

The Supreme Court of Ohio

CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 20, 2026

[Cite as *10/20/2026 Case Announcements*, 2026-Ohio-4113.]

MERIT DECISIONS WITH OPINIONS

2024-1689. *State ex rel. Hambel v. Franklin Cty. Prosecutor's Office*, Slip Opinion No. **2026-Ohio-4074**.

In Mandamus. On motion of Jennifer Hudson for joinder. Motion denied. Writ and 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, with an opinion.

2025-1497. *State ex rel. Bristolville 25 Developer, L.L.C. v. Lordstown*, Slip Opinion No. **2026-Ohio-4073**.

In Mandamus. On relators' motion for leave to file rebuttal evidence. Motion denied. Relators' motion for judicial notice granted. Writ denied.

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

2025-1511. *State ex rel. Ames v. W. Geauga Local School Dist. Bd. of Edn.*, Slip Opinion No. **2026-Ohio-4076**.

Geauga App. No. 2025-G-0016, **2025-Ohio-5179**. On appellant's motion to strike appellee's motion for sanctions and a vexatious-litigator declaration. Motion to strike denied as moot. All other pending motions of appellant and appellee denied. Judgment affirmed.

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

Kennedy, C.J., concurs except as to Parts II(B) and (C)(14), dissents in part, and would reach the merits of the petition for the reasons set forth in her dissenting opinion in *State ex rel. Jordan v. Dept. of Rehab. & Corr.*, **2025-Ohio-3051**.

MOTION AND PROCEDURAL RULINGS

2025-1097. State ex rel. Ames v. Andover Village Council.

In Mandamus. Pursuant to Rule 4.03(A), Brian M. Ames and Matthew J. Markling prohibited from filing any additional motions in this case without seeking leave. The clerk of court shall refuse to file any motion submitted by Ames or Markling unless it is a motion for leave.

2025-1366, 2025-1424, and 2025-1474. State ex rel. Ames v. Stow-Munroe Falls City School Dist. Bd. of Edn.

In Mandamus. Pursuant to Rule 4.03(A), Brian M. Ames and Matthew J. Markling prohibited from filing any additional motions in this case without seeking leave. The clerk of court shall refuse to file any motion submitted by Ames or Markling unless it is a motion for leave.

2026-0211. State ex rel. Ames v. W. Geauga Local School Dist. Bd. of Edn.

Geauga App. No. 2025-G-0016. Pursuant to Rule 4.03(A), Brian M. Ames and Matthew J. Markling prohibited from filing any additional motions in this case without seeking leave. The clerk of court shall refuse to file any motion submitted by Ames or Markling unless it is a motion for leave.

2026-0756. State ex rel. Ames v. W. Geauga Local School Dist. Bd. of Edn.

Geauga App. No. 2025-G-0029, **2026-Ohio-2248**. Pursuant to Rule 4.03(A), Brian M. Ames and Matthew J. Markling prohibited from filing any additional motions in this case without seeking leave of this court. The clerk of court shall refuse to file any motion submitted by Ames or Markling unless it is a motion for leave.