

Court of Appeals, Division One

Special Action

1 CA-SA 26-0072

JAMES v. STATE

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 20-Feb-2026

Case Closed:

Dept/Composition

Department F

Hon. David B Gass
Hon. Randall M Howe
Hon. Andrew J Becke

Side 1. JOHN ASHLEY JAMES, Petitioner

(Litigant Group) JAMES

- John Ashley James

Attorney for: Petitioner

Paul Gerard Amann, Esq. (AZ Bar No. 35809)

Side 2. STATE OF ARIZONA, Respondent

(Litigant Group) STATE

- State of Arizona

Attorney for: Respondent

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CASE STATUS

May 8, 2026..... Pending in ASC

PREDECESSOR CASE(S)

Table with 6 columns: Cause/Charge/Class, Judgment/Sentence, Judge, Role <Comments>, Trial, Dispo. Row 1: MOH, CR-2025-01305, Derek C Carlisle, Authoring Judge of Order

DESCENDENT CASE(S)

ASC CR-26-0135-PR

CASE DECISION

04-May-2026 MEMORANDUM DECISION

David Gass.....Author
Randall Howe.....Concur
Andrew Becke.....Concur

Filed: 04-May-2026 Mandate:

Table with 1 row: Decision Disposition. Content: Jurisdiction Accepted, Relief Denied

14 PROCEEDING ENTRIES

- 1. 20-Feb-2026 FILED: Petition for Special Action; Certificate of Compliance; Contact Sheet; Cover Sheet (Petitioner)
2. 20-Feb-2026 FILED: Appendix (Petitioner)
3. 20-Feb-2026 FILED: Mohave County Superior Court Minute Entry dated 1/2/26, filed 1/5/26 (re: Indigence) (Petitioner)
4. 23-Feb-2026 FILED: Special Action Clerk Notice (Assigned to Dept F, Judges Gass, Foster, Howe)
5. 23-Feb-2026 FILED: Special Action Stay Hearing Scheduling Requirements
6. 23-Feb-2026 FILED: Memorandum: Judge Becke for Judge Foster (Chief Judge Howe)
7. 5-Mar-2026 ORDERED: Respondent shall file a response by 03/10/2026. FURTHER ORDERED: Petitioner shall file a reply 5 days after Respondent files a response. Hon David B Gass - Author
8. 10-Mar-2026 FILED: Response to Petition for Special Action; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Respondent)
9. 16-Mar-2026 FILED: Reply to Response to Petition for Special Action; Certificate of Compliance; Certificate of Service (Petitioner)
10. 4-May-2026 MEMORANDUM DECISION (Jurisdiction Accepted, Relief Denied) Hon David B Gass - Author; Hon Randall M Howe - Concur; Hon Andrew J Becke - Concur
11. 4-May-2026 FILED: Decision Distribution Notification
12. 11-May-2026 FILED: Email Notice from ASC re: Petition for Review filed 5/8/26; request for partial record
13. 13-May-2026 FILED: Letter forwarding partial record to Arizona Supreme Court
14. 26-May-2026 FILED: Courtesy Copy, Mohave County Superior Court Minute Entry filed 01/02/2026 re: Initial Appearance/Arraignment/Hearing re: Motion to Set High Bond