#### 3 4 5 IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA 6 7 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF APACHE 8 IN RE THE GENERAL CV6417 9 ADJUDICATION OF ALL RIGHTS TO USE WATER IN THE LITTLE 10 Case: CV6417-33-5678 COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM AND 11 **SOURCE** ORDER TO RESTORE PARTY TO 12 CONTESTED CASE AND UPDATE THE COURT APPROVED MAILING LIST 13 and 14 GRANT REQUEST FOR EXTENSION 15 and SCHEDULE A STATUS CONFERENCE 16 and 17 DISMISS ORDER FOR ADWR TO FILE A REPORT AND ABSTRACT 18

CONTESTED CASE NAME: In re Louis Petersen

HSR INVOLVED: Silver Creek Hydrographic Survey.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: This order to restores Raymond and Carolyn Speakman to the contested case; grants an extension to all parties to **February 28, 2025**, and dismisses the previous order for the Arizona Department of Water Resources to file a revised report and abstract. A status conference is scheduled for **Thursday**, **March 6**, **2024**, at 11 am.

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On October 7, 2024, Raymond and Carolyn Speakman were removed from this contested case for lack of participation. On December 2, the Speakmans submitted a letter to the Special Master explaining their failure to appear and requesting to remain a

part of the contested case and pursue any potential water rights they may have. A copy of this letter is attached to this order as Attachment A.

IT IS ORDERED restoring Raymond and Carolyn Speakman to this contested case and adding them back to the CAML. However, should the Speakmans fail to appear at another conference, or miss another deadline, they will be removed from this case and the CAML for a final time.

On January 13, 2025, the Special Master received from the Apache County Clerk of the Court a copy of an undated letter submitted by Raymond and Laura Shumway requesting an extension of time to submit to the Arizona Department of Water Resources ("ADWR") their statement of claim amendments and a stockpond registration form or an application for a permit to appropriate surface water. A copy of this letter is attached to this order as Attachment B.

IT IS ORDERED granting the Shumways an extension of time. The Shumways shall submit to ADWR the documentation to update their statement of claimant and any appropriate basis of right documentation by February 28, 2025.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED if the Speakmans intend to pursue any potential water rights, they shall submit to ADWR a statement of claimant and an appropriate basis of right by February 28, 2025. The minute entry from the February 8, 2024, status conference includes detailed information regarding these documents. All documents from this contested case can be found on the General Stream Adjudication website at:

https://www.superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/SuperiorCourt/GeneralStreamAdjudication/whatsNew.asp

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** dismissing the previous order for ADWR to file a revised watershed file report and draft abstract.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED scheduling a status conference for Thursday, March 6, 2025, at 11:00 am. At this status conference Claimants must be prepared to provide updates on their progress regarding adjudication filings and resolution of

objections. The status conference will be held using the Court Connect program. Instructions for Court Connect are attached as Attachment C. If you receive this Order by email, click on the red box "Join Court Connect Hearing" on the attached instructions to make an appearance. If you do not receive this Order by email, log into the Court Connect program on the internet by typing <a href="https://tinyurl.com/specialwatermaster">https://tinyurl.com/specialwatermaster</a>. If you do not have access to the internet, you may attend telephonically using the telephone number and access code included in the instructions for Court Connect.

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Sherri L. Zendri Special Water Master

On 2000 28, 2025, the original of the foregoing was delivered to the Clerk of the Apache County Superior Court for filing and distributing a copy to all persons listed on the Court-approved mailing list for this contested case.

Emily Natale

# ATTACHMENT A

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Water Master of the Superior Court SHERRI ZENDRI

Clerk of the Superior Court Apache County PO Box 365 St. Johns, Az 85936

RE:CV6417-33-5678

Dear Sherri,

On 11/14/24, I received a notice dated October 7, 2024 that we were being removed from case #C6417-33-5678 because we had not filed the document required by the court and had not notified the court that we were still pursuing our water rights according to a request dated 9/17/24. We never received the notice 9/17/24 and therefore could not respond to it, or we would have. We want in earnestness to continue to pursue and retain our water rights to our property.

