Deters, JJ., dissent.

APPEALS NOT ACCEPTED FOR REVIEW

2025-1144. State v. Smith.

Montgomery App. No. 30201, [2025-Ohio-2086](#).

2025-1180. State v. Pitts.

Lucas App. No. L-24-1050, [2025-Ohio-2030](#).

2025-1185. State v. Bowman.

Darke App. No. 2025-CA-9, [2025-Ohio-2893](#).

2025-1260. Deutsche Bank Natl. Trust Co. v. Pinkston.

Richland App. No. 2025CA0030, [2025-Ohio-3178](#).

2025-1307. Arthur v. Weir.

Coshocton App. No. 24CA0022, [2025-Ohio-2966](#).

2025-1367. Smith v. Norfolk S. Ry. Co.

Erie App. No. E-24-049, [2025-Ohio-3122](#).

Kennedy, C.J., dissents.

2025-1395. State v. Hall.

Portage App. No. 2024-P-0073, [2025-Ohio-1708](#).

2025-1415. Cambridge Health Leasing, L.L.C. v. Embassy Cambridge, L.L.C.

Cuyahoga App. No. 114523, [2025-Ohio-3278](#). Appeal and cross-appeal not accepted.

Fischer, J., dissents.

2025-1421. State v. Davis.

Delaware App. No. 25 CAA 02 0013, [2025-Ohio-4384](#).

2025-1437. State v. Edmonson.

Clermont App. Nos. CA2025-01-006 and CA2025-01-007, [2025-Ohio-4314](#).

2025-1438. State v. Ruediger.

Cuyahoga App. No. 112830, [2025-Ohio-4370](#).

2025-1440. Haynes v. Ally Fin., Inc.

Summit App. No. 31321, [2025-Ohio-4356](#).

2025-1443. Tatarunas v. Progressive Cas. Ins. Co.

Cuyahoga App. No. 114440, [2025-Ohio-4372](#).

2025-1444. In re D.B. v. Abel.

Vinton App. No. 23CA708, [2025-Ohio-4433](#).

2025-1452. Marinakis v. Marinakis.

Butler App. No. CA2024-05-070, [2025-Ohio-2555](#).

Fischer and Brunner, JJ., dissent.

2025-1453. State v. Fisher.

Allen App. No. 1-24-74, [2025-Ohio-4412](#).

2025-1455. State v. Harris.

Cuyahoga App. No. 114710, [2025-Ohio-4374](#).

Fischer, J., dissents and would accept the appeal on proposition of law No. II.

2025-1456. State ex rel. Yost v. E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.

Washington App. No. 24CA1, [2025-Ohio-4521](#).

Fischer, J., dissents.

Deters, J., not participating.

2025-1457. State v. Belmon.

Lucas App. No. L-23-1296, [2025-Ohio-4400](#).

DeWine, J., dissents.

2025-1459. State v. Miller.

Lawrence App. No. 24CA12, [2025-Ohio-4519](#).

2025-1465. State v. Snyder.

Hamilton App. Nos. C-230666 and C-230680, [2025-Ohio-4444](#).

Fischer, J., dissents and would accept the appeal on proposition of law No. II.

Deters, J., not participating.

2025-1466. Baber v. Mikolayczyk.

Sandusky App. No. S-24-022, [2025-Ohio-2910](#).

2025-1467. Nationstar Mtge., L.L.C. v. Krehnbrink.

Hamilton App. No. C-240511, [2025-Ohio-4445](#).

Deters, J., not participating.

2025-1468. State v. Lee.

Tuscarawas App. No. 2025 AP 06 0018, [2025-Ohio-4666](#).

2025-1469. In re A.M.

Franklin App. No. 23AP-540, [2025-Ohio-4435](#). Appeal and cross-appeal not accepted. Appellees/cross-appellants' motion for stay denied.

2025-1470. Garfield Hts. v. Lewis.

Cuyahoga App. No. 115455. Appellant's motion for appointment of counsel denied.

DeWine, J., would deny the motion as moot.

2025-1473. Lakewood v. Smith.

Cuyahoga App. No. 114186, [2025-Ohio-2447](#).

2025-1475. State v. Ellis.

Cuyahoga App. No. 114788, [2025-Ohio-4675](#).

2025-1476. State v. Hodge.

Franklin App. Nos. 23AP-463 and 23AP-464, [2025-Ohio-4434](#).

Fischer, J., dissents and would accept the appeal on proposition of law Nos. I and III.

Brunner, J., dissents and would accept the appeal on proposition of law Nos. I and II.

2025-1479. State v. Palmer.

