

Court of Appeals of the State of Georgia

ATLANTA, October 19, 2026

The Court of Appeals hereby passes the following order:

A27A0465. CATHERINE CORKREN v. DAVID MAYNARD et al.

In this suit for violations of the Georgia Open Meeting Act, the trial court granted in part and denied in part plaintiff Catherine Corkren’s motion for summary judgment.¹ Corkren, who is proceeding pro se, seeks to appeal only from the denial in part of her motion for summary judgment, and the defendants have filed a motion to dismiss. We agree that dismissal is required.

Pursuant to OCGA § 9-11-56(h), “[a]n order *granting* summary judgment on any issue or as to any party shall be subject to review by appeal.” (Emphasis supplied). However, an “order denying summary judgment shall be subject to review” only in accordance with OCGA § 5-6-34(b), the interlocutory appeal statute. See OCGA § 9-11-56(h). In her notice of appeal, Corkren seeks to appeal only the denial of her motion for summary judgment as to three issues. In order to do so, she was required to use the interlocutory appeal procedures — including obtaining a certificate of immediate review from the trial court. See OCGA § 5-6-34(b). Having failed to do so,

¹ These parties were previously before this Court in *Corkren v. Maynard*, 374 Ga. App. 777 (913 SE2d 876) (2025) and Case No. A26A1237 (Aug. 17, 2026).

she is not entitled to a direct appeal. For these reasons, the defendants' motion to dismiss is hereby GRANTED, and this appeal is hereby DISMISSED.



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Clerk's Office, Atlanta, 10/19/2026

I certify that the above is a true extract from the minutes of the Court of Appeals of Georgia.

Witness my signature and the seal of said court hereto affixed the day and year last above written.

Christina Bailey Smith

, Clerk.