On 5/24/24, We submitted all the required SOC documents and payment to the ADWR. The payment Check to ADWR #4794 cleared the bank on 6/17/2024. On 11/21/2024, I also called the ADWR regarding the receipt and filing of the submitted SOC's and they verified that the following documents have been received, completed, and filed on May 30, 2024: Domestic SOC File #179674, Other use SOC File #179675, and Irrigation SOC File #179676.

So, according to this letter and the SOC documents above, we have filed all the required documents with the ADWR to preserve our water rights and we would respectfully request that we are not removed from this contested case. Also, that we are notified of any other documents required to preserve our water rights so that these water rights may be preserved.

Thank you,

King Speakman

Cc: C6417-33-5678 complete mailing list dated 11/15/2024 (attached) plus CJM Properties

### Court Approved Mailing List In re Louis A. Petersen CV6417-33-5678 (13 Names) Prepared by the Special Master 11/15/2024

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## ATTACHMENT B



Water Master of the Superior Court SHERRI ZENDRI

# Raymond & Laura Shumway PO Box 953 Pinedale, AZ 85934-0953 shumwayins@gmail.com (928) 243-0211

Clerk of the Superior Court Apache County PO Box 365 St. Johns, AZ 85936

RE: CV6417-33-5678

Subject: Request for Extension of Deadline

Dear Sherri,

I am writing to inform you that ongoing health issues have significantly impacted my ability to complete the assigned tasks by the original deadline of January 6th. Specifically, I have been struggling with Ankylosing Spondylitis, which has left me largely confined to bed and a recliner. As a result, I have been unable to sit up for more than approximately 30 minutes a day due to severe back and neck pain. Due to this hardship I am requesting an extension of the deadline.

Despite ongoing efforts with my rheumatologist, my insurance company has yet to approve the medication (Humira) that is necessary to manage the inflammation in my back and neck. We are currently exploring alternative treatments to secure approval. Additionally, I have been consulting with a naturopathic physician who has adjusted my diet for the past month, and I have seen some improvement in my pain and inflammation over the past week. If this trend continues, I should be able to complete the tasks assigned within a few weeks. Should you require any documentation regarding my condition, I can easily obtain it from my healthcare providers confirming these details.

Regarding the tasks at hand, I initially believed I could submit an amendment to the two statements of claim. However, after working on the matter over the past few days, I have realized that I need to submit a Request for Assignment of Surface Water Filings, which requires additional documentation, including a copy of the recorded deed, county assessor map, chain of title ownership, and the filing fee. Given the complexity of this task and my current health situation, I now understand that I will not be able to complete everything by January 6th.

Therefore, I respectfully request an extension of the deadline by one month to allow me sufficient time to finalize the required documents and submit them properly.

Also, please have our mailing address updated on the official mailing list. Our new mailing address is PO Box 953, Pinedale, AZ 85934-0953.

Thank you for your understanding and consideration.

Sincerely,

Raymond Shumway

PS: I am mailing this from Washington state and will mail a copy of this letter to the approved court List on Monday, January 6th, 2024 when I return home.

## ATTACHMENT C



## **Court Connect Hearing Notice for In re Louis Petersen**

This hearing will be conducted through the new Court Connect program offered by the Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County. This new and innovative program allows Court participants to appear online, rather than in a physical courtroom. Hearings are preferably conducted by videoconference but can also be conducted by phone. Lawyers (and self-representing litigants) are responsible for distributing this notice to anyone who will be appearing on their behalf.

All participants must use the JOIN COURT CONNECT HEARING button or the dial in information below to participate.

**Participants:** Please follow the steps below to participate in the remote proceeding.

- 1. Click the JOIN COURT CONNECT HEARING button below.
- 2. Enter your full name and role in name field.
- 3. Wait for the facilitator to admit you to the proceeding.

Remember to keep this email handy so you can use it to participate in the following proceeding.

Case Name: In re Louis Petersen

Contested Case No. CV6417-33-5678

Start Date/Time: Thursday, March 6, 2025, at 11:00 amPeters

## JOIN COURT CONNECT HEARING

**Dial-in Information:** +1 917-781-4590

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To ensure an optimal experience, please review the brief Court Connect training prior to the hearing: **Here** 

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