

## Town of Berkley – Pending Litigation Transparency Page

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The Town of Berkley is committed to transparency and keeping residents informed about matters affecting our community, including ongoing litigation.

Under Massachusetts law, most documents and filings related to pending litigation involving the Town are public records once filed in court. Without compromising the Town's legal position, this page provides residents with access to basic information about cases currently pending against or initiated by the Town of Berkley.

Please note the following:

- From time-to-time, actions are brought against or initiated by the Town in and before administrative agencies of the Commonwealth. These matters, while sometimes characterized as litigation, are excluded from the listing below, which identifies cases pending in state and federal courts only.
- Case information includes the court where the matter is pending, the docket number, the names of the parties, and a brief description of the type of case.
- Most, but not necessarily all, trial court documents are public once filed. Residents may be able to view case filings through the MassCourts public portal ([www.masscourts.org](http://www.masscourts.org)), if available, or directly at the courthouse where the case is being heard (for Berkley, most often Taunton District Court or Bristol County Superior Court).
- Most appellate court documents are likewise public once filed. These documents may be available for viewing at [www.masscourts.org](http://www.masscourts.org), or directly at the Appeals Court or Supreme Judicial Court, as applicable.
- The Town will NOT post documents pertaining to legal strategy, attorney-client privileged communications, or other non-public information.
- Every effort will be made to provide updates when new filings or court actions occur that are part of the public records.

Note: This page is provided for informational purposes only and does not constitute legal advice. For official and complete records, please rely on court records.

## Section 2 – Identified Cases & Public Sources

Case	Court	Docket / Date	Status / Summary	Public Source Link
Russell, Joseph vs. Town of Berkley et al	The Superior Court	<b>2673CV00118</b>	Open	<a href="#">Russell case</a>
Robbins, Mandy et al vs. Town of Berkley, Massachusetts et al	The Superior Court	<b>2573CV00464</b>	Open	<a href="#">Robbins case</a>
Ricardo, Michael et al vs. Marcus Baptiste Member of Berkely Zoning Board of Appeals et al	The Superior Court	<b>2273CV00265</b>	Complaint dismissed; Appeal filed	<a href="#">Ricardo case</a>