CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS COLORADO SUPREME COURT MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2022

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OPINIONS

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Supreme Court Case No. 21SC390

Certiorari to the Colorado Court of Appeals
Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA205
Arapahoe County District Court Case No. 19CV32190
Honorable Elizabeth Weishaupl

Petitioner:

Marshall P. Brown, in his official capacity as Director of Water of the City of Aurora, Colorado,

v.

Respondent:

Walker Commercial, Inc., a Colorado corporation.

Judgment Reversed

en banc

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

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Supreme Court Case No. 22SC135

C.A.R. 50 Certiorari to the Colorado Court of Appeals Court of Appeals Case No. 21CA2019 Adams County District Court Case No. 21CV30611 Honorable Teri L. Vasquez, Judge

Petitioners:

Jan Kulmann, in her official capacity as Mayor of the City of Thornton; and the City of Thornton, Colorado, a Colorado municipal corporation,

v.

Respondent:

Cherish Salazar.

Judgment Reversed

en banc

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

JUSTICE HOOD, joined by **JUSTICE BERKENKOTTER**, dissented.

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Supreme Court Case No. 22SA290

Original Proceeding Pursuant to C.A.R. 21 Mesa County District Court Case No. 22CV10 Honorable Paul R. Dunkelman, Chief Judge

In Re Plaintiff:

The People of the State of Colorado,

v.

Defendant:

Belinda Knisley,

and Concerning:

Tina Peters.

Rule Made Absolute

en banc

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

RULE CHANGES

RULE CHANGE 2022(17)

UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW RULES

Rules 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 232.1, 232.2, 232.3, 232.4, 232.5, 232.6, 232.7, 232.8, 232.9, 232.10, 232.11, 232.12, 232.13, 232.14, 232.15, 232.16, 232.17, 232.18, 232.19, 232.20, 232.21, 232.22, 232.23, 232.24, 232.25, 232.26, 232.27, 232.28, 232.29, 232.30, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 240.1, and 240.2

Amended and Adopted by the Court, En Banc, December 15, 2022, effective immediately.

RULE CHANGE 2022(18)

RULES GOVERNING LAWYER DISCIPLINE AND DISABILITY PROCEEDINGS, PROTECTIVE APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL, CONTINUING LEGAL AND JUDICIAL EDUCATION, ATTORNEYS' FUND FOR CLIENT PROTECTION, AND LAWYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
Rule 255

Amended and Adopted by the Court, En Banc, December 15, 2022, effective immediately.

GRANTED PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

No. 21SC920, Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA997

Petitioner:

Jared S. Polis, in his official capacity as Governor of the State of Colorado,

Respondents:

Rocky Mountain Gun Owners, a Colorado nonprofit corporation; Patrick Neville, Representative; Lori Saine, House Minority Leader; and Dave Williams, Representative.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari GRANTED. EN BANC.

[REFRAMED] Whether the court of appeals misinterpreted *Markwell v. Cooke*, 2021 CO 17, in ruling that the plaintiffs' complaint asserting lack of compliance with the unanimity requirement of the Reading Clause, Colo. Const. art. V, § 22, "doesn't present a nonjusticiable political question."

[REFRAMED] Whether the court of appeals erred in concluding that two of the plaintiff legislators suffered an injury in fact for purposes of standing when their requests to have the "Red Flag Law" bill read in full before it was voted on were denied.

DENIED AS TO ALL OTHER ISSUES.

DENIED PETITIONS FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
No. 22SC157, Court of Appeals Case No. 17CA1079 Petitioner: The People of the State of Colorado, v.
Respondent: Larry D. Buckner.
Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.
JUSTICE SAMOUR would grant as to the following issue:
Whether a division of the court of appeals misapplied the plain error standard in finding cumulative plain error warranting reversal.
No. 22SC308, Court of Appeals Case No. 21CA503 In re the Marriage of Petitioner: Derek Skellchock, and Respondent: Alora-Ann Volz.
Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.
No. 22SC359, Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA2097 Petitioner: Robins Kaplan, LLP, v. Respondent: Gil Gerstein.
Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 22SC403, Court of Appeals Case No. 21CA177

In re the Marriage of

Petitioner:

Martine Bernard,

and

Respondent:

Christopher Hodyl.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 22SC438, Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA1465

Petitioners:

Paul A. Frederiksen and Brenda J. Frederiksen,

v.

Respondents:

Gravina Siding and Windows Company, Larry A. Gravina, Mike Gravina, and Jason Castro.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 22SC470, Court of Appeals Case No. 22CA636

Petitioner:

Tom Macurdy, Personal Representative of Estate of Larry Andrews,

v.

Respondents:

Arbordale Acres, LLC; Pattie Golden; Kingsley Management, Corp.; and Nate Nelson.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 22SC480, Court of Appeals Case No. 22CA752

Petitioner:

Jackie-Devere Allen Cole,

v.

Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 22SC482, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA1200 **Petitioner:** Jeromie James Rose, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 22SC491, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA1059 **Petitioner:** Raymond Davenport, v. **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 22SC492, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA767 **Petitioner:** Keevin Bell, II, v. **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 22SC493, Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA900 **Petitioner:** Joshua Polaske, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

22SC514, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA650 **Petitioner:** Daniel Ramirez, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 22SC515, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA2232 **Petitioner:** Felimon Landeros Ramos, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 22SC519, Court of Appeals Case No. 19CA576 **Petitioner:** Kenneth Scott Casey, v. **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado. Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC. No. 22SC528, Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA1143 **Petitioner:** Frederick Charles Battle, **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

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No. 22SC839, Court of Appeals Case No. 21CA1571

Petitioners:

C.C. and B.C.,

v.

Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado, **In the Interest of Minor Children:**

C.L.C. and B.S.C.

Petitions for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.
