

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
APACHE COUNTY

June 11, 2026

CLERK OF THE COURT

SPECIAL WATER MASTER
SHERRI ZENDRI

M. R. Diaz
Deputy

FILED: June 22, 2026

In re: the General Adjudication
Of All Rights to Use Water in the
Little Colorado River System and Source
Contested Case No. CV6417-33-5711

In Re: Melvin G. and Ruth A. Riddlebarger

MINUTE ENTRY

Central Court Building – Courtroom 301

10:30 a.m. This is the time set for an Initial Status Conference to determine if the landowners are interested in pursuing potential water rights before Special Water Master Sherri Zendri.

The following attorneys and parties appear virtually through Court Connect:

- Riley Snow on behalf of Gateway Oasis IV LLC
- Kathryn M. Ust on behalf of the Salt River Project (“SRP”)
- Karen Nielsen and Dustin Rector on behalf of the Arizona Department of Water Resources (“ADWR”)
- Garrett Perkins observing on behalf of the Little Colorado River (“LCR”) Coalition
- Kevin Crestin on behalf of the Arizona State Land Department

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

Discussion is held regarding the property. The current property owner Gateway Oasis IV LLC (“Gateway”) is interested in moving forward with whatever potential claims they may have associated with the property.

The Special Water Master notes that required adjudication documents are currently in the name of another party and encourages Gateway to meet with the ADWR regarding the appropriate assignment of documents.

Based upon the matters discussed on the record,

IT IS ORDERED that Gateway shall file a status report by **August 10, 2026**, to let the Special Water Master know how the parties will be moving forward.

Discussion is held noting that the only objection is from the Apache Railway Company who were notified of, but failed to attend, this conference.

10:35 a.m. Matter concludes.

A copy of this minute entry is provided to all parties on the Court approved mailing list.