

Court of Appeals, Division One

Criminal

1 CA-CR 25-0438

STATE v. MORRIS

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 15-Oct-2025

Case Closed:

Dept/Composition

Side 1. STATE OF ARIZONA, Appellee

(Litigant Group) STATE OF ARIZONA

- State of Arizona

Attorneys for: Appellee

Alice Jones, Esq. (AZ Bar No. 28062)

Side 2. JAMES CHARLES MORRIS, Appellant

(Litigant Group) JAMES CHARLES MORRIS

- James Charles Morris

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Advisory Counsel for: Appellant

Michael J Dew, Esq. (AZ Bar No. 4543)

CASE STATUS

May 7, 2026..... Decision Rendered

Table with 6 columns: PREDECESSOR CASE(S), Cause/Charge/Class, Judgment/Sentence, Judge, Role <Comments>, Trial, Dispo

OPEN DUE DATE

Petition for Review to ASC Due

Due By:

Monday, June 8, 2026

Re: ORDERED: Dismissing this appeal. Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author

CASE DECISION

07-May-2026 ORDER

ORDERED: Dismissing this appeal.

Filed: 07-May-2026

Mandate:

Denise McGimsey.....Author

Decision Disposition

Dismissed

65 PROCEEDING ENTRIES

- 1. 15-Oct-2025 FILED: Notice of Appeal from Maricopa County Superior Court filed 10/06/25. Notification sent to Court Reporters dated 10/14/2025.
2. 15-Oct-2025 FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice (31.2(g))
3. 15-Oct-2025 ORDERED: Appointing the Maricopa County Public Defender as counsel for appellant. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporters Robin Lawlor, Debra Carney, Carol Dillon, Tara Kramer, Debra Upham, Monica Hill-Morrisette, and Kristyn Lobry transcript(s) due by 12/01/2025. Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
4. 27-Oct-2025 FILED: Courtesy Copy - Designation of Record for Appeal Filed in Superior Court (Appellant)
5. 27-Oct-2025 ORDERED: Paula Collins transcript(s) dated 09/06/2023, 03/05/2024, 05/16/2024, 05/28/2024, 02/28/2025, 04/30/2025 due by 12/11/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporter Tara Kramer transcript(s) dated 04/21/2025, 10/15/2024. FURTHER ORDERED: Reaffirming previously set due date of 12/01/2025 for transcripts dated 10/03/2025, 07/24/2025, 07/03/2025 for Court Reporter Tara Kramer. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporter Monica Hill- Morrisette transcript(s) dated 02/26/2025 due by 12/11/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Reaffirming previously set due date of 12/01/2025 for transcripts dated 07/28/2025, 07/23/2025, 07/21/2025 for Court Reporter Monica Hill- Morrisette. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporter Debra Carney transcript(s) dated 06/12/2025 due by 12/11/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Reaffirming previously set due date of 12/01/2025 for transcripts dated 07/14/2025, 06/30/2025 for Court Reporter Debra Carney. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporter Lauren Kuhnenn transcript(s) dated 07/10/2025 due by 12/11/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporter Carol Dillon transcript(s) dated 07/17/2024 due by 12/11/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Reaffirming previously set due date of 12/01/2025 for transcripts dated 07/01/2025 for Court Reporter Carol Dillon. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporter Nicole Tatlow transcript(s) dated 01/27/2025 due by 12/11/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Court Reporter Colleen McCarty transcript(s) dated 12/09/2024 due by 12/11/2025. Hon David D Weinzweig - Author
6. 3-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 12/09/2024 - Comprehensive Pretrial Conference/Trial Orders (Colleen McCarty)
7. 7-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcripts - 07/10/2025 - Status Conference via Microsoft Teams (Kuhnenn)
8. 7-Nov-2025 FILED: Motion to Waive Counsel (Appellant Pro Per)
9. 8-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/07/2025 - Jury Trial (Debra K. Upham)

