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25-2342 Briefs *Jonathan Lowe v. Hung Cao* (Flanagan)	EMPLOYMENT: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment for employer on Title VII hostile work environment claim based on race-based harassment.
25-1195 Briefs *Xiomara Escobar-Garcia v. Todd Blanche*	IMMIGRATION: Whether substantial evidence supports the denial of asylum and withholding of removal based on agency's unable or unwilling finding.
26-1063 Briefs *Allen Hudson v. Plumbers and Steamfitters Local No. 150 Pension* (Coggins)	ERISA: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment for employer on breach of fiduciary duty claims related to denial of pension benefits under ERISA; related issues.
26-1074 Briefs *TitleMax of South Carolina, Inc. v. Carol Graham* (Currie)	ARBITRATION: Whether district court erred in confirming arbitration award where arbitrator disregarded choice-of-law provision on state public policy grounds.

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25-1402 Briefs *Anthony Wright v. Mark Hunt* (Volk)		CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: Whether the district court erred in finding that W. Va. Code Section 11A-3-65 applied to foreclosure auction and provided "just compensation"; other issues.
26-1449 Briefs *Natl Assn of Home Builders v. Montgomery County, Maryland* (Xinis)		CIVIL: Whether Energy Policy and Conservation Act preempts County's ban on the installation of gas appliances and their associated infrastructure in certain new buildings.
26-1552 Briefs *Maryland Building Industry Association, Inc. v. Serena McIlwain* (Boardman)		CIVIL: Whether Energy Policy and Conservation Act preempts Maryland Building Energy Performance Standards, which impose declining emissions caps on certain buildings.
25-2372 Briefs *City of Baltimore ex rel. Ebony Thompson v. DraftKings Inc.* (Gallagher)		CIVIL: Whether district court erred in abstaining from litigation related to Baltimore's Consumer Protection Ordinance, remanding to state court pursuant to Burford.

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25-2470 *North Avenue Capital, LLC v. Ranger Scientific LLC* (Goodwin)	Briefs	CIVIL: Whether district court erred in reversing jury verdict in favor of plaintiff in breach of contract action.
25-2262 *Imani Kinloch v. International Longshoremen's Association* (Hendricks)	Briefs	LABOR: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment for defendants employer and union on claims including sexual harassment, hostile work environment, violation of collective bargaining agreement.
26-1353 Douglas Furlong v. Anthony Brown (Bennett)	Briefs	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: Whether Maryland law prohibiting out-of-state beer manufacturers from transporting beer directly to consumers in Maryland violates dormant Commerce Clause.

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25-2445 *In re: Gary Williams* (Hudson)	Briefs	MANDAMUS: Whether South Carolina v. Moore, 447 F.2d 1067 (4th Cir. 1971), applies to petitioners circumstances and warrants mandamus relief.
26-1044 *Sierra Club v. North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality*	Briefs	CIVIL: Challenge to NCDEQ's issuance of Clean Water Act sec. 401 certification.
26-1220 *Dan River Basin Association v. Virginia Department of Environmental Quality*	Briefs	CIVIL: Challenge to Virginia DEQ's issuance of Clean Water Act sec. 401 certification.
24-4676 *US v. Ashley Cross* (Whitney)	Briefs	SENTENCING: In prosecution for healthcare benefit fraud, whether people whose identities were used by defendant were properly considered vulnerable victims for purpose of sentencing enhancement.

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26-1285 Briefs *Zerita Ross v. Erie Insurance Exchange* (Bennett)		CONTRACT: Whether district court erred in dismissing as time-barred complaint alleging race-based interference with agency agreements.
25-6975 Briefs *US v. Spencer Bowens* (Payne)		POSTCONVICTION: Whether district court may rely on judge-found drug quantities when recalculating benchmark Guidelines range for First Step Act movant who was sentenced pre-Apprendi; other issues.
26-1147 Briefs *Althea Graham v. Patricia Atanasio* (Gergel)		EMPLOYMENT: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment for defendant employer on claims alleging race discrimination, retaliation, related claims.
26-1234 Briefs *Chiquita Kelly v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Hospital Authority* (Whitney)		EMPLOYMENT: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment for defendant on claims alleging race discrimination, retaliation, hostile work environment, constructive discharge, intentional and/or negligent infliction of emotional distress.

