



THE SUPREME COURT OF TEXAS

Orders Pronounced June 27, 2025

ORDERS ON CAUSES

23-0493 WERNER ENTERPRISES, INC. AND SHIRAZ A. ALI v. JENNIFER BLAKE, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS NEXT FRIEND FOR NATHAN BLAKE, AND AS HEIR OF THE ESTATE OF ZACKERY BLAKE, DECEASED; AND ELDRIDGE MOAK, IN HIS CAPACITY AS GUARDIAN OF THE ESTATE OF BRIANNA BLAKE; from Harris County; 14th Court of Appeals District (14-18-00967-CV, 672 SW3d 554, 05-18-23)

The Court reverses the court of appeals' judgment and renders judgment.

Chief Justice Blacklock delivered the opinion of the Court, in which Justice Devine, Justice Busby, Justice Young, and Justice Sullivan joined.

Justice Young filed a concurring opinion, in which Justice Huddle joined.

Justice Bland filed an opinion dissenting in part, in which Justice Boyd and Justice Huddle joined.

(Justice Lehrmann not participating)

23-0676 CACTUS WATER SERVICES, LLC v. COG OPERATING, LLC; from Reeves County; 8th Court of Appeals District (08-22-00037-CV, 676 SW3d 733, 07-28-23)

The Court affirms the court of appeals' judgment.

Justice Devine delivered the opinion of the Court.

Justice Busby filed a concurring opinion, in which Justice Lehrmann and Justice Sullivan joined.

(Justice Young not participating)

23-0703 SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY AND PAUL J. WARD v. SOUTH CENTRAL JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND BISHOP SCOTT JONES; from Dallas County; 5th Court of Appeals District (05-21-00151-CV, 674 SW3d 334, 07-26-23)

The Court affirms in part and reverses in part the court of appeals' judgment and remands the case to the trial court.

Justice Lehrmann delivered the opinion of the Court, in which Chief Justice Blacklock, Justice Boyd, Justice Devine, Justice Busby, Justice Huddle, Justice Young, and Justice Sullivan joined in full, and in which Justice Bland joined except as to Part IV(B).

Justice Young filed a concurring opinion, in which Justice Devine and Justice Sullivan joined in full, and in which Chief Justice Blacklock joined as to Parts I, III, and IV.

Justice Bland filed an opinion dissenting in part.

24-0162 KEN PAXTON, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS, AND GREG ABBOTT, IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS GOVERNOR OF TEXAS v. AMERICAN OVERSIGHT; from Travis County; 3rd Court of Appeals District (03-23-00090-CV, 683 SW3d 873, 01-17-24)

The Court reverses the court of appeals' judgment and remands the case to the trial court.

Chief Justice Blacklock delivered the opinion of the Court.

Justice Young filed a concurring opinion.

(Justice Sullivan not participating)

24-0183 BORUSAN MANNESMANN PIPE US, INC. v. HUNTING ENERGY SERVICES, LLC; from Harris County; 14th Court of Appeals District (14-21-00694-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 08-24-23)

Pursuant to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 59.1, after granting the petition for review and without hearing oral argument, the Court reverses the court of appeals' judgment and remands the case to that court.

Per Curiam Opinion

24-0290 IN RE SPACE EXPLORATION TECHNOLOGIES CORP. AND LAUREN KRUEGER; from Cameron County; 13th Court of Appeals District (13-24-00042-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 03-28-24)

Pursuant to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 52.8(c), without hearing oral argument, the Court conditionally grants the petition for writ of mandamus.

Per Curiam Opinion

24-0424 IN RE ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY CO. LLC; ONCOR ELECTRIC DELIVERY CO. NTU LLC; AEP TEXAS INC.; AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER CO.; CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC; AND CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.; from Harris County; 14th Court of Appeals District (14-23-00095-CV, 694 SW3d 789, 04-02-24)

The Court conditionally grants the petition for writ of mandamus.

Justice Lehrmann delivered the opinion of the Court.

(Justice Bland and Justice Young not participating)

24-1009 MARYVEL SUDAY AND THE ESTATE OF OLGA TAMEZ DE SUDAY v. JESUS LOZANO SUDAY; from Val Verde County; 4th Court of Appeals District (04-23-00836-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 09-25-24)

Pursuant to Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 59.1, after granting the petition for review and without hearing oral argument, the Court reverses the court of appeals' judgment and remands the case to that court.

