# Hnited States Court of Appeals

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

## No. 18-5369

## September Term, 2018

## 1:18-mc-00086-TJK

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Clayton M. Bates, et al.,

Appellants

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State of Ohio, et al.,

Appellees

### ON APPEAL FROM THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

**BEFORE:** Griffith and Katsas, Circuit Judges, and Sentelle, Senior Circuit Judge

### JUDGMENT

This appeal was considered on the record from the United States District Court for the District of Columbia and on the brief and appendix filed by appellants. See Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2); D.C. Cir. Rule 34(j). Upon consideration of the foregoing and the motion for default judgment, it is

**ORDERED** that the motion for default judgment be denied. Appellees have not been directed to file any pleading in this case. It is

**FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that the district court's order filed August 17, 2018 be affirmed. The district court properly determined that, to the extent appellants sought review of decisions of an Ohio state court and federal courts in other circuits, the court lacked subject matter jurisdiction. <u>See</u> 28 U.S.C. §§ 1254, 1294(1); <u>Lance v. Dennis</u>, 546 U.S. 459, 463 (2006) (per curiam) ("[L]ower federal courts are precluded from exercising appellate jurisdiction over final state-court judgments."). Further, the district court correctly concluded that appellants had failed to establish the threshold requirements for mandamus jurisdiction, <u>see Am. Hosp. Ass'n v. Burwell</u>, 812 F.3d 183, 189 (D.C. Cir. 2016), and that writs of coram nobis have been abolished in civil cases, <u>see</u> Fed. R. Civ. P. 60(e). Finally, the district court properly declined to

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transfer this action to another court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1631, as the interests of justice did not support transfer. Appellants have not presented any valid arguments on appeal challenging the district court's conclusions.

Pursuant to D.C. Circuit Rule 36, this disposition will not be published. The Clerk is directed to withhold issuance of the mandate herein until seven days after resolution of any timely petition for rehearing or petition for rehearing en banc. <u>See</u> Fed. R. App. P. 41(b); D.C. Cir. Rule 41.

## Per Curiam

### FOR THE COURT:

Mark J. Langer, Clerk

BY: /s/

Ken Meadows Deputy Clerk