

Court of Appeals, Division One

Civil - Probate Case

1 CA-CV 25-0397 PB

DONOVAN v. DONOVAN, et al.

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 23-May-2025

Case Closed:

Dept/Composition

Department E

Hon. Michael J Brown
Hon. Veronika Fabian
Hon. David D Weinzweig

Side 1. In the Matter of the Estate of:

MICHAEL DONOVAN,

Deceased.

LISA DONOVAN, Petitioner/Appellant

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CASE STATUS

Apr 15, 2026....Pending in ASC

Table with 6 columns: PREDECESSOR CASE (S), Cause/Charge/Class, Judgment/Sentence, Judge, Role <Comments>, Trial, Dispo. Row 1: MAR, PB2024-002501, Petition for Formal Appointment of Personal Representative, Elizabeth T Bingert, Authoring Judge of Order.

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CASE DECISION

20-Mar-2026 MEMORANDUM DECISION

Michael Brown.....Author
Veronika Fabian.....Concur
David Weinzweig.....Concur

Filed: 20-Mar-2026

Mandate:

Decision Disposition

Affirmed

**Court of Appeals, Division One****Civil - Probate Case****1 CA-CV 25-0397 PB****DONOVAN v. DONOVAN, et al.****31 PROCEEDING ENTRIES**

1.	23-May-2025	FILED: Index of Record, Notice of Appeal from Maricopa County Superior Court filed 04/25/25
2.	23-May-2025	FILED: e-Record on Appeal: Instruments/Minute Entries Exhibits: None
3.	27-May-2025	FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice re: Appellant's Fee/Case Management Statement/Brief Due
4.	9-Jun-2025	RECEIPT No.: 2025-00645 ; \$330.00, Check Number: #14722, Applied to: LISA DONOVAN - Class A Filing Fee (\$330.00) Paid for: Lisa Donovan - By Rose Law Group PC
5.	16-Jun-2025	FILED: Case Management Statement (Appellants)
6.	18-Jun-2025	FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice re: Appellee's Fee; Appellant's Brief Due
7.	18-Jun-2025	FILED: Settlement Conference Program Notice
8.	18-Jun-2025	FILED: Notice of Association of Counsel; Certificate of Service (Appellant Joseph Donovan)
9.	24-Jun-2025	RECEIPT No.: 2025-00700 ; \$165.00, Authorization: #75011014241, Applied to: JOSEPH DONOVAN, et al. - Class B Filing Fee (\$165.00) Paid for: Jones Skelton & Hochuli PLC - By nCourt LLC
10.	24-Jun-2025	FILED: Notice of Appearance; Certificate of Service (Appellee DelCastillo)
11.	24-Jun-2025	FILED: Notice of of Payment of Filing Fee; Certificate of Service (Appellee DelCastillo)
12.	27-Jun-2025	FILED: Supplemented Superior Court e-Record with Revised Index of Record
13.	30-Jun-2025	RECEIPT No.: 2025-00715 ; \$165.00, Authorization: 81014886638, Applied to: HOLLY HERBERGER DELCASTILLO - Class B Filing Fee (\$165.00) Paid for: Andersen PLLC - By nCourt LLC
14.	2-Jul-2025	FILED: Notice of Appearance; Certificate of Service (Appellee M. Dempsey)
15.	2-Jul-2025	FILED: Notice of Payment of Filing Fee; Certificate of Service (Appellee M. Dempsey)
16.	8-Jul-2025	RECEIPT No.: 2025-00743 ; \$165.00, Authorization: # 89008520645, Applied to: MICHAEL J. DEMPSEY - Class B Filing Fee (\$165.00) Paid for: Fennemore Craig PC - By nCourt LLC
17.	9-Jul-2025	ORDERED: Amending the docket in this appeal by designating Joseph Donovan and Madeline Donovan as Petitioners/Appellants. FURTHER ORDERED: Joseph Donovan and Madeline Donovan's additional \$165.00 filing fee is due by 07/21/2025. The opening brief(s) remains due by 07/28/2025. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
18.	9-Jul-2025	FILED: Appellants Notice of Payment of Additional Filing Fee; Certificate of Service (Appellant Joseph Donovan)
19.	15-Jul-2025	RECEIPT No.: 2025-00762 ; \$165.00, Authorization: #96014224310, Applied to: JOSEPH DONOVAN, et al. - Class A Upgrade Fee (A-B) (\$165.00) Paid for: Jones Skelton & Hochuli PLC - By nCourt LLC (Memo: X-Ref: 2025-00700)
20.	16-Jul-2025	FILED: Motion for Procedural Order for Extension of Time to File Opening Brief; Certificate of Service (Appellants J Donovan)
21.	17-Jul-2025	ORDERED: Motion for Procedural Order for Extension of Time to File Opening Brief (Appellants J Donovan) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 07-28-2025 to Wednesday, 08-27-2025. If the brief is not timely filed, the court will dismiss this appeal. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
22.	20-Aug-2025	FILED: Opening Brief; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Appellant J Donovan)
23.	26-Sep-2025	FILED: Answering Brief of Appellee Holly Herberger DelCastillo; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service of Appellee Holly Herberger DelCastillo (Appellee DelCastillo)
24.	15-Oct-2025	FILED: Reply Brief; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Appellant J. Donovan)
25.	10-Nov-2025	FILED: Memorandum – to Clerk of Superior Court Re: any additional record not already transmitted due within 10 days
26.	20-Nov-2025	FILED: Supplemented Superior Court e-Record with Revised Index of Record
27.	25-Nov-2025	CLNDR: CONFERENCE, Department E, 1-8-26, COURTROOM 1.
28.	20-Mar-2026	MEMORANDUM DECISION (Affirmed) Hon Michael J Brown - Author; Hon Veronika Fabian - Concur; Hon David D Weinzweig - Concur
29.	20-Mar-2026	FILED: Decision Distribution Notification
30.	17-Apr-2026	FILED: Email Notice from ASC re: Petition for Review filed 04/15/2026; request for partial record
31.	17-Apr-2026	FILED: Letter forwarding partial record to Arizona Supreme Court