

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA  
MARICOPA COUNTY

May 30,2024

CLERK OF THE COURT

SPECIAL WATER MASTER  
SHERRI ZENDRI

S. Ortega  
Deputy

FILED: June 4, 2024

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)

Case No. W1-11-3109

In Re: *Walterio G. and Teresita Romero*

**MINUTE ENTRY**

Central Court Building – Courtroom 301

10:00 a.m. This is the time set for a Status Conference before Special Water Master Sherri Zendri.

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

The following parties/counsel appear virtually and/or telephonically:

- Maria Romero-Sims, Personal Representative of the Estate of Walterio G. Romero, Property Owner
- Laura Boyer for the United States Department of Justice
- John D. Burnside for BHP Copper
- Laurel A. Herrmann for the San Carlos Apache Tribe
- Alexander Ritchie, Attorney General for the San Carlos Apache Tribe
- Jana Sutton, for San Carlos Apache Tribe
- Kent Millward for Tonto Apache Tribe
- Mark A. McGinnis for Salt River Project (SRP)
- Kimberly Parks for Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR)

Case status is discussed. Ms. Romero-Sims informs the Court that she is still interested in pursuing a claim to the water rights. She also informs the Court that she has found documentation regarding the two wells. The well registration numbers are as follows: 55-805291-L and 55-805292-L.

The Court informs Ms. Romero-Sims of the next steps and asks ADWR to coordinate a meeting with Ms. Romero-Sims and the objectors within the next 60 days (by July 30, 2024) to confer and resolve what if any issues remain.

The Court also requests that ADWR submit a brief update to the Court after the hearing is held. Once the update is received from ADWR, the Court will set another status conference.

10:08 a.m. Matter concludes.