

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY

October 2, 2025

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SPECIAL WATER MASTER
SHERRI ZENDRI

In Re: *A.E.R. Corporation*
Contested Case No. W1-11-1698

FILED: 10/08/2025

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

In Re: Initial Status Conference

MINUTE ENTRY

Central Court Building – Courtroom 301

10:01 a.m. This is the time set for an Initial Status Conference before Special Water Master Sherri Zendri to determine if parties associated with the land are interested in pursuing potential water rights.

A record of the proceedings is made digitally in lieu of a court reporter. The following parties/counsel appear virtually and/or telephonically:

- J. Albert Brown on behalf of property owners Nathan Jacobsen and Heather Hart, Adam and Amanda Malboeuf, Douglas F. and Tina M. Hicks, Dane L. and Sherry K. Ortner, Cory and Jaime Richins, Nicholas Gianas, Angela D. and Jeffrey L. Johnson, Jack D. and Amy J. Lloyd, and Natalie Judd
- Katrina Wilkinson for Salt River Project (SRP)
- Karen Nielsen and Dustin Rector for the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR)
- Brette Pena for Gila River Indian Community
- Joe Sparks for San Carlos Apache Tribe
- Robyn Interpreter for Yavapai Apache Nation
- Rhett Billingsly observing for ASARCO

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The Court addresses Mr. Brown, noting that it has received a notice of withdrawal of the claims.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED withdrawing Mr. Brown's clients and their claims from the adjudication at this time.

The Special Master notes that none of the non-represented current property owners attended today's status conference; however, previous minute entries were not clear on the ramifications for failure to attend so the property owners will be given a final chance to indicate interest.

10:06 a.m. Matter concludes.

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The following property owners have not attended at least two status conferences over the course of these proceedings:

Kenneth A. and Karen L. Hansen

Audrey Jeanne Frederick

Justin Chastain

IT IS ORDERED that if any of the above property owners remain interested in pursuing whatever potential water rights they may have, they must notify the Court in writing no later than **November 3, 2025**. Such notice shall include copies of the final statement of claimant they wish the Court to review and shall be copied to all parties on the Court approved mailing list.

If the Court receives no filings, or incomplete filings, these property owners will be removed from the court approved mailing list and their failure to participate in this proceeding may result in the forfeiture of potential water rights.

For questions regarding how to file documents with the Court, parties may contact the office of the Special Water Master at (602) 372-4115. Please note that the Office of the Special Water Master cannot give legal advice.