

MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT

Todd C. Klinske and Angela Klinske v. Wolverine World Wide, Inc.

Klinske · No. SC 157602; COA 343036; Kent CC 17-010967-CZ · Decided May 9, 2018

SUMMARY

The Michigan Supreme Court consolidated numerous applications for leave to appeal involving plaintiffs and Wolverine World Wide, Inc. The court granted immediate consideration but denied the applications, concluding that the questions presented should not then be reviewed by the court.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Michigan Supreme Court
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Stephen J. Markman, Chief Justice; Brian K. Zahra, Justice; Bridget M. McCormack, Justice; David F. Viviano, Justice; Richard H. Bernstein, Justice; Kurtis T. Wilder, Justice; Elizabeth T. Clement, Justice
JURISDICTION	Michigan
DECIDED	May 9, 2018
DOCKET	SC 157602; COA 343036; Kent CC 17-010967-CZ
DISPOSITION	other
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Wolverine World Wide, Inc. applied for leave to appeal from April 17, 2018 orders of the Michigan Court of Appeals in a consolidated group of cases.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Order denying leave to appeal; no reporter citation appears in the source
PARTIES	Wolverine World Wide, Inc. v. Todd C. Klinske, Angela Klinske

TOPICS

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PRACTICE AREAS

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QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the Michigan Supreme Court should grant Wolverine World Wide, Inc.'s application for leave to appeal the April 17, 2018 orders of the Michigan Court of Appeals.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“The application for leave to appeal the April 17, 2018 orders of the Court of Appeals is considered, and it is DENIED, because we are not persuaded that the questions presented should now be reviewed by this Court.”
(at 11)

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

The order contains no substantive factual findings regarding the underlying dispute between the plaintiffs and Wolverine World Wide, Inc. The matter concerns the defendant's application for leave to appeal from an order of the Michigan Court of Appeals.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The Michigan Court of Appeals entered orders on April 17, 2018. Wolverine World Wide sought leave to appeal in the Michigan Supreme Court, which denied the application because it was not persuaded that the questions presented should then be reviewed.

DISPOSITION

other

OPINION

Todd C Klinske v. Wolverine World Wide Inc

PER CURIAM.

Order Michigan Supreme Court Lansing, Michigan May 9, 2018 Stephen J. Markman, Chief Justice 157589-640 & (17) Brian K. Zahra Bridget M. McCormack David F. Viviano Richard H. Bernstein Kurtis T. Wilder MELVIN H. NYLAAN and MARLENE J. Elizabeth T. Clement, NYLAAN, Justices Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157589

COA: 343023

Kent CC: 17-010716-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

THEODORE J. RYFIAK, JR.,

Plaintiff-Appellee, v SC: 157590

COA: 343024

Kent CC: 17-010720-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

MICHAEL A. METZ and LAURA C. METZ,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157591

COA: 343025

Kent CC: 17-010723-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ RANDALL D.

SCHMIDT, II and MARY A.

SCHMIDT,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157592

COA: 343026

Kent CC: 17-010766-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

DAVID F. CLARK,

Plaintiff-Appellee, 2 v SC: 157593

COA: 343028

Kent CC: 17-010769-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

SUSAN R. GROOVER,

Plaintiff-Appellee, v SC: 157594

COA: 343028

Kent CC: 17-010769-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ JAMES D. PENROD,

JR. and MARY V.

PENROD,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157595

COA: 343029

Kent CC: 17-010809-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

MARK K. BREEN and DARR L. BREEN,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157596

COA: 343030

Kent CC: 17-010818-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

JAMES A. WATTS and TRINH P. WATTS,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157597

COA: 343031

Kent CC: 17-010906-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

JOSHUA C. GOAD and JODI L. GOAD,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157598

COA: 343032

Kent CC: 17-010907-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. 3 _____/

BRIAN GREKO and HEATHER GREKO,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157599

COA: 343033

Kent CC: 17-010908-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

NATHAN C. WOOD and LISA E. WOOD,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157600

COA: 343034

Kent CC: 17-010923-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

RYAN C. SCHWEINZGER and MEAGHAN

K. SCHWEINZGER,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157601

COA: 343035

Kent CC: 17-010966-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

TODD C. KLINSKE and ANGELA KLINSKE,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157602

COA: 343036

Kent CC: 17-010967-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

BRIAN MEYERHOLTZ and KRISTI

MEYERHOLTZ,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157603

COA: 343037

Kent CC: 17-011004-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ LUCAS J. CARNEY,

Individually, and JENNIFER L. CARNEY, Individually and as 4 Next Friend of D.D., a Minor,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157604

COA: 343038

Kent CC: 17-011041-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ LISA A. MARTIN,

Individually, and STEPHEN E. MARTIN, Individually and as Next Friend of K.M., a Minor,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157605

COA: 343039

Kent CC: 17-011042-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

RONALD J. SCHOLLAART and TAMARA

J. SCHOLLAART,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157606

COA: 343040

Kent CC: 17-011043-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

SCOTT HAUGHT and JEANNIE HAUGHT,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157607

COA: 343041

Kent CC: 17-011146-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

JACEK Z. SZOPA and DANUTA SZOPA,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157608

COA: 343042

Kent CC: 17-011166-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

LEE A. MEYERS and KIMBERLY A. MEYERS,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157609 5

COA: 343043

Kent CC: 17-011167-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

BRIAN C. SCOTT and KRISTINA M. PALIWODA,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157610

