

Court of Appeals, Division One
Civil - Family Court - Settlement Conference

1 CA-CV 25-0633 FCSC

LEAS v. LEAS

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 22-Aug-2025
 Case Closed:

Dept/Composition

Side 1. In re the Matter of:

DAVID BARTLEY LEAS, Petitioner/Appellant
 (Litigant Group) DAVID BARTLEY LEAS

- David Bartley Leas

Attorneys for: Petitioner/Appellant
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Side 2. CRYSTAL WAITKUS LEAS, Respondent/Appellee
 (Litigant Group) CRYSTAL WAITKUS LEAS

- Crystal Waitkus Leas

Attorneys for: Respondent/Appellee
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CASE STATUS

Oct 1, 2025.....Stayed (until 6/30/26)

PREDECESSOR CASE (S)	Cause/Charge/Class	Judgment/Sentence	Judge, Role <Comments>	Trial	Dispo
MAR FC2019-071036	Attorney's Fees		Susanna C Pineda, Authoring Judge of Order		

32 PROCEEDING ENTRIES

- 22-Aug-2025 FILED: Index of Record, Notice of Appeal from Maricopa County Superior Court filed 07/25/25
- 22-Aug-2025 FILED: e-Record on Appeal: Instruments/Minute Entries Exhibits: Hearing Date 4/12/22 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 37, 41, 44, 45, 55, 56, 67, 72, 73, 74, 76, 78, 81, 83, 84, 86, 87, 89
- 22-Aug-2025 FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice re: Appellant's Fee/Case Management Statement/Brief Due
- 22-Aug-2025 FILED: Additional Record on Appeal: Physical Exhibits: Hearing Date 07/31/2019 - List # 1 3 4 5 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 24 27 29 30 31 in Manila Envelope
- 25-Aug-2025 FILED: Notice of Payment of Appellant Filing Fee (Appellant)
- 25-Aug-2025 FILED: Certificate of Service for Appellant's Notice of Payment of Filing Fee (Appellant)
- 29-Aug-2025 RECEIPT No.: 2025-00957 ; \$330.00, Authorization: # 41012082109, Applied to: DAVID BARTLEY LEAS - Class A Filing Fee (\$330.00) Paid for: Jennings Haug Keleher McLeod Waterfall LLP - By nCourt LLC
- 12-Sep-2025 FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice re: Appellee's Fee; Appellant's Brief/Case Management Statement Due
- 12-Sep-2025 FILED: Settlement Conference Program Notice
- 25-Sep-2025 FILED: Notice of Payment of Filing Fee; Notice of Payment of Filing Fee (Appellee)
- 30-Sep-2025 RECEIPT No.: 2025-01102 ; \$165.00, Authorization: # 73012545385, Applied to: CRYSTAL WAITKUS LEAS - Class B Filing Fee (\$165.00) Paid for: Crystal Waitkus Leas - By nCourt LLC
- 1-Oct-2025 ORDERED: Assigning this appeal to the settlement conference program. FURTHER ORDERED: Staying this appeal pending further order of the court and vacating the 10/21/2025, due date for the opening brief. FURTHER ORDERED: Appellant must file the case management statement by 10/10/2025. If the statement is not timely filed, the court will consider imposing sanctions. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
- 3-Oct-2025 ORDERED: Setting telephonic assessment conference for 10/15/2025, at 2:00 p.m, with Judge Andrew M. Jacobs. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author

