

FOURTH DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS

CASE ASSIGNMENTS

Presiding Judge Jason P. Smith
Administrative Judge Michael D. Hess
Judge Peter B. Abele
Judge Kristy S. Wilkin

Cases **submitted on the briefs** are listed in the **first** table below and are assigned to a panel throughout the month.

Cases **scheduled for oral argument** are listed in the **second** table below and the parties and/or counsel have been notified by Magistrate's Order.

Arguments begin promptly at **10:00 a.m.**, unless otherwise noted. Panels and/or hearing dates are subject to change.

Information concerning oral argument location is listed underneath the oral argument scheduling table.

Questions or concerns should be directed to the Court.

CASES SUBMITTED ON BRIEFS

COUNTY	CASE NUMBER	CASE NAME	ASSIGNMENT DATE	PANEL
ADAMS				
Adams	25CA1211	Mapes v. Gibbs	July 14, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Adams	25CA1224	In the Matter of: E.M., T.M.	October 10, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Adams	25CA1217	State v. Johnson	October 13, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Adams	25CA1218	State v. Kennedy	October 13, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Adams	25CA1221	State v. Yates, Jr.	October 27, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Adams	25CA1227	State v. Aeiker	December 8, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
ATHENS				
Athens	24CA25	State v. Schwab	March 10, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Athens	24CA30	State v. Morgan	March 10, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Athens	25CA5	Sammons v. Gibson	November 10, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Athens	25CA8	State v. Gambrel	December 29, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
GALLIA				
Gallia	24CA15 – 17	State v. Lewis	July 14, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Gallia	24CA19	State v. Collins	September 1, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Gallia	25CA1	State v. Durst	October 13, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Gallia	25CA2	State v. Conkey	November 10, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin

HIGHLAND				
Highland	24CA11	State v. Coleman	March 31, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Highland	24CA20	State v. Powell	July 14, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Highland	25CA12	In the Matter of: H.C.	September 16, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Highland	25CA3	State v. Jensen	December 1, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
HOCKING				
Hocking	24CA6	State v. Stevens	March 31, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Hocking	24CA7	State v. Pence	September 29, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Hocking	25CA2	Kovalcik v. Kovalcik	December 29, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
JACKSON				
Jackson	24CA13	State v. Garrett	March 10, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Jackson	24CA17 & 25CA4	State v. Wise	August 4, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Jackson	24CA6	State v. Lennex	September 15, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Jackson	24CA15	State v. Baisden	November 10, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Jackson	25CA10	State v. Weaver	November 10, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Jackson	25CA11	City of Jackson, Ohio v. Kinkaid	December 1, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Jackson	25CA7	State v. Miller	December 8, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
LAWRENCE				
Lawrence	25CA6 & 25CA7	State v. Wyant	September 15, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Lawrence	25CA11	Plibrico Company v. Roy Hall, Sr.	October 27, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
MEIGS				
Meigs	24CA3	State v. Hess	October 15, 2024	Abele, Hess, Smith
Meigs	24CA12	Francis, et al. v. Contractor Services	February 10, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Meigs	23CA8 & 23CA9	State v. Grover	May 5, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Meigs	25CA4	State v. Rogers	October 27, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Meigs	25CA2	State v. Brannon	December 8, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
PICKAWAY				
Pickaway	25CA18	Watson v. Minnich	September 15, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Pickaway	25CA15	State v. Horsley	October 27, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Pickaway	25CA24	In re: T.L.	October 24, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Pickaway	25CA9	Gabriel v. McBride	November 10, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Pickaway	25CA26-27	State v. Shea, II	December 29, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
PIKE				
Pike	25CA937	Nichols v. Nichols, Jr	August 4, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Pike	25CA941	Davis v. Damron	September 29, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Pike	25CA940	State v. Sutton	October 13, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
ROSS				
Ross	24CA42	State v. Redmond	June 2, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Ross	25CA6	Dayton Truck Repair v. Crowe, et al.	August 18, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Ross	25CA3	State v. Bost	September 1, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Ross	25CA9	State v. Oatis	October 13, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Ross	25CA23	State v. Smith	November 10, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Ross	25CA32	State v. Clark	November 21, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Ross	25CA10/13	State v. Rogers	December 29, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Ross	25CA36	State v. Harris	December 29, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
SCIOTO				

