



Tennessee Supreme Court  
**DISCRETIONARY APPEALS**  
Grants & Denials List  
December 18, 2023 - December 22, 2023

**GRANTS**

<b>Style/Appeal Number</b>	<b>County/Trial Judge/ Trial Court No.</b>	<b>Intermediate Court</b>	<b>Supreme Court Action</b>
<b><u>Nashville</u></b>			
CLAYTON D. RICHARDS v. VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER M2022-00597-SC-R11-CV	Davidson County Circuit Court Thomas W. Brothers 21C184	Goldin, Arnold B.: Affirm	GRANT - Application of Clayton D. Richards;  Order Filed 12-20-2023 (see attached)

**DENIALS**

<b>Style/Appeal Number</b>	<b>County/Trial Judge/ Trial Court No.</b>	<b>Intermediate Court</b>	<b>Supreme Court Action</b>
<b><u>Nashville</u></b>			
BLUE WATER BAY AT CENTER HILL, LLC ET AL. v. LARRY J. HASTY ET AL. M2020-01336-SC-R11-CV	Williamson County Chancery Court Deanna B. Johnson 43307	McBrayer, W. Neal: Affirm in Part	DENIED - Application of Larry J. Hasty;  Order Filed 12-19-2023

LARRY HASTY v. GREYHAWK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION M2021-01217-SC-R11-CV	Williamson County Chancery Court Deanna B. Johnson 43307-J	McBrayer, W. Neal: Affirm	DENIED - Application of Larry J. Hasty;  Order Filed 12-19-2023
STATE OF TENNESSEE EX REL. JOSHUA M. HARMAN QUI TAM v. TRINITY INDUSTRIES,INC., ET AL. M2022-00167-SC-R11-CV	Davidson County Circuit Court Hamilton V. Gayden, Jr. 14C-2652	Usman, Jeffrey: Affirm	DENIED - Application of Joshua M. Harman;  Order Filed 12-19-2023
EDWARD RONNY ARNOLD v. DEBORAH MALCHOW ET AL. M2022-00907-SC-R11-CV	Davidson County Circuit Court Amanda Jane McClendon 19-C3007, 20-C2199	Frierson II, Thomas R.: Affirm in Part	DENIED - Application of Edward Ronny Arnold;  Order Filed 12-19-2023
STATE OF TENNESSEE v. MICHAEL L. BAILEY M2022-01386-SC-R11-CV	Davidson County Chancery Court Ellen Hobbs Lyle 21-0694-III	Usman, Jeffrey: Affirm	DENIED - Application of Michael Charles Bailey;  Order Filed 12-20-2023
CAROLYN CRUISE v. BRITTANY BYRD M2022-01578-SC-R11-CV	Davidson County Circuit Court Clifton David Briley 21C-1512	McGee, Carma Dennis: Affirm	DENIED - Application of Carolyn Cruise;  Order Filed 12-19-2023

STATE OF TENNESSEE v. JAMES HOWARD  
SMITH  
M2022-01586-SC-R11-CD

Dickson County Circuit Court  
David D. Wolfe  
22CC-2020-CR-97

Wilson, Matthew J.: Affirm

DENIED - Application of James  
Howard Smith;  
Order Filed 12-19-2023

ROBERT WAYNE GARNER v. GRADY PERRY,  
WARDEN  
M2022-01733-SC-R11-HC

Wayne County Circuit Court  
Christopher V. Sockwell  
17217

Easter, Timothy L.: Affirm

DENIED - Application of Robert  
Wayne Garner;  
Order Filed 12-20-2023

**Knoxville**

STATE OF TENNESSEE v. JEREMY JEROME  
HARDISON  
E2022-00207-SC-R11-CD

Knox County Criminal Court  
G. Scott Green  
114655

Hixson, Kyle A.: Affirm

DENIED - Application of Jeremy  
Hardison;  
Order Filed 12-19-2023

KRIS THEOTIS YOUNG v. STATE OF TENNESSEE  
E2022-00235-SC-R11-PC

Knox County Criminal Court  
G. Scott Green  
109115

Witt Jr., James Curwood: Affirm

DENIED - Application of Kris  
Theotis Young;  
Order Filed 12-20-2023

STATE OF TENNESSEE v. MATTHEW PETER MCDONNELL E2022-00898-SC-R11-CD	Knox County Criminal Court Kyle A. Hixson 120440	Witt Jr., James Curwood: Affirm	DENIED - Application of Matthew Peter McDonnell;  Order Filed 12-20-2023
STATE OF TENNESSEE v. WILLIAM DAVID PHILLIPS E2022-01148-SC-R11-CD	Jefferson County Circuit Court O. Duane Slone 14914	Dyer, J. Ross: Affirm	DENIED - Application of William David Phillips;  Order Filed 12-20-2023
EDGAR BAILEY, JR. v. STATE OF TENNESSEE E2022-01302-SC-R11-PC	Hamilton County Criminal Court Thomas C. Greenholtz 302310	Montgomery Jr., Robert H.: Affirm	DENIED - Application of Edgar Bailey, Jr.;;  Order Filed 12-19-2023
STATE OF TENNESSEE v. DONNIE MARQUIS THARPE E2022-01304-SC-R11-CD	Knox County Criminal Court Kyle A. Hixson 118184	Montgomery Jr., Robert H.: Affirm	DENIED - Application of Donnie Marquis Tharpe;  Order Filed 12-19-2023
HOLSTON PRESBYTERY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.), INC. v. BETHANY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH E2022-01337-SC-R11-CV	Sullivan County (Kingsport) Chancery Court E. G. Moody 18CK41633C	Davis, Kristi M.: Reverse	DENIED - Application of Bethany Presbyterian Church;  Order Filed 12-20-2023

CLIFFORD LEON HOUSTON v. JAMES F. LOGAN JR.  
E2022-01696-SC-R11-CV

Roane County Chancery Court  
Tom McFarland  
16794

Davis, Kristi M.: Affirm

DENIED - Application of Clifford Leon Houston;  
  
Order Filed 12-20-2023 (Page, J., not participating)

**Jackson**

KIM BROWN v. SHELBY COUNTY SCHOOLS  
W2022-00123-SC-R11-CV

Shelby County Chancery Court  
JoeDae L. Jenkins  
CH-14-0814

McGee, Carma Dennis: Reverse

DENIED - Application and Motion to file an incorporated reply brief in support of application of Kim Brown;  
  
Order Filed 12-19-2023

STATE OF TENNESSEE v. SHANYNTHIA GARDNER  
W2022-00820-SC-R11-CD

Shelby County Criminal Court  
James M. Lammey  
17-00369, C170112

Holloway Jr., Robert L.: Affirm

DENIED - Application of Shanynthia Gardner;  
DENIED AS MOOT - Motion to withdraw filed by attorney Craig V. Morton;  
  
Order Filed 12-19-2023

HAYES FAMILY PARTNERSHIP ET AL. v. TENNESSEE FARMERS MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY  
W2022-01209-SC-R11-CV

Madison County Circuit Court  
Roy B. Morgan, Jr.  
C-21-85

Clement Jr., Frank G.: Reverse

DENIED - Application of Hayes Family Partnership;  
  
Order Filed 12-19-2023

STATE OF TENNESSEE v. JESSIE LEE SHORT  
W2022-01608-SC-R11-CD

Hardin County Circuit Court  
J. Brent Bradberry  
20-CR-59

Montgomery Jr., Robert H.: Affirm

DENIED - Application of Jessie  
Lee Short;  
Order Filed 12-19-2023