

Court of Appeals, Division One

Civil - Family Court

1 CA-CV 24-0838 FC

RIORDAN v. KANGAS

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 19-Nov-2024

Case Closed:

Dept/Composition

Department D

Hon. David B Gass
Hon. Michael J Brown
Hon. Andrew J Becke

Side 1. In re the Matter of:

MATTHEW RIORDAN, Petitioner/Appellee

(Litigant Group) MATTHEW RIORDAN

- Matthew Lucas Riordan

Attorneys for: Petitioner/Appellee

Brian G Winter, Esq. (AZ Bar No. 31373)

Side 2. TARA GEORGETTE KANGAS, Respondent/Appellant

(Litigant Group) TARA KANGAS

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CASE STATUS

May 6, 2026..... Under Advisement

Table with 6 columns: PREDECESSOR CASE(S), Cause/Charge/Class, Judgment/Sentence, Judge, Role <Comments>, Trial, Dispo. Row 1: MAR, FC2023-090313, Attorney's Fees, Keith A Miller, Authoring Judge of Order.

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6-May-2026 Department D; CONFERENCE ROOM

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42 PROCEEDING ENTRIES

- 1. 19-Nov-2024 FILED: Index of Record, Notice of Appeal from Maricopa County Superior Court filed 10/21/24
2. 19-Nov-2024 FILED: e-Record on Appeal: Instruments/Minute Entries Exhibits: Hearing Date 3/9/23 1, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 22, 33, 34, 35 Hearing Date 3/4/24 1, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 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, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 110, 112, 130, 149, 159, 159, 169, 171, 181, 189, 190, 199, 200, 204, 205, 206, 208, 210, 211, 216, 230
3. 19-Nov-2024 FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice re: Appellant's Fee/Case Management Statement/Brief Due
4. 19-Nov-2024 FILED: Additional Record on Appeal: Physical Exhibits: Hearing Date 03/09/2023 - List # 12 in Manila Envelope
5. 19-Nov-2024 FILED: Appellant's Notice of Substitution of Counsel; Certificate of Service of Notice of Substitution of Counsel (Appellant)
6. 26-Nov-2024 RECEIPT No.: 2024-01172 ; \$280.00, Authorization: #31005764618, Applied to: TARA KANGAS - Class A Filing Fee (\$280.00) Paid for: Rubin & Ansel PLLC - By nCourt LLC
7. 9-Dec-2024 FILED: Case Management Statement; Certificate of Service of Case Management Statement (Appellant)
8. 16-Dec-2024 FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice re: Appellee's Fee; Appellant's Brief Due
9. 16-Dec-2024 FILED: Settlement Conference Program Notice
10. 27-Dec-2024 FILED: Notice of Filing Fee Payment; Certificate of Service (Appellee)
11. 2-Jan-2025 RECEIPT No.: 2025-00002 ; \$140.00, Authorization: #02008518327, Applied to: MATTHEW RIORDAN - Class B Filing Fee (\$140.00) Paid for: Scottsdale Family Law PLLC - By nCourt LLC
12. 6-Jan-2025 FILED: Appellant's Notice Of Filing Transcript; Certificate of Service; Reporter's Transcript - 03/04/2024 - Evidentiary Hearing (William Garling) (Appellant)
13. 14-Jan-2025 FILED: Appellant's Motion for Procedural Order (Extension to File Opening Brief); Certificate of Service (Appellant)
14. 14-Jan-2025 FILED: Appellant's Notice of Withdrawal of Motion for Procedural Order; Certificate of Service (Appellant)