COA: 343044

Kent CC: 17-011168-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

SCOTT DRESEN and CINDEE DRESEN,

Individually and as Trustees of the Scott and Cindy Dresen Trust, Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC:
157611

COA: 343045

Kent CC: 17-011169-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

FRANK M. ZOPPA and KIMBERLY L. ZOPPA,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157612

COA: 343046

Kent CC: 17-011171-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

ROBERT C. VERSLUIS and CHRISTINE

VERSLUIS,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157613

COA: 343047

Kent CC: 17-011218-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

DANIEL E. MALE and JANNA R. MALE,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157614

COA: 343048

Kent CC: 17-011219-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

6 Defendant-Appellant. _____/

STEVEN J. COLBY and JANICE K. WABEKE,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157615

COA: 343049

Kent CC: 17-011238-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

SCOTT INGRAHAM and LISA INGRAHAM,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157616

COA: 343050

Kent CC: 17-011303-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

MICHAEL MCGREGOR and MADELAINE

MCGREGOR, Individually and as Trustees of the Michael and Madelaine G. McGregor Trust,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157617

COA: 343051

Kent CC: 17-011304-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

DAVID J. RADLE and LAURA E. RADLE,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157618

COA: 343052

Kent CC: 17-011305-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

JAMES W. BECK, III and ANDREA V. BECK ,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157619

COA: 343053

Kent CC: 17-011443-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

PAUL D. HARRIS and BRENDA K. HARRIS,

7 Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157620

COA: 343054

Kent CC: 17-011444-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

THOMAS J. HULA, TERRY K. HULA,

BRITTANY M. HULA, and BRANDI L. GLASKE,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157621

COA: 343055

Kent CC: 17-011445-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

DENNIS J. MORGAN and RACHEL M. MORGAN,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157622

COA: 343056

Kent CC: 17-011446-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

PATRICK J. BYRNE and SUZANNE K. BYRNE,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157623

COA: 343057

Kent CC: 17-011447-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

GARY T. SKIBA and KATHY L. SKIBA,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157624

COA: 343058

Kent CC: 17-011449-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

MICHAEL J. NIENHUIS and KARRIE-HOPE

NIENHUIS, Individually and as Trustees of the Michael J. Nienhuis and Karrie-Hope Nienhuis
Revocable Trust, Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157625 8

COA: 343059

Kent CC: 17-011536-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ RYAN W. SCHABERG
and JESSICA L.

SCHABERG,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157626

COA: 343060

Kent CC: 17-011537-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ RYAN R.
VANAGTMAEL and ANNA L.

VANAGTMAEL,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157627

COA: 343061

Kent CC: 17-011609-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ ASHLEE M.

NAFFZIGER, Individually and as Personal Representative of the Estate of HUNTER

STEPHEN NAFFZIGER,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157628

COA: 343062

Kent CC: 18-000054-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

ANDREW C. DEBSKI and BETHANY J. DEBSKI,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157629

COA: 343063

Kent CC: 18-000055-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ SETH O.

McNAUGHTON, Individually, and TOBYN E. McNAUGHTON, Individually and as Next Friend
of J.M., a Minor, Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157630 9

COA: 343064

Kent CC: 18-000086-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

DANIEL C. SMITH,

Plaintiff-Appellee, v SC: 157631

COA: 343065

Kent CC: 18-000087-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

KYLE M. WEEDA and SAMANTHA M. WEEDA,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157632

COA: 343066

Kent CC: 18-000229-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ ROBERT J.

SULLIVAN and AMY JO L.

SULLIVAN,
Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157633
COA: 343067
Kent CC: 18-000230-CZ
WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,
Defendant-Appellant. _____/ ZACHARY R. RAVEN
and MEGHAN M.
RAVEN,
Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157634
COA: 343068
Kent CC: 18-000231-CZ
WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,
Defendant-Appellant. _____/
ROBERT PEARSON and SAMANTHA
CRIMMINS,
Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157635
COA: 343069
Kent CC: 18-000233-CZ
WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,
10 Defendant-Appellant. _____/
RICK E. BURROWS and CARRIE L. BURROWS,
Individually and as Trustees of the Rick and Carrie Burrows Living Trust, Plaintiffs-Appellees, v
SC: 157636
COA: 343070
Kent CC: 18-000308-CZ
WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,
Defendant-Appellant. _____/ SANDRA J. WYNN-
STELT, Individually, as Trustee of the Sandra J. Wynn-Stelt Trust, and as Personal Representative
of the Estate of JOEL
R. STELT,
Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157637
COA: 343071
Kent CC: 18-000309-CZ
WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,
Defendant-Appellant. _____/ STEVEN D.
BROEKSTRA and AMY E.
BROEKSTRA,
Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157638

COA: 343072

Kent CC: 18-000329-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ DAVID M. MILLER
and KATHLEEN A.

MILLER,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, v SC: 157639

COA: 343073

Kent CC: 18-000331-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/

JEFFERY S. VANDERZOUWEN and ATTI

VANDERZOUWEN,

Plaintiffs-Appellees, 11 v SC: 157640

COA: 343074

Kent CC: 18-000332-CZ

WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE, INC.,

Defendant-Appellant. _____/ On order of the Court,
the motion for immediate consideration is GRANTED. The application for leave to appeal the
April 17, 2018 orders of the Court of Appeals is considered, and it is DENIED, because we are not
persuaded that the questions presented should now be reviewed by this Court. I, Larry S. Royster,
Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the
order entered at the direction of the Court. May 9, 2018 d0508 Clerk