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PUBLISHED OPINIONS

[2025COA71](#)

Court of Appeals No. [24CA0934](#)

City and County of Denver District Court No. 22CV30453

Honorable Mark T. Bailey, Judge

1046 Munras Properties, L.P., a California limited partnership,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Kabod Coffee, a Colorado limited liability company; Muluye K. Hailemariam;
and all other persons occupying such premises,

Defendants-Appellees.

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

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

UNPUBLISHED OPINIONS

Court of Appeals No. 22CA0207
El Paso County District Court No. 20CR3647
Honorable David Prince, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Nikolay Anatolevic Krutitskiy,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VII
Opinion by JUDGE PAWAR
Lum and Martinez*, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA0825
Jefferson County District Court No. 20CR1019
Honorable Jason D. Carrithers, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Riddick Jones Amoako-Asiamah,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT REVERSED AND CASE
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division VI
Opinion by JUDGE KUHN
Schutz and Martinez*, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA1352
Fremont County District Court No. 20CR524
Honorable Ronald M. Mullins, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Mark Nielsen,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

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

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA1560
Arapahoe County District Court No. 13CR2750
Honorable Darren L. Vahle, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Daeshaun Laquel Howard,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE HARRIS
Brown and Lum, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA1713
Arapahoe County District Court No. 12CR2354
Honorable Ryan J. Stewart, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Christopher John Maher,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

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

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA1800
Weld County District Court No. 20CR1252
Honorable Marcelo A. Kopcow, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Jason Phillip Knudtson,

Defendant-Appellant.

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

Division VI
Opinion by JUDGE TOW
Yun and Graham*, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA2075
Arapahoe County District Court No. 20CR2765
Honorable Ben L. Leutwyler III, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Mario Nicholas Blue,

Defendant-Appellant.

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

Division III
Opinion by JUDGE BROWN
Dunn and Schock, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA2212
Boulder County District Court No. 21CR2153
Honorable Norma A. Sierra, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Samuel Leo Paul Crespín,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VI
Opinion by JUDGE YUN
Tow and Graham*, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA2253
El Paso County District Court No. 22CR829
Honorable Gilbert A. Martinez, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

David Frazier,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division I
Opinion by JUDGE GRAHAM
J. Jones and Moultrie, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA0105
Adams County District Court No. 19CR731
Honorable Thomas R. Ensor, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

David Daniel Lovato,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VII
Opinion by JUDGE PAWAR
Lipinsky and Lum, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA0239
Douglas County District Court No. 10CR403
Honorable Theresa Slade, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Thomas Phil Merchant,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED AND APPEAL DISMISSED IN PART

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE GROVE
Welling and Johnson, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA0894
Douglas County District Court No. 16CV30253
Honorable Andrew C. Baum, Judge

William Brinkerhoff and Renee Brinkerhoff,

Plaintiffs-Appellees and Cross-Appellants,

v.

Mark Thurber and Robyne Thurber,

Defendants-Appellants and Cross-Appellees,

v.

Jefferson Park Development, LLC,

Third-Party Defendant-Appellee.

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

Division B
Opinion by JUDGE GOMEZ
Fox and Lum, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA1010
El Paso County District Court No. 22CR885
Honorable Robin Chittum, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Jesus Alvarez Velasquez,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VII
Opinion by JUDGE LUM
Lipinsky and Pawar, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA1244
Boulder County District Court No. 22CR377
Honorable Patrick D. Butler, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Randolph Scott Clark,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VI
Opinion by JUDGE GRAHAM*
Tow and Yun, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA1373
Douglas County District Court No. 16CV30253
Honorable Andrew C. Baum, Judge

William Brinkerhoff and Renee Brinkerhoff,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

Mark Thurber and Robyne Thurber,

Defendants-Appellants,

and

Jeffrey C. Keiffer,

Attorney-Appellant,

v.

Jefferson Park Development, LLC,

Third-Party Defendant-Appellee.

ORDERS REVERSED AND CASE
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division B
Opinion by JUDGE GOMEZ
Fox and Lum, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA1510
El Paso County District Court No. 18PR30184
Honorable Vincent N. Rahaman, Magistrate

In the matter of Judith A. McGraw, deceased.

Evelyn Jane Lawrence,

Appellant and Cross-Appellee,

v.

Stanton McGraw and Stacey McGraw Evans,

Appellees and Cross-Appellants,

and

Estate of Michael Fred Lawrence,

Appellee,

and

Lawrence Family Ranch Corporation,

Defendant.

