Superior Court Minutes Honorable David J. Roper, Senior Judge Presiding Civil Jury Trial

Thursday, March 13, 2025 Courtroom 1

Court Reporter: Melissa Ewest Deputy Clerk: Ashley Tucker

8:56 a.m. Court is in session.

Court resumes civil jury trial for 2023ECV0045.

Lakeisha D. Gilmore, Plaintiff Vs. Michael P. Mitchell, Defendant

Plaintiff is represented by Attorney David Bell Jr.

Defendant is represented by Attorney Douglas Burrell & Anelise Codrington.

State Farm Mutal Insurance is represented by Attorney Marshall Mayers.

8:57 a.m. State Farm's Attorney motions for direct verdict; Taken under advisement.

9:08 a.m. Jury enters the courtroom.

- 1. Carla Dabrowski
- 2. Robert Lundy Jr.
- 3. Cinthia Jenkins
- 4. Caitlyn Mulvihill
- 5. Victor Hernandez
- 6. Khrisztopher Robinson
- 7. Kimberly Lucky
- 8. Nicholas Sawchuk
- 9. Brody Smith
- 10. Taylor Gove
- 11. Gary Judy Jr.
- 12. Brittany Bethea
- 13. Alt 1 Brennan Kirby

9:09 a.m. Judge administers oath to the Bailiffs.

9:13 a.m. Plaintiff's attorney begins closing arguments.

9:41 a.m. State Farm's attorney begins closing arguments.

10:29 a.m. Jury exits the courtroom; Court is in recess.

10:42 a.m. Court is back in session.

10:45 a.m. Jury enters the courtroom.

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10:46 a.m.	Defendant's attorney begins closing arguments.
11:02 a.m.	Plaintiff's attorney continues closing arguments.
11:16 a.m.	Judge Roper charges the jury.
11:45 a.m.	Jury exits the courtroom.
11:48 a.m.	Judge Roper excuses the jury for lunch until 1pm; Court is in recess.
1:15 p.m.	Jury begins deliberations in jury room.
1:39 p.m.	Jury has a question.
1:50 p.m.	Jury has a question.
2:00 p.m.	Judge sends answers back to jury; Court is in recess for deliberations.
2:03 p.m.	Court is back in session. The jury has reached a verdict
2:10 p.m.	Jurors enter the courtroom.
	Foreperson publishes the verdict.
2:13 p.m.	Judge Roper polls the jury.
2:16 p.m.	Jury exits the courtroom; Court hears matters outside of the jury.
2:17 p.m.	Court is in recess.
2:23 p.m.	Court is back in session.
2:25 p.m.	Jury enters the courtroom.
2:27 p.m.	Plaintiff's attorney begins opening statements for phase two.
2:29 p.m.	Defendant's attorney begins opening statements for phase two.
2:31 p.m.	State Farm's attorney begins opening statements for phase two.
2:32 p.m.	Plaintiff begins presenting his case to the jury for phase two.
2:40 p.m.	Defendant's attorney begins closing arguments for phase two.
2:56 p.m.	State Farm's attorney begins closing arguments for phase two.
2:58 p.m.	Plaintiff's attorney begins closing argument for phase two.
3:10 p.m.	Judge Roper gives the jury instructions for phase two.
3:15 p.m.	Jury exits the courtroom for deliberation for phase two.
3:16 p.m.	Court is in recess awaiting verdict for phase two.

3:59 p.m.	Jury has reached a verdict.
4:02 p.m.	Jury enters the courtroom.
	Foreperson publishes the verdict for phase two.
4:05 p.m.	Defendant's attorney begins closing arguments for phase three.
4:10 p.m.	State Farm's attorney begins closing arguments for phase three.
4:11 p.m.	Plaintiff's attorney begins closing argument for phase three.
4:14 p.m.	Judge Roper gives the jury instructions for phase three.
4:16 p.m.	Jury exits the courtroom for deliberation for phase three.
4:17 p.m.	Court is in recess awaiting verdict for phase three.
4:29 p.m.	Jury has reached a verdict for phase three.
4:31 p.m.	Jury enters the courtroom.
	Foreperson publishes the verdict for phase three.
4:38 p.m.	Jurors are excused for the week with Thanks from the Court.
4:39 p.m.	Court is adjourned.