

May 2026

ORAL ARGUMENT  
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# Motion Panel

Judge Audra J. Eckerle, Presiding Judge

Judge Glenn E. Acree and  
Judge Sara W. Combs,  
Associate Judges

## Kentucky Court of Appeals

### Oral Argument Calendar

Thursday, May 07, 2026

Location: DAVIESS COUNTY HOLBROOK JUDICIAL CENTER, 100 E. 2ND STREET, COURTROOM 4A, OWENSBORO, KY

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**11:00AM (CST) JEAN H. RAMSEY v. FRANK RAMSEY, III, AS EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF FRANK V. RAMSEY, JR.**

**AND**

**CYNTHIA RAMSEY COOPER v. FRANK RAMSEY, III, AS EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF FRANK V. RAMSEY, JR.**

**AND**

**FRANK RAMSEY, III, AS EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF FRANK V. RAMSEY, JR., ET AL. v. CYNTHIA RAMSEY COOPER**

[2025-CA-0257, 2025-CA-0267, 2025-CA-0440](#)

**Presiding Judge: HON. AUDRA J. ECKERLE**

**Associate Judges: HON. ALLISON E. JONES and HON. LISA P. JONES**

Appellant (“Widow”) and Frank Ramsey, Jr. (“Husband”) were married for 64 years but had been legally separated since at least 2011. In 2013, the parties entered an Agreement as to Property Rights and Maintenance (“Agreement”). Widow claims that Husband did not disclose a separate valuation for the mineral rights attached to certain real property. When Husband died, Widow sued his Estate claiming that the value of the mineral rights was fraudulently withheld from her during the separation negotiations. She sought to set aside the Agreement in favor of her dower rights. On cross motions for summary judgment, the Hopkins Circuit Court found that the express language of the 2013 Agreement precludes, as a matter of law, the Widow’s application to set aside the property settlement and that her claim of fraud was factually unsupported. Widow appeals, arguing that the Trial Court erred, as there are genuine issues of material fact.

**HOPKINS County, HON. CHRISTOPHER BRYAN OGLESBY**

Attorneys for Appellants: Daniel Ernest Hitchcock and William Deatherage, Jr.

Attorneys for Appellees: Elizabeth Catesby Woodford, Joe Ashby Evans, III, and Thomas Walcutt Miller

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Tuesday, May 12, 2026

Location: HARDIN COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER, HEARING ROOM II, 120 EAST DIXIE AVE., ELIZABETHTOWN, KY

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**10:30AM (EST) FIELD & MAIN BANK, INC. F/K/A OHIO VALLEY FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., SUCCESSOR BY MERGER AND F/K/A OHIO VALLEY BANK, INC., SUCCESSOR BY CONVERSION TO OHIO VALLEY NATIONAL BANK OF HENDERSON v. COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, TRANSPORTATION CABINET, DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS**

[2025-CA-0216](#)

Presiding Judge: HON. KELLY MARK EASTON

Associate Judges: HON. JACQUELINE M. CALDWELL and HON. SARA W. COMBS

CIVIL: CONDEMNATION FOR HIGHWAY PROJECT. INITIALLY FEE SIMPLE SOUGHT. THEN TWO YEARS LATER PETITION AMENDED TO TEMP. EASEMENT. BAD FAITH ALLEGED FOR AMENDMENT TO DENY FULL COMPENSATION. BOTH SIDES REQUEST ORAL ARGUMENT FOR QUESTIONS OF JURISDICTION FOR AMENDMENT, RIGHT TO HEARING ON BAD FAITH VERSUS CHANGE IN NEED, TIMELINESS, AND CONSTITUTIONAL TAKING CLAIMS.

HENDERSON County, HON. KAREN LYNN WILSON

Attorneys for Appellant: Patrick Clayton Thomas and Jon Allen Woodall

Attorney for Appellee: Kerry Duggan Smith

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**1:30PM (EST) SIGNORE, LLC D/B/A DERBY LANE MOBILE HOME COMMUNITY v. LOUISVILLE METRO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELLNESS, ET AL.**

[2025-CA-0758](#)

Presiding Judge: HON. KELLY MARK EASTON

Associate Judges: HON. JACQUELINE M. CALDWELL and HON. SARA W. COMBS

CIVIL: APPEAL FROM DECISION AFFIRMING RECOMMENDATIONS OF HFS CABINET SUSPENDING MOBILE HOME'S COMMUNITY PERMIT BECAUSE A TRAILER VIOLATED SET BACK AND SPACING REQUIREMENTS PRESENTING A FIRE HAZARD. APPELLANT ARGUES TRIAL COURT GAVE TOO MUCH DEFERENCE TO ADMIN. AGENCY. ONE QUESTION WILL BE STATUS OF NOW ABANDONED FEDERAL CHEVRON DOCTRINE. OTHER ISSUES ARE APPLICABILITY OF "SANITATION" VERSUS FIRE REGULATIONS, GRANDFATHERING OF LAW CHANGES, AND CLAIM OF UNCONSTITUTIONAL TAKING.