Ashland App. No. 24-COA-039, [2025-Ohio-4612](#).

2025-1481. State v. Beasley.

Cuyahoga App. No. 114589, [2025-Ohio-4463](#).

2025-1482. State v. Stephens.

Licking App. No. 2025 CA 00044, [2025-Ohio-4486](#).

2025-1483. State v. Gordon.

Franklin App. No. 24AP-736, [2025-Ohio-2994](#).

2025-1486. Kittel v. Hunt.

Lucas App. No. L-24-1294, [2025-Ohio-4570](#).

2025-1487. State v. Soto.

Putnam App. No. 12-24-06, [2025-Ohio-4517](#).

2025-1488. State v. Hagens.

Warren App. No. CA2024-07-045, [2025-Ohio-4989](#).

2025-1489. Fenner v. Durrani.

Hamilton App. Nos. C-240098 and C-240499, [2025-Ohio-4477](#). Appellees' motion to dismiss fraud claim only denied.

Epley and Shanahan, JJ., would grant the motion.

Hawkins, J., dissents.

Christopher B. Epley, J., of the Second District Court of Appeals, sitting for Fischer, J.

Mark C. Miller, J., of the Third District Court of Appeals, sitting for Deters, J.

2025-1490. State v. Knight.

Sandusky App. No. S-24-001, [2025-Ohio-4498](#).

Brunner, J., dissents and would accept the appeal on proposition of law No. I.

2025-1491. In re D.B.

Summit App. No. 31282.

Fischer, J., dissents.

2025-1492. Kehoe v. Cleveland Hts.

Cuyahoga App. No. 115256.

2025-1493. Cleveland v. State Emp. Relations Bd.

Cuyahoga App. No. 114616, [2025-Ohio-4464](#).

2025-1508. Mikhelson v. Dir., Dept. of Job & Family Servs.

Cuyahoga App. No. 114458, [2025-Ohio-2524](#).

2025-1523. State v. Gilbert.

Lorain App. No. 23CA012031, [2025-Ohio-4623](#).

2025-1528. Wicks v. Lover's Lane Mkt.

Summit App. No. 31236, [2025-Ohio-2215](#).

Fischer, J., dissents.

2025-1541. Dervin & Assocs., Inc. v. Amer Cunningham Co., L.P.A.

Stark App. No. 2025CA00004, [2025-Ohio-4761](#).

Fischer, J., dissents.

RECONSIDERATION OF PRIOR DECISIONS

2024-1409. Disciplinary Counsel v. Grendell.

Board of Professional Conduct, No. 2022-045. Reported at [2025-Ohio-5239](#). On motion for reconsideration. Motion denied.

Carly M. Edelstein, J., of the Tenth District Court of Appeals, sitting for Brunner, J.

2024-1687. Cincinnati ex rel. Miller v. Cincinnati.

Hamilton App. No. C-230683, [2024-Ohio-4805](#). Reported at [2025-Ohio-5242](#). On motion for reconsideration. Motion denied.

Kennedy, C.J., and Hawkins, J., dissent.

DeWine, J., dissents and would vacate the court of appeals' judgment and remand the cause to the Hamilton County Court of Common Pleas for dismissal.

2025-1007. State v. Lucas.

Scioto App. No. 23CA4018, [2025-Ohio-1918](#). Reported at [2025-Ohio-5025](#). On motion for reconsideration. Motion denied.

Brunner, J., dissents.

2025-1073. State ex rel. Haddix v. Hoffman.

In Prohibition. Reported at [2025-Ohio-5079](#). On motion for reconsideration. Motion denied.

2025-1161. State v. Andrews.

Scioto App. No. 24CA4076, [2025-Ohio-2803](#). Reported at [2025-Ohio-5220](#). On appellant's "motion for leave to file a reconsideration and to invoke the jurisdiction of the Honorable Court to correct a manifest injustice." Motion denied. Appellant's motion for leave to file a motion to stay sentencing pending disposition of jurisdiction in the federal courts denied.

2025-1167. Cuyahoga Cty. Treas. v. Caldwell.

Cuyahoga App. No. 115305. Reported at [2025-Ohio-5220](#). On motion for reconsideration. Motion denied.

2025-1280. Stewart v. Disciplinary Counsel.

Franklin App. No. 25AP-88, [2025-Ohio-3082](#). Reported at [2025-Ohio-5220](#). On motion for reconsideration. Motion denied.

2025-1445. Shepov v. Cuyahoga Cty. Court of Common Pleas.

In Prohibition. Reported at [2025-Ohio-5121](#). On amended motion for reconsideration. Motion denied.