Per Curiam Opinion

THE FOLLOWING CAUSES ARE RESET FOR ORAL ARGUMENT:

23-0593 COCKRELL INVESTMENT PARTNERS, L.P. v. MIDDLE PECOS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, TY EDWARDS, IN HIS CAPACITY AS GENERAL MANAGER OF THE MIDDLE PECOS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, FORT STOCKTON HOLDINGS, L.P.; from Pecos County; 8th Court of Appeals District (08-21-00200-CV, 676 SW3d 677, 07-10-23)

petitioner's unopposed motion to reset oral argument granted

~ consolidated for oral argument with ~

23-0742 COCKRELL INVESTMENT PARTNERS, L.P. v. MIDDLE PECOS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT AND ITS BOARD PRESIDENT JERRY MCGUAIRT, REPUBLIC WATER COMPANY OF TEXAS, LLC AND FORT STOCKTON HOLDINGS, L.P.; from Pecos County; 8th Court of Appeals District (08-21-00017-CV, 677 SW3d 727, 02-16-23)

petitioner's unopposed motion to reset oral argument granted

[**Note:** These causes have been reset for oral argument at 9:00 a.m.,
November 4, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0245 IN RE ADEEL ZAIDI, A.K. CHAGLA AND PRESTIGE CONSULTING D/B/A TURNAROUND MANAGEMENT GROUP; from Harris County; 14th Court of Appeals District (14-23-00700-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 01-18-24)

relators' agreed motion to postpone oral argument granted

[**Note:** This cause has been reset for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., October 7,
2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

(Justice Bland not participating)

24-0286 STUDIO E. ARCHITECTURE AND INTERIORS, INC. v. EMILY LEHMBERG; from Bexar County; 4th Court of Appeals District (04-22-00857-CV, 690 SW3d 725, 02-28-24)

[**Note:** This cause has been reset for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., November 4,
2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

THE FOLLOWING CAUSES ARE SET FOR SUBMISSION:

24-0037 NUSTAR ENERGY, L.P. v. GLENN HEGAR, COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS OF THE STATE OF TEXAS; AND KEN PAXTON, ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF TEXAS; from Travis County; 3rd Court of Appeals District (03-21-00669-CV, 683 SW3d 831, 12-21-23)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., September 10, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

(Justice Lehrmann not participating)

24-0340 REYNALDO "REY" GONZALEZ, JR., M.D., J.D. v. TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD; from Travis County; 3rd Court of Appeals District (03-22-00205-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 10-31-23)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., September 10, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0425 EQUINOR ENERGY LP v. LINDALE PIPELINE, LLC; from Harris County; 1st Court of Appeals District (01-21-00712-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 11-21-23)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., October 9, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0438 BRAXTON MINERALS III, LLC v. ROBERT SCOTT BAUER AND BRAXTON MINERALS II, LLC; from Tarrant County; 2nd Court of Appeals District (02-23-00269-CV, 689 SW3d 633, 04-18-24)

[**Note:** Oral argument of this case will be conducted on Thursday, November 6, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at SMU Dedman School of Law in Dallas, Texas. *See* TEX. CONST. ART. V., § 3(a).]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0447 THE STATE OF TEXAS AND KYLE MADSEN IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS DIRECTOR OF RIGHT OF WAY v. JRJ PUSOK HOLDINGS, LLC; from Harris County; 14th Court of Appeals District (14-22-00559-CV, 693 SW3d 679, 12-28-23)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., November 4, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0494 IN RE BRENHAM NURSING AND REHABILITATION CENTER, AND REGENCY IHS OF BRENHAM, LLC; from Washington County; 1st Court of Appeals District (01-23-00946-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 03-05-24)

[**Note:** Oral argument of this case will be conducted on Thursday, November 6, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. at SMU Dedman School of Law in Dallas, Texas. *See* TEX. CONST. ART. V., § 3(a).]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0516 RON VALK D/B/A PLATINUM CONSTRUCTION v. COPPER CREEK DISTRIBUTORS, INC. AND JOSE DONICETH ESCOFFIE; from Rockwall County; 5th Court of Appeals District (05-23-00123-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 05-24-24)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., October 8, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0525 S&B ENGINEERS & CONSTRUCTORS, LTD. AND ZURICH AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY v. SCALLON CONTROLS, INC.; from Jefferson County; 9th Court of Appeals District (09-22-00261-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 05-23-24)