Scioto	25CA4120	State v. Jackson	June 2, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Scioto	24CA4067 & 24CA4068	State v. Harris	July 14, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Scioto	24CA4093	State v. Kelly	July 14, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Scioto	24CA4096	State v. Woods (aka Johnson)	July 14, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Scioto	24CA4066	State v. Turner	August 4, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Scioto	24CA4090	State v. Addington	September 15, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Scioto	24CA4105	State v. Bevins	September 15, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Scioto	25CA4140	In the Matter of: A.H. & D.H.	September 16, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Scioto	25CA4146 & 25CA4147	In re: C.H. Jr., A.C.	October 10, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Scioto	24CA4110	State v. Mallory	October 27, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Scioto	24CA4108 & 24CA4109	State v. Maguire, Jr.	December 1, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Scioto	25CA4126	State v. Wilkins	December 1, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Scioto	25CA4129 & 25CA4130	State v. Anderson/Marrow	December 1, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Scioto	24CA4103	State v. Fitzpatrick	December 29, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Scioto	25CA4123	State v. Brown	December 29, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Scioto	25CA4136	State v. Prude	December 29, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
VINTON				
Vinton	25CA705	Baldwin v. Baldwin	September 29, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Vinton	25CA708	In re: K.H.	September 26, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
WASHINGTON				
Washington	24CA18	State v. Tucker	April 21, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Washington	24CA15	State v. Wilson	April 28, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Washington	24CA19	State v. Armstrong	May 5, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Washington	25CA5 & 25CA10	State v. Wiggers, Sr.	June 2, 2025	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Washington	25CA6	State v. Wisor	September 1, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Washington	25CA15	State v. Hill	September 29, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Washington	25CA12-14	State v. Robison	November 10, 2025	Abele, Hess, Smith
Washington	25CA17	State v. Mackey	December 1, 2025	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Washington	25CA22-24	State v. Vineyard	December 29, 2025	Abele, Hess, Wilkin

2025 ORAL ARGUMENT SCHEDULE

DATE	COUNTY/LOCATION	CASE COUNTY/NUMBER/NAME	PANEL
Jan 25	Oral Argument	Highland 24CA7 – Jennifer Bowman v. David Bowman	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Feb 6	Highland Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Abele, Smith, Hess
Feb 13	Adams Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Smith, Hess, Wilkin
Feb 25	Oral Argument	Hocking 22CA4 – Karry Gemmell v. Evergreen Site Holdings, Inc.	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
March 13	Vinton Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Abele, Wilkin, Hess
March 27	Scioto Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Abele, Smith, Hess
April 3	Lawrence Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Smith, Hess, Wilkin
April 17	Ross Common Pleas Courtroom	Washington 24CA12 – Brent Hann v. Richard Tonnous, et al Athens 24CA31 – State of Ohio v. City of Athens Highland 24CA6 – State of Ohio v. Jason Creager Pike 23CA919 – State of Ohio v. George Wagner, IV	Abele, Hess, Smith
April 24	Gallia Common Pleas Courtroom	Gallia 24CA9 – State of Ohio v. James Phoenix Athens 24CA10 – State of Ohio v. Jonathan Hinton Ross 24CA28 – State of Ohio v. Dominique Lawson Pickaway 24CA18 & 24CA19 – State of Ohio v. Marinda Perrill	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
May 1	Athens Common Pleas Courtroom	Lawrence 24CA11 – Beulah Handy v. Patriot Mgmt. and Investments Company, et al. Ross 24CA14 – State of Ohio v. Gordon Snyder Lawrence 23CA34 – State of Ohio v. Charles Parks Ross 24CA15 – State of Ohio v. James Haughn Jackson – State of Ohio v. James Perry	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
May 15	Lawrence Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Smith, Hess, Wilkin

May 29	Meigs Common Pleas Courtroom	Athens 24CA21 – Tonya Cochran v. David Cochran Washington 24CA21 – State of Ohio v. Rodney James Scioto 24CA4076 – State of Ohio v. Michael Andrews	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
June 5	Scioto Court of Appeals Courtroom	Canceled	Smith, Hess, Wilkin
June 12	Jackson Common Pleas Courtroom	Jackson 24CA9 – Elizabeth Frisby v. John Frisby Jackson 24CA4 – State of Ohio v. Larry E. Farmer Athens 24CA37 – Michael Weser v. Gloria Brunson, et al. Washington 24CA11 – Southwestern Equipment v. D.J. Group, et al. Pike 24CA931 – State of Ohio v. George Wagner, III	Abele, Smith, Hess
June 26	Ross Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Abele, Smith, Hess
July 10	Scioto Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
July 31	Ross Common Pleas Courtroom	Athens 24CA23 – State of Ohio v. Matthew Streeter Gallia 24CA3 & 24CA8 – State of Ohio v. Timothy Wolfe Vinton 24CA701 – State of Ohio v. David Longworth Pickaway 24CA23 – Adam Dunn, et al. v. Washington Twp, OH., et al.	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Aug 14	Lawrence Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Smith, Hess, Wilkin
Aug 28	Gallia Common Pleas Courtroom	Scioto 24CA4077 – State of Ohio v. Michael Blair (Brown) Scioto 23CA4049 – State of Ohio v. Jalisa Price-Tuggle Scioto 24CA4070 – State of Ohio v. Adrienne Jordan Scioto 24CA4071 – State of Ohio v. Sashia Johnson	Abele, Smith, Hess
Sep 18	Highland Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Sep 25	Washington Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Oct 2	Vinton Court of Appeals Courtroom	Pickaway 24CA27 – Mohamed Suddle v. Rakshanda Suddle Vinton 25CA703 – Strelsa Sharrett v. Regan M.J. Sharrett, Executor of Estate for Ron Sharrett Athens 24CA35 – Melissa Malone v. Wendy Cremeans Scioto 24CA4087 – State of Ohio v. Aden Greene Gallia 24CA12 – State of Ohio v. Nicholas Dayton	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Oct 16	Pike Common Pleas Courtroom	Canceled	Abele, Smith, Wilkin

