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## CAPTION

Green Analytics North, LLC d/b/a Steep Hill PA, Hanging Gardens, LLC, Pennsylvania Medical Solutions, LLC, Curaleaf PA, LLC, AES Compassionate Care, LLC, Standard Farms, LLC, and Parea BioSciences, LLC, Appellees

v.

Pennsylvania Department of Health, Appellant

## CASE INFORMATION

Initiating Document: Notice of Appeal

Case Status: Closed

Journal Number: J-57-2024 September 10, 2024

Case Category: Administrative Agency Case Type(s): Health, Department of

## CONSOLIDATED CASES

## RELATED CASES

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## SUPREME COURT INFORMATION

Appeal From: the Order of the Commonwealth Court at No. 104 MD 2023 dated June 29, 2023  
 Appeal Filed Below: 7/31/2023 12:00:00AM  
 Probable Jurisdiction Noted: August 29, 2023 Docketed Date: August 1, 2023  
 Allocatur/Miscellaneous Granted: Allocatur/Miscellaneous Docket No.:  
 Allocatur/Miscellaneous Grant Order:

## FEE INFORMATION

Fee Dt	Fee Name	Fee Amt	Receipt Dt	Receipt No	Receipt Amt
07/31/2023	Notice of Appeal	90.25	08/08/2023	2023-SUP-M-001981	90.25

## INTERMEDIATE APPELLATE COURT INFORMATION

Court Name: Docket Number:  
 Date of Order: Rearg/Recon Disp Date:  
 Rearg/Recon Disposition:  
 Judge(s):  
 Intermediate Appellate Court Action:  
 Referring Court:

## AGENCY/TRIAL COURT INFORMATION

Court Below: Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania  
 County: Division: Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania  
 Date of Agency/Trial Court Order: June 29, 2023  
 Docket Number: 104 MD 2023  
 Judge(s): Ceisler, Ellen OTN:  
 Cohn Jubelirer, Renee  
 Covey, Anne E.  
 Fizzano Cannon, Christine  
 McCullough, Patricia  
 Wallace, Stacy  
 Wojcik, Michael H.  
 Order Type: Order

## ORIGINAL RECORD CONTENT

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## ORIGINAL RECORD CONTENT

Original Record Item	Filed Date	Content/Description
Part(s)	August 31, 2023	30
<b>Record Remittal: October 17, 2025</b>		

## BRIEFING SCHEDULE

<b>Appellant</b>		<b>Appellee</b>	
<b>Pennsylvania Department of Health</b>		<b>Green Analytics North, LLP d/b/a Steep Hill PA, et al.</b>	
<b>Brief</b>		<b>Brief</b>	
Due: October 24, 2023	Filed: October 24, 2023	Due: December 4, 2023	Filed: December 4, 2023
<b>Reply Brief</b>		<b>Supplemental Reproduced Record</b>	
Due: December 21, 2023	Filed: December 18, 2023	Due: October 27, 2023	Filed:
<b>Reproduced Record</b>			
Due: October 24, 2023	Filed: October 24, 2023		

## SESSION INFORMATION

Journal Number:	J-57-2024
Listed/Submitted Date:	September 10, 2024
Consideration Type:	Oral Argument Supreme Ct.

## DISPOSITION INFORMATION

Related Journal No:	J-57-2024	Judgment Date:	September 25, 2025
Category:	Decided	Disposition Author:	McCaffery, Daniel D.
Disposition:	Reversed/Remanded	Disposition Date:	September 25, 2025
Dispositional Filing:	<b>Majority Opinion</b>	Author:	McCaffery, Daniel D.
Filed Date:	September 25, 2025		
Justice:	Todd, Debra	Vote:	Joins
Justice:	Donohue, Christine	Vote:	Joins
Justice:	Dougherty, Kevin M.	Vote:	Joins
Justice:	Mundy, Sallie U.	Vote:	Joins
Dispositional Filing:	<b>Dissenting Opinion</b>	Author:	Wecht, David N.
Filed Date:	September 25, 2025		
Justice:	Brobson, P. Kevin	Vote:	Join Dissenting Opinion

