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State ex rel. Columbus Coalition for Responsive Govt. v. Blevins

Supreme Court of Ohio - August 29, 2014 - N.E.3d - 2014 -Ohio- 3745

Citizens group brought action seeking mandamus to compel city clerk to verify signatures on an initiative petition and submit the proposed initiative to city council.

The Supreme Court of Ohio held that city clerk had no duty to submit citizen coalition's precirculation copy of proposed initiative petition to city council, where city's charter was silent on the subject of precirculation requirements, which invoked statute requiring such petitions to be filed with city's auditor.