

Oral Argument Calendar

United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Courtroom 110 - Detroit, MI, 1:00 P.M.

Before: **Thapar, Bush, Murphy****25-1089 Steve Karacson v. David Shaver**[4:20-cv-13100](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Flint

M. Leitman

Prisoner appeals the district court's order denying his petition for a writ of habeas corpus but granting a certificate of appealability on his denial-of-counsel claim. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1566 Christopher Hemwall v. Adam Douglas[2:24-cv-12750](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

B. McMillion

Petitioner appeals the order granting respondent's motion to dismiss his petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 2254. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1653 Jamal Ward v. Charles Brotzke, et al.[5:23-cv-10096](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Ann Arbor

J. Levy

Plaintiff appeals the summary judgment for the defendants on his constitutional and state-law claims. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-3361 USA v. Antoine Gaither[3:23-cr-00189-1](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Toledo

J. Knepp

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a guilty plea, for possession of a firearm by a felon. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3548 Andrea Tumbleson v. Lakota Local School District, et al.[1:23-cv-00395](#)

Southern District of Ohio at Cincinnati

D. Cole

Plaintiff appeals the summary judgment for the defendant in her disability-discrimination action. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3659 Efra Deh v. Todd Blanche

a 213 187 870

Board of Immigration Appeals

Petitioner seeks review of an order of the Board of Immigration Appeals that upheld the denial of his motion to reopen removal proceedings. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3537 Kimberly Vaughn v. James Rea, et al.[1:21-cv-02197](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

D. Ruiz

Plaintiff appeals the summary judgment for the defendants on her constitutional claims. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

Courtroom 110 - Detroit, MI, 9:00 A.M.

Before: **Cole, Griffin, Readler**

25-1463 USA v. Ernestine Hogue

[5:17-cr-20547-1](#) Eastern District of Michigan at Ann Arbor J. Levy

Defendant appeals her criminal judgment, after a jury trial, for theft of government funds. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1734 Brian Zimmermann, et al. v. Scott Labish, et al.

[2:22-cv-12338](#) Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit T. Berg

25-1756 Brian Zimmermann, et al. v. Scott Labish, et al.

[2:22-cv-12338](#) Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit T. Berg

In these consolidated matters, several defendants appeal the district court's decision on their motions to dismiss based on qualified and governmental immunity. (20 Minutes for Plaintiffs; 10 Minutes for Defendants in 25-1734; 10 Minutes for Defendants in 25-1756)

25-3170 Buckeye Institute v. IRS, et al.

[2:22-cv-04297](#) Southern District of Ohio at Columbus M. Watson

In this interlocutory appeal certified under 28 U.S.C. 1292(b), Defendants appeal the denial of their motion for summary judgment on Plaintiff's constitutional claim. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-3504 Jose Baltazar-Us v. Todd Blanche

a 205 505 554 Board of Immigration Appeals

Petitioner seeks review of an order of the Board of Immigration Appeals that upheld the denial of his application for cancellation of removal. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3272 USA v. Lorenzo Watson

[1:19-cr-00488-1](#) Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland D. Polster

Defendant appeals an order revoking his supervised release and imposing a term of imprisonment. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

Courtroom 219 - Detroit, MI, 9:00 A.M.

Before: **Clay, McKeague, Nalbandian**

25-5769 John Norman v. Joseph Horton, et al.

5:22-cv-00300

Eastern District of Kentucky at Lexington

K. Caldwell

Plaintiff appeals the summary judgment for the defendants on his constitutional claims. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-5195 USA v. Cody King

1:24-cr-00003-1

Eastern District of Tennessee at Chattanooga

C. Collier

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a guilty plea, for possession with intent to distribute fentanyl. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-5749 USA v. Estifanos Kumssa

3:21-cr-00172-1

Middle District of Tennessee at Nashville

W. Campbell

Defendant appeals his conviction, after a jury trial, for carjacking and brandishing a firearm during a crime of violence. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

Courtroom 709 - Detroit, MI, 9:00 A.M.

Before: **Sutton, Davis, Ritz**

25-3794 PCC Airfoils, LLC v. Justin Daugherty, et al.

