

Court of Appeals, Division One

Juvenile

1 CA-JV 26-0019

IN RE TERM OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AS TO S.M.

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 9-Feb-2026

Case Closed:

Dept/Composition

Side 1. MARLO B., JR., MARCHAELA T., Appellant

(Litigant Group) MARLO B., JR., MARCHAELA T.

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CASE STATUS

May 17, 2026... At Issue Review

Table with 6 columns: PREDECESSOR CASE(S), Cause/Charge/Class, Judgment/Sentence, Judge, Role <Comments>, Trial, Dispo. Row 1: MAR, JD41336, Termination of Parental Rights, Michael Rassas, Authoring Judge of Order.

2 OPEN DUE DATES

Answering Brief Due Due By: Monday, June 8, 2026 [1 extension]

Re: FILED: Appellant's Opening Brief; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Appellant)

Reply Brief Due Due By: Monday, June 29, 2026 [1 extension]

Re: FILED: Appellees' Answering Brief; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Appellee Intervenor)

24 PROCEEDING ENTRIES

- 1. 9-Feb-2026 FILED: Notice of Appeal from Maricopa County Superior Court filed 02/04/2026 and Notification of Notice of Appeal Filed
2. 10-Feb-2026 FILED: Appellate Clerk Notice (606(b))
3. 11-Feb-2026 FILED: Appellant's Motion to Stay Appeal (Contested); Appellant's Certificate of Service for Motion to Stay Appeal (Appellants)
4. 12-Feb-2026 ORDERED: Appellant's Motion to Stay Appeal (Contested) (Appellants) = GRANTED in part and staying this appeal until 03/16/2026. FURTHER ORDERED: Revesting jurisdiction in the Maricopa County Superior Court and authorizing that court to rule on the appellants' pending motions. FURTHER ORDERED: Denying the request to stay the juvenile court dependency and related adoption proceedings as that matter is before the juvenile court. FURTHER ORDERED: Directing the clerk of the superior court to transmit a certified copy of the court's rulings to this court by 03/16/2026. FURTHER ORDERED: The stay will be lifted automatically on 03/17/2026. Patrick Philippe Lacroix ProTem Judge - Author
5. 12-Feb-2026 FILED: DCS's Notice of Change of Counsel; DCS's Certificate of Service for Notice of Change of Counsel (Appellee DCS)
6. 23-Feb-2026 FILED: E-Record on Appeal: JD41336
Instrument/Minute Entries: Combined
Exhibits:
Hearing Date: 03/30/2022 - LIST # E1 E2 E3
Hearing Date: 09/10/2024 - LIST # E1 E2 E3 E4 E5 E6
Hearing Date: 03/11/2025 - LIST # E1 E2 E3 E4 E5 E6 E7 E8 E9 E10 E11 E12 E13 E14 E15 E16 E17 E18

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7.	23-Feb-2026	FILED: Additional Record on Appeal: JD41336 Physical Exhibits Hearing Date: 02/13/2025 - LIST # 1 in a Manila Envelope
8.	16-Mar-2026	FILED: Supplemented Superior Court e-Record with Revised Index of Record (JD41336)
9.	17-Mar-2026	FILED: Notice of Completion of Record
10.	1-Apr-2026	FILED: Appellant's Motion to Supplement the Record; Appellant's Certificate of Service for Motion to Supplement the Record (Appellants)
11.	2-Apr-2026	FILED: Notice of Appearance; Certificate of Service (Intervenors)
12.	3-Apr-2026	ORDERED: Appellant's Motion to Supplement the Record (Appellants) = DENIED. FURTHER ORDERED: Affirming that the opening brief is due by 04/06/2026. Patrick Philippe Lacroix ProTem Judge - Author
13.	3-Apr-2026	FILED: Motion to Intervene as Parties to Appeal; Certificate of Service (Intervenors)
14.	3-Apr-2026	FILED: Supplement to Motion to Intervene as Parties to Appeal; Certificate of Service (Appellee Intervenors)
15.	3-Apr-2026	FILED: Appellant's Motion for Procedural Order for Extension of Time to File Opening Brief; Certificate of Service (Appellants)
16.	3-Apr-2026	FILED: Appellant's Supplemental Motion for Procedural Order for Extension of Time to File Opening Brief adding Position; Certificate of Service (Appellants)
17.	6-Apr-2026	ORDERED: Appellant's Motion for Procedural Order for Extension of Time to File Opening Brief (Appellants) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 04-06-2026 to Monday, 04-27-2026. The court will not grant any further extension absent extraordinary circumstances. Patrick Philippe Lacroix ProTem Judge - Author
18.	20-Apr-2026	ORDERED: Motion to Intervene as Parties to Appeal (Appellee Intervenors) = GRANTED. Patrick Philippe Lacroix ProTem Judge - Author
19.	27-Apr-2026	FILED: Appellant's Opening Brief; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Appellant)
20.	17-May-2026	FILED: Appellees' Answering Brief; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Appellee Intervenors)
21.	18-May-2026	FILED: DCS's Motion for Extension of Time to File Answering Brief (Motion for Procedural Order); Certificate of Service (Appellee DCS)
22.	18-May-2026	ORDERED: DCS's Motion for Extension of Time to File Answering Brief (Appellee DCS) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 05-18-2026 to Monday, 06-08-2026. The court will not grant any further extension absent extraordinary circumstances. Patrick Philippe Lacroix ProTem Judge - Author
23.	29-May-2026	FILED: Appellant's Motion for Procedural Order for Extension of Time to File Reply Brief (Uncontested); Certificate of Service (Appellants)
24.	1-Jun-2026	ORDERED: Appellant's Motion for Procedural Order for Extension of Time to File Reply Brief (Uncontested) (Appellants) = GRANTED. Due date EXTENDED from Monday, 06-01-2026 to Monday, 06-29-2026. Appellants may file a consolidated reply brief. The court will not grant any further extension absent extraordinary circumstances. Patrick Philippe Lacroix ProTem Judge - Author