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

Division VI
Opinion by JUDGE MOULTRIE
Welling and Brown, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA1594
Adams County District Court No. 87CR504
Honorable Roberto Ramirez, Judge
Honorable Kyle Seedorf, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Thomas J. Howell,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDERS AFFIRMED

Division VI
Opinion by JUDGE YUN
Tow and Graham*, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA1699
Weld County District Court No. 22CR355
Honorable Meghan Patrice Saleebey, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Dakota Drake,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VII
Opinion by JUSTICE MARTINEZ*
Pawar and Lum, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA1824
Arapahoe County District Court No. 21CR1757
Honorable LaQunya L. Baker, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Gregoryo Gutierrez-Barraza,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division I
Opinion by JUDGE GRAHAM*
J. Jones and Moultrie, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA1844
El Paso County District Court No. 22CR1524
Honorable William H. Moller, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Leyonte Deshaunn Chandler,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VII
Opinion by JUDGE PAWAR
Lipinsky and Lum, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA2106
El Paso County District Court No. 21JV365
Honorable Robin Chittum, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of Kay.W., Kai.W., E.W., D.W., and S.W., Children,
and Concerning K.L.W.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE LUM
Harris and Brown, JJ., concur

Prior Opinion Announced August 29, 2024, Reversed in 24SC621

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA2108
Rio Blanco County District Court No. 09CR56
Honorable Denise K. Lynch, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Jerry D. Snider,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE GROVE
Welling and Johnson, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA0901
Jefferson County District Court No. 15CR3469
Honorable Phillip J. McNulty, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Tyrone Javonne Richardson,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

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

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA0966
Weld County District Court No. 09CR959
Honorable Julie C. Hoskins, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Jason Trevor Brooks,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division VII
Opinion by JUDGE PAWAR
Lipinsky and Lum, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA1276
Jefferson County District Court No. 12PR30637
Honorable Todd L. Vriesman, Judge

In re the Estate of Marilyn Kay Willis, deceased.

Todd Willis,

Appellant,

v.

Sabrina Willis,

Appellee.

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

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE GROVE
Welling and Johnson, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA1459
Arapahoe County District Court No. 07CR3472
Honorable David N. Karpel, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Marcus Ariel Hightower,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE GROVE
Welling and Johnson, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA1749
Larimer County District Court No. 23CV212
Honorable Laurie K. Dean, Judge

Dana R. Davis,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Jeffrey E. Wolf,

Defendant-Appellee.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE JOHNSON
Welling and Grove, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA1826
Jefferson County District Court No. 07CR1789
Honorable Diego G. Hunt, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Michael Christopher Lopez,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division VII
Opinion by JUDGE LUM
Lipinsky and Pawar, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA2215
Arapahoe County District Court No. 21DR1560
Honorable Christine Alexandra Washburn, Judge
Honorable Amanda Jane Bradley, Magistrate

In re the Marriage of

Cesar Alejandro Solis Encarnacion,

Appellant,

and

Ashley Solis Encarnacion,

Appellee.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division II
Opinion by JUDGE FOX
Harris and Schutz, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA0073
Weld County District Court No. 24JV7
Honorable W. Troy Hause, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

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

and Concerning J.M.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE JOHNSON
Welling and Grove, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA0332
Arapahoe County District Court No. 23JV426
Honorable Bonnie H. McLean, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of P.A.L., a Child,

and Concerning A.L.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE GROVE
Welling and Johnson, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA0927
Pueblo County District Court No. 25MH30043
Honorable Amiel Markenson, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Petitioner-Appellee,

In the Interest of Gbenga Dipo Feyintola,

Respondent-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division I
Opinion by JUDGE MOULTRIE
J. Jones and Kuhn, JJ., concur

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

PETITIONS FOR REHEARING

Court of Appeals No. 22CA0375

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Blake Alan Quinlan,

Defendant-Appellant.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA2106

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Corey Neil Kolacny,

Defendant-Appellant.

Opinion Modified
Petition for Rehearing GRANTED

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

Court of Appeals No. 22CA2107

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Cody Allen Countryman,

Defendant-Appellant.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

Court of Appeals No. 23CA0472

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Frederick Alexander Najera,

Defendant-Appellant.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA0520

Tremitek, LLC, a Pennsylvania limited liability company,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Resilience Code, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company, and Chad Prusmack,

Defendants-Appellees.

Opinion Modified
Petition for Rehearing GRANTED

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA0955

Blessed H. Barrack,

Complainant-Appellant,

v.

Colorado Department of Corrections, Denver Reception and Diagnostic Center,

Respondent-Appellee,

and

State Personnel Board

Appellee.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA1630

Incline Energy, LLC,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

PDC Energy, Inc., and Extraction Oil and Gas, Inc.,

Defendants-Appellees.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

MODIFIED OPINIONS

Court of Appeals No. 25CA1252

Zane Zwemke,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Sally Carsten, Debora Kolb, and Liz Sanchez,

Defendants-Appellants.

Opinion Modified
on a motion to Amend the Caption Page

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

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