[1:25-cv-00917](#) Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

B. Brennan

Plaintiff appeals the denial of its motions for a preliminary injunction. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-3826 Vivy Voutsiotis, et al. v. PNC Bank, NA, et al.

[5:23-cv-02305](#) Northern District of Ohio at Akron

J. Calabrese

Plaintiffs appeal the judgment dismissing their civil action that raised claims under the Ohio Uniform Fiduciary Act and common law. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-5556 USA v. Jeremy Harrell

[3:23-cr-00016-1](#) Eastern District of Kentucky at Frankfort

G. Van Tatenhove

Defendant appeals the amended judgment imposing forfeiture following his conviction for theft of government funds. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-5607 Dante Watts v. USA

[3:23-cv-00161](#) Western District of Kentucky at Louisville

C. Simpson

Petitioner appeals the denial of his motion to vacate, filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 2255, and the denial of his motion for reconsideration. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-3740 Touch-N-Buy LLC, et al. v. United Consumer Financial Serv

[1:25-cv-00605](#) Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

J. Calabrese

Plaintiffs appeal the dismissal of their claims of unjust enrichment, fraudulent misrepresentation, breach of contract, promissory estoppel, and tortious interference with business expectancy. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-1833 Willienard Banks, et al. v. Charter Township of Bloomfield, et al.

[2:23-cv-10258](#) Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

J. Grey

Plaintiffs appeal the dismissal of their takings, due process, equal protection, and civil conspiracy claims. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3736 Julio Francisco Sebastian, et al. v. Todd Blanche

a 216 382 355 Board of Immigration Appeals

Petitioners seek review of an order of the Board of Immigration Appeals that upheld the denial of asylum, withholding of removal, and protection under the Convention Against Torture. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3730 USA v. Ernest Shropshire

[5:24-cr-00160-3](#) Northern District of Ohio at Akron

J. Adams

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a guilty plea, for conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine and fentanyl and distribution of methamphetamine and fentanyl. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

Courtroom 110 - Detroit, MI, 1:00 P.M.

Before: **Stranch, Bloomekatz, Hermandorfer**

25-1149 USA v. James Williams

[2:18-cr-20547-1](#) Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit T. Berg

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a jury trial, for conspiracy to commit murder for hire and substantive murder for hire resulting in injury and death. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-5208 Bonfiglioli USA, Inc. v. Midwest Engineered Components

[2:23-cv-00014](#) Eastern District of Kentucky at Covington D. Reeves

Defendant appeals the judgment for Plaintiff on claims arising out of the termination of a sales representative agreement. (15 Minutes Per Side)

24-2033 USA v. Kevin Fordham

[2:21-cr-20354-1](#) Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit J. Grey

24-2041 USA v. Martin Murff

[2:21-cr-20354-2](#) Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit J. Grey

24-2046 USA v. Eddie Reid

[2:21-cr-20354-5](#) Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit J. Grey

In these consolidated matters, co-defendants appeal the district court's judgments in their criminal cases after a jury found them guilty of racketeering conspiracy, conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, and/or possession with intent to distribute controlled substances. (24-2033: 15 Minutes Per Side; 24-2041, 24-2046 To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-5830 Jennifer Byrum v. Knox County, TN, et al.

[3:24-cv-00239](#) Eastern District of Tennessee at Knoxville T. Varlan

Plaintiff appeals the dismissal of her constitutional claims against defendant Knox County. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-3362 Mariam Teguede v. Todd Blanche

a 201 010 156 Board of Immigration Appeals

Petitioner seeks review of an order of the Board of Immigration Appeals that upheld the denial of her motion to reopen removal proceedings. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-5505 USA v. Ricky House

[3:22-cr-00315-1](#) Middle District of Tennessee at Nashville E. Richardson

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a guilty plea, for possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-5729 USA v. Jaylen Simpson

[2:24-cr-20218-1](#) Western District of Tennessee at Memphis J. McCalla

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a guilty plea, for carjacking resulting in serious bodily injury and use, carry, and discharge of a firearm during a crime of violence. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Wednesday, April 29, 2026

Courtroom 206 - Detroit, MI, 1:00 P.M.

Before: **Kethledge, White, Larsen**

25-3373 Millennia Housing Management, et al. v. U.S. Department of HUD, et al.

