## IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF APACHE

IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION OF ALL RIGHTS TO USE WATER IN THE LITTLE COLORADO RIVER SYSTEM AND SOURCE

CV6417

Case: CV6417-33-5678

CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER FOR CLAIMANT TO FILE REMAINING DOCUMENTS

and

ORDER FOR ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES TO FILE REVISED WATERSHED FILE REPORT AND DRAFT ABSTRACT

CONTESTED CASE NAME: In re Louis Petersen

HSR INVOLVED: Silver Creek Hydrographic Survey.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: This is a case management order to remove Raymond and Carolyn Speakman and CJM Ranch Properties from the contested case; order for the Claimant to file remaining documents by **January 6**, 2025, and for Arizona Department of Water Resources to file a revised watershed file report and draft abstract, or a status report regarding processing, by **March 6**, 2025.

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On July 17, 2024, Debra Barnes of CJM Ranch Properties, Raymond and Carolyn Speakman, and Raymond and Laura Shumway were ordered to file a status report with Court by September 16, 2024, that included an explanation of their failure to provide documentation to the Court as previously ordered, and a status report of their work on

updating the documents necessary for their potential claims. On September 12, 2024, the Court received a letter from Raymond and Laura Shumway. There is no indication that the Shumway letter was served on the other parties to this case; therefore, it is included with this order at Attachment I. Nothing has been received by Debra Barnes of CJM Ranch Properties or Raymond and Carolyn Speakman.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED removing Raymond and Carolyn Speakman and Debra Barnes of CJM Ranch Properties from the Court-approved mailing list. A copy of this order will be sent to the Speakmans and Ms. Barnes as a courtesy.

It appears that Mr. Shumway has assigned Statements of Claimant 39-88650, 39-88651, and 39-88652 to himself. Further, Mr. Shumway's letter to the Court indicates that he has amended Statements of Claimant 39-88650 and 39-88652. The Court has reviewed the currently listed pre-adjudication filings and determined that Shumways must take the following steps:

- The Shumways must amend Statements of Claim 36-37876 and 36-37877 so that they are in the Shumways' name. Please note a Statement of Claim is a different document than a Statement of Claimant
- If the Shumways intend to pursue Statement of Claimant 39-88651, they must either file an application for a stockpond claim of right or an application for a permit to appropriate surface water.

Objectors to this contested case are the United States, the Salt River Project, the Navajo Nation, the Hopi Tribe, and the San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe. Copies of the filed objections can be found at

https://www.superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/SuperiorCourt/GeneralStreamAdjudication/docs/CV6417-33-5678-objections.pdf

To obtain adjudicated water rights, the Shumways should gather as much documentation as possible to support claimed priority dates. Additionally, the Shumways must provide detailed breakdowns on the quantity of water used for each type of use claimed. Water used for irrigation of more than 1/2 acre must be claimed on an Irrigation

Statement of Claimant form.

IT IS ORDERED that the Shumways will submit to the Arizona Department of Water Resources ("ADWR") statement of claim amendments and a stockpond registration form or an application for a permit to appropriate surface water by January 6, 2025.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that ADWR complete processing by and file a revised watershed file report ("WFR") and draft abstract with as much information as is available, by March 6, 2025. If ADWR is unable to complete processing of the Shumway's documents, a status report explaining the reason for the delay and a revised deadline shall be submitted by March 6, 2025.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties will have thirty (30) days from the date of the filing of the revised WFR to file objections to the WFR, or comments on the draft abstract. Additionally, if previous objections to the earlier WFR are still applicable, those objections should be reiterated. The Court will assume previous objections are resolved with the revised WFR unless specifically stated otherwise by an objector.

Once a revised WFR, draft abstract and all comments/objections have been received and reviewed by the Court, a separate order will be administered regarding the next steps. If there are any procedural questions, please contact the Office of the Special Water Master at (602) 372-4115.

Signed this Ith day of October 2024

Sherri L. Zendri Special Water Master

On 2024, 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 I

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09/06/2024

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

RE: CV6417-33-5678

Dear Sherri,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to explain the challenges I have faced the last few months in completing the assigned tasks regarding our water rights.

Due to ongoing health issues(possible autoimmune, still seeing Dr's), I have encountered difficulties in meeting the deadlines for submitting the required Statement of Claimants (SOC) to the Dept of Water Resources. While I did submit the SOC before the initial deadline, I mistakenly believed that reporting at the next hearing would suffice and I was confused about the specific requirement for earlier submission. I sincerely apologize for these oversights and delays.

I recently received correspondence from the Arizona Department of Water Resources, specifically from Susana Sanchez Reyes of the Adjudications Program, advising that Amendment SOC's should have been submitted. I have sent the Amendment SOC's today although they have already changed the info in their system. I have included the letter sent to ADWR which states the file numbers to be amended.

I am committed to fulfilling all necessary requirements to retain our water rights. I apologize once again for any inconvenience caused and assure you of my diligence in resolving this issue.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information or clarification.

Yours sincerely,

Raymond Shumway

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09-06-2024

Dear Susana,

Please find attached the amendment SOCs for the files we wish to proceed with. The files to be amended are 39-88652 and 39-88650.

I apologize for the delay in providing this information. Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please feel free to contact me by phone or email.

Thank you for your understanding and assistance.

Best regards,

Raymond Shumway