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Tom Fusonie and Greg Russell, partners in the Vorys Columbus office, authored an article for the Ohio Oil & Gas Association's journal, *The Pipeline*. The article gave a brief summary of the decision for *AWMS Water Solutions, LLC v. Mertz*.

The article states:

*"On January 24, the Supreme Court of Ohio issued a unanimous decision in **AWMS Water Solutions, LLC v. Mertz**, 2024-Ohio-200, (i) affirming that an injection well operator has a protected property interest in its lease that can require compensation due to a governmental taking; and (ii) requiring the court of appeals to weigh the parties' evidence to actually decide whether the state's suspension of injection operations resulted in a total or partial taking of property. OOGA participated as an amicus party in support of AWMS urging the Court to adopt this result."*