

SUPREME COURT OF RHODE ISLAND

GD Richmond Beaver River I, LLC, et al. v. Town of Richmond
Zoning Board of Review, et al.

Supreme Court Nos. 2023-214-M.P. and 2023-219-M.P. (W.C. 21-111) · No. 2023-214-M.P. and 2023-219-M.P. (W.C. 21-111) · Decided April 29, 2026

SUMMARY

The Rhode Island Supreme Court issued an order in GD Richmond Beaver River I, LLC v. Town of Richmond Zoning Board of Review. Because the Court was evenly divided, it affirmed the judgment of the Washington County Superior Court. Justice Goldberg did not participate.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of Rhode Island
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Chief Justice Suttell; Justice Robinson; Justice Lynch Prata; Justice Long
JURISDICTION	Rhode Island Supreme Court
DECIDED	April 29, 2026
DOCKET	2023-214-M.P. and 2023-219-M.P. (W.C. 21-111)
DISPOSITION	affirmed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The matter came before the Rhode Island Supreme Court from the Washington County Superior Court in Supreme Court miscellaneous petition proceedings.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	limited
PARTIES	GD Richmond Beaver River I, LLC, et al. v. Town of Richmond Zoning Board of Review, et al.

TOPICS

- municipal law
- administrative law
- judicial review of agency action
- appellate procedure

PRACTICE AREAS

- municipal law
- administrative law
- zoning and land use

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the judgment of the Washington County Superior Court should be affirmed.

HOLDINGS

1. Because the Court was evenly divided, the judgment of the Superior Court is affirmed.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“The Court being evenly divided, the judgment of the Superior Court is affirmed.” (Order at 1)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The order contains no substantive factual findings or discussion of the underlying dispute. It identifies GD Richmond Beaver River I, LLC and related parties as petitioners and the Town of Richmond Zoning Board of Review and related parties as respondents.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Washington County Superior Court entered a judgment in the underlying matter identified as W.C. 21-111. The Rhode Island Supreme Court was evenly divided and affirmed the Superior Court's judgment.

DISPOSITION

affirmed

OPINION

PER CURIAM.

Supreme Court No. 2023-214-M.P. No. 2023-219-M.P. (WC 21-111) GD Richmond Beaver River I, LLC,; et al. v.: Town of Richmond Zoning Board of: Review et al. ORDER The Court being evenly divided, the judgment of the Superior Court is affirmed. Entered as an Order of this Court this day of April, 2026. By Order, _____ Clerk Justice Goldberg did not participate. -1- STATE OF RHODE ISLAND SUPREME COURT – CLERK’S OFFICE Light Judicial Complex 250 Benefit Street Providence, RI 02903 ORDER COVER SHEET GD Richmond Beaver River I, LLC, et al. v. Town of Title of Case Richmond Zoning Board of Review et al. No. 2023-214-M.P.

Case Number No. 2023-219-M.P. (WC 21-111) Date Order Filed April 29, 2026 Justices Suttell, C.J., Robinson, Lynch Prata, and Long, JJ. Source of Appeal Washington County Superior Court Judicial Officer from Lower Court Associate Justice Sarah Taft-Carter For Petitioners: Thomas M. Dickinson, Esq. Attorney(s) on Appeal Kathleen M. Daniels, Esq.

For Respondents: John O. Mancini, Esq. SU-CMS-02B (revised November 2022)

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