Oct 30	Pickaway Common Pleas Courtroom	Gallia 24CA11 – State of Ohio v. Jason McCormick Hocking 25CA1 – Cris Krista v. Terry Thompson Adams 25CA1212 – Gary Evans, et al. v. Burton Myers Scioto 23CA4047 – State of Ohio v. Terry Jewell Ross 24CA17 – Wendy Brown, Trustee, et al. v. William Branscomb Pickaway 25CA2 – Kyle Kirkpatrick, et al. v. Madison Township, Ohio, et al.	Smith, Hess, Wilkin
Nov 6	Ross Court of Appeals Courtroom	Pickaway 25CA6 – Hsu Chang Wu v. Cheng-Han Li Hocking 25CA3 – Tax Ease Ohio v. Christy Leasure, et al. Washington 25CA21 – Charles Andrew v. Richard Timmis Ross 25CA17 – Rufus Lowman v. State Medical Board Ohio Ross 25CA1 – State of Ohio v. Matthew Willey	Abele, Hess, Wilkin
Nov 18	Oral Argument	Hocking 2CA8 – Shawnee Hunting Ridge v. State of Ohio Pickaway 25CA11 – McGovney Realty v. AWF Enterprises	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Nov 19	Oral Argument	Adams 25CA1215 – State of Ohio v. Nicholas Schluep Scioto 25CA4135 – John Rogers, II v. Dacia Rogers	Hess, Smith, Wilkin
Nov 20	Oral Argument	Pickaway 25CA12 – Candlewood Custom Homes v. Brian Saunders	Abele, Smith, Wilkin
Nov 20	Scioto Court of Appeals Courtroom	Canceled	Abele, Hess, Wilkin

ORAL ARGUMENT HEARING LOCATIONS

Adams County Common Pleas Courtroom
Adams County Courthouse
110 West Main Street
West Union, Ohio 45693

Athens County Common Pleas Courtroom
Athens County Courthouse
1 South Court Street
Athens, Ohio 45701

Gallia County Common Pleas Courtroom
Gallia County Courthouse
18 Locust Street
Gallipolis, Ohio 45631

Highland County Common Pleas Courtroom
Highland County Courthouse
105 North High Street
Hillsboro, Ohio 45133

Hocking County Common Pleas Courtroom
Hocking County Courthouse
1 East Main Street
Logan, Ohio 43138

Jackson County Common Pleas Courtroom
Jackson County Courthouse
226 East Main Street
Jackson, Ohio 45640

Lawrence County Common Pleas Courtroom
Lawrence County Courthouse
111 South 4th Street
Ironton, Ohio 45638

Meigs County Common Pleas Courtroom
Meigs County Courthouse
100 Second Street
Pomeroy, Ohio 45769

Pickaway County Common Pleas Courtroom
Pickaway County Courthouse
207 South Court Street, 2nd Floor
Circleville, Ohio 43113

Pike County Common Pleas Courtroom
Pike County Courthouse
100 East Second Street
Waverly, Ohio 45690

Ross County Common Pleas Courtroom #1
Ross County Courthouse
2 North Paint Street
Chillicothe, Ohio 45601

Scioto County Court of Appeals Courtroom
Scioto County Courthouse
602 7th Street, 3rd Floor
Portsmouth, Ohio 45662

Vinton County Common Pleas Courtroom
Vinton County Courthouse
100 East Main Street
McArthur, Ohio 45651

Washington County Common Pleas Courtroom
Washington County Courthouse
205 Putnam Street
Marietta, Ohio 45750