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[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., October 9, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0543 FAMILY DOLLAR STORES OF TEXAS, LLC, ARCP FDCCC1403 LLC, 7B BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT, LLC, TRIPLE C DEVELOPMENT, INC., BURKHARDT ENGINEERING COMPANY, AND M&S UTILITY CONSTRUCTION, LLC v. JLMH INVESTMENTS, LLC; from Tarrant County; 2nd Court of Appeals District (02-23-00233-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 06-13-24)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., November 4, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0613 WILLIAM W. RUTH v. COMMISSION FOR LAWYER DISCIPLINE; from Gillespie County; 4th Court of Appeals District (04-22-00796-CV, 696 SW3d 233, 06-20-24)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., November 5, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0782 RYAN BUSSE, JOSH KLOSTERMANN, RUSSEL KLOSTERMANN, LAYNE KLOSTERMANN, MITCH THOMAS, OLIVIA RINCONES, ROBERT RINCONES, RUBEN RINCONES, ENRICA RINCONES, ANGELITA GARCIA, ADELAIDA GARCIA, ANICETO GARCIA, BETTY GARCIA, RAILEY RINCONES, GARY BUSSE, ALISON SAVAGE (COLLECTIVELY TAXPAYERS), AND LYFORD CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT v. SOUTH TEXAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT; from Willacy County; 13th Court of Appeals District (13-23-00500-CV, 696 SW3d 773, 08-01-24)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., November 5, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

24-0864 CITY OF SAN ANTONIO v. NADINE REALME; from Bexar County; 4th Court of Appeals District (04-23-00885-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 08-28-24)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., November 5, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

25-0008 IN THE INTEREST OF C.S. JR. AND Z.S., CHILDREN; from Taylor County; 11th Court of Appeals District (11-24-00186-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 12-12-24)

[**Note:** This cause has been set for oral argument at 9:00 a.m., October 9, 2025.]

Time allotted to argue: 20/20 minutes

ORDERS ON PETITIONS FOR REVIEW

THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS FOR REVIEW ARE DENIED:

25-0072 DEXTER BUCHANAN FERNIL AND DELENA FERNIL v. BLUEBIRD MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, LLC D/B/A ALLEGIANCE MOBILE HEALTH AND NICOLE MARINA MIRZA.; from Brazoria County; 14th Court of Appeals District (14-23-00910-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 09-19-24)

25-0109 JOE ALFRED IZEN JR. v. DAWN KORMAN; from Montgomery County; 9th Court of Appeals District (09-22-00257-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 10-03-24)

25-0326 STEVEN J. STRINGFELLOW v. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY; from Harris County; 15th Court of Appeals District (15-24-00024-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 04-03-25)

25-0331 LARS KUSLICH v. KLINT BUSH, JAY KNIGHT, BRUCE KARBOWSKI, GREG ARTHUR, DAVID S. WHITMIRE, AND LEON WILSON; from Liberty County; 9th Court of Appeals District (09-23-00030-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 01-23-25)

25-0333 LASAE SPRAGGINS v. THE HENDERSON TENANT LP; from Tarrant County; 2nd Court of Appeals District (02-25-00066-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 03-06-25)

motion for relief denied

25-0382 AIMEE VALENZUELA, LLC v. ORDA CORP. AND WESTERN PLAZA REALTY, LLC; from Dallas County; 5th Court of Appeals District (05-23-00991-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 02-24-25)

- 25-0411 ALISON MAYNARD v. WILLIAM R. LUCERO AND JACOB VOS; from Bexar County; 4th Court of Appeals District (04-23-00665-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 04-02-25)
- 25-0432 IMPERIAL CHARTERS, LLC v. REDWOOD FIRE AND CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY; from Tarrant County; 2nd Court of Appeals District (02-24-00237-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 04-03-25)
- 25-0440 STEPHEN SAKONCHICK, II v. OVERLOOK AT ROB ROY OWNER, LLC; from Travis County; 3rd Court of Appeals District (03-23-00085-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 02-27-25)
- 25-0483 M.R.H. v. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES; from Travis County; 3rd Court of Appeals District (03-25-00108-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 05-02-25)

ORDERS ON MOTIONS FOR REHEARING

THE MOTIONS FOR REHEARING OF THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS FOR REVIEW
ARE DENIED:

- 23-0408 NAUTILUS INSURANCE COMPANY v. HOF PARTNERS LLC; from Tarrant County; 2nd Court of Appeals District (02-22-00175-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 04-27-23)

Statement of Justice Young and Justice Sullivan respecting the denial of the motion for rehearing.

