Court of Appeals, Division One

Criminal

1 CA-CR 25-0073 — STATE v. WRIGHT

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 14-Feb-2025

Case Closed:

Dept/Composition

Department B

Hon. Michael S Catlett
Hon. Angela K Paton
Hon. Jennifer M Perkins

Side 1. STATE OF ARIZONA, Appellee

(Litigant Group) STATE OF ARIZONA

- **State of Arizona**

Attorneys for: Appellee

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Side 2. JOHN FRANKLIN WRIGHT, III, Appellant

(Litigant Group) JOHN FRANKLIN WRIGHT, III

- **John Franklin Wright, III**

Attorneys for: Appellant

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CASE STATUS

May 14, 2026...Decision Rendered

PREDECESSOR CASE(S)		Cause/Charge/Class	Judgment/Sentence	Judge, Role <Comments>	Trial	Dispo
MAR	CR2023-128285-001	See file	See file	Suzanne Marie Nicholls, Sentencing	JURY	

2 OPEN DUE DATES

Motion for Reconsideration Due — **Due By:** Friday, May 29, 2026

Re: MEMORANDUM DECISION (Affirmed) Hon Michael S Catlett - Author; Hon Angela K Paton - Concur; Hon Jennifer M Perkins - Concur

Petition for Review to ASC Due — **Due By:** Monday, June 15, 2026

Re: MEMORANDUM DECISION (Affirmed) Hon Michael S Catlett - Author; Hon Angela K Paton - Concur; Hon Jennifer M Perkins - Concur

CALENDAR

Tuesday MONTHLY COURT CASE CALENDAR *Mixed*
5-May-2026 **Department B; COURTROOM 1**

CASE DECISION

14-May-2026 **MEMORANDUM DECISION**

Michael Catlett.....Author
Angela Paton.....Concur
Jennifer Perkins.....Concur

Filed: **14-May-2026** Mandate:

Decision Disposition
Affirmed

60 PROCEEDING ENTRIES

1.	14-Feb-2025	FILED: Notice of Appeal from Maricopa County Superior Court filed 02/07/25. Notification to Court Reporters dated 02/13/2025.
2.	21-Feb-2025	FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice (31.2(g))
3.	24-Feb-2025	ORDERED: Appointing Maricopa County Public Defender as counsel for appellant. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporters Colleen McCarty, Debra Carney, Kassie Kosmal, Lisa Bradley, Debra Upham, Monica Hill-Morrisette, Catherine Turner, Tara Kramer and Lori Reinhardt transcripts due 04/07/2025. Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
4.	5-Mar-2025	FILED: Courtesy Copy- Designation of Record for Appeal Filed in Superior Court (Appellant)
5.	11-Mar-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/20/2024 (Lori Reinhardt)
6.	11-Mar-2025	FURTHER ORDERED: Ken Crenshaw transcript(s) dated 10/23/2023, 11/09/2023, 01/04/2024, 04/09/2024, 04/25/2024, 05/08/2024, 06/06/2024, 09/19/2024, 10/04/2024, and 11/15/2024 due by 04/25/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporter Lauren Kuhnhenn transcript dated 11/25/2024 due by 04/25/2025. Hon Randall M Howe - Author
7.	14-Mar-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/02/2024 - Jury Trial Day 1 (Colleen McCarty)
8.	15-Mar-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/03/2024 - Jury Trial - Day 2 (Colleen McCarty)

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9.	18-Mar-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/10/2024 -Trial Day (Lisa Bradley)
10.	20-Mar-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/19/2024 - Jury Trial Day 11 - P.M. Session (Tara L. Kramer)
11.	20-Mar-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/19/2024 - Jury Trial - (Catherine Turner)
12.	21-Mar-2025	FILED: Record on Appeal: Combined Instruments/Minute Entries Disposition Report: None
13.	21-Mar-2025	FILED: Physical Exhibits: Hearing Date 10/04/24 - List and #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 in manila envelope; Hearing Date 12/02/24 - List and #2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 109, 117, 11/8, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124 in manila envelope; Confidential Criminal History in manila envelope
14.	24-Mar-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 02/07/2025 - Sentencing (Colleen McCarty)
15.	2-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/11/2024 - Jury Trial (Debra K. Upham)
16.	2-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/17/2024 - Jury Trial (Debra K. Upham)
17.	3-Apr-2025	FILED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Debra Carney)
18.	4-Apr-2025	ORDERED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Debra Carney) = GRANTED. Due Dates EXTENDED to 05/07/2025 for Transcripts dated 12/04/2024, 12/09/2024, 12/12/2024 or OSC set on 05/21/2025. Hon Randall M Howe - Author [Amended per order filed 04/07/2025]
19.	7-Apr-2025	AMENDED ORDER: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Debra Carney) = GRANTED. Due Dates EXTENDED to 05/07/2025 for Transcripts dated 12/04/2024, 12/09/2024, 12/12/2024 or OSC set on 05/21/2025.
20.	7-Apr-2025	FILED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Kassie Kosmal)
21.	8-Apr-2025	ORDERED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Kassie Kosmal) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 04/07/2025 to Wednesday, 05/07/2025 for transcript dated 12/05/2024 or OSC set on 05/21/2025. Hon Randall M Howe - Author
22.	8-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/16/2024 - Jury Trial (Monica S Hill-Morrisette)
23.	21-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 10/04/2024 - Evidentiary Hearing (Kanchan Mutreja)
24.	21-Apr-2025	FILED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Lauren Kuhnhenn)
25.	22-Apr-2025	ORDERED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Lauren Kuhnhenn) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Friday, 04/25/2025 to Tuesday, 05/27/2025 for transcript dated 11/25/2024 or OSC set on 06/04/2025. Hon Randall M Howe - Author
26.	23-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 10/23/2023 - Settlement Conference/ Motion - Granted Conference - Reset/ Trial Continuance Past Last Day (Kanchan Mutreja)
27.	23-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 04/25/2024 - FTMC / Trial Continuance Past Last Day STC & Possible Change Of Plea Set (Kanchan Mutreja)
28.	23-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 06/06/2024 - FTMC / Motion - Granted Trial Continuance Past Last Day (Kanchan Mutreja)
29.	23-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 11/09/2023 - Settlement Conference - Vacated STC Set / FTMC & Trial Affirmed (Kanchan Mutreja)
30.	23-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 05/08/2024 - STC - Possible Change Of Plea - Reset Donald Advisement / OPDS Appoint New Counsel (Kanchan Mutreja)
31.	25-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 11/15/24 - Oral Argument Held/Motions Granted (Kanchan Mutreja)
32.	25-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 01/04/2024 - FTMC/Motion(s) Stricken &/or Granted Substitution of Counsel/Trial Continuance Past Last Day (Kanchan Mutreja)
33.	25-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 09/19/2024 - Trial Continuance Past Last Day/Trial Dates Set (Kanchan Mutreja)
34.	25-Apr-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 04/09/2024 - Settlement Conference (Kanchan Mutreja)
35.	6-May-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript -12/04/2024 -Trial - Day 3 (Debra Carney)
36.	6-May-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript -12/09/2024 -Trial - Day 5 (Debra Carney)
37.	6-May-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript -12/12/2024 -Trial - Day 8 (Debra Carney)
38.	8-May-2025	FILED: Second Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Kassie Kosmal)

