

# **Oral Argument Calendar**

## **United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit**

Tuesday, July 22, 2025

636 - 6th Floor East Courtroom, 9:00 A.M.

Before: **Cole, Gibbons, Bush**

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**24-3913 The Estate of William Plott v. HHS, et al.**

**1:21-cv-00066**

Southern District of Ohio at Cincinnati

J. Hopkins

Plaintiff appeals the district court's dismissal of its action seeking additional payments from defendant pursuant to an annuity contract issued by defendant's predecessor following a Court of Federal Claims decision arising out of the decedent child's injuries. (15 Minutes for Plaintiff; 15 Minutes to be Shared by Defendants)

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**24-6043 Dan McCaleb v. Michelle Long**

**3:22-cv-00439**

Middle District of Tennessee at Nashville

E. Richardson

Plaintiff appeals the judgment in this civil rights actions alleging that defendant Tennessee Administrative Office of the Courts violated the First Amendment by restricting access to meetings of the Advisory Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure. (15 Minutes Per Side)

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**25-1038 Schultz Excavating & Asphalt v. Smyrna Ready Mix Concrete, LLC**

**1:23-cv-00402**

Western District of Michigan at Grand Rapids

J. Beckering

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment finding it liable for unpaid accounts in this diversity suit. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-2076 Zhongxiao Chen v. Michigan State University**

**1:24-cv-00254**

Western District of Michigan at Grand Rapids

P. Maloney

Plaintiff appeals the district court's dismissal of his Title VII and ADEA suit alleging discrimination on the basis of race, national origin, and age. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-5469 USA v. Jaylen Sain**

**1:23-cr-10011-13**

Western District of Tennessee at Jackson

S. Anderson

Defendant appeals his judgment in a criminal case, following a guilty plea, for conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute marijuana and aiding and abetting the possession with intent to distribute marijuana. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**25-3001 Jacinto Cobo-Lopez v. Pamela Bondi**

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Board of Immigration Appeals

Petitioner, a native and citizen of Guatemala, seeks review of a BIA order dismissing his appeal from an immigration judge's order denying his application for asylum, withholding of removal, and protection under the Convention Against Torture. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**23-5579 USA v. Cody Ballinger**

**1:22-cr-00025-1**

Eastern District of Tennessee at Chattanooga

C. Collier

Defendant appeals his judgment in a criminal case, following a guilty plea, for being a felon in possession of a firearm (armed career criminal). (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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Before: **Cole, Gibbons, Bush**

**23-5618 USA v. Marquise Graham**

**1:22-cr-00063-1** Eastern District of Tennessee at Chattanooga C. Collier

Defendant appeals his judgment in a criminal case, following a guilty plea, for being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

403 - 4th Floor Courtroom, 9:00 A.M.

Before: **Kethledge, Murphy, Mathis**

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**24-3768 OPAWL - Building AAPI Feminist, et al. v. Dave Yost, et al.**[2:24-cv-03495](#)

Southern District of Ohio at Columbus

M. Watson

**24-3818 OPAWL - Building AAPI Feminist, et al. v. Dave Yost, et al.**[2:24-cv-03495](#)

Southern District of Ohio at Columbus

M. Watson

Defendants appeal the district court's injunction against aspects of a newly enacted Ohio law that prohibits foreign nationals, including lawful permanent residents, from political spending related to elections. (15 Minutes for Plaintiffs; 20 Minutes for Defendants, 5 Minutes for Amicus Curiae)

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**23-1942 Michael Mockridge, et al. v. Harry Harvey, et al.**[1:21-cv-12896](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Bay City

T. Ludington

**23-1998 Michael Mockridge, et al. v. Harry Harvey, et al.**[1:21-cv-12896](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Bay City

T. Ludington

In these related matters, police defendants appeal and plaintiffs cross-appeal the district court's order granting in part and denying in part defendants' motion for summary judgment, based on qualified immunity, in this civil rights suit alleging unreasonable search and seizure. (15 Minutes Per Side)

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**24-3653 USA v. Deandre Smith**[1:23-cr-00440-1](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

J. Adams

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment in his criminal case following his guilty plea to controlled substance and firearms offenses. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-1849 Anthony McClendon El v. Heidi Washington, et al.**[5:23-cv-10739](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Ann Arbor

J. Levy

Prisoner plaintiff appeals the district court's dismissal of his civil rights suit challenging the use of a prior sex offense to alter the requirements to obtain parole from prison terms imposed for other, non-sexual convictions. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-3736 USA v. Travis O'Hearn**[1:24-cr-00074-1](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

D. Nugent

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment in his criminal case following his guilty plea to failure to register as a sex offender. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-1524 USA v. William Palm**[1:21-cr-00167-1](#)

Western District of Michigan at Grand Rapids

P. Maloney

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment in his criminal case after pleading guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-3576 Cynthia Barnes v. Secretary of Veterans Affairs**[1:21-cv-00578](#)

Southern District of Ohio at Cincinnati

S. Dlott

Plaintiff appeals the district court's summary judgment for defendant employer in this action alleging age discrimination, hostile work environment, and retaliation under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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403 - 4th Floor Courtroom, 9:00 A.M.