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15. 15-Jan-2025 ORDERED: Appellant's Motion for Procedural Order (Extension to File Opening Brief) (Appellant) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Tuesday, 01-21-2025 to Thursday, 02-20-2025. If the brief is not timely filed, the court will dismiss this appeal. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
16. 16-Jan-2025 ORDERED: Appellant may file the opening brief by its original due date or any time before 02/20/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Appellant's Notice of Withdrawal of Motion for Procedural Order (Appellant) = TAKING NO ACTION. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
17. 24-Jan-2025 FILED: Appellant's Notice of Filing Transcript; Certificate of Service; Reporter's Transcript - 03/09/2023 - Temporary Orders (Ashley Bennett) (Appellant)
18. 5-Feb-2025 FILED: Opening Brief; Certificate of Compliance to Opening Brief; Certificate of Service of Opening Brief (Appellant)
19. 13-Mar-2025 FILED: Procedural Motion for Extensionn of Time to File Answer Brief; Certificate of Service (Appellee)
20. 14-Mar-2025 ORDERED: Procedural Motion for Extensionn of Time to File Answer Brief (Appellee) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 03-17-2025 to Wednesday, 04-16-2025. If the brief is not timely filed, the court will submit this appeal for decision on the record and the opening brief. Patrick Philippe Lacroix ProTem Judge - Author
21. 16-Apr-2025 FILED: Answer Brief; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Appellee)
22. 6-May-2025 FILED: Reply in Support of Opening Brief; Certificate of Compliance to Reply in Support of Opening Brief; Certificate of Service of Reply in Support of Opening Brief (Appellant)
23. 6-May-2025 FILED: Request for Oral Argument; Certificate of Service of Request for Oral Argument (Appellant)
24. 20-May-2025 ORDERED: Request for Oral Argument (Appellant) = GRANTED. Hon David B Gass - Author
25. 25-Jun-2025 FILED: Memorandum – to Clerk of Superior Court Re: any additional record not already transmitted due within 10 days
26. 26-Jun-2025 CLNDR: MONTHLY COURT CASE CALENDAR, Department D, 8-13-25, 09:30 am, COURTROOM 1.
27. 3-Jul-2025 FILED: Supplemented Superior Court e-Record with Revised Index of Record
28. 17-Jul-2025 FILED: Notice of Oral Argument
29. 24-Jul-2025 ORDERED: Taking judicial notice of the above-listed (see order) additional documents. FURTHER ORDERED: By 08/08/2025, the parties must simultaneously file supplemental briefs, no longer than 5 pages, addressing the matters listed below (See Order). FURTHER ORDERED: Vacating conference and oral argument currently set for 08/13/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Directing the Clerk of the Maricopa County Superior Court to file an amended index of record and transmit all documents filed in superior court since 06/25/2025 to this court within 10 days of the date of this order. Hon David B Gass - Author

[Vacated per order filed 3/24/26 - mat]
30. 1-Aug-2025 FILED: Stipulated Motion for Procedural Order for Extension Re: Simultaneous Supplemental Briefs; Certificate of Service of Stipulated Motion for Procedural Order for Extension Re: Simultaneous Supplemental Briefs (Appellant)
31. 1-Aug-2025 FILED: Supplemented Superior Court e-Record with Revised Index of Record
32. 1-Aug-2025 ORDERED: Stipulated Motion for Procedural Order for Extension Re: Simultaneous Supplemental Briefs (Appellant) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Friday, 08-08-2025 to Friday, 08-15-2025. Hon David B Gass - Author
33. 15-Aug-2025 FILED: Stipulated Motion for Stay; Certificate of Service of Stipulated Motion for Stay (Appellant)
34. 18-Aug-2025 ORDERED: Stipulated Motion for Stay (Appellant) = GRANTED the stipulation and staying all matters in this appeal pending completion of the matter pending in the Ruby Trial Court in Alaska. FURTHER ORDERED: The parties shall notify the court and the superior court within 7 days of the Ruby Trial Court's decision. Hon David B Gass - Author
35. 19-Aug-2025 ORDERED: Granting the stipulation and staying all matters in this appeal pending completion of the matter pending in the Ruby Trial Court in Alaska. FURTHER IS ORDERED: The parties shall notify the court and the superior court within 7 days of the Ruby Trial Court's decision. FURTHER IS ORDERED: The parties shall file a joint report with the court and the superior court about the status of the Ruby Trial Court's decision. The parties shall file the first joint status report by 12/31/2025, and every six months after that date. Hon David B Gass - Author
36. 21-Jan-2026 ORDERED: Directing the parties to file a joint status report on or before 02/02/2026. Failure to do so will result in the dismissal of this appeal with each party to bear their own fees and costs. Hon David B Gass - Author
37. 2-Feb-2026 FILED: Joint Status Report; Certificate of Service of Joint Status Report (Appellant)
38. 9-Feb-2026 ORDERED: Based on good cause, continuing the stay in this appeal pending completion of the matter pending in the Ruby Trial Court in Alaska. FURTHER IS ORDERED: The parties shall notify the court and the superior court within 7 days of the Ruby Trial Court's decision. FURTHER IS ORDERED: The parties shall file a joint report with the court and the superior court about the status of the litigation pending in the Ruby Trial Court no later than 06/30/2026 and every six months after that until the court lifts the stay. FURTHER IS ORDERED: Failure to comply with the obligations in this order may result in the dismissal of this appeal, with each party to bear their own attorney fees and costs. Hon David B Gass - Author

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| 39. | 13-Mar-2026 | FILED: Joint Status Report Lifting Stay; Certificate of Service of Joint Status Report Lifting Stay (Appellant) |
| 40. | 24-Mar-2026 | ORDERED: Lifting the stay of this appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: Vacating the court's 07/24/2025, order requiring the parties to file supplemental briefing. FURTHER ORDERED: Setting this matter for conference, without oral argument, before Department D on 05/06/2026. Hon David B Gass - Author |
| 41. | 30-Mar-2026 | FILED: Request to Withdraw Request for Oral Argument; Certificate of Service of Request to Withdraw Request for Oral Argument (Appellant) |
| 42. | 1-Apr-2026 | ORDERED: Request to Withdraw Request for Oral Argument (Appellant) = GRANTED. Conference date of 5/6/26 remains without oral argument. Hon David B Gass - Author |