COLORADO SUPREME COURT CASE ANNOUNCEMENTS MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025

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OPINIONS

<u>2025 CO 5</u>

Supreme Court Case No. 23SA154

Appeal from the District Court District Court, Water Division 1, Case No. 19CW3220 Honorable Todd L. Taylor, Water Judge

Concerning the Application for Amendment of an Augmentation Plan of Independence Water and Sanitation District in Elbert County.

Opposers-Appellants:

Franktown Citizens Coalition II, Inc. and West Elbert County Well Users Association,

v.

Applicant-Appellee:

Independence Water and Sanitation District,

and

Appellee Pursuant to C.A.R. 1(e):

Division 1 Engineer.

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Judgment Affirmed en banc

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

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Supreme Court Case No. 23SC81 *Certiorari to the Colorado Court of Appeals* Court of Appeals Case No. 18CA1304

Petitioner:

Adam Douglas Densmore,

v.

Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado.

Judgment Affirmed en banc

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

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Supreme Court Case No. 23SC85 Certiorari to the Colorado Court of Appeals Court of Appeals Case No. 20CA35

Petitioner:

Patrick Frazee,

v.

Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado.

Judgment Affirmed

en banc

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

PETITION FOR REHEARING

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Supreme Court Case No. 24SA21 Appeal from the District Court El Paso County District Court Case No. 23CV31236 Honorable Eric Bentley, Judge

Petitioner-Appellant:

Nonhuman Rights Project, Inc.,

v.

Respondents-Appellees:

Cheyenne Mountain Zoological Society and Bob Chastain.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED. EN BANC. **JUSTICE HOOD** did not participate.

RULE CHANGE

Rule Change 2025(07) has been issued and is accessible here.

<u>RULE CHANGE 2025(07)</u> COLORADO RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT Rules 1.7, 1.10, 1.11, 1.12, 1.18, 2.4, 3.3, 3.5 **Amended and Adopted by the Court, En Banc, February 6, 2025, effective immediately.**

ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS

24SA246In Re People v. Daniels, MarquiseOrder issued February 7, 2025

24SA326In Re People v. Tellers, LauraOrder issued February 7, 2025

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No. 24SC491, Hove v. People Held pending 23SC525, *Johnson v. People*; 23SC775, *Snow v. People*

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No. 24SC434, Court of Appeals Case No. 23CA379 Petitioners/Cross-Respondents:

Estate of Elijah McClain and Sheneen McClain, individually and as co-personal representative of the Estate of Elijah McClain,

v.

Respondents/Cross-Petitioners:

Killmer, Lane & Newman, LLP.

Petition and Cross-Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 24SC490, Court of Appeals Case No. 23CA1284

Petitioner:

Alpertcook Venture II LLC,

v.

Respondents:

Jack Alan Prather Trust, Nathan White Jr. as Trustee of the Jack Alan Prather Trust, Xiangdong Guo, and Tao Zhang.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 24SC530, Court of Appeals Case No. 22CA1354 Petitioner: The People of the State of Colorado, v. Respondent: Ronald Wayne Gentry.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 24SC596, Court of Appeals Case No. 23CA960 Petitioner: Scott David Walker, v. Respondent: The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 24SC710, Court of Appeals Case No. 22CA906 Petitioner: Randy Ray Bishop, v. Respondent: The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 24SC714, Court of Appeals Case No. 24CA1753 Petitioner: Danielle Romero, v. Respondent: Google Client Services LLC.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 24SC718, Court of Appeals Case No. 23CA1337 Petitioner: Michael A. Schindlbeck, v. Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 24SC721, Court of Appeals Case No. 23CA6 Petitioner: Michael Dehawn Farrow, v. Respondent:

The People of the State of Colorado.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 24SC722, Court of Appeals Case No. 24CA1223 Petitioner: David Figueroa, v. Respondents: Fountain Police Department: Fountain, Colorado: Four

Fountain Police Department; Fountain, Colorado; Fountain Police Officer Jason Craddock #1208; and Fountain Police Officer Alexander Brunow #1207.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 24SC799, Court of Appeals Case No. 24CA658 Petitioner: L.C., v. **Respondent:** The People of the State of Colorado, In the Interest of Minor Child: G.S.

Petition for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.

No. 25SC27, Court of Appeals Case No. 24CA687 Petitioners: S.L.W. and M.R.C., v. Respondent: The People of the State of Colorado, In the Interest of Minor Children: L.C.C. and I.P.W.

Petitions for Writ of Certiorari DENIED. EN BANC.