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**PUBLISHED OPINIONS**

[2025COA48](#)  
Court of Appeals No. [23CA1125](#)  
Boulder County District Court No. 21CR21  
Honorable Patrick Butler, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee

v.

Nelson Melara,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VI  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHUTZ  
Kuhn, J., concurs  
Welling, J., specially concurs

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[2025COA49](#)

Court of Appeals No. [23CA1183](#)

Mesa County District Court No. 92CR95

Honorable Richard T. Gurley, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

James S. Genrich,

Defendant-Appellee.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division IV

Opinion by JUSTICE MARTINEZ\*

Yun and Kuhn, JJ., concur

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[2025COA50](#)

Court of Appeals No. [23CA1576](#)

Mesa County District Court No. 22CR165

Honorable Jeremy L. Chaffin, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Kyle R. Schlehuber,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V

Opinion by JUDGE SCHOCK

Lipinsky and Sullivan, JJ., concur

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## **UNPUBLISHED OPINIONS**

Court of Appeals No. 21CA1873  
Elbert County District Court No. 18CR95  
Honorable Gary M. Kramer, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Christopher Leary,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division A  
Opinion by CHIEF JUDGE ROMÁN  
Martinez\* and Taubman\*, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 22CA1789  
El Paso County District Court No. 20CR6300  
Honorable Jessica L. Curtis, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Brian Keith Walker,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division IV  
Opinion by JUDGE FREYRE  
Gomez and Meirink, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 22CA2280  
Arapahoe County District Court No. 21CR1729  
Honorable Ryan J. Stuart, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Kevin Lee Wertin,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division I  
Opinion by JUDGE BERGER\*  
J. Jones and Yun, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 23CA0773  
City and County of Denver District Court No. 19CV25  
Honorable Jill Dorancy, Judge  
Honorable Sarah Wallace, Judge

Brian B. Blackwell,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Grace E. Gautier,

Defendant-Appellee.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division IV  
Opinion by JUDGE HARRIS  
Yun and Kuhn, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 23CA0903  
Jefferson County District Court No. 22CR1453  
Honorable Diego G. Hunt, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Alfredo Zumaran,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division A  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHOCK  
Dunn and Brown, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 23CA2239  
Larimer County District Court No. 18CR1989  
Honorable Gregory M. Lammons, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Raymond M. Valdivia,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division I  
Opinion by JUDGE J. JONES  
Brown and Yun, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA0410  
Mesa County District Court No. 18PR30095  
Honorable Valerie J. Robison, Judge

In re the Estate of Gregory Alan Grosse-Rhode, deceased.

Ciana Grosse-Rhode,

Appellant,

v.

Joan Rhode,

Appellee.

APPEAL DISMISSED IN PART  
AND ORDERS AFFIRMED

Division VI  
Opinion by JUDGE WELLING  
Kuhn and Schutz, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA0684  
Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado  
WC Nos. 5-222-010 & 5-222-011

RoadSafe Traffic Systems, Inc. and AIU Insurance Company,

Petitioners,

v.

Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado, Craig Clanton, and  
Jennifer Clanton,

Respondents.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division IV  
Opinion by JUDGE HARRIS  
Grove and Pawar, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA0719  
Pitkin County District Court No. 22CV10  
Honorable Denise K. Lynch, Judge

Jeremiah Casper,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Pitkin County Sheriff's Office, Joe DiSalvo, Kim Vallario, Brad Gibson, Levi  
Borst, Zane Sisneros, and Richard Y. Neiley III,

Defendants-Appellees.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED IN PART AND REVERSED IN PART,  
AND CASE REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division VII  
Opinion by JUDGE MOULTRIE  
Lipinsky and Johnson, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA0908  
City and County of Denver District Court No. 24CV30224  
Honorable Stephanie L. Scoville, Judge

Angelo Palombo and Star Farms, Inc.,

Plaintiffs-Appellants,

v.

The Denver Post Corporation and Sam Tabachnik,

Defendants-Appellees.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED AND CASE  
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division II  
Opinion by JUDGE HARRIS  
Fox and Schutz, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1054  
Summit County District Court No. 21CV30134  
Honorable Reed W. Owens, Judge

Our Lady of the Mountain, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company,

Plaintiff-Appellant and Cross-Appellee,

v.

Martinez Keystone Properties, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company,

Defendant-Appellee and Cross-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED IN PART AND REVERSED IN PART,  
AND CASE REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division A  
Opinion by JUDGE DUNN  
Brown and Schock, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1167  
Boulder County District Court No. 20DR30096  
Honorable J. Keith Collins, Judge

In re the Marriage of

Paul David Knipe,

Appellee,

and

Archana Singh Knipe,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VI  
Opinion by JUDGE WELLING  
Kuhn and Schutz, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1172  
Summit County District Court No. 13DR30007  
Honorable Reed W. Owens, Judge

In re the Marriage of

Marion A. Keyes,

Appellant,

and

Laurie A. Keyes n/k/a Laurie A. Collins,

Appellee.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division VI  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHUTZ  
Welling and Kuhn, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1193  
Weld County District Court No. 23CV31002  
Honorable Todd Taylor, Judge

Michael Oliveira,

Plaintiff-Appellant

v.