[1:24-cv-02084](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

D. Polster

Plaintiffs appeal the judgment for the defendants on their constitutional challenges to in-house administrative proceedings of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1897 Larry Harrison v. Douglas

[1:25-cv-00678](#)

Western District of Michigan at Grand Rapids

R. Jonker

Plaintiff appeals the order denying his motion to proceed in forma pauperis because he has "three strikes" pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1915(g). (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1542 Edward Khalil v. Ernest Wilson, et al.

[4:21-cv-12577](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Flint

S. Kumar

Plaintiff appeals the summary judgment for the defendants on his constitutional claims. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3750 Joseph Frasure, et al. v. City of Wyoming, OH, et al.

[1:24-cv-00092](#)

Southern District of Ohio at Cincinnati

K. Litkovitz

Plaintiffs appeal the summary judgment for the defendants on their excessive-force and related claims. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-5874 Van Irion

[1:24-dm-00007](#)

Eastern District of Tennessee at Chattanooga

T. McDonough

Attorney appeals an order imposing disciplinary sanctions. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-1690 Mark Stanalajczo v. Brandonn Perry, et al.

[2:23-cv-11527](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

M. Leitman

Plaintiff appeals the summary judgment for the defendants on his claims of First Amendment retaliation. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Thursday, April 30, 2026

Courtroom 110 - Detroit, MI, 9:00 A.M.

Before: **Readler, Davis, Bloomekatz**

25-1827 Lori Viilo v. Kent County, MI, et al.[1:22-cv-00962](#)

Western District of Michigan at Grand Rapids

J. Beckering

Plaintiff, proceeding as personal representative of the decedent's estate, appeals the district court's summary judgment for defendant county, law enforcement, and medical staff in this civil rights suit arising from the treatment of decedent's brain tumor while in defendants' custody. (15 Minutes for Plaintiff; 15 Minutes to be Shared by Defendants)

25-1428 Franklyn Garrison v. Bryan Morrison[2:21-cv-12769](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

D. Hood

Respondent appeals the order conditionally granting petitioner's petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed pursuant to 29 U.S.C. Section 2254. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-3542 In Home Health, LLC v. Robert Kennedy, Jr.[3:24-cv-00281](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Toledo

J. Zouhary

Plaintiff appeals a judgment upholding a decision of an administrative law judge that denied reimbursement for certain hospice care services. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1667 Oneka Spicer v. Harvard Maintenance, Inc.[2:20-cv-10987](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

D. Hood

Plaintiff appeals the summary judgment for the defendant on her claims of employment discrimination. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-5174 USA v. Sean Williams[2:23-cr-00111-1](#)

Eastern District of Tennessee at Greeneville

J. Greer

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a jury trial, for using a minor to engage in sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing a visual depiction. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-5175 USA v. Sean Williams[2:21-cr-00027-1](#)

Eastern District of Tennessee at Greeneville

J. Greer

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a jury trial, for escape from federal custody. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3458 Charles Crenshaw v. Warden, Lorain Cor Institution, et al.[1:24-cv-00491](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

J. Adams

Plaintiff appeals the district court's dismissal of his 42 U.S.C. Section 1983 action against federal and state warden defendants alleging wrongful imprisonment and violations of his Fourth, Fifth, Eighth, and Fourteen Amendment rights after he was held for an additional fourteen months after his sentence was reduced under the First Step Act. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3451 Sequoia Energy, LLC, et al. v. Amy Mitchell, et al.

24-0396 bla

Benefits Review Board

Petitioner seeks review of an order of the Benefits Review Board that upheld an award of black lung benefits. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Thursday, April 30, 2026

Courtroom 206 - Detroit, MI, 9:00 A.M.

Before: **Kethledge, Nalbandian, Ritz**

25-3529 Demond Liles v. V. Michael Fisher

[3:17-cv-02232](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Toledo

J. Carr

Petitioner appeals the denial of his petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 2254. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1606 Kyle Millis v. Randee Rewerts

[1:25-cv-00530](#)

Western District of Michigan at Grand Rapids

P. Maloney

Petitioner appeals the denial of his petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 2254. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1442 Jane Doe v. Todd Blanche, et al.