FRANKLIN County, HON. THOMAS D. WINGATE

Attorneys for Appellant: Donald L. Cox and William Henry Mooney

Attorney for Appellees: Jamhal Lashon Woolridge and Natalie Suzanne Johnson

**Tuesday, May 19, 2026**

Location: FAYETTE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURTHOUSE, 120 NORTH LIMESTONE, COURTROOM I, 4th FLOOR, LEXINGTON, KY

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**11:00AM PAUL LEHECKA ET AL. v. NASH BUILDING SUPPLY AND REMODELING, INC.  
(EST)**

[2025-CA-0597](#)

**Presiding Judge: HON. LARRY E. THOMPSON**

**Associate Judges: HON. GLENN E. ACREE AND HON. J. CHRISTOPHER McNEILL**

DID THE TRIAL COURT ERR IN GRANTING SUMMARY JUDGMENT? ISSUES INCLUDE WHETHER A PARTY CAN CONTINUE A CASE ON BEHALF OF A BUSINESS WHEN HE HAS SOLD HIS INTEREST IN THAT BUSINESS; WHETHER A VALUATION OF AN ASSET BY A BANKRUPTCY COURT IS BINDING ON A CIRCUIT COURT; WHETHER APPELLANT RAISED SUFFICIENT ISSUES OF MATERIAL FACT TO PRECLUDE SUMMARY JUDGMENT; WHETHER MECHANIC LEANS WERE FACIALLY DEFECTIVE AND INVALID; AND WHETHER THE COURT ERRED IN RULING ON AN ISSUE NOT RAISED IN THE MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT.

**DAVIESS County, HON. THOMAS O. CASTLEN**

Attorney for Appellant: Christopher William Riccio

Attorney for Appellee: Michelle Lynn Burden

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**12:00PM VIVIANE RENOT v. SECURA SUPREME INSURANCE COMPANY  
(EST)**

[2025-CA-0030](#)

**Presiding Judge: HON. GLENN E. ACREE**

**Associate Judges: HON. J. CHRISTOPHER McNEILL and HON. LARRY E. THOMPSON**

**Negligence; Automobile Accident:**

Whether trial court erred during retrial by failing to limit scope of expert testimony; whether trial court erred by denying appellant's challenge of appellee's juror strikes; and whether the trail court erred by disallowing testimony of one of appellant's witnesses.

**FAYETTE County, HON. LUCY ANNE VANMETER**

Attorneys for Appellant: David Todd Varellas and Sandra Motte Varellas

Attorneys for Appellee: Ashley Kristen Brown and Graham David Barth

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Thursday, May 28, 2026

Location: KENTUCKY WESLEYAN COLLEGE, JACK T. WELLS ACTIVITY CENTER, 3300 FREDERICA STREET, OWENSBORO, KY

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**11:00AM (CST) DUSTIN ALIFF, ET AL. v. MAYFIELD CONSUMER PRODUCTS, LLC, ET AL.**

[2025-CA-0691](#)

**Presiding Judge: HON. JEFF S. TAYLOR,**

**Associate Judges: HON. ANNETTE C. KAREM and HON. J. CHRISTOPHER McNEILL**

Whether circuit court erred in granting Defendant's motion to dismiss complaint under CR 12.02, for claims asserted by employees and certain employees' estates for damages arising from injuries sustained from destruction of business in Mayfield by a tornado on December 10, 2021.

**GRAVES County, HON. KEVIN D. BISHOP**

Attorneys for Appellants: John Cleveland Whitfield, William Daniel Nefzger, and William L. Davis

Attorneys for Appellees: Megan Reese U'Sellis, Melinda Martin Ormsby, and Russell Brent Morgan

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**1:30PM (CST) AUBREY ELLIS FRANKLIN v. COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**

[2025-CA-0198](#)

**Presiding Judge: HON. JEFF S. TAYLOR**

**Associate Judges: HON. ANNETTE C. KAREM and HON. J. CHRISTOPHER McNEILL**

Whether circuit court erred in denying Defendant's motion to dismiss his indictment and conviction for possession of a handgun by a convicted felon, upholding the constitutionality of KRS 527.040.

**KENTON County, HON. MARY K. MOLLOY**

Attorney for Appellant: Aaron Reed Baker

Attorney for Appellee: Joseph A. Beckett

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**2:15PM (CST) ~~SCOTTY'S CONTRACTING AND STONE, LLC V. ASHLEY GRAVES ET AL. 2024-CA-0287,~~  
~~SCOTTY'S CONTRACTING AND STONE, LLC V. ASHLEY GRAVES ET AL. 2024-CA-0352~~**

[2024-CA-0287](#), [2024-CA-0352](#) **ORAL ARGUMENT RESCHEDULED**

**Presiding Judge: HON. GLENN E. ACREE**

**Associate Judges: HON. J. CHRISTOPHER McNEILL and HON. JEFF S. TAYLOR**

**BARREN County, HON. JOHN T. ALEXANDER**

Attorneys for Appellants: Frank Hampton Moore, Jr., Griffin Terry Sumner, and John Kendrick Wells, IV

Attorneys for Appellees: Jamie Kristin Neal, Kevin Crosby Burke, Michael Anthony Breen, William Kenneth Nevitt, William Jephtha Williford, Shawn Rosso Alcott, Thomas Neal Kerrick, Laura Marie Hagan, Richard Alexander Thomason, Michael Patrick Casey, Robert Ashley Jenkins, and Patrick Lowell Schmeckpeper

Attorney for Other: Bethany A. Breetz

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