

SUPREME COURT OF MARYLAND

John Calvin Dove, Jr. v. Gary Simmons, et al.

No. 63, September Term, 2025 (Md. Apr. 13, 2026) · No. No. 63, September Term, 2025 · Decided April 13, 2026

OPINION

Dove v. Simmons

PER CURIAM.

Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County Case No. C-02-CV-26-000603 Argued: April 13, 2026

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C.J. Watts Booth Biran Gould Eaves Killough, JJ. _____

PER CURIAM ORDER

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JOHN CALVIN DOVE, JR. SUPREME COURT

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v. OF MARYLAND

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GARY SIMMONS, ET AL. No. 63

* September Term, 2025 *

PER CURIAM ORDER

Before the Court is the challenge by Appellant, John Calvin Dove, Jr., to the judgment of the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County entered on April 6, 2026, granting the petition filed by the Appellee, Gary Simmons, and disqualifying Mr. Dove from the ballot for State Delegate from District 12B in the primary election in June 2026. For reasons to be set forth in an opinion to be filed later, it is this 13th day of April 2026, by the Supreme Court of Maryland, ORDERED that the judgment of the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County is affirmed; and it is further ORDERED that costs are to be paid by the Appellant. The mandate shall issue forthwith. /s/ Matthew J. Fader Chief Justice