Before: **Kethledge, Murphy, Mathis**

**23-3491 Nathaniel Kumedzro v. Pamela Bondi**

a 099 932 010 Board of Immigration Appeals

Petitioner, a native and citizen of Ghana, seeks review of a BIA order dismissing his appeal from an immigration judge's decision denying his request to waive the requirement to file a joint petition to remove the conditions on his lawful permanent resident status. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

636 - 6th Floor East Courtroom, 1:00 P.M.

Before: **Siler, Kethledge, Bush**

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**24-1953 Cleveland Harville v. City of Warren, MI, et al.**[2:22-cv-10154](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

D. Hood

Municipal and police officer defendants appeal the district court's partial denial of their motion for summary judgment based on qualified immunity from this civil rights suit alleging false arrest, malicious prosecution, denial of equal protection, and gross negligence following an investigation into hazing by high school football players. (15 Minutes Per Side)

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**24-3775 Sinnier, LLC v. Everest Indemnity Insurance Co, et al.**[3:19-cv-02854](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Toledo

J. Knepp

Plaintiff mortgagee appeals the district court's orders granting summary judgment for defendant insurers in this action alleging breach of contract, negligence, and fraud arising out of issues with insurance claims on a hotel property after it sustained wind and rain damage. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**23-6087 USA v. Donnell Booker**[3:18-cr-00250-3](#)

Middle District of Tennessee at Nashville

E. Richardson

Defendant appeals his judgment in a criminal case, following a jury trial, for possession with intent to distribute fentanyl. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-1806 USA v. Anthony Demasi**[1:22-cr-20670-1](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Bay City

T. Ludington

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment in his criminal case after pleading guilty to bank fraud and identity theft. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-3670 USA v. Tra'ven Boyer-Letlow**[5:23-cr-00511-1](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Akron

D. Nugent

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment in his criminal case following his guilty plea to possession with intent to distribute fentanyl. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-4024 Thomas Rable v. Sampo America Ins Co**[3:24-cv-00557](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Toledo

J. Carr

Plaintiff, the administrator of the decedent's estate, appeals the district court's dismissal with prejudice of this action alleging that defendant insurance company breached the parties' insurance contracts by failing to pay a claim after decedent died in an automobile collision. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-3118 USA v. Eddie Pope**[3:23-cr-00301-1](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Toledo

J. Helmick

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment in his criminal case after a jury convicted him of possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-3718 USA v. Sha-Kim Mandela**[1:23-cr-00306-1](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

B. Brennan

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment in his criminal case following his guilty plea to bank robbery. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

Thursday, July 24, 2025

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Before: **Boggs, McKeague, Mathis**

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**24-3454 Nathan Roberts, et al. v. Progressive Preferred Ins Co, et al.**[1:23-cv-01597](#)

Northern District of Ohio at Cleveland

P. Gaughan

Plaintiffs appeal the district court's order dismissing for lack of standing this purported class action alleging that defendants violated 42 U.S.C. & section 1981 by administering a race-based grant program for Black-owned businesses. (15 Minutes for Plaintiffs; 15 Minutes to be Shared by Defendants)

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**24-3726 Cincom Systems Inc v. LabWare, Inc.**[1:20-cv-00083](#)

Southern District of Ohio at Cincinnati

M. McFarland

Plaintiff appeals the district court's summary judgment for defendant on plaintiff's claims of copyright infringement and misappropriation of trade secrets following defendant's allegedly unauthorized use of software to which plaintiff held exclusive rights. (15 Minutes Per Side)

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**24-2124 James Hart, et al. v. Township of Presque Isle, MI**[1:23-cv-12284](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Bay City

T. Ludington

Plaintiff landowners appeal the district court's summary judgment for municipal defendant in this civil rights suit alleging violations of the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments based on defendant's order to temporarily stop construction of their home. (15 Minutes Per Side)

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**24-3463 USA v. Thomas Romano**[2:19-cr-00202-1](#)

Southern District of Ohio at Columbus

M. Watson

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment in his criminal case following his jury conviction for twenty-four counts of unlawful distribution and dispensing of controlled substances. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-2064 USA v. Marlon White**[1:24-cr-00021-1](#)

Western District of Michigan at Grand Rapids

H. Jarbou

Defendant appeals the district court's judgment in his criminal case after pleading guilty to being a felon in possession of a firearm and ammunition. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-1045 USA v. Teeauna White**[2:17-cr-20489-12](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

T. Berg

**24-1272 USA v. Robin Herndon**[2:17-cr-20489-18](#)

Eastern District of Michigan at Detroit

T. Berg

In these related cases, defendants appeal the district court's judgments in their criminal cases after a jury convicted them of conspiracy to launder monetary instruments. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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**24-5949 Pearlie Hill v. TK Elevator Manufacturing, Inc**[1:22-cv-01258](#)

Western District of Tennessee at Jackson

S. Anderson

Plaintiff appeals the judgment for defendant in this action alleging discrimination and retaliation under Title VII, 28 U.S.C. 1981, and the Family and Medical Leave Act following her termination for violating defendant's attendance policy. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)

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Before: **Boggs, McKeague, Mathis**

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**23-5762 USA v. Ruvi Pacheco**

**5:22-cr-00092-11** Eastern District of Kentucky at Lexington

D. Reeves

**23-5819 USA v. Claudio Cabrera, Jr.**

**5:22-cr-00092-10** Eastern District of Kentucky at Lexington

D. Reeves

In these consolidated appeals, defendants challenge their convictions for conspiracy to commit money laundering and promotional money laundering. (To Be Submitted On Briefs)