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25-2352 Briefs *National Fair Housing Alliance v. Bank of America National Association* (Gallagher)	CIVIL: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment for defendant on disparate treatment, disparate impact claims under Fair Housing Act; related issues.
25-4365 Briefs *US v. Austin Hale* (Ballou)	CRIMINAL: Whether defendant transmits a threat in interstate commerce, 18 U.S.C. section 875(c), when he transmits it within state, and it subsequently crosses state lines.
25-2432 Briefs *Reina Cedillo-Lemus v. Todd Blanche*	IMMIGRATION: Whether agency abused its discretion by finding noncitizen failed to demonstrate government authorities were unwilling or unable to protect her from private actors.
25-2497 Briefs *E.K. v. Department of Defense Education Activity* (Giles) Associations: 26-1002	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: Whether district court erred in preliminarily enjoining defendant from removing certain materials from school library, requiring certain removed materials to be restored; related issues.

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26-1484 Briefs *Stella Croffe v. Steve Ford* (Alston)	CIVIL: Whether district court erred in dismissing claims alleging violations of the Medicaid Act for failure to state a claim, lack of subject matter jurisdiction.
26-1127 Briefs *Melissa Jacob v. RTX Corporation* (Brinkema)	ERISA: Whether district court erred in dismissing claims for breach of fiduciary duty and duty to monitor under ERISA.
26-1258 Briefs *Laura Garner v. Northrop Grumman Corporation* (Trenga)	ERISA: Whether district court erred in dismissing claims including violation of Plan documents, breach of fiduciary duty under ERISA.

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22-4489 *US v. Okello Chatrie* (Lauck)	Briefs	CRIMINAL: Whether search conducted by accessing cell-site location information was reasonable under the Fourth Amendment.
25-4616 *US v. Vanessa Fenderson* (Osteen)	Briefs	CRIMINAL: Whether denial of motion to discharge local counsel violated Sixth Amendment; whether court erred in declining to strike potential jurors for cause; other issues.
25-4382 *US v. Rui Jiang* (Alston)	Briefs	CRIMINAL: Whether indictment for religious obstruction, 18 U.S.C. section 247(a)(2), was duplicitous; whether religious obstruction involving intent to kill is crime of violence; other issues.
26-1442 *Lucinda LC v. Jay Som* (Nachmanoff)	Briefs	CIVIL: Whether district court erred in declining to enjoin enforcement of the source-of-funds provision of the Virginia Fair Housing Law.

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26-1242 *Factor2 Multimedia Systems, LLC v. US* (Brinkema)	Briefs	TRADEMARK: Whether district court erred in dismissing for failure to state a claim constitutional challenge to ex parte reexamination of patents.
26-6073 Daniel Crowder v. Bethany Herman (Bell)	Briefs	CRIMINAL LAW: Whether district court erred in finding defendants protected by quasi-judicial and qualified immunity in suit challenging post-release supervision requirements.
26-1210 Bryan Johns v. William Morris, III (Dever)	Briefs	ERISA: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment on claims alleging breach of fiduciary duties.

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25-1719 *Devlin Kyre v. Experian Information Solutions, Incorporated* (Schroeder)	Briefs	ARBITRATION: Whether appeal is permitted under section 16(a)(1)(B) of Federal Arbitration Act; propriety of court's refusal to compel arbitration under 2023 amendment to 2017 contract.
25-2197 Green Valley Investors, LLC v. Commissioner of Internal Revenue	Briefs	TAX: Whether Tax Court erred in valuing property for purposes of charitable deduction donation to land conservation group.
26-1363 *Jackson Stone South, LLC v. Commissioner of IRS* Associations: 26-1366	Briefs	TAX: Whether tax court erred in valuing conservation easement donation.

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25-2383 Briefs *First Recovery, LLC v. Keith Sanders* (Flanagan)	BANKRUPTCY: Whether district court erred in affirming bankruptcy court's finding that appellant owed a nondischargeable debt to appellees.
21-4680 Briefs *US v. Princeton Patterson* (Bell)	CRIMINAL: Whether Government forfeited right to invoke appeal's untimeliness by seeking dismissal only after this Court's Anders review; whether risk-notification condition violates Article III.
24-6704 Briefs *US v. Stephen Peters* (Dever)	CRIMINAL: Whether Peters's 18 U.S.C. section 2, 1028A(a)(1) conviction remains sound following Dubin v. United States, 599 U.S. 110 (2023).
26-1071 Briefs *US v. NTGH 2A Auto Trade, Inc.* (Schroeder)	CIVIL: Whether district court erred finding claimant in civil forfeiture action lacked ownership interest in defendant currency.

