

The Supreme Court of Ohio

CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 28, 2026

[Cite as *10/28/2026 Case Announcements*, 2026-Ohio-4210.]

MERIT DECISIONS WITH OPINIONS

2025-1374 and 2025-1563. A.A. v. S.P., Slip Opinion No. 2026-Ohio-4205.

Franklin App. No. 24AP-639, [2025-Ohio-3081](#). Judgment affirmed as modified.

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

Brunner, J., concurs, with an opinion joined by Kennedy, C.J.

Fischer, J., concurs in part and dissents in part, with an opinion.

MERIT DECISIONS WITHOUT OPINIONS

2026-0804. State ex rel. Ford v. Groves.

In Mandamus. On respondents' motion to dismiss. Motion granted. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-0808. Brock v. Hamilton Cty. Children's Servs.

In Mandamus, Prohibition, and Quo Warranto. On motion to dismiss of respondents Hamilton County Job and Family Services, Hamilton County Juvenile Court, Scheherazade Washington, Lori Hartman, and Allison Beresford. Motion granted. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-0977. Goodykoontz v. Moore.

In Prohibition. On respondent's motion to dismiss. Motion granted. Relator's motion for sanctions and motion for oral arguments denied. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-0979. State ex rel. Brown v. Adult Parole Auth.

In Mandamus. On respondent's motion to dismiss. Motion granted. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-1015. State ex rel. Johnson v. Stupica.

In Mandamus. On respondent's motion to dismiss. Motion granted. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-1066. State ex rel. Kelly v. Bd. of Professional Conduct.

In Mandamus. On respondent's motion to dismiss. Motion granted. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-1073. State ex rel. Holloman v. Delaware Cty. Court of Common Pleas.

In Mandamus and Prohibition. On respondent Delaware County Court of Common Pleas Judge James P. Schuck's motion for judgment on the pleadings. Motion granted. Relator's motion for substitution of parties and motion for default judgment denied. Sua sponte, cause dismissed as to respondent Delaware County Court of Common Pleas. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-1076. State ex rel. Jabbar v. Brown.

In Mandamus and Prohibition. On respondent's motion to dismiss. Motion granted. Relator's motion for leave to file amended complaint to correct caption denied as moot. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-1092. State ex rel. Oteng v. Judges of the Tenth Dist. Court of Appeals.

In Procedendo. On respondents' motion to dismiss. Motion granted. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-1104. Allen v. Rastatter.

In Prohibition. On respondent's motion to dismiss. Motion granted. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-1105. State ex rel. Givens v. Berhalter.

In Prohibition and Mandamus. On relator's request for oral argument. Request denied. Relator's emergency motion for immediate consideration and temporary relief denied. Respondent's motion to dismiss granted. Respondent's requests to declare action frivolous, for sanctions against relator, and to declare relator a vexatious litigator denied. Cause dismissed.

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

Fischer, J., concurs in part and dissents in part and would grant respondent's requests to declare action frivolous, for sanctions against relator, and to declare relator a vexatious litigator.

DeWine, J., concurs in part and dissents in part and would grant respondent's request to declare relator a vexatious litigator.

2026-1119. State ex rel. Cook v. Plank.

In Mandamus. On respondent's motion to dismiss. Motion granted. Cause dismissed.

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

2026-1220. State ex rel. Jones v. Pittman.

In Mandamus. On relator's motion for stay of July 27, 2026 judgment entry. Motion denied. Relator's motion to strike and disqualify Portage County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Timothy Bogner denied. Relator's motion to issue administrative and financial sanctions denied. Respondent's motion to dismiss or, in the alternative, for judgment on the pleadings denied. Sua sponte, cause dismissed pursuant to S.Ct.Prac.R. 12.04 for lack of standing.

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

Kennedy, C.J., dissents and would order supplemental briefing on whether relator has standing under Article I, Section 10(D) of the Ohio Constitution and whether the omission of a duty is equivalent to the commission of a crime.

Brunner, J., dissents and would deny the writ on the merits.

MOTION AND PROCEDURAL RULINGS

2023-1414. State ex rel. Culgan v. Jefferson Cty. Prosecutor.

In Mandamus. On relator's motion for relief from judgment. Motion denied.

2024-1276. State v. D.T.

Cuyahoga App. No. 112955, [2024-Ohio-4482](#). On appellee's motion to vacate stay of execution of the Eighth District's decision and move appellee to the Cuyahoga County Juvenile Detention Center. Motion denied.

2026-1093. State v. Waver.

Hamilton App. Nos. C-250636 and C-250637. On review of order certifying a conflict. The court determines that a conflict exists. Sua sponte, cause held for the decisions in [2025-1621](#), *State v. Stonewall*, and [2026-0028](#), *State v. Reed*, and cause consolidated with case No. [2026-1091](#).

Fischer, J., would not hold the cause.

Brunner, J., would hold the cause for the decision in [2024-1050](#), *State v. Striblin*.

Deters, J., not participating.

2026-1311. Robertson v. Eatmon.

Richland App. No. 26CA37. On appellant's motion to stay lower-court enforcement pending appeal and request for expedited consideration. Motion and request denied.

APPEALS ACCEPTED FOR REVIEW

2026-1091. State v. Waver.

Hamilton App. Nos. C-250636 and C-250637. Sua sponte, cause held for the decisions in [2025-1621](#), *State v. Stonewall*, and [2026-0028](#), *State v. Reed*, and cause consolidated with case No. [2026-1093](#).

Fischer, J., would not hold the cause.

Brunner, J., would hold the cause for the decision in [2024-1050](#), *State v. Striblin*.

Deters, J., not participating.