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6 **IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA**
7 **IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

8 **IN RE: THE GENERAL**
9 **ADJUDICATION OF ALL RIGHTS TO**
10 **USE WATER IN THE GILA RIVER**
11 **SYSTEM AND SOURCE**

W-1, W-2, W-3, W-4 (Consolidated)

Case Nos. W1-11-2081, W1-11-2089, W1-
11-2090, W1-11-2111, W1-11-2119, W1-
11-2128; W1-11-2708; W1-11-2697

12 **ORDER FOR UNITED STATES TO**
13 **REFILE MOTIONS**

14 **AND**

SETTING ORAL ARGUMENT DATE

15 CONTESTED CASE NAMES: *In re Orie Alvin Owens, Sr., et al.* (W1-11-2081); *In Valley*
16 *National Bank* (W1-11-2089); *In William & Esther Taylor* (W1-11-2090); *In re Ruth B.*
17 *Singer* (W1-11-2111); *In re San Pedro Investments* (W1-11-2119); *In re Robin L. and*
Linda M. Richey (W1-11-2128); *In re Norman G. and Barbara Y. Crawford* (W1-11-2708);
In re Hope Iselin Jones (W1-11-2697)

18 HSR INVOLVED: San Pedro River Watershed Hydrographic Survey Report

19 SUMMARY: This order sets a deadline for the United States to refile motions and
20 sets oral arguments for all motions on **Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 9:00 am.**

21 NUMBER OF PAGES: 3

22 On February 21, 2025, the United States filed three separate motions related to the
23 above listed contested cases: All three of the United States motions exceeded the
24 seventeen (17) page limit set forth in the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure R. 7.1(a).
25 Furthermore, the United States did not seek leave from the Court to exceed the page
26 limit.

27 **IT IS ORDERED** the United States will refile their motions within the allowed
28 page limits within 5 business days, or no later than March 5, 2025. Alternatively, the

1 United States can request the Court simply stop reading after page 17.

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3 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** setting oral argument for **Thursday, April 17,**
4 **2025, at 9:00 a.m.,** for all motions. The oral argument will be held using the Court
5 Connect program. Instructions for Court Connect are attached as Attachment A. If you
6 receive this Order by email, click on the red box "Join Court Connect Hearing" on the
7 attached instructions to make an appearance. If you do not receive this Order by email,
8 log into the Court Connect program on the internet by typing
9 <https://tinyurl.com/specialwatermaster>. If you do not have access to the internet, you may
10 attend telephonically using the telephone number and access code included in the
11 instructions for Court Connect.

12 **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that in addition to properly filing all documents
13 with the Clerk of Court, parties are to email responses and replies to all motions to the
14 Office of the Special Water Master at water@jbazmc.maricopa.gov on or before the
15 currently agreed upon deadline of April 11, 2025, to ensure the Special Master has
16 sufficient time to prepare.

17 DATED this 26 day of February, 2025.

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Sherri L. Zendri
Special Master

24 On February 26, 2025 the original of
25 the foregoing was delivered to the Clerk of the
26 Maricopa County Superior Court for filing and
27 distributing a copy to all persons listed on the Court
28 approved mailing lists for this contested case.



Emily Natale

Attachment A



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Start Date/Time: Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

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