## SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA MARICOPA COUNTY

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## HONORABLE EDDWARD BALLINGER, JR.

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

FILED: 06/12/2009

In Re the General Adjudication Of All Rights to Use Water in The Gila River System and Source

## **MINUTE ENTRY**

The Gila River Adjudication Steering Committee has provided assistance that has benefited the progress of this adjudication. The Court believes it is an appropriate time to review the current membership of the Steering Committee and consider modifications that should be made to Paragraph 9 of Pre-Trial Order No. 1 (May 30, 1986) concerning the committee.

The Court is informed that Mr. M. James Callahan chairs the committee. The current members of the Gila Steering Committee are William H. Anger, Christopher E. Avery, F. Patrick Barry, David A. Brown, Lauren J. Caster, Cynthia M. Chandley, Carla A. Consoli, L. Anthony Fines, Cynthia J. Haglin, John T. Hestand, M. Byron Lewis, Douglas C. Nelson, Jennele Morris O'Hair, Carlos D. Ronstadt, Joe P. Sparks, Lee A. Storey, and Duane C. Wyles. The Court is aware that other members are not involved in this adjudication, namely, Alfred S. Cox, the late Mike Brophy, and Dan Jackson.

The Court wants to know which current members wish to remain on the committee and which other counsel wish to become members. Paragraph 9 of Pre-Trial Order No. 1 provides that a steering committee "shall include a representative of Salt River Project, the mining industry, the municipalities, intervening Indian Tribes, the State of Arizona, the United States of America and private non-Indian claimants." The Court

will follow this directive in appointments to the committee. The Court will appoint members who represent claimants in this adjudication and agree to devote the necessary time to accomplish the committee's work. The Court may appoint members for a specific period of time.

**IT IS ORDERED** that any current member of the Gila River Adjudication Steering Committee shall within forty-five days from the date of issuance of this order inform the Special Master by letter of the desire to remain a member of the committee. The Special Master will inform the Court of the correspondence received.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any other counsel who wishes to be appointed to the Gila River Adjudication Steering Committee shall within forty-five days from the date of issuance of this order inform the Court of the desire to be appointed to the committee. Counsel shall identify the claimant(s) currently represented in this adjudication and state the reasons for seeking the appointment.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that any claimant and the Arizona Department of Water Resources may on or before sixty days from the date of issuance of this order submit proposed modifications to Paragraph 9 of Pre-Trial Order No. 1.

A copy of this order is mailed to all parties on the Court approved mailing list for the Gila River Adjudication, W-1, W-2, W-3, W-4 (Consolidated), dated January 23, 2009.