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#### **CAPTION**

Ernest Caranci and Carmela Caranci

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Monsanto Company, Bayer AG, S&H Hardward and Supply Company, Penn Hardward, Inc., Penn Hardware Two, Inc.

Appeal of: Monsanto Company

**CASE INFORMATION** 

Initiating Document: Notice of Appeal

Case Status: Decided/Active

Case Processing Status: May 8, 2025 Awaiting Remittal

Journal Number: J-A06036-25

Case Category: Civil Case Type(s): Products Liability

CONSOLIDATED CASES		RELATED CASES
	Docket No / Reason	Туре
	1259 EDA 2024 Similar Issue(s)	Related
	1260 EDA 2024 Similar Issue(s)	Related
	1845 EDA 2024 Similar Issue(s)	Related

#### **SCHEDULED EVENT**

Next Event Type: Record Remitted Next Event Due Date: June 9, 2025

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#### **FEE INFORMATION**

Fee Dt	Fee Name	Fee Amt Receipt Dt	Receipt No	Receipt Amt
03/27/2024	Notice of Appeal	90.25 04/10/2024	2024-SPR-E-000519	90.25
10/14/2024	2nd Motion for Extension of Time	10.00 10/15/2024	2024-SPR-E-001439	10.00

#### AGENCY/TRIAL COURT INFORMATION

Order Appealed From: March 11, 2024 Notice of Appeal Filed: March 27, 2024

Order Type: Judgment Entered Documents Received: April 10, 2024

Court Below: Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas

County: Philadelphia Division: Philadelphia County Civil Division

Crumlish, James C., III OTN: Judge:

210602213 01 Docket Number: Judicial District:

#### **ORIGINAL RECORD CONTENT**

Original Record Item	Filed Date	Content Description	
Testimony	April 15, 2024		
Original Record	May 28, 2024		
Original Record	May 28, 2024		
Trial Court Opinion	May 28, 2024		
Trial Court Opinion	May 28, 2024		
Exhibit(s)	May 29, 2024		
Trial Court Opinion	June 07, 2024		
Supplemental Record	December 19, 2024		

#### Date of Remand of Record:

#### **BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

**Amicus Appellee** 

United Farm Workers et al. Caranci and Carmela Caranci, Ernest

**Brief Brief** 

Due: November 1, 2024 Filed: November 1, 2024 Due: January 28, 2025 Filed: January 28, 2025

> Due: December 30, 2024 Filed: December 30, 2024

Appellant

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#### **BRIEFING SCHEDULE**

**Appellant** 

**Monsanto Company** 

Brief

Due: August 19, 2024 Filed: August 19, 2024
Due: December 30, 2024 Filed: December 30, 2024

Reply Brief

Due: December 9, 2024 Filed: December 9, 2024

Due: December 30, 2024 Filed: December 30, 2024

Due: February 21, 2025 Filed: February 21, 2025

Reproduced Record

Due: December 16, 2024 Filed: December 16, 2024

		DOCKET ENTRY	
Filed Date	Docket Entry / Representing	Participant Type	Filed By
April 10, 2024	Notice of Appeal Docketed		
_		Appellant	Monsanto Company
Comm	ent: Case Type: Mass Tort		
April 10, 2024	Docketing Statement Exited (Civil	)	Comparison Count of Domonducania
			Superior Court of Pennsylvania
April 15, 2024	Transcripts of Testimony		0 (0 (0 )
			Court Reporters, Digital Recording, and Interpreters Administration - First
			Judicial District of Pennsylvania
April 24, 2024	Docketing Statement Received (C	Civil)	
		Appellant	Monsanto Company
April 24, 2024	Other		
		Appellant	Monsanto Company
Comm	ent: Attachment to Docketing Stateme	ent ————————————————————————————————————	
May 28, 2024	Trial Court Record Received		
			Philadelphia County Civil Division
May 28, 2024	Sealed Trial Court Record Receiv	ed - Sensitive Documents	Dhila dalahia Ozumtu Obil Dinisian
			Philadelphia County Civil Division
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			Philadelphia County Civil Division
May 28, 2024	Briefing Schedule Issued		Companies Count of Domes describ
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			Philadelphia County Civil Division