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39.	12-May-2025	ORDERED: Second Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Kassie Kosmal) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Wednesday, 05-07-2025 to Friday, 06-06-2025 (Transcript for 12/05/2024 by Reporter Kassie Kosmal) or OSC set on 06/18/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Vacating the order to show cause hearing that is currently set for 05/21/2025. Hon Randall M Howe - Author
40.	21-May-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 11/25/2024 - FTMC/Trial Procedures Conference (Lauren Kuhnhenn)
41.	16-Jun-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/05/2024 - Jury Trial (Kassie Kosmal)
42.	16-Jun-2025	FILED: Notice of Completion of Record
43.	18-Jun-2025	FILED: Motion to Withdraw and Substitute New Counsel; Motion to Extend Opening Brief Due Date; Certificate of Service (Appellant)
44.	20-Jun-2025	ORDERED: Motion to Withdraw and Substitute New Counsel;(Appellant) = GRANTED. FURTHER ORDERED: Appointing attorney Sheri Lauritano as attorney for appellant in this appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: The Maricopa County Public Defender must immediately forward all files, records, transcripts, and other documents that relate to this appeal to newly appointed counsel. FURTHER ORDERED: Motion to Extend Opening Brief Due Date = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Thursday, 07-31-2025 to Friday, 09-05-2025 Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
45.	26-Jun-2025	FILED: Notice of Appearance; Notice of Appearance Certificate of Service (Appellant)
46.	2-Sep-2025	FILED: Motion to Extend Time to File Opening Brief; Motion to Extend Time Certificate of Service (Appellant)
47.	3-Sep-2025	ORDERED: Motion to Extend Time to File Opening Brief (Appellant) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Friday, 09-05-2025 to Tuesday, 11-04-2025 Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
48.	4-Nov-2025	FILED: Motion to Extend Time to File Opening Brief; Motion to Extend Time Certificate of Service (Appellant)
49.	5-Nov-2025	ORDERED: Motion to Extend Time to File Opening Brief (Appellant) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Tuesday, 11-04-2025 to Thursday, 12-04-2025 Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
50.	4-Dec-2025	FILED: Appellant's Opening Brief; Appellant's Opening Brief Certificate of Compliance; Appellant's Opening Brief Certificate of Service (Appellant)
51.	12-Dec-2025	FILED: Notice of Appearance; Certificate of Service (Appellee)
52.	2-Jan-2026	FILED: Motion for Procedural Order (Extension for Answering Brief); Certificate of Service (Appellee)
53.	5-Jan-2026	ORDERED: Motion for Procedural Order (Extension for Answering Brief) (Appellee) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Tuesday, 01-13-2026 to Thursday, 02-12-2026 Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
54.	11-Feb-2026	FILED: Appellee's Answering Brief; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Appellee)
55.	11-Feb-2026	FILED: Notice of Election Not to File an[sic] Reply Brief; Notice of Election Not to File an Answering Brief Certificate of Service (Appellant)
56.	24-Mar-2026	FILED: Memorandum – to Clerk of Superior Court Re: any additional record not already transmitted due within 10 days
57.	25-Mar-2026	CLNDR: CONFERENCE, Department B, 5-5-26, COURTROOM 1.
58.	3-Apr-2026	FILED: Supplemented Superior Court e-Record with Revised Index of Record (includes DPS report)
59.	14-May-2026	MEMORANDUM DECISION (Affirmed) Hon Michael S Catlett - Author; Hon Angela K Paton - Concur; Hon Jennifer M Perkins - Concur
60.	14-May-2026	FILED: Decision Distribution Notification

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