

* IN THE
* SUPREME COURT
* OF MARYLAND
IN RE: B.CD. & B.CB. * Petition No. 309
* September Term, 2025
* (No. 2293, Sept. Term, 2024
* Appellate Court of Maryland)
* (Cir. Ct. Nos. C-02-JV-24-000463
& C-02-JV-24-000464)

O R D E R

Upon consideration of the petition for a writ of certiorari to the Appellate Court of Maryland, the respondent's answer to the petition, and the briefs of *amici curiae* in support of the petition,¹ it is this 24th day of November 2025, by the Supreme Court of Maryland, ORDERED that the petition is granted, and a writ of certiorari shall issue to the Appellate Court of Maryland; and it is further ORDERED that this case is transferred to the regular docket as No. 47, September

¹ *Amici Curiae* briefs were filed:

On behalf of the American Civil Liberties Union (“ACLU”), the ACLU of Maryland, Black Families Love & Unite, Angela Olivia Burton, Blessings in Transformation, the Center for Constitutional Rights, the City University of New York (CUNY) School of Law Family Defense Clinic, Civil Rights Corps, Dorothy Roberts, Elephant Circle, JMACforFamilies, Legal Services for Prisoners with Children, Mining for Gold, the MJCF: Coalition, Movement for Family Power, Operation Stop CPS, South East Family Freedom Alliance, UpEND, and The Bronx Defenders.

On behalf of If/When/How, Center for Reproductive Rights, Center on Reproductive Rights and Justice at The University of California, Berkeley, School of Law, and Pregnancy Justice.

On behalf of Physicians for Reproductive Health and Doing Right by Birth.

Term, 2025 (SCM-REG-0047-2025); and it is further

ORDERED that the petitioner's brief and record extract shall be filed on or before January 5, 2026. The respondents' brief shall be filed on or before February 4, 2026. The petitioner's reply brief, if any, shall be filed on or before February 23, 2026. The parties' briefs and the record extract shall be filed through the MDEC system in accordance with Maryland Rules 8-501, 8-502, 20-403, 20-404, and 20-406²; and it is further

ORDERED that this case is scheduled for argument during the March 2026 session of the Court. Arguments in the March session will be scheduled on March 5, 6, 9 and 10, 2026. Counsel should immediately notify the Clerk's Office in writing if they have conflicts on any of these dates.



/s/ Matthew J. Fader
Chief Justice

² Pursuant to Rule 20-406, on the first business day following the electronic filing of a brief, the filing party must deliver eight paper copies of the brief to the Court or place the copies in the U.S. Mail or with a third-party commercial carrier for delivery to the Court.

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WRIT OF CERTIORARI

STATE OF MARYLAND, to wit:

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF THE APPELLATE COURT OF MARYLAND:

WHEREAS, *In Re: B.Cd. & B.Cb.*, No. 2293, September Term, 2024, was pending before your Court and the Supreme Court is willing that the record and proceedings therein be certified to it.

You are hereby commanded to have the record transmitted to the Supreme Court of Maryland on or before December 8, 2025, together with this writ, for this Court to proceed thereon as justice may require.

WITNESS the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maryland this 24th day of November 2025.



/s/ Gregory Hilton
Clerk
Supreme Court of Maryland