Sergeant Dan Ohlinger, Lieutenant Stephanie Southard, and Chief Tracey McCoy,

Defendants-Appellees.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VI  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHUTZ  
Welling and Kuhn, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1229  
City and County of Denver District Court No. 23CV558  
Honorable Mark T. Bailey, Judge

Edward Hoid,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

FOX-31 News and Byron Grandy, General Manager,

Defendants-Appellees.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED AND CASE  
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division VII  
Opinion by JUDGE JOHNSON  
Lipinsky and Moultrie, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1258  
City and County of Denver District Court No. 20CV33708  
Honorable Jon J. Olafson, Judge

Dayton Green, Ltd. Condominium Owners Association,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Donald E. Fymbo,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED AND CASE  
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division IV  
Opinion by JUDGE GOMEZ  
Freyre and Meirink, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1461  
El Paso County District Court No. 24JV63  
Honorable Diana K. May, Judge

In the Interest of M.F.S., a Child,  
and Concerning Jeremy James Long,

Appellant,

and

Donna Bair, Steven Bair, and Phillip Winchester,

Appellees.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VII  
Opinion by JUDGE JOHNSON  
Lipinsky and Moultrie, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1538  
Montezuma County District Court No. 23DR73  
Honorable Todd Jay Plewe, Judge

In re the Parental Responsibilities Concerning R.J.A.D., a Child,  
and Concerning Aaron Marcus Ivan Druck,

Appellant,

and

Kathryn H. Kirkland,

Appellee.

ORDER REVERSED AND CASE  
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division VII  
Opinion by JUDGE LIPINSKY  
Johnson and Moultrie, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1620  
Arapahoe County District Court No. 22DR1404  
Honorable Christina Apostoli, Judge

In re the Marriage of

Sara Jean Schmidt,

Appellant,

and

Andrew Robert Schmidt,

Appellee.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED IN PART AND REVERSED IN PART,  
AND CASE REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division A  
Opinion by CHIEF JUDGE ROMÁN  
Bernard\* and Hawthorne\*, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1711  
City and County of Denver Juvenile Court No. 23JV31028  
Honorable Laurie A. Clark, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of C.B.B., a Child,

and Concerning S.J.A.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED IN PART AND REVERSED IN PART,  
AND CASE REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division V  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHOCK  
Freyre and Sullivan, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1770  
Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado  
WC No. 5-118-378

Albert Gallegos,

Petitioner,

v.

Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado, Ammex Masonry, and  
Pinnacol Assurance,

Respondents.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division VII  
Opinion by JUDGE LIPINSKY  
Pawar and Lum, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1787  
Arapahoe County District Court No. 23JV445  
Honorable Shay K. Whitaker, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of A.F., a Child,

and Concerning P.F.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division A  
Opinion by JUDGE BERNARD\*  
Román, C.J., and Hawthorne\*, J., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1916  
Fremont County District Court No. 22JV30093  
Honorable Kaitlin B. Turner, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of Z.S., a Child,

and Concerning Z.A.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VII  
Opinion by JUDGE MOULTRIE  
Lipinsky and Johnson, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA2241  
Weld County District Court No. 23JV24  
Honorable Anita Crowther, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of T.F., a Child,

and Concerning R.L.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division A  
Opinion by JUDGE HAWTHORNE\*  
Román, C.J., and Bernard\*, J., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 25CA0164  
Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado  
DD No. 28897-2024

Michael Thompson,

Petitioner,

v.

Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado and Troys Vujcich  
Automotive Inc.,

Respondents.

ORDER SET ASIDE AND CASE  
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division A  
Opinion by JUDGE TAUBMAN\*  
Román, C.J., and Martinez\*, J., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 25CA0505  
Arapahoe County District Court No. 25MH133  
Honorable H. Clay Hurst, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Petitioner-Appellee,

In the Interest of Alissa Jordan Sweeney,

Respondent-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division II  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHUTZ  
Fox and Harris, JJ., concur

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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## **PETITIONS FOR REHEARING**

Court of Appeals No. 22CA0844

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Scott Anthony Whitefield,

Defendant-Appellant.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 23CA0732

El Paso County District Court No. 21CR6381

Honorable Frances R. Johnson, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Robert Aloysuis Yribia,

Defendant-Appellee.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1090

Shawn D. Dollinger,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Executive Director of Colorado Department of Corrections and Warden of  
Crowley County Correctional Facility,

Defendants-Appellees.

Opinion Modified  
Petition for Rehearing GRANTED

**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)**

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\*Sitting by assignment of the Chief Justice under provisions of Colo. Const. art. VI, § 5(3), and § 24-51-1105, C.R.S. 2024.