

# Order

Michigan Supreme Court  
Lansing, Michigan

June 27, 2025

Megan K. Cavanagh,  
Chief Justice

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Noah P. Hood,  
Justices

PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN,  
Plaintiff-Appellee,

v

SC: 167375  
COA: 354113  
Kalamazoo CC: 1990-000932-FC

JOSHUA DWAYNE LAWSON,  
Defendant-Appellant.

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By order of November 8, 2024, the application for leave to appeal the May 30, 2024 judgment of the Court of Appeals was held in abeyance pending the decisions in *People v Czarnecki* (Docket No. 166654), *People v Poole* (Docket No. 166813), and *People v Taylor* (Docket No. 166428). On order of the Court, *Poole* having been decided on April 1, 2025, \_\_\_\_ Mich \_\_\_\_ (2025), and *Czarnecki* and *Taylor* having been decided on April 10, 2025, \_\_\_\_ Mich \_\_\_\_ (2025), the application is again considered. Pursuant to MCR 7.305(I)(1), in lieu of granting leave to appeal, we REVERSE Part III of the judgment of the Court of Appeals, VACATE the defendant's sentence for first-degree murder, and REMAND this case to the Kalamazoo Circuit Court for resentencing in light of *Taylor*. In all other respects, leave to appeal is DENIED, because we are not persuaded that the remaining questions presented should be reviewed by this Court.

We do not retain jurisdiction.



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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.

June 27, 2025

Clerk