



## DECISIONS, NOTICES AND ORDERS

**Tuesday, February 11, 2025**

The Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia has taken action in the following cases. This list contains only the action taken by the Court, not the content or actual date of orders or decisions.

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### MEMORANDUM DECISIONS

In accordance with Rule 21, memorandum decisions were entered in the following cases:

State of West Virginia v. Willie Edward Belmonte, Jr., - No. 23-65 (Jefferson CC-19-2022-F-11)  
Affirmed (5-0)

State of West Virginia v. Kory S., - No. 23-119 (Morgan CC-33-2022-F-11)  
Affirmed (4-0) (Justice Trump IV disqualified.)

State of West Virginia v. Michael Terry Cline, - No. 23-137 (Wyoming CC-55-2022-F-30)  
Affirmed (4-1) (Chief Justice Wooton dissenting.)

Devin Sue Howell v. J.D. Sallaz, Superintendent, Lakin Correctional Center, - No. 23-372  
(Ohio CC-35-2022-C-159)  
Affirmed (5-0)

Richard F. v. Jonathan Frame, Superintendent, Mt. Olive Correctional Complex, -  
No. 23-207 (Marion CC-24-2020-C-73)  
Affirmed (4-1) (Justice Trump IV dissenting.)

### RULE 19 ARGUMENT GRANTED

The following cases will be scheduled for Rule 19 oral argument:

State of West Virginia v. William Edward Belmonte, Jr., - No. 23-588  
(Jefferson CC-19-2022-F-11)

State of West Virginia v. Jame Carroll DePriest, - No. 23-344 (Summers CC-45-2021-F-11)

State of West Virginia v. Deliezha Davonte Gravely, - No. 23-189  
(Mercer CC-28-2022-F-169, 186)

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State of West Virginia ex rel. West Virginia Department of Human Services v. The Honorable Bridget Cohee, Judge of the Circuit Court of Berkeley County, et al., - No. 24-582  
(Original Prohibition)

**ORDERS**

Orders of note were entered in the following cases:

State of West Virginia ex rel. William O’Kernick v. The Honorable David H. Wilmoth, Judge of the Circuit Court of Randolph County, - No. 23-761 (Original Mandamus)  
Petition refused. (5-0)

State of West Virginia ex rel. Mingo County Airport Authority v. The Honorable Miki J. Thompson, Judge of the Circuit Court of Mingo County, and Appalachian Paving & Aggregate, LLC, - No. 24-483 (Original Prohibition)  
Petition refused. (5-0)

State of West Virginia ex rel. James M. Pierson v. Honorable Stephanie L. Abraham, Judge of the Circuit Court of Kanawha County, et al., - No. 24-286 (Original Prohibition)  
Petition refused. (5-0)

State of West Virginia ex rel. Dale T. Brant, v. Shawn Straughn, Superintendent, Northern Regional Jail, - No. 24-185 (Original Habeas)  
Petition refused. (5-0)