[2:23-cv-10053](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

T. Berg

Plaintiff appeals the dismissal of her civil action claiming battery, assault, and intentional infliction of emotional distress. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

23-3297 Apogee Coal Company, et al. v. OWCP, et al.

20-0115 bla

Benefits Review Board

23-3437 Apogee Coal Company, et al. v. OWCP, et al.

21-0374 bla

Benefits Review Board

23-3536 Arch of Kentucky, LLC, et al. v. OWCP, et al.

22-0526 bla

Benefits Review Board

23-3537 Arch of Kentucky, LLC, et al. v. OWCP, et al.

20-0350 bla

Benefits Review Board

23-3541 Apogee Coal Company, et al. v. OWCP, et al.

20-0322 bla

Benefits Review Board

23-3612 Apogee Coal Company, LLC, et al. v. OWCP, et al.

22-0022 bla

Benefits Review Board

23-3644 Apogee Coal Company, LLC, et al. v. OWCP, et al.

21-0120 bla

Benefits Review Board

23-3645 Apogee Coal Company, LLC, et al. v. OWCP, et al.

22-0229 bla

Benefits Review Board

23-3662 Apogee Coal Company, LLC, et al. v. OWCP, et al.

22-0228 bla

Benefits Review Board

In these consolidated cases, petitioners seek review of a Benefits Review Board decision affirming an administrative law judge's order awarding benefits under the Black Lung Benefits Act and the Board's subsequent denial of en banc reconsideration. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-5090 USA v. Khari Smith

[5:23-cr-00108-1](#)

Eastern District of Kentucky at Lexington

D. Reeves

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a guilty plea, for conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine and fentanyl and aiding and abetting possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine and fentanyl. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Thursday, April 30, 2026

Courtroom 219 - Detroit, MI, 10:00 A.M.

Before: **Gibbons, Thapar, Larsen**

25-5392 USA v. Mirsad Ramic

[1:21-cr-00013-1](#) Western District of Kentucky at Bowling Green G. Stivers

25-5471 USA v. Mirsad Ramic

[1:21-cr-00013-1](#) Western District of Kentucky at Bowling Green G. Stivers

Defendant appeals his criminal judgment, after a jury trial, for providing material support to a foreign terrorist organization, conspiracy to provide material support, and receipt of military-type training from a foreign terrorist organization. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1271 John Griswold v. Trinity Health Michigan, et al.

[2:22-cv-10980](#) Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit R. White

Defendants appeal the denial of qualified immunity in this prisoner civil rights action. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-3518 Amanda Martin v. Fed Reserve Bank of Cleveland, et al.

[1:23-cv-01564](#) Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland C. Boyko

Plaintiff appeals a judgment on the administrative record that upheld the denial of disability benefits. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

25-3509 Jeffrey Wonser v. Charles Norman, et al.

[2:24-cv-02160](#) Southern District of Ohio at Columbus S. Morrison

Plaintiff appeals the dismissal of his civil action arising from the Ohio BMV's rejection of his applications for a personalized license plate. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Thursday, April 30, 2026

Courtroom 709 - Detroit, MI, 9:00 A.M.

Before: **Sutton, Clay, Murphy**

25-3582 Flight Options, LLC v. USA

[1:16-cv-00917](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

J. Armstrong

Plaintiff appeals the judgment for the defendant in its action for a refund and abatement of excise taxes. (15 Minutes Per Side)

24-1657 USA v. Darrick Bell

[2:17-cr-20183-1](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

M. Goldsmith

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment after a jury found him guilty of aiding and abetting a conspiracy to distribute a controlled substance, aiding and abetting the maintenance of drug-involved premises, and possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1772 Andrew DesOrmeaux v. Kalitta Air, LLC

[1:23-cv-11159](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Bay City

T. Ludington

Plaintiff appeals the judgment for the defendant in this employment case. (15 Minutes Per Side)

25-1873 Connie Overstreet v. Ontonagon County, MI, et al.

[2:23-cv-00098](#)

Western District of Michigan at Marquette

M. Vermaat

Plaintiff appeals the summary judgment for the defendants on her constitutional and state-law claims. (15 Minutes Per Side)