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Filed Date		Docket Entry / Representing	Participant Type	Filed By
June 7, 2024		Trial Court Opinion Received		Philadelphia County Civil Division
June 7, 2024		Application for Extension of Time	to File Brief - First Request Appellant	Monsanto Company
June 7, 2024		Notice to Defer Preparation of Re		
Julie 1, 2024		Troubble Bolor Froparation of the	Appellant	Monsanto Company
June 7, 2024		Order Granting Application for Ex	tension of Time to File Appe	ellant Brief Per Curiam
	Comment:	Briefs are due 8/19/2024.		rei Gullalli
June 26, 2024		Order		Per Curiam
	Comment:	Upon review of the June 7, 2024 Monsanto Company to Designate Pa.R.A.P. 2154(b)," filed by Appe ORDERED:	the Contents of the Record	l Pursuant to
		The proof of service of Appellant's on or before August 19, 2024.	s Advance Text Brief is due i	in this Court
		The proof of service of Appellee's in this Court within thirty (30) days Advance Text Brief.		
		The reproduced record shall then (21) days of Appellee's proof of se Pa.R.A.P. 2186(a)(2).		
		The Parties' Definitive Briefs shall (14) days of the filing of the repro Failure to comply with these due by this Court, including, but not lir preclusion from oral argument.	duced record. See Pa.R.A.F dates may result in sua spor	P. 2185(c). nte actions
August 16, 202	24	Entry of Appearance - Private Monsanto Company	Appellant	Heim, Robert C.
August 16, 202	24	Entry of Appearance - Private Monsanto Company	Appellant	Hare, John Jacob
August 16, 202	24	Application to be Admitted Pro Ha	ac Vice Appellant	Miller, Chanda Ann
August 19, 202	24	Appellant's Brief Filed	Appellant	Monsanto Company
Docum		PROOF OF SERVICE OF APPEL ADVANCE TEXT		

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August 20, 2024	Reply Letter(s) Printed		Santarelli, Letitia
August 21, 2024	Reply Received (Argument)	Appellant	Monsanto Company
August 28, 2024	Paper Version of PACFiled Docum	Appellant	Monsanto Company
Document Name:	PROOF OF SERVICE OF APPELL	_ANT	
September 9, 2024	Order Granting Application to be A	dmitted Pro Hac Vice	Per Curiam
Comment:	Upon consideration of the August of Hac Vice of David M. Zionts, Esqui Pro Hac Vice," filed by sponsor Ch Appellant, Monsanto Company, on application is GRANTED.	ire," docketed as "Application to b anda A. Miller, Esquire, counsel f	pe Admitted for
September 12, 2024	Application for Extension of Time to	o File Brief - First Request	
		Appellee	Caranci and Carmela Caranci, Ernest
September 13, 2024	Order Granting Application for Exte	ension of Time to File Appellee Bri	ief Per Curiam
Comment:	Briefs are due 10/18/2024.		
September 13, 2024	Entry of Appearance - Private Caranci and Carmela Caranci, Ernest	Appellee	Laidacker, Ruxandra Maniu
October 14, 2024	Application for Extension of Time to	o File Brief - Second Request Appellee	Caranci and Carmela Caranci, Ernest
October 15, 2024	Order Granting Application for Exte	ension of Time to File Appellee Bri	ief Per Curiam
Comment:	Granted until November 1, 2024.		
November 1, 2024	Notice of Service of Advance Form	Brief Appellee	Caranci and Carmela Caranci,
Comment:	proof of service		Ernest
November 8, 2024	Application for Extension of Time to	o File Reply Brief Appellant	Monsanto Company

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December 2, 2024	Order							
				Per C	uriam			
Comment:	Upon consideration of the Novemb							
	Application for Extension of Time to		-					
	Definitive Copies of the Parties' Bri	-		half of Appellan	t			
	Monsanto, the application is hereby	-						
	Appellant's Reply Brief shall be due December 9, 2024.	e in this Cour	t on or before					
	The reproduced record shall be du	e in this Cour	t on or hefore					
	December 16, 2024.	io in thio oodi	t on or polore					
	The Parties' Definitive Briefs shall I	be due in this	Court on or be	efore				
	December 30, 2024.							
	No further extensions will be grante	ed, and failure	e to comply wit	th these				
	due dates may result in sua sponte	•		•				
	limited to, dismissal of the appeal of	or preclusion	from oral argu	ment.				
December 9, 2024	Appellant's Reply Brief							
		Appella	nt	Monsa	anto Company	/		
	Advance Text Copy							
Comment:	PROOF OF SERVICE OF A	PPELLANT	MONSANIO	COMPANY'S	ADVANCE	IEXI	OF	REPLY
	BRIEF							
December 16, 2024	Reproduced Record Filed							
		Appella	nt	Monsa	anto Company	/		
Comment:	Vol. I, II, & III							
<b>December 16, 2024</b>	Sealed Application to File Under Se		_4	Mana	t- C			
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December 18, 2024	Notice of Overdue Paper Copies			0 1	ne i ce			
				Santa	relli, Letitia			
December 19, 2024	Supplemental Record Filed							
				Philad	elphia County	Civil D	ivisio	n
December 23, 2024	Order Granting Application to File I	Under Seal						
				Per C	uriam			
Comment:	Upon consideration of the Decemb	er 16, 2024 "	Uncontested A	Application				
	of Appellant Monsanto Company to File Parts of the Reproduced Record Under							
	Seal," docketed as "Application to							
	Monsanto Company, the application			-	<b></b>			
	Court is DIRECTED to place under filed with this Court on December 1	•	aucea Recora	volume IV of IV	<i>,</i>			
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December 23, 2024	Paper Version of PACFiled Docum							
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December 30, 2024	Appellee's Brief Filed	Appelle	<b>a</b>	0	oi and Carrer	la Carr	nci	
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December 30, 2024	Appellant's Brief Filed		
		Appellant	Monsanto Company
Document Name:			
December 30, 2024	Appellant's Reply Brief	Appellant	Monsanto Company
Document Name:	Definitive Reply Brief	Арренані	Monsanto Company
December 30, 2024	Paper Version of PACFiled Docume	ent Received	
		Appellee	Caranci and Carmela Caranci, Ernest
Document Name:	appellee definitive brief		
January 3, 2025	Paper Version of PACFiled Docume		
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January 8, 2025	Paper Version of PACFiled Docume	ent Received Appellant	Monsanto Company
Document Name:	RPBRF - Definitive brief	пропан	Mondante Company
January 8, 2025	Paper Version of PACFiled Docume	ent Received	
-		Appellant	Monsanto Company
Document Name:	TBRF - Definitive Brief		
January 16, 2025	Argument Letter Sent		
			Superior Court of Pennsylvania
January 16, 2025	Acknowledgement of Argument Not	tice Appellee	Becker, Charles Lyman
	Caranci and Carmela Caranci, Ernest	Арренее	Decker, Charles Lyman
January 24, 2025	Application for Leave to File Amicus	s Brief	
<u> </u>		Amicus	McPhedran, Charles
January 27, 2025	Acknowledgement of Argument Not		
	Monsanto Company	Appellant	Hare, John Jacob
January 28, 2025	Order Granting Application for Leav	ve to File Amicus Brief	
Cammant	AND NOW we harehy great the 11-	nited Form Workers Colifern	Per Curiam
Comment.	AND NOW, we hereby grant the Ur Legal Assistance Foundation, Farm		
	and Pesticide Action Network North	Americas' Application for L	
	Amicus Brief in Support of Plaintiff-	Appellee, Ernest Caranci.	
January 28, 2025	Amicus Curiae Brief	Amicus	United Farm Workers et al.
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January 30, 2025	•	Amicus	McPhedran, Charles

