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### Supreme Court of Kentucky to hear arguments June 6-7 in Frankfort **Proceedings are open to the public**

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 31, 2018 – The [Supreme Court of Kentucky](#) will convene June 6-7 in Frankfort to hear oral arguments in cases that originated in Boone, Franklin, Hardin and McCreary counties. Proceedings are open to the public and will take place at 9, 10 and 11 a.m. ET each day in the Supreme Court Courtroom on the second floor of the state Capitol at 700 Capitol Ave. in Frankfort.

The public may also observe oral arguments via the [Supreme Court live stream](#) on the Kentucky Court of Justice website. Oral arguments are available online as they occur in real time and are not available as archives.

The Supreme Court is the state court of last resort and the final interpreter of Kentucky law. [Seven justices](#) sit on the Supreme Court and all seven justices rule on appeals that come before the court. The justices are elected from seven appellate districts and serve eight-year terms. A chief justice, chosen for a four-year term by fellow justices, is the administrative head of the state's court system and is responsible for its operation. The Supreme Court may order a ruling or opinion to be published, which means that the ruling becomes the case law governing all similar cases in the future in Kentucky.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2018

**9 AM ET**

2017-SC-0092-DG

**STEVEN M. JACOBI V. F. LARRY HOLBERT**

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“Torts. Legal malpractice. Qualified Immunity. Issues involve whether a public defender is entitled to qualified official immunity from a legal malpractice action as an agent of the Commonwealth.”

Discretionary Review granted 8/16/2017  
Hardin Circuit Court, Judge Ronnie C. Dortch

Attorneys for Appellant: Hans George Poppe, Jr., Scarlett Burton Kelty, Ellen Coffey and Kirk A. Laughlin  
Attorneys for Appellee: Robert K. Bond and Brandon Lally

**10 AM ET**

2017-SC-0277-DG

**NORTHERN KENTUCKY AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT V. DANIELLE SNYDER**

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“Employment Relations. Contracts. Arbitration. Federal Preemption. Issues involve enforceability of an arbitration agreement entered as a condition of employment with a public agency.”

Discretionary Review granted 10/25/2017  
Boone Circuit Court, Judge Richard Brueggemann

Attorneys for Appellant: Jeffrey C. Mando and Jennifer H. Langen  
Attorney for Appellee: Shane C. Sidebottom

**11 AM ET**

2017-SC-0233-DG

**BETH LEWIS MAZE, ET AL. V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION PREPAID TUITION TRUST FUND, ET AL.**

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“Contracts. Statutory Amendments. Retroactive Application. The issue in this case is whether the language of the Kentucky Affordable Prepaid Tuition (KAPT) Master Agreement, by which the Movant’s children were to receive future tuition benefits, permits amendments to the Agreement which may be retroactively applied to limit the use of the benefits provided by the original contract, as well as to limit the growth of the available funds.”

Discretionary Review granted 09/20/2017  
Franklin Circuit Court, Judge Thomas D. Wingate

Attorney for Appellants: Robert Andrew Rowland  
Attorneys for Appellees: Laura Tipton and Taylor Allen Payne

**(Cunningham, J., not sitting.)**

THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 2018

**9 AM ET**

2017-SC-0345-DG

**KENTUCKY RETIREMENT SYSTEMS V. RONALD ASHCRAFT**

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“Administrative Law. State Disability Retirement. Issues involve viability and application of the “compelling evidence” standard for judicial review of denials of applications for state permanent disability retirement benefits.”

Discretionary Review granted 10/25/2017

Franklin Circuit Court, Judge Thomas D. Wingate

Attorneys for Appellant: Katherine I. Rupinen, Leigh Davis, Carrie Slayton, Jillian Leigh Hall, and Anne Caroline Bass

Attorney for Appellee: Charles Ed Massey

**10 AM ET**

2017-SC-0275-DG

**VERONICA BRADLEY V. KENTUCKY RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**

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“Administrative Law. State Disability Retirement. Issues involve viability and application of the “compelling evidence” standard for judicial review of denials of applications for state permanent disability retirement benefits.”

Discretionary Review granted 10/25/2017

Franklin Circuit Court, Judge Thomas D. Wingate

Attorneys for Appellant: John Hardin Gray and Roy Church Gray, III

Attorney for Appellee: Katherine I. Rupinen

**11 AM ET**

2017-SC-0374-DG

**JOE DAUGHERTY, ET AL. V. BOBBI TABOR**

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“Farm Animals Activity Act. KRS 247.401-4029. Exceptions permitting liability. The issue in this case is whether the facts of this case triggered one of the exceptions under the Act which permits a claim against the Movants for injuries to the Respondent who fell from a horse which she considered purchasing.”

Discretionary Review granted 10/25/2017

McCreary Circuit Court, Judge Paul Kenton Winchester

Attorneys for Joe Daugherty and Daugherty Stables: Rodney E. Buttermore, Jr. and Sherif Guindi

Attorney for Kim Adleta: Andre Fereole Regard

Attorneys for Appellee: Robert Ray Waters and Donald Matthew Kannady###