

Florida Appeals Court Decisions Week of June 16 - 20, 2025

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U.S. Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals Hicks V.

Middleton - vicarious liability, employment, course and scope *UHS v. Sec'y of Labor* - OSHA, workplace violence, employer

JF v. Carnival - negligence, cruise, sexual assault Florida Supreme Court - Tallahassee

Fla Bar v. Martinez - attorney discipline

Lorenzo v. State - capital case, direct appeal

In re Fla R Civ P-amended rule First Dstrict Court of Appeal - Tallahassee

Colston v. State - murder, evidence, GPS records, cell phone data

Miller v. Conney - future medical expenses, radiofrequency ablation

Cota v. State - Nelson, Faretta hearings

Stettin v. Home Depot - workers' compensation

Nelson v. State - habitual traffic offenders

State v. Beaman - sentencing

Gooch v. Cowan - mandamus, right to hearing

GEICO v. Hines - certiorari, jurisdiction Second Distric Court of Appeal - St. Petersburg

Wiendl v. Wiendl - certiorari, "abusive litigant" sanctions

Brito v. Citizens - insurance, first party, damages

Seaborn v. Seaborn - real property, partition, rental value Third District Court of Appeal - Miami

Turner v. State - closing, harmless error

Eloquence v. CDC Builders - jury instructions, modification

Wilczek v. Calafell - personal injuries, evidence

Menada v. Arevalo - amendment, punitive damages, evidence, concurrence

Husarek v. State - resisting without violence, preservation

Catalina W v. First Cmty - duty to defend or indemnify, physical abuse exclusion, dissent

Universal v. Kattan - attorney's fees, multiplier, evidence

Ventura v. State - rehearing, carjacking, sentence

Garcia v. Winn-Dixie Stores - summary judgment hearing, continuance

U.S. Alliance v. Apeiron - worthless check, attorney's fees

Aquastar v. Peckar & Abramson - extinguishment of mortgage, attorney's fees, non-party

Alvarez v. Gamba - summary judgment, no evidence

Nikiema v. Pascal - land, appurtenance to land

Morant v. State - postconviction relief

FR Aleman v. Kiboko - injunction, covenant not to compete

Genman v. Rinell - tipsy coachman, contract interpretation

Damas v. ARCPE - standing, note, business records

Tropper v. Corti - judgment, evidence

Perdomo v. Teran - personal jurisdiction, affirmative relief

Acosta v. State - postconviction relief

FD v. DCF - termination of parental rights, personal appearance

Harper v. State - postconviction relief

Hall v. State - mandamus, non-party

Arias v. State - sentence, preservation

Deparias v. State - life imprisonment, constitutionality

Fresquet v. State - sentence, preservation

Simmons v. State - life imprisonment, constitutionality Fourth District Court of Appeal - West Palm Beach Cohen v. Cohen - attorney's fees, reasonableness, expert, § 61.16 exception Fifth District Court of Appeal - Daytona Beach

Episcopal Children's Srvcs v. DCF - rule amendment, APA

Schramm v. Adams Homes - summary judgment, premises liability, negligence

CAM Bradford Homes v. Arrants - unlicensed contractor, § 489.119(2), contract enforcement

Memorial Health Sys v. Hamilton Staffing - unjust enrichment, prejudgment interest, date of loss

Squires v. Squires - dissolution, modification, child support, time-sharing

Hale v. State - Anders appeal, written order

Hall v. State - suppression, inculpatory statements, pat-down search, consent

Sixth District Court of Appeal - Lakeland

Ghazall v. Grubb - summary disposition

Saldino v. Saldino - due process, parental timesharing

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