

Court of Appeals, Division One

Civil - Family Court

1 CA-CV 25-0094 FC

LANGE v. SELF

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 30-Jan-2025

Case Closed:

Dept/Composition

Department F

Hon. David B Gass
Hon. Anni Hill Foster
Hon. Randall M Howe

Side 1. In re the Matter of:

JAMES LANGE, Petitioner/Appellee

(Litigant Group) CUSTOM CARE & FINANCIAL SOLUTIONS, LLC

- Custom Care & Financial Solutions LLC

Attorneys for: Petitioner/Appellee

Lindi M Weber, Esq. (AZ Bar No. 25820)

(Litigant Group) JAMES E. LANGE (CONSERVATORSHIP)

- James E Lange

Attorneys for: Petitioner/Appellee Lange (Cnsvtrs)

Philip B Visnansky, Esq. (AZ Bar No. 25806)
Jerome K Elwell, Esq. (AZ Bar No. 12699)
Andrea Simbro, Esq. (AZ Bar No. 31530)

Side 2. RENE SELF, Respondent/Appellant

(Litigant Group) RENE SELF

- Rene Self

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CASE STATUS

May 7, 2026.....Motion for Reconsideration Pending

PREDECESSOR CASE (S)

Table with 6 columns: MAR, FN2024-092831, Cause/Charge/Class, Judgment/Sentence, Judge, Role <Comments>, Trial, Dispo

2 PENDING MATTERS

General Motion

Expedited Motion for Reconsideration/Relief From Judgment (Appellant Pro Per)

Filed: 7-May-2026

General Motion

Statement of Attorneys' Fees and Costs (Appellee Lange)

Filed: 11-May-2026

2 CASE DECISIONS

12-May-2025 ORDER

Vacated

ORDERED: Dismissing this appeal.

Filed: 12-May-2025

Mandate:

Decision Disposition

Dismissed

Melina Brill.....Author

27-Apr-2026 MEMORANDUM DECISION

David Gass.....Author

Anni Foster.....Concur

Randall Howe.....Concur

Filed: 27-Apr-2026

Mandate:

Decision Disposition

Affirmed

43 PROCEEDING ENTRIES

- 1. 30-Jan-2025 FILED: Index of Record, Notice of Appeal from Maricopa County Superior Court filed 01/02/25
2. 30-Jan-2025 FILED: e-Record on Appeal: Instruments/Minute Entries Exhibits: None
3. 30-Jan-2025 FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice re: No Fee's Due/Case Management Statement/Brief Due
4. 30-Jan-2025 FILED: Additional Record on Appeal: Physical Exhibits: Hearing Date 12/03/2024 - List # 1 2 in Manila Envelope

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5. 11-Feb-2025 FILED: Settlement Conference Program Notice
6. 19-Feb-2025 FILED: Case Management Statement (Appellant)
7. 27-Mar-2025 FILED: Motion for Extension of Time to File the Opening Brief; Certificate of Service of Motion to Extend Time for Filing Opening Brief; Exhibit 1; Exhibit 2 (Appellant)
8. 28-Mar-2025 ORDERED: Motion for Extension of Time to File the Opening Brief (Appellant) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 03-31-2025 to Wednesday, 04-30-2025. If the brief is not timely filed, the court will dismiss this appeal. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
9. 12-May-2025 ORDERED: Dismissing this appeal. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
[Vacated per order filed 8/7/25]
10. 29-May-2025 FILED: Motion for Extension of Time to File Motion for Reconsideration and Request for ADA Accommodation (Appellant Pro Per)
11. 2-Jun-2025 ORDERED: Absent a motion to withdraw as counsel of record in this court, Russell J. Zarkou remains counsel of record for appellant in this appellate proceeding. FURTHER ORDERED: Directing Russell J. Zarkou to comply with Arizona Rule of Civil Procedure 5.3(a)(2) regarding withdrawal and substitution of counsel. FURTHER ORDERED: Motion for Extension of Time to File Motion for Reconsideration and Request for ADA Accommodation (Appellant Pro Per) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Tuesday, 05-27-2025 to Monday, 06-23-2025. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
12. 23-Jun-2025 FILED: Motion for Reconsideration of Order of Protection, Dismissal and Relief to Uphold Appellant's Rights (Appellant Pro Per)
13. 30-Jun-2025 ORDERED: directing Russell J. Zarkou to comply with Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure 5.3(a)(2) by 7/10/25. Failure to do so may result in sanctions or a referral to the State Bar of Arizona. FURTHER ORDERED: holding appellant's motion for reconsideration in abeyance pending resolution of appellant's representation. Hon David B Gass - Author
14. 9-Jul-2025 FILED: Motion to Withdraw as Counsel for Appellant; Certificate of Service - Motion to Withdraw as Counsel for Appellant; Exhibit 1 - Motion to Withdraw (Appellant)
15. 10-Jul-2025 ORDERED: Motion to Withdraw as Counsel for Appellant (Appellant) = GRANTED. , FURTHER ORDERED: requesting that appellee file a response to the motion for reconsideration by 07/24/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Appellant may file a reply in accordance with ARCAP 6(a)(2). The court will rule on the motion following expiration of the time for a response and reply. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
16. 18-Jul-2025 FILED: Motion for Procedural Order to Substitute Real Party in Interest - Successor Guardian; Certificate of Service (Appellee Lange)
17. 24-Jul-2025 FILED: Joint Response to Motion for Reconsideration of Order of Protection, Dismissal, and Relief to Uphold Appellant's Rights; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Appellees)
18. 28-Jul-2025 FILED: Response in Opposition to Motion for Procedural Order to Substitute Real Party in Interest - Successor Guardian (Appellant Pro Per)
19. 29-Jul-2025 RECEIPT No.: 2025-00821 ; \$165.00, Authorization: #10010212820, Applied to: JAMES LANGE - Overpayment Class B (\$165.00) Paid for: Warner Angle Hallam Jackson & Formanek PLC - By nCourt LLC (Memo: Refund Needed)
20. 4-Aug-2025 FILED: Reply in Support of Motion for Procedural Order to Substitute Real Party in Interest - Successor Guardian; Certificate of Service (Appellee Lange)
21. 7-Aug-2025 ORDERED: Motion for Reconsideration of Order of Protection, Dismissal and Relief to Uphold Appellant's Rights (Appellant Pro Per) = GRANTED and reinstating this appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: vacating the 5/12/25 order dismissing appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: appellant must file the opening brief by 9/8/25. If the opening brief is not timely filed, the court will dismiss this appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: Motion for Procedural Order to Substitute Real Party in Interest - Successor Guardian (Appellee Lange) = GRANTED in part and substituting Custom Care & Financial Solutions LLC as successor guardian of appellee James Lange in this appeal in place of former guardian James P. Lange. FURTHER ORDERED: amending the docket in this appeal to include Custom Care & Financial Solutions LLC as guardian of appellee James Lange. Hon Randall M Howe - Author
22. 18-Aug-2025 FILED: Letter dated 08/15/2025 to Warner Angle Hallam Jackson & Formanek PLC from Court re: enclosing check # 114674 in the amount of \$165.00 for refund of monies submitted in error
23. 8-Sep-2025 FILED: Opening Brief of Appellant (Appellant Pro Per)
24. 17-Sep-2025 FILED: Amended Opening Brief of Appellant (Appellant Pro Per)
[Accepted per order filed 09/19/2025]
25. 18-Sep-2025 FILED: Untitled (Letter Re: Refund Check Error) (Appellee Lange)
26. 19-Sep-2025 ORDERED: Striking the amended opening brief filed on 09/17/2025. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
27. 22-Sep-2025 FILED: Motion for Leave to File Amended Opening Brief (Appellant Pro Per)
28. 24-Sep-2025 ORDERED: Vacating the 10/20/2025 due date for the answering brief. The order ruling on the pending motion (motion to file amended opening brief) will set a due date to file the answering brief. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author