## DOCKET ENTRY

Filed Date	Docket Entry / Representing	Participant Type	Filed By
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July 31, 2023	Notice of Appeal	Appellant	Pennsylvania Department of Health
July 31, 2023	Jurisdictional Statement	Appellant	Pennsylvania Department of Health
August 3, 2023	No Answer Letter to Notice of Appeal & Jurisdictional Statement	Appellee	Green Analytics North, LLP d/b/a Steep Hill PA, et al.
August 29, 2023	Probable Jurisdiction Noted		Dreibelbis, Amy
Comments: AND NOW, this 29th day of August, 2023, probable jurisdiction is noted.			
August 29, 2023	Order Exited		Office of the Prothonotary
August 31, 2023	Commonwealth Court Record Received		Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania
September 8, 2023	Designation of Contents of Reproduced Record	Appellant	Pennsylvania Department of Health
September 12, 2023	Counter Designation of Contents of Reproduced Record	Appellee	Green Analytics North, LLP d/b/a Steep Hill PA, et al.
September 25, 2023	Praecept for Appearance Pennsylvania Department of Health	Appellant	Hopkirk, Howard Greeley
October 4, 2023	Application for Extension of Time to File Brief - First Request	Appellant	Pennsylvania Department of Health
October 5, 2023	No Answer Letter to Application for Extension of Time to File Brief	Appellee	Green Analytics North, LLP d/b/a Steep Hill PA, et al.
October 6, 2023	Order Granting Application for Extension of Time to File Appellant Brief		Dreibelbis, Amy
Comments: AND NOW, this 6th day of October, 2023, Appellant's application for extension of time is granted. Appellant's Brief and Reproduced Record shall be filed on or before October 24, 2023.			
October 6, 2023	Order Exited		Office of the Prothonotary

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October 24, 2023	Appellant's Brief	Appellant	Pennsylvania Department of Health
October 24, 2023	Appellant's Reproduced Record Filed	Appellant	Pennsylvania Department of Health
November 7, 2023	Application for Extension of Time to File Brief - First Request	Appellee	Green Analytics North, LLP d/b/a Steep Hill PA, et al.
November 7, 2023	No Answer Letter to Application for Extension of Time to File Brief	Appellant	Pennsylvania Department of Health
November 8, 2023	Order Granting Application for Extension of Time to File Appellee Brief		Dreibelbis, Amy
Comments: AND NOW, this 8th day of November, 2023, Appellees' application for extension of time is granted. Appellees' Brief shall be filed on or before December 4, 2023.			
November 8, 2023	Order Exited		Office of the Prothonotary
December 4, 2023	Appellee's Brief	Appellee	Green Analytics North, LLP d/b/a Steep Hill PA, et al.
December 18, 2023	Appellant's Reply Brief	Appellant	Pennsylvania Department of Health
March 21, 2024	Dispositional Memo Order		Per Curiam
Comments: AND NOW, this 21st day of March, 2024, oral argument is GRANTED. The issue, as stated by Appellant, is:  Did Commonwealth Court err in concluding that the Department of Health lacks the authority under the Medical Marijuana Act to implement a regulation requiring that each grower/processor utilize a different laboratory to test its marijuana as the processing stage from the laboratory used at the harvest stage?			
March 21, 2024	Order Exited		Office of the Prothonotary
May 16, 2024	Praecipe for Withdrawal of Appearance Pennsylvania Department of Health	Appellant	Hopkirk, Howard Greeley
July 19, 2024	Acknowledgement of Argument Notice Green Analytics North, LLP d/b/a Steep Hill PA, et al.	Appellee	Cassel, Judith Darlene

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<b>July 30, 2024</b>	<b>Acknowledgement of Argument Notice</b> Pennsylvania Department of Health	Appellant	Fischer, Michael John
<b>September 10, 2024</b>	<b>Argued</b> Pennsylvania Department of Health Green Analytics North, LLP d/b/a Steep Hill PA, et al.	Appellant  Appellee	Fischer, Michael John  Cassel, Judith Darlene
<b>September 25, 2025</b>	<b>Reversed/Remanded</b>		McCaffery, Daniel D.
Comments: Since the Commonwealth Court engaged in an acontextual analysis of Section 704 of the Act with no consideration of patient safety, we reverse and remand to the Commonwealth Court for further consideration.  Chief Justice Todd and Justices Donohue, Dougherty and Mundy join the opinion.  Justice Wecht files a dissenting opinion in which Justice Brobson joins.			
<b>September 25, 2025</b>	<b>Judgment Entered</b>		Office of the Prothonotary
<b>October 17, 2025</b>	<b>Remitted</b>		Office of the Prothonotary
<b>October 20, 2025</b>	<b>Acknowledgement of Record Remittal</b>		Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania

## CROSS COURT ACTIONS

Docket Number: 104 MD 2023