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**UNPUBLISHED OPINIONS**

Court of Appeals No. 22CA0895  
Morgan County District Court No. 17CR448  
Honorable Charles M. Hobbs, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Ha Xiong,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER REVERSED AND CASE  
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division IV  
Opinion by JUDGE HARRIS  
Graham\*, J., concurs  
Yun, J., dissents

Prior Opinion Announced November 14, 2024, Vacated in 24SC820

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Court of Appeals No. 22CA1786  
Arapahoe County District Court No. 21CR671  
Honorable Ben L. Leutwyler III, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

De Ovay Malik Johnson,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED AND CASE  
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division I  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHUTZ  
J. Jones and Grove, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 22CA1868  
City and County of Denver District Court No. 21CR2721  
Honorable Jennifer B. Torrington, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Alonzo D. Smith,

Defendant-Appellant.

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

Division III  
Opinion by JUDGE BERGER\*  
Lipinsky and Taubman\*, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 23CA0240  
El Paso County District Court No. 20CR5373  
Honorable Scott Bradford Epstein, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Chad Roshawn Williams,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V  
Opinion by JUDGE FREYRE  
Pawar and Yun, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 23CA0670  
Boulder County District Court No. 20CR1440  
Honorable Patrick Butler, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

John Mark McKinley,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED AND CASE  
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division VII  
Opinion by JUDGE BERNARD\*  
Tow and Moultrie, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 23CA1061  
El Paso County District Court No. 19CR7879  
Honorable Deborah J. Grohs, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Jeffrey Carl Viars,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V  
Opinion by JUDGE PAWAR  
Freyre and Yun, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 23CA1310  
Arapahoe County District Court No. 22CR1917  
Honorable Shay K. Whitaker

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Ronald Morte Cox,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER VACATED

Division I  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHUTZ  
Grove, J., concurs  
J. Jones, J., specially concurs

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

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA0028  
Weld County District Court No. 22CR1675  
Honorable Timothy Kerns, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Cody Alexander Tegtmeier,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division II  
Opinion by JUDGE MEIRINK  
Fox and Brown, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA0593  
El Paso County District Court Nos. 22CR658 & 23CR1451  
Honorable Diana K. May, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Edward Lewis Davidson, Jr.,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division I  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHUTZ  
J. Jones and Grove, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1341  
Gilpin County District Court No. 23CR38  
Honorable Jeffrey R. Pilkington, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

James Pkemoi Kukat,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division II  
Opinion by JUDGE FOX  
Brown and Meirink, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1566  
Jefferson County District Court No. 22CR2894  
Honorable Theresa M. Cisneros, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Eric Shane Miller,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V  
Opinion by JUDGE PAWAR  
Freyre and Yun, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1571  
Elbert County District Court No. 24DR21  
Honorable Theresa Slade, Judge

In re the Marriage of

Enid Jannette Melendez,

Appellant,

and

Omar Munoz,

Appellee.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division VI  
Opinion by JUDGE WELLING  
Gomez and Sullivan, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA2009  
Douglas County District Court No. 23CV42  
Honorable Andrew C. Baum, Judge

Edward Starski,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Chandler Holderness,

Defendant-Appellee.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division III  
Opinion by JUDGE BERGER\*  
Lipinsky and Taubman\*, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 25CA0014  
El Paso County District Court No. 20DR30799  
Honorable Monica J. Gomez, Judge

In re the Marriage of

Daemon J. Hunter,

Appellee,

and

Bella N. Hunter,

Appellant.

ORDERS AFFIRMED

Division I  
Opinion by JUDGE J. JONES  
Grove and Schutz, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 25CA0167  
City and County of Denver District Court No. 23CV31536  
Honorable Andrew J. Luxen, Judge

Dr. Anne Brauweiler,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

National Jewish Health,

Defendant-Appellee.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V  
Opinion by JUDGE PAWAR  
Freyre, J., concurs  
Yun, J., specially concurs

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Court of Appeals No. 25CA0805  
Logan County District Court No. 25CV8  
Honorable Dina M. Christiansen, Judge

David J. Gottorff,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

District Attorney of the Thirteenth Judicial District of Colorado,

Defendant-Appellee.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division II  
Opinion by JUDGE MEIRINK  
Fox and Brown, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 25CA1355  
Pueblo County District Court No. 25MH30008  
Honorable Amiel Markenson, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Petitioner-Appellee,

In the Interest of Brian Zaczek,

Respondent-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division VI  
Opinion by JUDGE SULLIVAN  
Welling and Gomez, JJ., concur

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Court of Appeals No. 25CA1857  
City and County of Denver Probate Court No. 25MH266  
Honorable Beth A. Tomerlin

The People of the State of Colorado,

Petitioner-Appellee,

In the Interest of Rior Abdurahman,

Respondent-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED IN PART AND REVERSED IN PART

Division I  
Opinion by JUDGE SCHUTZ  
J. Jones and Grove, JJ., concur

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

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## **PETITIONS FOR REHEARING**

Court of Appeals No. 23CA1211

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

James Craig Dobson,

Defendant-Appellant.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

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Court of Appeals No. 23CA1481

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Stephen M. Cramer,

Defendant-Appellant.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA1874

In re the Marriage of

Kasarah Marie Al Flahi n/k/a Kasarah Marie Drake,

Appellant,

and

Tristan Ahmed Busanda Al Flahi,

Appellee.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

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Court of Appeals No. 24CA2065

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Jose Guadalupe Rocha,

Defendant-Appellant.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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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. 2025.