

The Supreme Court of Ohio

CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 30, 2026

[Cite as *09/30/2026 Case Announcements*, 2026-Ohio-3838.]

MERIT DECISIONS WITH OPINIONS

2025-0367. State ex rel. Harris v. Put-in-Bay Police Dept., Slip Opinion No. 2026-Ohio-3804.

In Mandamus. Writ and relator's requests for statutory damages and court costs denied.

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

Kennedy, C.J., concurs in part and dissents in part, with an opinion.

Brunner, J., concurs in part and dissents in part and would award relator \$1,000 in statutory damages as to the March 2024 public-records request.

2025-1148. State ex rel. Utz v. Cincinnati, Slip Opinion No. 2026-Ohio-3805.

In Mandamus. Writ denied as moot. Relator's requests for statutory damages, attorney fees, and court costs denied.

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

Kennedy, C.J., concurs in part and dissents in part and would consider relator's requests for statutory damages and court costs under this court's precedent in *State ex rel. Cordell v. Paden*, **2019-Ohio-1216**.

MOTION AND PROCEDURAL RULINGS

In re Wiltz.

On August 5, 2025, this court found Cassandra Wiltz to be a vexatious litigator under Rule 4.03 in **2025-0713**, *Wiltz v. Miller*. On Wiltz's "application/motion for order granting estate executor leave to appeal the 8/11/26 order of the Fifth District Court of Appeals and for an order indicating that if this application/motion is

granted Cassandra Wiltz will be allowed a time period of 20 days from the date of the order granting leave to appeal to file a jurisdictional statement.” Application/motion denied.

2026-0744. Ezech v. Dept. of Rehab. & Corr.

In Procedendo, Prohibition, and Habeas Corpus. On relator’s motion for leave to file amended complaint. Motion denied as moot.

2026-0845. State v. Clinton.

Franklin App. No. 25AP-909, [2026-Ohio-1830](#). On appellant’s motion for leave to file revised memorandum in support of jurisdiction and motion for leave to strike appellant’s memorandum in support of jurisdiction filed July 2, 2026. Motions denied as moot.

2026-1152. State v. Hargrove.

Mahoning App. No. 25 MA 0097, [2026-Ohio-2728](#). Stanley T. Booker has not timely filed a motion for pro hac vice admission in accordance with Rules 2.01(A)(1)(a) and 2.02(B)(3). Pursuant to Rule 2.01(C), Booker’s name stricken from the notice of appeal and memorandum in support of jurisdiction.

DISCIPLINARY CASES

2026-1315. In re Chatterjee.

On certified entry of felony conviction. Trisha Lila Chatterjee, Attorney Registration No. 0103358, last known business address in Springdale, Ohio, suspended from the practice of law for an interim period.