CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS COLORADO SUPREME COURT MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2023

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OPINIONS

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Supreme Court Case No. 21SC564
Certiorari to the Colorado Court of Appeals
Court of Appeals Case No. 17CA1910

Petitioner:

Cristobal Fernando Garcia,

v.

Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado.

Judgment Affirmed

en banc

JUSTICE HOOD delivered the Opinion of the Court, in which CHIEF JUSTICE BOATRIGHT, JUSTICE MÁRQUEZ, JUSTICE GABRIEL, JUSTICE HART, JUSTICE SAMOUR, and JUSTICE BERKENKOTTER joined.

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Supreme Court Case No. 22SC119

Certiorari to the Colorado Court of Appeals Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA1780

Petitioner:

The State of Colorado,

v.

Respondent:

Roger Hill.

Judgment Reversed

en banc

JUSTICE HART delivered the Opinion of the Court, in which CHIEF JUSTICE BOATRIGHT, JUSTICE MÁRQUEZ, JUSTICE HOOD, JUSTICE GABRIEL, JUSTICE SAMOUR, and JUSTICE BERKENKOTTER joined.

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Supreme Court Case No. 22SA874

Original Proceeding Pursuant to C.A.R. 21
Arapahoe County District Court Case No. 21CR2305
Honorable Eric Barclay White, Judge

In Re Plaintiff:

The People of the State of Colorado,

v.

Defendant:

Noelle Dawn Kelley.

Rule Discharged

en banc

JUSTICE BERKENKOTTER delivered the Opinion of the Court, in which CHIEF JUSTICE BOATRIGHT, JUSTICE MÁRQUEZ, JUSTICE HOOD, JUSTICE GABRIEL, JUSTICE HART, and JUSTICE SAMOUR joined.

ORIGINAL PROCEEDING

23SA131 In Re People in the Interest of Minor Child C.J.T.
Order to Show Cause issued on May 30, 2023.

GRANTED PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

No. 23SC75, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA1355

Petitioner:

The People of the State of Colorado,

v.

Respondent:

Sterling Dwayne Austin.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari GRANTED. EN BANC.

[REFRAMED] Whether citing a non-white juror's participation in reform efforts designed to deter racial profiling by a police department constitutes a race-neutral justification for the purposes of *Batson*'s second step when witnesses from that police department might testify at trial.

DENIED AS TO ALL OTHER ISSUES.

DENIED PETITIONS FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

Petitioners: Brian Jerome Cole, Non-resident Insurance Producer No. 475734 and Statewide

Bonding, Inc., Non-resident Insurance Producer No. 476070, v.

Respondent:

Colorado Division of Insurance.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 22SC590, Court of Appeals Case No. 21CA466

No. 22SC775, Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA1621

Petitioner:

Cody Shaw,

v.

Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 22SC789, Court of Appeals Case No. 18CA156

Petitioner:

Wesley Richard DePriest,

v.

Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 22SC931, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA1251

Petitioner:

Devon Drizzt Howard,

Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 23SC5, Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA1121 **Petitioner:** William Benjamin Cline VI, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC16, Court of Appeals Case No. 21CA841 **Petitioner:** The People of the State of Colorado, **Respondent:** Mack James Downey. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC17, Court of Appeals Case No. 21CA838 **Petitioner:** Anita Sandoval, v. **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC19, Routt County District Court Case No. 22CV30009 **Petitioner:** Kathleen Fitzsimmons, **Respondent:** The People of State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 23SC20, Court of Appeals Case No. 21CA1367 **Petitioner:** Bryan Lee Bunning, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC22, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA715 **Petitioner:** Mussie Ablel, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC23, Court of Appeals Case No. 22CA1116 **Petitioner:** Toi Gillies, v. **Respondent:** Support, Inc. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC24, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA1766 **Petitioner:** Felix Antonio Fuentes, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 23SC25, Court of Appeals Case No. 22CA1924 **Petitioner:** Joseph Scott Carter, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC28, Court of Appeals Case No. 21CA461 **Petitioner:** Michael Farrow, **Respondents:** Executive Director of Colorado Department of Corrections and Warden of Sterling Correctional Facility. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC29, Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA600 **Petitioner:** Derrick Nicholas Johnson, **Respondent:**

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

The People of the State of Colorado.

No. 23SC307, Court of Appeals Case Nos. 22CA1817 & 22CA1450 **Petitioner:** C.G., v. **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado, In the Interest of Minor Child: J.G., and Concerning T.J. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC322, Court of Appeals Case No. 22CA1537 **Petitioner:** K.R.T., v. **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado, In the Interest of Minor Child: H.O. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 23SC323, Court of Appeals Case Nos. 22CA1042 & 22CA1045 **Petitioner:** D.A., v. **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado, In the Interest of Minor Children: Ke.W.; Ka.W.; and K.W., Jr.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.