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29.	30-Sep-2025	FILED: Letter dated 09/30/2025 to Warner, Angle, Hallam, Jackson & Formanek PLC from Court re: enclosing check #114729 in the amount of \$165 for refund of monies submitted in error.
30.	15-Oct-2025	ORDERED: Motion for Leave to File Amended Opening Brief (Appellant Pro Per) = GRANTED in part and accepting the amended opening brief filed on 09/17/2025. FURTHER ORDERED: Denying appellant's request for appointed counsel. FURTHER ORDERED: Answering brief is due by 11/14/2025. If the brief is not timely filed, the court will submit this appeal for decision on the record and the filed brief. Steven C Lawrence ProTem Judge - Author
31.	13-Nov-2025	FILED: Joint Answering Brief Submitted by Appellees James E. Lange and Guardian; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service; Appendix in Support of Appellee's Joint Answering Brief (Appellees Custom Care and James E Lange)
32.	3-Dec-2025	FILED: Appellant's Reply Brief (Appellant Pro Per)
33.	22-Dec-2025	FILED: Request for Expedited Name Correction, Redaction of Address and Any Other Personal Identifiable Information as a Person Under Title 41 (Appellant Pro Per)
34.	12-Jan-2026	ORDERED: Request for Expedited Name Correction, Redaction of Address and Any Other Personal Identifiable Information as a Person Under Title 41 (Appellant Pro Per) = GRANTED and amending the caption and docket. All future documents filed in this appeal must use the caption shown on this order. FURTHER ORDERED: Denying appellant's request for redaction. Hon Randall M Howe - Author
35.	23-Jan-2026	FILED: Memorandum – to Clerk of Superior Court Re: any additional record not already transmitted due within 10 days
36.	26-Jan-2026	CLNDR: CONFERENCE, Department F, 4-2-26, COURTROOM 2.
37.	2-Feb-2026	FILED: Supplemented Superior Court e-Record with Revised Index of Record
38.	30-Mar-2026	FILED: Motion to Consolidate Related Proceedings, for Stay, and for ADA Accommodations (Appellant Pro Per)
39.	2-Apr-2026	ORDERED: Motion to Consolidate Related Proceedings, for Stay, and for ADA Accommodations (Appellant Pro Per) = DENIED. Hon David B Gass - Author
40.	27-Apr-2026	MEMORANDUM DECISION (Affirmed) Hon David B Gass - Author; Hon Anni Hill Foster - Concur; Hon Randall M Howe - Concur
41.	27-Apr-2026	FILED: Decision Distribution Notification
42.	7-May-2026	FILED: Expedited Motion for Reconsideration/Relief From Judgment (Appellant Pro Per)
43.	11-May-2026	FILED: Statement of Attorneys' Fees and Costs; Certificate of Service (Appellee Lange)