

SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA



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**Granted Appeal Summary**

**Case**

JOHN L. FINES v. RAPPAHANNOCK AREA COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD  
(Record Number 210501)

**From**

From the Circuit Court of King George County; H.M. Hewitt, Judge.

**Counsel**

Earl N. “Trey” Mayfield, III, and Christopher M. Day (Juris Day, PLLC) for appellant.

Audra M. Dickens (McCandlish Holton, P.C.) for appellee.

**Assignment of Error**

1. The trial court erred as a matter of law in holding that a multi-jurisdictional community service board exercising some limited local governmental powers, but lacking the fundamental characteristics of a municipality, possesses sovereign immunity from suit.