In the Indiana Supreme Court

Lake County Board of Commissioners, et al.,

Appellants,

v.

State of Indiana, et al., Appellees.

Court of Appeals Case No. 20A-MI-1527

Trial Court Case No. 49D06-1906-MI-24203



Published Order Inviting Amicus Curiae Briefing

The Court of Appeals issued an opinion holding that "Lake County is responsible for paying the costs of its probation officers' legal defense that are incurred in the performance of the officers' duties." <u>Lake Cty. Bd. of Comm'rs v. State</u>, 170 N.E.3d 1104, 1105 (Ind. Ct. App. 2021). The appellants have filed a transfer petition, and some of the appellees have opposed transfer. The Supreme Court invites amicus curiae briefing on the pending transfer request.

Pursuant to Appellate Rule 41, any entity wishing to prepare and file a brief as amicus curiae must file a motion for leave to appear as amicus and tender its proposed brief on or before **September 24, 2021**. The Court encourages the submission of joint briefs if similarly aligned entities seek to appear as amici. Any amicus brief must not exceed 4,200 words, exclusive of the items listed in Appellate Rule 44(C), and must be accompanied by the verified statement of word count. *See* App. R. 44(F).

The parties may file a single response brief, not exceeding 4,200 words, addressing any and all amicus brief(s) whose arguments they oppose; any such response brief must be filed on or before **October 7, 2021**, and must comply with Appellate Rule 44(C) and (F).

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 8/27/2021.

Louis A. Knich

Loretta H. Rush Chief Justice of Indiana