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26-1477 Briefs *Pine Island Property Holdings, LLC v. Beaufort County, South Carolina* (Gergel)		CIVIL: Whether district court erred in dismissing as moot constitutional challenge to enactment and enforcement of amendment to county zoning ordinance.
24-2227 Briefs *Leanne Stynchula v. INOVA Health Care Services* (Nachmanoff) Associations: 24-2228, 24-2240		EMPLOYMENT: Whether the district court erroneously dismissed claims premised on Defendant's denial of Plaintiffs' requests for religious exemption from COVID-19 vaccination policy; other issues.
25-2348 Briefs *Randy Ferrell v. Capital One N.A.* (Brinkema)		CONTRACT: Whether district court erred in dismissing, for lack of subject matter jurisdiction, complaint related to plaintiffs' loss of access to account funds during banking outage.
25-2316 Briefs *United States ex rel. Elgasim Mohamed Fadlalla v. DynCorp International LLC* (Xinis)		CIVIL: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment for defendant in qui tam action alleging violations of False Claims Act, Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act.

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26-1280 Briefs *Fluorofusion Specialty Chemicals, Inc. v. Chemours Company FC, LLC* (Boyle)		ANTITRUST: Whether district court erred in dismissing claims for monopolization in U.S. sales of refrigerant R-454B, related claims.
25-2333 Briefs *Melissa Brown v. Daryl Washington* (Brinkema)		CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: Whether district court erred in finding Virginia Code sec. 37.2-416.1 unconstitutional as applied to appellant.
25-2185 Briefs Luz Lopez-De Bautista v. Todd Blanche		IMMIGRATION: Propriety of BIA's summary dismissal of appeal; whether BIA should have permitted reopening of case based on email not submitted with original motion.

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26-1514 *Richard Grenell v. Olivia Troye* (Alston)	Briefs	TORT: Whether district court erred in concluding statements lacked defamatory meaning, dismissing defamation claims.
26-1029 *The Jewish Federation of Greater Washington, Inc. v. The Cincinnati Insurance Company* (Chasanow)	Briefs	INSURANCE: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment in favor of defendant insurance company.
25-4067 *US v. Ronzel Dixie* (Novak) Associations: 25-4123, 25-4128	Briefs	CRIMINAL: Whether failure to sever resulted in unfair prejudice to defendants that could not be cured by jury instruction; sufficiency of evidence; other issues.
26-1520 *Nechelle Lemagne v. Kenyatta Momon* (Nachmanoff)	Briefs	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: Whether district court erred in granting qualified immunity to law enforcement officer for use of deadly force.

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25-6888 *US v. Eric Jordan* (Maddox)	Briefs	CRIMINAL: Whether Maryland common law offense of assault with intent to rob is a violent felony for purposes of the Armed Career Criminal Act.
25-2175 *Prysmian Cables & Systems USA LLC v. Stephen Szymanski* (Lydon) Associations: 25-2244	Briefs	CIVIL: Challenge to jury verdict in case alleging trade secrets violations.
26-4064 *US v. David Merritt* (Jackson)	Briefs	SENTENCING: Whether imposition of life term of supervised release violated Ex Post Facto Clause; whether district court erred in imposing location monitoring condition.
24-6350 *Derrick McRae v. Eddie Buffaloe* (Biggs)	Briefs	POSTCONVICTION: Whether petitioner demonstrated that he is entitled to proceed through the actual innocence gateway to excuse the procedural bars to his federal habeas petition.

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25-2337 Briefs *Calvin Trull v. McCreary Modern, Inc.* (Bell)		ERISA: Whether district court erred in dismissing ERISA claims alleging defendants failed to act as a "prudent fiduciary."
26-1139 Briefs *Susan Shain v. Washington County, Maryland* (Bredar)		EMPLOYMENT: Whether district court erred in dismissing complaint alleging interference with rights under Family and Medical Leave Act and retaliation.
26-1047 Briefs *Pediatric Therapy Studio LLC v. Optum Inc.* (Brinkema)		ARBITRATION: Whether district court erred in denying motion to compel arbitration.
25-9526 Briefs *In re: Louis Antonacci*		Attorney discipline matter.

