ANNOUNCEMENTS
COLORADO COURT OF APPEALS
November 25, 2026

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PUBLISHED OPINIONS

2026 COA 87
Court of Appeals No. 24CA1456
Jefferson County District Court No. 23CV30901
Honorable Russell Klein, Judge

Muhammad Howard,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Jessica Katherine Howard a/k/a Jessica Katherine Knepp,

Defendant-Appellee.

JUDGMENT REVERSED AND CASE
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

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

Prior Opinion Announced August 27, 2026, WITHDRAWN
Petition for Rehearing GRANTED

Opinion Previously Announced as "**NOT PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO C.A.R. 35(e)"** on August 27, 2026, is now Designated for Publication

2026 COA 88
Court of Appeals No. 26CA1286
Adams County District Court No. 26CV30172
Honorable Patrick H. Pugh, Judge

Gerald J. Rafferty and Eileen Rafferty,

Appellees,

v.

Adams County Coroner Monica Broncucia-Jordan,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division C
Opinion by JUSTICE MARTINEZ*
Tow, C.J., and Taubman*, J., concur

UNPUBLISHED OPINIONS

Court of Appeals No. 23CA0382
City and County of Denver District Court No. 17CR9028
Honorable Martin F. Egelhoff, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Shamil J. Jefferson,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE GROVE
Lum and Berger*, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA0781
Teller County District Court No. 22JV11
Honorable Scott Sells, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of J.M.T., a Child,

and Concerning K.B.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT REVERSED AND CASE
REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division A
Opinion by CHIEF JUDGE TOW
Bernard* and Taubman*, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA1109
Arapahoe County District Court No. 23CR985
Honorable Joseph Whitfield, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Anthony Renard Ruffin,

Defendant-Appellant.

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

Division I
Opinion by JUDGE SCHOCK
Sullivan, J., concurs
J. Jones, J., concurs in part and dissents in part

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA2202
El Paso County District Court No. 15CR1946
Honorable J. Robert Lowenbach, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Kaminski Kuatrel Lee,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division IV
Opinion by JUDGE TAUBMAN*
Lipinsky and Gomez, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA2231
El Paso County District Court No. 23CR5603
Honorable Jill Brady, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Brandon Burns,

Defendant-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division I
Opinion by JUDGE SCHOCK
J. Jones and Sullivan, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA0402
Douglas County District Court No. 13CR235
Honorable Ryan J. Stuart, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Ronald Laroy Lewis,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division II
Opinion by JUDGE YUN
Fox and Johnson, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA0502
Mesa County District Court No. 17CR1144
Honorable Matthew D. Barrett, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Joshua Strickler,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division II
Opinion by JUDGE FOX
Johnson and Yun, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA0617
City and County of Denver District Court No. 08CR3121
Honorable Demetria E. Trujillo, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Darrel Guice,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division VI
Opinion by JUDGE KUHN
Welling and Meirink, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA0848
Arapahoe County District Court No. 22CR1231
Honorable Natalie Stricklin, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Allen David Patterson,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division I
Opinion by JUDGE J. JONES
Schock and Sullivan, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA1522
Mesa County District Court No. 12CR294
Honorable JenniLynn Everett Lawrence, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Jerod Lance Wade,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER REVERSED AND CASE REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division IV
Opinion by JUDGE LIPINSKY
Harris and Gomez, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA1534
Boulder County District Court No. 23DR30292
Honorable Robert R. Gunning, Judge

In re the Marriage of

Kenneth C. Tola Jr.,

Appellant and Cross-Appellee,

and

Deborah Tola,

Appellee and Cross-Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

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

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA1643
Adams County District Court No. 24CV31150
Honorable Teri L. Vasquez, Judge

Robin Bakas,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Patrick McGuckin,

Defendant-Appellee.

APPEAL DISMISSED IN PART
AND JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division I
Opinion by JUDGE SCHOCK
J. Jones and Sullivan, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA1827
City and County of Denver District Court No. 17CR10089
Honorable Karen L. Brody, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Bruce Allen Doucette,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division IV
Opinion by JUDGE GOMEZ
Harris and Lipinsky, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA2052
Gunnison County District Court No. 21CV30043
Honorable Kellie Starritt, Judge

BOCC of the County of Gunnison Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

David Joseph Gottorff,

Defendant-Appellant.