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10. 14-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/03/2025 - Jury Trial Day 4 (Tara L. Kramer)
11. 15-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 06/23/2025 - Jury Trial Day 1 (Robin Lawlor)
12. 17-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 04/30/2025 - Status Conference (Kathleen Donohoe)
13. 17-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 02/28/2025 - Continuance (Kathleen Donohoe)
14. 18-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/24/2025 - Jury Trial Day 10 (Tara L. Kramer)
15. 18-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 10/03/2025 - Sentencing (Tara L. Kramer)
16. 19-Nov-2025 FILED: e-Record on Appeal:
Instruments/Minute Entries: Combined
Disposition Report: 125
Digital Exhibits: None sent with e-Record
17. 19-Nov-2025 ORDERED: The Maricopa County Public Defender shall remain as advisory counsel for appellant in this appeal. Staying appeal until 12/22/2025. FURTHER ORDERED staying this appeal until December 22, 2025, and re-vesting jurisdiction in the Maricopa County Superior Court to conduct a "Faretta-like hearing" (informing appellant of the dangers and disadvantages of self-representation) and to determine whether appellant's waiver of counsel on appeal is made knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily. FURTHER ORDERED: Directing the clerk of the superior court to transmit to this court a certified copy of the superior court's written determination of appellant's waiver within five days after entry, marked for filing in this appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: That the stay will lift automatically on 12/23/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: That this order does not affect court reporter obligations to prepare and timely file all transcripts due in this matter. FURTHER ORDERED: That, after the superior court makes its determination, this court will enter appropriate orders directing advisory counsel to provide paper copies of the transcripts and record on appeal to appellant. Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
18. 19-Nov-2025 FILED: Additional Record on Appeal
Physical Exhibits:
Hearing Date: 06/30/2025 List # 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 56 60 61 62 63 on a manila envelope
Non-admitted Exhibits:
Sealed Exhibit:
Confidential Criminal History Report in Sealed Manila Envelope
19. 19-Nov-2025 ORDERED: Motion to Waive Counsel (Appellant Pro Per) = GRANTED. ORDERED: Lifting this stay. FURTHER ORDERED: Granting appellant's motion for self-representation on appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: That the Maricopa County Public Defender remain as advisory counsel for appellant in this matter. FURTHER ORDERED: That upon completion of the record, advisory counsel must transmit to appellant a paper copy of the record on appeal, including transcripts, and file a copy of the transmittal letter with this court within five days. Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
20. 22-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 03/05/2024 - Complex Case Management Conference (Amanda Simpson)
21. 22-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 10/06/2025 - Not Guilty Arraignment Hearing (Tauna Juenger)
22. 22-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 05/28/2024 - Continuance (Amanda Simpson)
23. 22-Nov-2025 FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 05/16/2024 - Hearing (Emily Howard)
24. 25-Nov-2025 FILED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Kristyn Lobry)
25. 25-Nov-2025 ORDERED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Kristyn Lobry) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 12/01/2025 to Wednesday, 12/31/2025 for transcript dated 07/22/2025 or OSC set on 01/07/2026. Hon David D Weinzwieg - Author
26. 25-Nov-2025 FILED: First Motion for Extension of Time to File Transcripts (Debra Carney)
27. 26-Nov-2025 ORDERED: First Motion for Extension of Time to File Transcripts (Debra Carney) = GRANTED. Due Dates EXTENDED to 12/31/2025 for Transcripts dated 07/14/2025, 06/30/2025 or OSC set on 01/07/2026. Hon David D Weinzwieg - Author
28. 1-Dec-2025 FILED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Monica Hill- Morrisette)
29. 1-Dec-2025 ORDERED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Monica Hill- Morrisette) = GRANTED. Due Dates EXTENDED to 12/31/2025 for Transcripts dated 07/28/2025, 07/23/2025, 07/21/2025 or OSC set on 01/07/2025[sic]. Hon David D Weinzwieg - Author
30. 1-Dec-2025 AMENDED ORDER: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Monica Hill- Morrisette) = GRANTED. Due Dates EXTENDED to 12/31/2025 for Transcripts dated 07/28/2025, 07/23/2025, 07/21/2025 or OSC set on 01/07/2026. Hon David D Weinzwieg - Author
31. 8-Dec-2025 FILED: Returned US Mail, Order Re: Extension dated 12/01/2025, addressed to James Charles Morris, Out to Court/Not at this address (Resent 12/08/2025)
32. 8-Dec-2025 FILED: Returned US Mail, Amended Order Re: Extension dated 12/01/2025, addressed to James Charles Morris, Out to Court/Not at this address (Resent 12/08/2025)

