IN THE COURT OF APPEALS
FIRST APPELLATE DISTRICT OF OHIO
HAMILTON COUNTY, OHIO

JENNETHA DUDLEY,	:	APPEAL NO. C-260080 TRIAL NO. DV-2600061
Petitioner-Appellee,	:	
vs.	:	*JUDGMENT ENTRY*
ROBERT DUDLEY,	:	
Respondent-Appellant.	:	

KINSLEY, Presiding Judge.

We consider this appeal on the accelerated calendar, and this judgment entry is not an opinion of the court. *See* Rep.Op.R. 3.1; App.R. 11.1(E); Loc.R. 11.1.

Respondent-appellant Robert Dudley ("Husband") appeals the trial court's judgment granting a domestic violence civil protection order ("DVCPO") petition filed by petitioner-appellee Jennetha Dudley ("Wife").

On appeal, Husband raises five assignments of error. First, he argues that the trial court abused its discretion by issuing the DVCPO because Wife made material misrepresentations to the trial court and because the record lacks competent, credible evidence to support the DVCPO. Second, he argues that the trial court determined Wife to be credible against the manifest weight of the evidence. Third, he argues that the trial court violated his due process rights by disregarding exculpatory evidence. Fourth, he asserts that the evidence Wife presented below failed to satisfy the statutory elements required to issue a DVCPO. Lastly, he argues that the trial court permitted

the DVCPO process to be used in a manner inconsistent with its statutory purpose, resulting in judicial abuse of process.

Each of Husband's assignments of error raises an issue that allegedly occurred at the DVCPO hearing. However, Husband failed to file transcripts of the DVCPO hearing for us to review. It is the appellant's obligation to provide transcripts where they are necessary to afford meaningful appellate review. *See* App.R. 9(B)(1). In the absence of such transcripts, we "must presume the regularity of the proceeding." (Cleaned up.) *Ndiathe v. Ndiath*, 2025-Ohio-4828, ¶ 13 (1st Dist.). We do so here. Without a transcript of what actually occurred at the DVCPO hearing, we cannot evaluate Husband's contentions that Wife made material misrepresentations, that the evidence did not support the trial court's credibility determination or issuance of a DVCPO, that the trial court disregarded exculpatory evidence, or that Wife abused the DVCPO process.

Therefore, we overrule all of Husband's assignments of error and affirm the judgment of the trial court.

The court further orders that (1) a copy of this Judgment constitutes the mandate, (2) the mandate be sent to the trial court for execution under App.R. 27, and (3) costs shall be taxed under App.R. 24.

ZAYAS and **CROUSE, JJ.,** concur.

To the clerk:

Enter upon the journal of the court on 8/12/2026.

Pursuant to App.R. 30, the clerk is directed to send upon all parties, or their counsel if represented, a copy of the court's judgment and note such action on the docket.

By: Jennifer Hensley
Administrative Judge