

The Supreme Court of Ohio

CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 20, 2026

[Cite as *01/20/2026 Case Announcements #2, 2026-Ohio-155.*]

SLIP OPINIONS REPLACED BY *OHIO OFFICIAL REPORTS* VERSIONS AS OF JANUARY 19, 2026

The official versions of the opinions listed below, which were previously released as slip opinions, were published in the January 19, 2026 *Ohio Official Reports* advance sheet. The *Official Reports* volume and initial page numbers are provided after the citation for reference.

[2024-0757](#) and [2024-0999](#). Gault v. Medina Cty. Court of Common Pleas, [2025-Ohio-4699](#). (180 Ohio St.3d 272)

[2024-1745](#). State ex rel. Conomy v. Fuller, [2025-Ohio-4411](#). (180 Ohio St.3d 267)

[2025-0320](#). State ex rel. Norris v. Adult Parole Auth., [2025-Ohio-5011](#). (180 Ohio St.3d 277)

[2025-0392](#). In re Lewis, [2025-Ohio-5154](#). (180 Ohio St.3d 1206)

[2025-1303](#). In re Retirement of Huber, [2025-Ohio-5007](#). (180 Ohio St.3d 1204)

[2025-1360](#). In re Retirement of Hart, [2025-Ohio-5008](#). (180 Ohio St.3d 1205)

[2025-1543](#). In re Six, [2025-Ohio-5355](#). (180 Ohio St.3d 1206)

MERIT DECISIONS WITH OPINIONS

2024-1585. State ex rel. Henderson v. Washington Court House, Slip Opinion No. 2026-Ohio-110.

In Mandamus. Writ denied as moot and relator awarded \$1,000 in statutory damages.

Fischer, DeWine, Brunner, Deters, Hawkins, and Shanahan, JJ., concur.
Kennedy, C.J., concurs in part and dissents in part, with an opinion.

2024-1586. State ex rel. Luikhart v. Washington Court House, Slip Opinion No. 2026-Ohio-111.

In Mandamus. Writ denied as moot and relator awarded \$1,000 in statutory damages.

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

Kennedy, C.J., concurs in part and dissents in part and would award relator \$45,000 in statutory damages for the reasons set forth in her separate opinion in *State ex rel. Henderson v. Washington Court House*, [2026-Ohio-110](#).

2025-1003. Disciplinary Counsel v. Wallace, Slip Opinion No. 2026-Ohio-112.

On Certified Report by the Board of Professional Conduct, No. 2024-023. Bruce Sanford Wallace, Attorney Registration No. 0010876, last known business address in Mount Orab, Ohio, suspended from the practice of law for one year with six months conditionally stayed.

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

Fischer, J., dissents.

Brunner, J., not participating.

MOTION AND PROCEDURAL RULINGS

2026-0064. State v. Copeland.

Franklin App. No. 24AP-331, [2025-Ohio-2204](#). Appellant's memorandum in support of jurisdiction fails to comply with Rule 7.02(B)(1) (a memorandum "shall not exceed fifteen numbered pages, exclusive of the table of contents, the signature block, and the certificate of service"). Sua sponte, pages 16 through 22 of the memorandum in support of jurisdiction, exclusive of the signature block and certificate of service, stricken.