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24-6361 Briefs *Brandon Polk v. Stanly County, North Carolina* (Biggs)	CIVIL RIGHTS: Propriety of summary judgment grant on excessive force claims against dog handler and deputy who allegedly choked Plaintiff.
25-1238 Briefs *Philippe Hetrick v. IINK, Corp.* (Novak)	CIVIL: Whether district court erred in granting motion for judgment as a matter of law on asserted defamatory statement insinuating plaintiff hacked defendant; other issues.
25-1603 Briefs *Johana Benitez de Hernandez v. Todd Blanche*	IMMIGRATION: Whether the Board erred in applying In re M-R-M-S-when it concluded Petitioners did not show persecution on account of family particular social group.
25-1358 Briefs *Cristian Lopez Torres v. Todd Blanche*	IMMIGRATION: Whether adverse credibility determination was error; whether, even in absence of credible testimony, record established claim for protection under Convention Against Torture.

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25-1279 *PFLAG, Inc. v. Donald Trump* (Hurson)	Briefs	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: Whether district court erred in enjoining enforcement of certain Executive Order provisions directing agencies to avoid funding gender ideology or gender affirming care.
25-2208 *Haughtland Resources LLC v. SWN Production Company, LLC* (Bailey)	Briefs	CONTRACT: Whether district court erred in granting summary judgment in favor of appellees in breach of contract suit related to oil and gas lease.
25-1459 *Delmira Lazo v. Todd Blanche*	Briefs	IMMIGRATION: Whether and to what extent immigration judges have a duty in counseled asylum cases to help articulate a cognizable particular social group.
25-4438 *US v. Brandon Russell* (Bredar)	Briefs	CRIMINAL: Whether 18 U.S.C. section 3504(a) requirement applies to surveillance under Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, 50 U.S.C. sections 1801 to 1818; other issues.

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25-1808 Briefs *Green & Healthy Homes Initiative, Inc. v. EPA* (Abelson)	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW: Whether EPA's disqualification of grantmaking organizations that promote or take part in environmental justice initiatives exceeded Agency's authority or was arbitrary and capricious.
25-4325 Briefs US v. Javon Randolph (Osteen)	CRIMINAL: Whether a driver's furtive movement coupled with close proximity justifies a constructive possession finding.
25-4658 Briefs *US v. Norman Goins, Jr* (Urbanski)	CRIMINAL: Whether law enforcement's use of pole cameras to surveil defendant for about five months constituted search under Fourth Amendment; other issues.

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24-4121 *US v. Robert Overstreet, II* (Dillon)	Briefs	CRIMINAL: Whether district court erred in limiting cross-examination of detective; whether court abused its discretion in determinations regarding hearsay and present sense impression; other issues.
26-1104 *In re: 2025 Subpoena to Children's Natl Hospital* (Rubin)	Briefs	CIVIL: Whether district court erred in quashing subpoena of records related to transgender healthcare.
25-2404 *National Shooting Sports Foundation, Inc. v. Anthony Brown* (Ballou)	Briefs	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: Whether district court erred in abstaining pursuant to Younger in suit challenging Maryland's Gun Industry Accountability Act; related issues.
24-1019 *Rowena Simmons v. Baltimore City Police Department* (Griggsby)	Briefs	CIVIL RIGHTS: Propriety of dismissal of claims brought following vehicle pursuit ending in death; propriety of failure to convert dismissal motions to summary judgment motions.

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26-1085 Briefs *International Association of Color Manufacturers v. Arvin Singh* (Berger)	CONSTITUTIONAL LAW: Whether district court erred in preliminarily enjoining West Virginia Statute regulating certain synthetic food additives.
25-6476 Briefs *Gary Rollins v. Jonathan Frame* (Copenhaver)	POSTCONVICTION: Propriety of district court deferring to the West Virginia courts' state habeas rulings related to petitioner's claims under Brady and Napue.
26-1095 Briefs *U. S. Wind, Inc. v. EPA* Associations: 26-1126	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW: Whether Environmental Appeals Board lacks jurisdiction to review permits issued by Maryland Dept. of the Environment.
25-1703 Briefs *Mayra Franco v. Progressive Casualty Insurance Company* (Eagles)	CLASS ACTION: Whether the district court abused its discretion by finding common issues predominated and certifying class.

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