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33.	8-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 10/15/2024 - Status Conference Re Sentencing (Tara L. Kramer)
34.	8-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 04/21/2025 - Status Conference Re Sentencing (Tara L. Kramer)
35.	11-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/17/2024 - Case Management Conference (Carol Dillon)
36.	11-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 06/12/2025 - Trial Procedure Conference (Debra Carney)
37.	11-Dec-2025	FILED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Carol Dillon)
38.	11-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 01/27/2025 - Pretrial Conference (Nicole Tatlow)
39.	12-Dec-2025	ORDERED: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Carol Dillon) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 12/01/2025 to Wednesday, 12/31/2025 for transcript dated 07/01/2025 or OSC set on 01/07/2026. Hon David D Weinzwieg - Author
40.	12-Dec-2025	AMENDED ORDER: Request for Extension of Time to File Transcript (Carol Dillon) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 12/01/2025 to Wednesday, 12/31/2025 for transcript dated 07/01/2025 or OSC set on 01/07/2026. Hon David D Weinzwieg - Author (Changes to Distribution Only)
41.	12-Dec-2025	FILED: Supplemented Superior Court e-Record with Revised Index of Record
42.	13-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 02/26/2025 - Status Conference (Monica S Hill-Morrisette)
43.	13-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/28/2025 - Jury Trial (Monica S Hill-Morrisette)
44.	15-Dec-2025	FILED: Returned US Mail, Amended Order Re Extension dated 11/25/2025, addressed to James Charles Morris, Inmate out to Court (Resent 12/12/2025)
45.	15-Dec-2025	FILED: Returned US Mail, Order Re Extension dated 11/26/2025, addressed to James Charles Morris, Out to Court (Resent 12/12/2025)
46.	15-Dec-2025	ORDERED: Motion to Waive Counsel (Appellant Pro Per) = GRANTED. ORDERED: Lifting this stay. FURTHER ORDERED: Granting appellant's motion for self- representation on appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: That the Maricopa County Public Defender remain as advisory counsel for appellant in this matter. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED: That upon completion of the record, advisory counsel must transmit to appellant a paper copy of the record on appeal, including transcripts, and file a copy of the transmittal letter with this court within five days. Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
47.	18-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 09/06/2025[sic] - Not Guilty Arraignment Hearing (Tauna Juenger)
48.	23-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 06/30/2025 - Trial Day 2 (Debra Carney)
49.	23-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/14/2025 - Trial Day 6 (Debra Carney)
50.	30-Dec-2025	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/22/2025 - Trial Day 8 (Kristyn Lobry)
51.	1-Jan-2026	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/21/2025 - Jury Trial (Monica S Hill-Morrisette)
52.	1-Jan-2026	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/23/2025 - Jury Trial (Monica S Hill-Morrisette)
53.	1-Jan-2026	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/23/2025 - Jury Trial (Monica S Hill-Morrisette)
54.	5-Jan-2026	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/01/2024 - Jury Trial Day 2 (Carol Dillon)
55.	6-Jan-2026	FILED: Notice of Completion of Record
56.	6-Jan-2026	FILED: Reporter's Transcript - 07/14/2025 - Trial Day 6 (Debra Carney) (Corrected)
57.	8-Jan-2026	FILED: Motion to Withdraw and Substitute New Counsel; Motion to Extend Opening Brief Due Date; Certificate of Service (Appellant)
58.	12-Jan-2026	ORDERED: Motion to Withdraw and Substitute New Counsel = GRANTED and appointing attorney Michael Dew as advisory counsel for appellant in this appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: That the Maricopa County Public Defender must immediately forward all files, records, transcripts, and other documents that relate to this appeal to newly appointed advisory counsel. FURTHER ORDERED: Motion to Extend Opening Brief Due Date (Appellant) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Friday, 02-20-2026 to Monday, 04-06-2026 Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
59.	20-Jan-2026	FILED: Advisory Counsel's Notice of Forwarding Documents on Appeal to Pro Se Defendant; Certificate of Service (Appellant)
60.	14-Apr-2026	ORDERED: That the opening brief must be filed by 04/29/2026. FURTHER ORDERED: That if the brief is not timely filed, the court will dismiss the appeal. Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
61.	15-Apr-2026	FILED: Advisory Counsel's Motion for Clarification of Representation; Certificate of Service (Appellant)
62.	17-Apr-2026	ORDERED: Clarifying that because defendant representing himself in this appeal and attorney Dew has been appointed as advisory counsel only, defendant and not advisory counsel is personally responsible for filing an opening brief by 04/29/2026. Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author

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- 63. 4-May-2026 FILED: Returned US Mail, Order Clarifying Representation dated 04/17/2026, addressed to James Charles Morris, Vacant, Unable to Forward (Resent 05/12/2026)
- 64. 7-May-2026 ORDERED: Dismissing this appeal. Denise McGimsey ProTem Judge - Author
- 65. 19-May-2026 FILED: Returned US Mail, Order Dismissing Appeal dated 05/07/2026, addressed to James Charles Morris, No Such Number Unable To Forward (Resent 06/01/2026)