AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF PRACTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

The following amendments to the Rules of Practice of the Supreme Court of Ohio (Rules 5.09 and 22.01 through 22.03) were adopted by the Supreme Court of Ohio. The history of these amendments is as follows:

| March 13, 2025 | Final adoption by conference |
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Key to Adopted Amendments:

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- 2. Language that has been deleted appears in strikethrough. Example: text
- 3. New language that has been added appears in underline. Example: <u>text</u>

RULES OF PRACTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF OHIO

Rule 5.09 Victim's Rights Cases.

(A) **Definitions**

As used in these rules, a "victim's rights case" is a case for an extraordinary writ or an appeal from a court of appeals' decision in an interlocutory appeal concerning the rights of victims of crime proceedings pursuant to Article I, Section 10a of the Ohio Constitution and R.C. 2930.19(A)(2)(c) or (d).

(B) Procedure

A victim's rights case shall be filed as provided for in Rule 22.01 and shall proceed in accordance with Rules 22.02 and 22.03.

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SECTION 22. VICTIM'S RIGHTS CASES.

Rule 22.01. Institution of a Victim's Rights Case.

(A) **Procedure**

In a petition for an extraordinary writ or an appeal from a court of appeals' decision in an interlocutory appeal in a victim's rights case, the following shall apply:

(1) The relator or appellant shall designate on the cover page of the filing that the matter is a victim's rights case.

(2) Upon the filing of the petition or appeal, the Clerk of the Supreme Court shall immediately notify the clerk of the trial court for transmission of those portions of the transcript necessary for the consideration of the issues to be reviewed by the Supreme Court. The clerk of the trial court shall transmit the record within five business days of the filing of the appeal or petition.

(3) The Supreme Court will issue a scheduling order consistent with these rules.

(B) Service

All documents filed under this rule shall be served by personal service or e-mail on the date of the documents' submission for filing.

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Rule 22.02 Expedited Scheduling Orders for Petition for an Extraordinary Writ.

(A) Petition and answer

(1) <u>A relator seeking an extraordinary writ while the underlying case is still pending in</u> the trial court shall file a petition no later than fourteen days after notice to the relator of the decision that is the subject of the petition.

(2) <u>A respondent shall file an answer no later than five days after the filing of the relator's petition.</u>

(B) Briefs

The parties shall have five days from the filing of the answer by respondent to submit simultaneous briefs.

(C) Entry of judgment

The Supreme Court shall enter judgment within forty-five days after the petition for an extraordinary writ is filed unless the parties have stipulated to a different period in accordance with division (D) of this rule.

(D) Extension of time

Upon approval of the Supreme Court, the parties may stipulate to extensions of time to the deadlines under divisions (A) through (C) of this rule.

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<u>Rule 22.03</u> <u>Expedited Scheduling Orders for Appeals from a Court of Appeals'</u> <u>Interlocutory Decision.</u>

(A) Jurisdictional memoranda and Court determination

An appellant seeking review of a court of appeals' decision in an interlocutory appeal shall file their notice of appeal and memorandum in support of jurisdiction within fourteen days of the judgment being appealed. The appellee shall file a memorandum in response no later than five days after the filing of the memorandum in support of jurisdiction.

(B) Briefs

If the Supreme Court accepts the appeal of the appellate court's interlocutory decision, the appellant shall have five days from the issuance of the order to file a brief. Appellee shall have five days to file a brief in response.

(C) Oral arguments

After a case is briefed in accordance with division (B) of this rule, the Supreme Court may order oral arguments to be scheduled.

(D) Entry of judgment

The Supreme Court shall enter judgment within sixty days after an appeal from appellate court's interlocutory decision is filed unless the parties have stipulated to a different period in accordance with division (E) of this rule.

(E) Extension of time

Upon approval of the Supreme Court, the parties may stipulate to extensions of time to the deadlines under divisions (A) through (D) of this rule.

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