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#### May 12, 2025 DOCKET ENTRY Filed Date Docket Entry / Representing Participant Type Filed By Application to Strike January 30, 2025 Appellant Monsanto Company Comment: APPLICATION TO STRIKE AMICUS BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF-APPELLEE OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, FOR LEAVE TO REPLY. Acknowledgement of Argument Notice **February 3, 2025** Heim, Robert C. Monsanto Company Appellant **February 7, 2025** Order Denying Application to Strike Per Curiam Comment: AND NOW, we hereby deny Appellant Monsanto Company's "Application to Strike Amicus Brief in Support of Plaintiff-Appellee" and grant them leave to reply to said Amicus Brief, within 14 days of the date of this order. Appellant's Reply Brief February 21, 2025 Appellant Monsanto Company Comment: REPLY TO AMICUS BRIEF OF UNITED FARMWORKERS, ET AL. February 21, 2025 Application for Relief Appellee Caranci and Carmela Caranci, **Ernest** Comment: MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITY Paper Version of PACFiled Document Received February 25, 2025 Appellant Monsanto Company Document Name: RPBRF Order March 3, 2025 Per Curiam Comment: Argument in this matter is continued due to the illness of a one of the Judge's family members. A further order will follow. The prothonotary is directed to remove this case from the argument list. Panel jurisdiction retained. March 14, 2025 Order Per Curiam Comment: And Now, this 14th day of March, 2025: Oral Argument is scheduled for March 27, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., at the Superior Court Courtroom, 17th Floor, 530 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106.

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Document Name: updated date

The Prothonotary of the Superior Court is directed to forthwith file and

serve this Order on the attorneys of record.

Argument Letter Sent

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March 17, 2025	Acknowledgement of Argument Notice				
	Monsanto Company	Appellant	Hare, John Jacob		
March 17, 2025	7, 2025 Acknowledgement of Argument Notice				
	Caranci and Carmela Caranci,	Appellee	Becker, Charles Lyman		
	Ernest				
March 20, 2025	Acknowledgement of Argument Notice				
	Monsanto Company	Appellant	Heim, Robert C.		
Document Name:	Acknowledgement of Notification of CHANGE in Oral Argument				
May 8, 2025	Affirmed				
	Dubow, Alice B.				

#### **SESSION INFORMATION**

Journal Number: J-A06036-25 Consideration Type: Argument Panel Listed/Submitted Date: March 27, 2025

Panel Composition:

The Honorable Anne E. Lazarus President Judge

The Honorable Jack A. Panella President Judge Emeritus

The Honorable Alice B. Dubow Judge

#### **DISPOSITION INFORMATION**

Final Disposition: Yes

Related Journal No: J-A06036-25 Judgment Date: May 8, 2025 Category: Decided Disposition Author: Dubow, Alice B. Disposition: Affirmed Disposition Date: May 8, 2025 Dispositional Filing: Opinion Filing Author: Dubow, Alice B.

Filed Date: 5/8/2025 12:00:00AM