

SUPREME COURT OF RHODE ISLAND

Lynda Lisker v. Steven Lisker

2025-360-Appeal (P 22-4818) · No. 2025-360-Appeal (P 22-4818) · Decided May 28, 2026

SUMMARY

The Rhode Island Supreme Court vacated paragraphs 6 and 7 of a September 12, 2025 Family Court order in Lynda Lisker v. Steven Lisker. The matter was remanded to the Family Court for further proceedings after the plaintiff agreed that those paragraphs should be vacated.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Supreme Court of Rhode Island
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Chief Justice Suttell; Justice Goldberg; Justice Robinson; Justice Lynch Prata; Justice Long
JURISDICTION	Rhode Island Supreme Court
DECIDED	May 28, 2026
DOCKET	2025-360-Appeal (P 22-4818)
DISPOSITION	vacated
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	The Rhode Island Supreme Court considered an order directing the parties to show cause why specified paragraphs of a Family Court order should not be vacated.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	published
PARTIES	Lynda Lisker v. Steven Lisker

TOPICS

- family law procedure
- appellate procedure
- family law
- appellate jurisdiction

PRACTICE AREAS

- Family law
- Appellate procedure

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

- Whether paragraphs 6 and 7 of the September 12, 2025 Family Court order should be vacated.

HOLDINGS

1. Paragraphs 6 and 7 of the Family Court order should be vacated, and the matter should be remanded to the Family Court for further proceedings.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“Accordingly, this Court hereby vacates paragraphs 6 and 7 of the order, and the matter shall be remanded to the Family Court for further proceedings.” (-1-)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The Family Court entered an order on September 12, 2025, containing paragraphs 6 and 7 that were challenged in the Supreme Court proceeding. After the Supreme Court issued a show-cause order, the plaintiff agreed at oral argument that those paragraphs should be vacated.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

A Providence County Family Court justice entered an order on September 12, 2025. The Supreme Court directed the parties to appear and show cause regarding paragraphs 6 and 7 of that order. At oral argument, counsel for the plaintiff agreed that those paragraphs should be vacated, and the Supreme Court vacated them and remanded the matter to the Family Court.

DISPOSITION

vacated

REMAND INSTRUCTIONS

The matter is remanded to the Family Court for further proceedings after vacatur of paragraphs 6 and 7 of the September 12, 2025 order.

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

Supreme Court No. 2025-360-Appeal. (P 22-4818) Lynda Lisker : v. : Steven Lisker. :

ORDER

This case came before the Supreme Court pursuant to an order directing the parties to appear and show cause why certain paragraphs of an order entered on September 12, 2025, by a justice of the Family Court (the order), should not be vacated. At oral argument on May 13, 2026, counsel for the plaintiff agreed that paragraphs 6 and 7 of the order should be vacated. We agree. Accordingly, this Court hereby vacates paragraphs 6 and 7 of the order, and the matter shall be remanded to the Family Court for further proceedings. Entered as an Order of this Court this ____ day of May, 2026. By Order, _____ Clerk -1-

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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