

IN RE MALONEY.

[Cite as *In re Maloney*, 96 Ohio St.3d 307, 2002-Ohio-4214.]

Change of name — Denial of request to change name by transsexual — Court of appeals' judgment reversed on authority of In re Bicknell.

(No. 2001-1726 — Submitted and decided August 16, 2002.)

APPEAL from the Court of Appeals for Butler County, No. CA2000-08-168.

{¶1} Oral argument is cancelled.

{¶2} The judgment of the court of appeals is reversed on the authority of *In re Bicknell*, 96 Ohio St.3d 76, 2002-Ohio-3615, 771 N.E.2d 846.

DOUGLAS, RESNICK, F.E. SWEENEY and PFEIFER, JJ., concur.

MOYER, C.J., and COOK, J., would order the parties to show cause why this cause should not be decided on the authority of *In re Bicknell*.

LUNDBERG STRATTON, J., dissents.

LUNDBERG STRATTON, J., dissenting.

{¶3} I respectfully dissent for the reasons set forth in my dissenting opinion in *In re Bicknell*, 96 Ohio St.3d 76, 79, 2002-Ohio-3615, 771 N.E.2d 846, ¶ 19-21.

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