APPEAL DISMISSED

Division IV
Opinion by JUDGE TAUBMAN*
Harris and Gomez, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA2399
Chaffee County District Court No. 18DR30006
Honorable Dayna Vise, Judge

In re the Parental Responsibilities Concerning K.K., a Child,

and Concerning Taryn Clowes Burkhart,

Appellee,

and

Keith Edward Kirchner,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE LUM
Freyre and Grove, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 25CA2485
Mesa County District Court No. 24JV99
Honorable Brian J. Flynn, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of J.M.A., a Child,

and Concerning J.A. and D.D.,

Appellants.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division A
Opinion by JUDGE ASHBY*
Tow, C.J., and Navarro*, J., concur
Ashby, J., concurs dubitante

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

Court of Appeals No. 26CA0149
El Paso County District Court No. 25CV9
Honorable Russell H. Granger, Judge

Christopher E. Stone,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Law Office of Dailey and Pratt and Lisa Dailey,

Defendants-Appellees.

ORDER VACATED

Division VII
Opinion by JUDGE BROWN
Pawar and Moultrie, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 26CA0153
Boulder County District Court No. 22DR30458
Honorable Timothy Johnson, Judge

In re the Marriage of

Charles Bell,

Appellant,

and

Alyson Bell, n/k/a Alyson Varvel,

Appellee.

ORDER AFFIRMED AND CASE REMANDED WITH DIRECTIONS

Division IV
Opinion by JUDGE LIPINSKY
Harris and Gomez, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 26CA0346
City and County of Denver Juvenile Court No. 24JV30213
Honorable Laurie Clark, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of D.J.O., A.S.O., L.L.O., T.T.V.O., and A.P.O., Children,

and Concerning E.N.J.B. and A.F.O.,

Appellants.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE LUM
Freyre and Grove, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 26CA0803
Larimer County District Court No. 24DR899
Honorable Daniel M. McDonald, Judge

In re the Marriage of

Kristan Elliott,

Appellee,

and

Benjamin Macaluso,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division A
Opinion by JUDGE NAVARRO*
Tow, C.J. and Bernard*, J., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 26CA0824
Arapahoe County District Court No. 25JV30155
Honorable Shay Whitaker, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

In the Interest of M.K.M.N., a Child,

and Concerning F.T.N.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division A
Opinion by JUDGE TAUBMAN*
Tow, C.J., and Bernard*, J., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 26CA0853
Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado
DD No. 151-2026

Koe Meh,

Petitioner,

v.

Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado,

Respondent.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division III
Opinion by JUDGE DUNN
Schutz and Brenton, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 26CA0967
Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado
DD No. 3902-2026

Tiffany Villa,

Petitioner,

v.

Industrial Claim Appeals Office of the State of Colorado and Style Incorporated,

Respondents.

ORDER AFFIRMED

Division III
Opinion by JUDGE SCHUTZ
Dunn and Brenton, JJ., concur

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

Court of Appeals No. 26CA0968
Jefferson County District Court No. 24JV30263
Honorable Lindsay VanGilder, Judge

The People of the State of Colorado,

Appellee,

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

and Concerning M.B.,

Appellant.

JUDGMENT AFFIRMED

Division V
Opinion by JUDGE LUM
Freyre and Grove, JJ., concur

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

PETITIONS FOR REHEARING

Court of Appeals No. 22CA2152

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Jenny M. Nguyen,

Defendant-Appellant.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA1014

The People of the State of Colorado,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Billy James Garrison,

Defendant-Appellant.

Petition for Rehearing DENIED

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

Court of Appeals No. 24CA1456

Muhammad Howard,

Plaintiff-Appellant,

v.

Jessica Katherine Howard a/k/a Jessica Katherine Knepp,

Defendant-Appellee.

Prior Opinion Announced August 27, 2026, WITHDRAWN
Petition for Rehearing GRANTED

Court of Appeals No. 25CA1619

Everitt Airport, LLC, a Colorado limited liability company,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

v.

Everitt Airfield Association, LLC,

Defendant-Appellant.

Opinion Modified and Petition for Rehearing
GRANTED IN PART and DENIED IN PART

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. 2026.