

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY

December 2, 2025

CLERK OF THE COURT
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SPECIAL WATER MASTER
SHERRI ZENDRI

In Re The General Adjudication of
All Rights to Use Water in the Gila
River System and Source
W-1, W-2, W-3, W-4 (Consolidated)

FILED: December 5, 2025

In re: K.J. Smallhouse
Contested Case No. W1-11-002594

MINUTE ENTRY

Courtroom 301 – Central Court Building

10:00 a.m. This is the time set for a Status Conference to determine if the current landowners intend to pursue potential water rights before Special Water Master Sherri Zendri.

The following parties/attorneys appear virtually through Court Connect:

- David Brown on behalf of Bayless and Berkalew Co.
- Michael Carter on behalf of the Gila River Indian Community
- Laurel Herrmann, Joseph Sparks and Jana Sutton on behalf of the San Carlos Apache Tribe
- Rosemary Avila on behalf of the Tonto Apache Tribe
- Sue Montgomery on behalf of the Yavapai Apache Nation and observing for the Pascua Yaqui Tribe
- Mark Widerschein on behalf of the United States Department of Justice

- Karen J. Nielsen on behalf of Arizona Department of Water Resources (“ADWR”)
- Katrina Wilkinson on behalf of Salt River Project (“SRP”)
- Rhett Billingsley observing on behalf of American Smelting and Refining Company (“ASARCO”)
- Kevin Crestin on behalf of the Arizona State Land Department (“ASLD”)

A record of the proceedings is made digitally in lieu of a court reporter.

Counsel Brown requests 120 days to investigate, amend the claims and either circulate a draft abstract or request a stay. Counsel Nielsen requests that Counsel Brown inform her when something is filed in this matter so she may follow up with staff, he affirms that he will do so.

IT IS ORDERED that Counsel Brown submit proposed draft abstracts or request a stay on or before **April 3, 2026**. Counsel Brown shall inform Counsel Nielsen when an amended claim is filed with ADWR.

10:06 a.m. Matter concludes.

A copy of this order is mailed to all persons listed on the Court-approved mailing list.