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14. 20-Oct-2025 (ORDERED): Setting settlement conference on Friday, 12/12/2025, at 9:00 a.m., at the Arizona State Courts Building, 1501 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. Please arrive at Room 203, the Office of the Clerk of the Arizona Court of Appeals, Division One, at least 10 minutes prior to the conference for directions to the conference room. FURTHER ORDERED: That participants must have full authority to negotiate and settle the case on any agreed-upon terms at the conference. FURTHER ORDERED that the participants shall appear in person. FURTHER ORDERED: Petitioner/Appellant David Bartley Leas shall send a settlement conference statement to SettlementProgram@appeals.az.gov by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, 11/17/2025. Respondent/Appellee Crystal Waitkus Leas shall send a settlement conference statement to SettlementProgram@appeals.az.gov by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, 12/08/2025. Such statement shall not be filed with the clerk of the court. Hon Andrew M Jacobs - Author
15. 27-Oct-2025 ORDERED: Case management statement must be filed by 11/06/2025. If the statement is not timely filed, the court will consider imposing sanctions including removing this appeal from the settlement conference program and dismissing this appeal. Hon Andrew M Jacobs - Author
16. 28-Oct-2025 FILED: Case Management Statement (Appellant)
17. 28-Oct-2025 FILED: Certificate of Service (Appellant)
18. 17-Nov-2025 ORDERED: Granting the motion and extending the time for appellant to file his settlement conference statement from 11/17/2025 to 11/24/2025. Hon Andrew M Jacobs - Author
19. 8-Dec-2025 FILED: Unopposed Motion for Extension Re Settlement Conference Statement; Certificate of Service (Appellee)
20. 8-Dec-2025 ORDERED: Unopposed Motion for Extension Re Settlement Conference Statement (Appellee) = GRANTED and extending the time for appellee to file her settlement conference statement from 12/8/2025 to 12/9/2025. Hon Andrew M Jacobs - Author
21. 15-Dec-2025 ORDERED: Continuing the stay of this appeal to allow the parties time to comply with certain terms of the agreement. FURTHER ORDERED: Upon compliance with the terms of the agreement as described in its Paragraph 11, the parties shall file a stipulated motion to dismiss this appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: Directing the parties to file a status report by 02/13/2026, if a stipulated motion to dismiss is not filed before that date. Otherwise, the court will lift the stay and return this appeal to the court's regular docket. Hon Andrew M Jacobs - Author
22. 23-Feb-2026 ORDERED: If the parties do not file a status report by 03/05/2026, the court will lift the stay and return this appeal to the court's regular docket, unless either or both of the parties shows good cause to continue a stay of this appeal for 60 further days. Hon Andrew M Jacobs - Author
23. 3-Mar-2026 FILED: Notice of Substitution of Counsel for Appellant; Certificate of Service; Order Granting Substitution of Counsel for Petitioner/Appellant (Proposed Order) (Appellant)
24. 4-Mar-2026 ORDERED: Notice of Substitution of Counsel for Appellant (Appellant) = GRANTED and substituting Karen N. Wohlgenuth and Norma C. Izzo of Spencer Fane LLP as counsel for appellant in place of Blake E. Whiteman of Jennings Haug Keleher McLeod Waterfall LLP. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
25. 5-Mar-2026 FILED: Joint Status Report; Certificate of Service (Appellee)
26. 9-Mar-2026 ORDERED: Reaffirming the parties' settlement agreement and continuing the stay of this appeal to allow the parties time to comply with the terms of the agreement. The Settlement Conference Judge is available to resolve any disputes regarding the terms of the agreement. FURTHER ORDERED: Upon compliance with the terms of the agreement, the parties shall file a stipulated motion to dismiss this appeal. FURTHER ORDERED: Directing the parties to file a status report by 04/20/2026, if a stipulated motion to dismiss is not filed before that date. Hon Andrew M Jacobs - Author
27. 27-Mar-2026 ORDERED: substituting Judge Gass for Judge Jacobs as settlement conference judge for this appeal. Hon Randall M Howe - Author
28. 30-Mar-2026 ORDERED: Setting a conference for 04/07/2026, at 10:30 a.m., with Judge David B. Gass via Microsoft Teams. An email with a link and additional information will be sent to counsel. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
29. 1-Apr-2026 ORDERED: vacating the Microsoft Teams conference scheduled for 4/7/26 and resetting it for 4/21/26 at 2:00 pm with Judge David B. Gass. Melina Brill ProTem Judge - Author
30. 9-Apr-2026 FILED: Notice of Substitution of Counsel Within the Firm; Certificate of Service (Appellant)
31. 9-Apr-2026 FILED: Certificate of Service (Duplicate) (Appellant)
32. 21-Apr-2026 ORDERED: Continuing the stay of this appeal until 06/30/2026. FURTHER ORDERED: The parties will continue working on the settlement terms jurisdictional term No. 8 transferring the UCCJEA jurisdiction to the Arizona court. FURTHER ORDERED: The parties will keep the court informed if Dr. Crystal Krueger is able to serve as the safe harbor therapist. If not, the parties will advise the court what it needs to do to appoint a new therapist. FURTHER ORDERED: Setting a status conference on 06/15/2026 at 2:00 p.m. with Judge David B. Gass via Microsoft Teams. An email with a link and additional information will be sent to counsel. Clients should not be part of the status conference. Hon David B Gass - Author