

	*	IN THE
	*	SUPREME COURT
THE KEY SCHOOL, INCORPORATED, ET AL.	*	OF MARYLAND
v.	*	Misc. No. 2
VALERIE BUNKER	*	September Term, 2024
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	*	IN THE
	*	SUPREME COURT
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY	*	OF MARYLAND
v.	*	No. 10
JOHN DOE	*	September Term, 2024
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O R D E R¹

Upon consideration of the Attorney General’s motion for permission to participate in oral argument as to the constitutionality question² and the response to that motion, it is this 26th day of August 2024, by the Supreme Court of Maryland,

ORDERED that the motion is granted; and it is further

¹ By a separate order these two cases were consolidated for briefing and argument.

² The constitutionality question is: Does the Maryland Child Victims Act of 2023, 2023 Md. Laws ch. 5 (S.B. 686), codified at Md. Code Ann., Cts. & Jud. Proc. § 5-117), constitute an impermissible abrogation of a vested right in violation of Article 24 of the Maryland Declaration of Rights and/or Article III, Section 40 of the Maryland Constitution.

ORDERED that the June 22, 2024 order establishing the briefing and argument schedule is modified as follows:

- (1) As to the constitutionality question, each side will be allotted 50 minutes for oral argument;
- (2) The Attorney General will be allotted 10 minutes of the appellees' 50 total minutes;
- (3) The appellants may reserve time from their 50 minutes for rebuttal; and
- (4) The separate time allotted to the parties to Case No. 10 to address the standing question³ is unaffected by this order.



/s/ Matthew J. Fader
Chief Justice

* Justice Gould did not participate in the consideration of this matter.

³ The standing question is: As a subdivision of the State, see *Bd. Of Educ. v. Sec'y of Personnel*, 317 Md. 34, 44-45 (1989), does the petitioner have standing to challenge the constitutionality of the Maryland Child Victims Act of 2023, 2023 Md. Laws ch. 5 (S.B. 686), (codified at Md. Code Ann., Cts. & Jud. Proc. § 5-117)?