(Justice Lehrmann and Justice Devine not participating)

- 24-0656 STEPHEN COURTNEY, M.D. AND STEPHEN COURTNEY, M.D., P.A. v. KELLY M. LIEBBE AND JONATHAN RUTE; from Collin County; 5th Court of Appeals District (05-22-00158-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 07-05-24)
- 25-0043 ENDEAVOR GROUP, LLC v. KONGSBERG POWER PRODUCTS SYSTEMS I, LLC; from Montgomery County; 9th Court of Appeals District (09-21-00300-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 10-03-24)

- 25-0081 IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF WARREN ROBERT BASSETT AND MARY ANWUZIA; from Throckmorton County; 7th Court of Appeals District (07-24-00033-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 08-27-24)
- 25-0083 DANIELLE SPOSITO v. DANIEL L. WHITE; from Collin County; 5th Court of Appeals District (05-23-00695-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 12-31-24)
- 25-0101 B.B. v. TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES; from Bell County; 3rd Court of Appeals District (03-24-00671-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 12-20-24)
- 25-0422 IN RE ELISHA HOLLOWAY; from Parker County; 2nd Court of Appeals District (02-24-00560-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 12-16-24)

THE MOTION FOR REHEARING OF THE FOLLOWING PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS IS DENIED:

- 25-0280 IN RE NICKOLAS JERMAINE TAYLOR; from Montgomery County; 9th Court of Appeals District (09-25-00069-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 03-13-25)

MISCELLANEOUS

THE FOLLOWING PETITIONS FOR WRIT OF MANDAMUS ARE DENIED:

- 24-0236 IN RE WILLIAM W. GOTHARD, JR., AND INSTITUTE IN BASIC LIFE PRINCIPLES, INC.; from Upshur County; 12th Court of Appeals District (12-23-00296-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 02-22-24)

relators' motion for temporary relief dismissed as moot

Chief Justice Blacklock filed an opinion dissenting from the denial of the petition for writ of mandamus, in which Justice Devine and Justice Sullivan joined.

(Justice Young not participating)

25-0159 IN RE WESTDALE ASSET MANAGEMENT, LTD.; JGB VENTURES I, LTD.; JOSEPH BEARD; AND WESTDALE INVESTMENTS, L.P.; from Travis County; 15th Court of Appeals District (15-24-00135-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 01-24-25)

Justice Sullivan filed an opinion concurring in the denial of the petition for writ of mandamus, in which Justice Young joined.

25-0177 IN RE CHASE RYAN EILERS; from Dallas County; 5th Court of Appeals District (05-24-00824-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 10-30-24)

stay order issued April 11, 2025, lifted

25-0310 IN RE HONORABLE MARY LOU ALVAREZ; from Bexar County; 4th Court of Appeals District (04-23-00865-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 03-27-24)

25-0375 IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF CONGHUA YAN AND FUYAN WANG AND IN THE INTEREST OF S.Y., A CHILD; from Tarrant County; 13th Court of Appeals District (13-24-00617-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 02-27-25)

relator's emergency motion for temporary stay dismissed as moot
relator's second emergency motion for temporary stay dismissed as moot

25-0414 IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF CONGHUA YAN AND FUYAN WANG AND IN THE INTEREST OF S.Y., A CHILD; from Tarrant County; 13th Court of Appeals District (13-24-00617-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 02-27-25)

25-0425 IN RE LAURA L. MAYER; from Harris County; 1st Court of Appeals District (01-25-00337-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 06-26-25)

relator's motion to exceed word limit granted

25-0447 IN RE NICK STEWARD; from Travis County; 3rd Court of Appeals District (03-25-00230-CV)

emergency motion for temporary relief and stay dismissed as moot

25-0531 IN RE VANESSA LYNN CLARK; from Kendall County; 4th Court of Appeals District (04-25-00340-CV, ___ SW3d ___, 06-18-25)
motion for temporary stay denied

THE FOLLOWING PETITION FOR WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS IS DISMISSED:

25-0416 IN RE MICHAEL CONNER SEARCY; from Dallas County; 5th Court of Appeals District
motion to dismiss granted
emergency motion to stay dismissed

THE DECISION OF THE BOARD OF DISCIPLINARY APPEALS IN THE FOLLOWING APPEAL IS AFFIRMED:

24-0994 MASON WILLIAM HERRING v. COMMISSION FOR LAWYER DISCIPLINE (BODA Cause No. 29030)
See Lane v. Comm'n for Lawyer Discipline, ___ S.W.3d ___, 2025 WL 1617307, at *7 n.6 (Tex. June 6, 2025).