



DECISIONS, NOTICES AND ORDERS

Wednesday, March 19, 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.

MEMORANDUM DECISIONS

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

State of West Virginia v. Rickie S., - No. 23-347 (Calhoun CC-07-2022-F-40)
Affirmed (5-0)

State of West Virginia v. Adam Lee Deare, - No. 23-379 (Clay CC-08-2022-F-29)
Affirmed (5-0)

Patricia Aldridge v. J.D. Sallaz, Superintendent, Lakin Correctional Center, - No. 23-314
(Wayne CC-50-2010-C-245)
Affirmed (5-0)

Codey Dale Foster v. R.S. Mutter, Superintendent, Stevens Correctional Center, – No. 23-105
(Upshur CC-49-2018-C-5)
Vacated and remanded. (5-0)

State of West Virginia v. Malik Corbin Edler, – No. 23-248 (Harrison CC-17-2019-F-195)
Affirmed (5-0)

State of West Virginia v. Jeffrey Davis Wadkins, - No. 23-243 (Randolph CC-42-2022-F-61)
Affirmed (5-0)

State of West Virginia v. Jaleesa Creamer, - No. 23-298 (Berkeley CC-02-2021-C-176)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re A.H., - No. 24-34 (Monongalia 23-JA-78)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re A.W., - No. 24-276 (Marshall CC-25-2022-JA-40)
Affirmed (5-0)

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In re D.A., - 24-489 (Randolph CC-42-2023-JA-45)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re J.N., K.N., and N.S., - No. 24-229 (Clay CC-08-2022-JA-65, 66, 67)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re J.N. and K.N., - 24-244 (Clay CC-08-2022-JA-65, 66)
Affirmed (4-0) (Chief Justice Wooton disqualified.)

In re M.B., - No. 24-265 (Nicholas CC-34-2023-JA-122)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re N.F. and A.F., - No. 23-690 (Kanawha 22-JA-392, 393)
Vacated and Remanded. (5-0)

In re L.F., - No. 24-151 (Lewis CC-21-2023-JA-26)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re L.F., - No. 24-205 (Lewis CC-21-2023-JA-26)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re A.M., L.D., M.M., and T.D., - No. 24-144 (Braxton CC-04-2022-JA-58, 59, 60, 61)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re B.K., - No. 24-161 (Mercer CC-28-2022-JA-117)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re W.M., - No. 24-259 (Randolph CC-42-2023-JA-53)
Affirmed (4-1) (Justice Trump IV dissenting.)

In re A.K. and A.K., - No. 24-189 (Roane CC-44-2023-JA-89, 90)
Affirmed (5-0)

In re T.A., - No. 24-194 (Jackson CC-18-2022-JA-89)
Affirmed (5-0)

RULE 19 ARGUMENT GRANTED

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

Lydia Downs-Jamal v. West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, - No. 23-432
(Berkeley 22-ICA-129)

In re R.B., - No. 24-312 (Kanawha CC-20-2020-JA-111)

In re W.M., - No. 24-258 (Randolph CC-42-2023-JA-53)

RULE 20 ARGUMENT GRANTED

The following cases will be scheduled for Rule 20 oral argument:

State of West Virginia ex rel. Aaron Jimmie Urban v. The Honorable David Hardy, Judge of the Circuit Court of Kanawha County, - No. 24-547 (Kanawha CC-20-2023-F-139)

State of West Virginia ex rel. Sonté C. Butler v. Shawn Straughn, Superintendent, Northern Regional Jail and Correctional Facility, - No. 24-473 (Original Habeas)

ORDERS

Orders of note were entered in the following cases:

State of West Virginia ex rel. West Virginia ex rel. Mary C. Sutphin v. The Honorable Darl W. Poling, Judge of the Circuit Court of Raleigh County; and Lewis Chevrolet Company, - No. 24-678 (Original Prohibition)
Petition refused. (4-0) (Chief Justice Wooton disqualified.)

State of West Virginia ex rel. Donald Lee Taylor v. Jason Hutson, Superintendent, North Central Regional Jail and Correctional Center, West Virginia Board of Probation and Parol, and West Virginia Parole Authorities, - No. 24-448 (Original Habeas)
Petition refused. (5-0)

State of West Virginia ex rel. Donald Lee Taylor v. Jason Hutson, Superintendent, North Central Regional Jail and Correctional Center, West Virginia Board of Probation and Parole, and West Virginia Parole Authorities, - No. 24-669 (Original Habeas)
Petition refused. (5-0)

State of West Virginia ex rel. William M. Echard II, v. Shelby Searls, Superintendent, Huttonsville Correctional Center and Jail, - No. 24-447 (Original Mandamus)
Petition refused. (5-0)

State of West Virginia ex rel. Jonathan Matthew Biller v. The Honorable David R. Janes, Judge of the Circuit Court of Marion County, - No. 24-572 (Original Prohibition)
Petition refused. (5-0)

State of West Virginia ex rel. Antonio Prophet v. The Honorable Michael D. Lorensen, Judge of the Circuit Court of Berkely County, and Patrick Morrissey, Attorney General of West Virginia, - No. 24-308 (Original Mandamus)
Petition refused. (5-0)