

**Arizona Supreme Court**  
**Civil Petition for Review - Appeal**

**CV-24-0140-PR**

**STATE FARM v BALZAN**

**Appellate Case Information**

Case Filed: 1-Jul-2024  
 Case Closed:

**Dept/Composition**

**En Banc**

Hon. Ann A. Scott Timmer  
 Hon. John R Lopez  
 Hon. Clint Bolick  
 Hon. James P Beene  
 Hon. William G Montgomery  
 Hon. Kathryn H. King  
 Hon. Maria Elena Cruz

**Side 1. STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY, Plaintiff/Appellee**

(Litigant Group) STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY

- State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company

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**Side 2. CONNOR BALZAN, Defendant/Appellant**

(Litigant Group) CONNOR BALZAN

- Connor Balzan

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**Side 3. ARIZONA ASSOCIATION FOR JUSTICE/ARIZONA TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION, Amicus Curiae**

(Litigant Group) ARIZONA ASSOCIATION FOR JUSTICE/ARIZONA TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

- Arizona Association for Justice
- Arizona Trial Lawyers Association

**Attorneys for: Amicus Curiae**

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**CASE STATUS**

Jul 6, 2026.....Decision Rendered

May 6, 2025.....Oral Argument Granted

Jul 1, 2024.....Pending

**PREDECESSOR CASE (S)**

| Case No. | Cause/Charge/Class | Judgment/Sentence    | Judge, Role <Comments>   | Trial | Dispo |
|----------|--------------------|----------------------|--|-------|-------|
| 1 CA     | 1 CA-CV 23-0564    |                      |  |       |       |
| MAR      | CV2022-007634      | Declaratory Judgment | Frank W Moskowitz,<br>Authoring Judge of Order<br>Comments: (none) |       |       |

**CASE DECISION**

06-Jul-2026 **OPINION**

For the foregoing reasons, we vacate ¶¶ 12–16 of the court of appeals' memorandum decision and affirm the superior court's grant of summary judgment in favor of State Farm.

Filed: **06-Jul-2026**

Mandate:

Decision Disposition

**CofA Vacated**  
**Affirmed**

**Maria Cruz**.....Author  
**Ann Timmer**.....Concur  
**John Lopez**.....Concur  
**Clint Bolick**.....Concur  
**James Beene**.....Concur  
**William Montgomery**.....Concur  
**Kathryn King**.....Concur

**32 PROCEEDING ENTRIES**

- 1-Jul-2024 FILED: Petition for Review; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance; Memorandum Decision (Appellant Balazan)
- 2-Jul-2024 FILED: Record from CofA: Electronic Record
- 9-Jul-2024 RECEIPT No.: 2024-00156 ; \$280.00, Authorization: 8739990899775392, Applied to: CONNOR BALZAN - Class A Filing Fee (\$280.00) Paid for: CONNOR BALZAN - By nCourt LLC
- 29-Jul-2024 FILED: State Farm's Response to Petition for Review; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Appellee State Farm)
- 31-Jul-2024 FILED: Amicus Curiae Brief of Arizona Association for Justice/Arizona Trial Lawyers Association; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Amicus AZ Association/AZ Trial Lawyers)

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6. 31-Jul-2024 FILED: Arizona Association for Justice/Arizona Trial Lawyers Association's Motion for Leave to File Amicus Curiae Brief; Certificate of Service (Amicus AZ Association/AZ Trial Lawyers)
7. 31-Jul-2024 FILED: (Duplicate) Arizona Association for Justice/Arizona Trial Lawyers Association's Motion for Leave to File Amicus Curiae Brief (Amicus AZ Association/AZ Trial Lawyers)
8. 2-Aug-2024 Amicus Arizona Association for Justice/Arizona Trial Lawyers Association having filed a "Motion for Leave to File Amicus Curiae Brief" along with the brief of amicus curiae on July 31, 2024,  
  
IT IS ORDERED the "Motion for Leave to File Amicus Curiae Brief" is granted. The brief shall be filed as of July 31, 2024. (Tracie K. Lindeman, Clerk)
9. 2-Aug-2024 RECEIPT No.: 2024-00193 ; \$140.00, Authorization: 8740186021416297, Applied to: STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY - Class B Filing Fee (\$140.00) Paid for: STATE FARM MUTUAL AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY - By nCourt LLC
10. 20-Aug-2024 FILED: State Farm's Response to Amicus Curiae Brief of Arizona Association for Justice/Arizona Trial Lawyers Association; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Appellee State Farm)
11. 4-Apr-2025 ORDERED: Petition for Review = CONTINUED.
12. 6-May-2025 ORDERED: Petition for Review = GRANTED as to the following rephrased issue:  
  
Under A.R.S. § 20-259.01(H), do multiple insured individuals who jointly purchase multiple policies using community or shared funds constitute "one insured"?  
  
FURTHER ORDERED: The case shall be set for oral argument.  
  
FURTHER ORDERED: The parties may file simultaneous supplemental briefs, not to exceed 20 pages in length, no later than May 27, 2025. Any amicus briefs are due on or before June 10, 2025 and any responses to amicus briefs are due on or before June 30, 2025. Any amicus briefs or responses may not exceed 20 pages in length.
13. 7-May-2025 FILED: Record From CoFA: Entire Electronic Record
14. 27-May-2025 FILED: State Farm's Supplemental Brief; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Appellee State Farm)
15. 27-May-2025 FILED: Connor Balzan's Supplemental Brief; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Appellant Balzan)
16. 28-May-2025 NOTICE OF ORAL ARGUMENT: Set for Thursday, September 18, 2025, at 10:15 A.M. [twenty (20) minutes per side]
17. 29-May-2025 FILED: Notice of Acknowledgment of Oral Argument (Joel DeCiancio will argue) (Appellee State Farm)
18. 2-Jun-2025 FILED: Notice of Conflict (Treated as a Motion to Reset Oral Argument); Certificate of Service (Appellant Balzan)
19. 4-Jun-2025 On June 2, 2025, Appellant Balzan filed a "Notice of Conflict," which the Court is treating as a motion to reset oral argument. The Court, having consulted with the parties, and there being no opposition to Appellant's motion, finds that good cause exists to reset oral argument in this matter. Accordingly,  
  
IT IS ORDERED vacating the oral argument set in this case for Thursday, September 18, 2025.  
  
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED re-setting oral argument in this matter for Tuesday, October 28, 2025, at 9:30 A.M. The Briefing Schedule remains unchanged.  
  
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the Clerk of the Court shall send a new notice of Oral Argument with advocacy instructions to the parties. (Hon. Ann A. Scott Timmer)
20. 6-Jun-2025 NOTICE OF ORAL ARGUMENT: Set for Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 9:30 A.M. [twenty (20) minutes per side].
21. 9-Jun-2025 FILED: Notice of Acknowledgment of Oral Argument (Mick Levin will argue) (Appellant Balzan)
22. 10-Jun-2025 FILED: Supplemental Amicus Curiae Brief of Arizona Association for Justice/Arizona Trial Lawyers Association; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Amicus Arizona Association for Justice)
23. 10-Jun-2025 FILED: Arizona Association for Justice/Arizona Trial Lawyers Association's Motion for Leave to File Supplemental Amicus Curiae Brief; Certificate of Service (Amicus Arizona Association for Justice)
24. 11-Jun-2025 A "Motion for Leave to File Supplemental Amicus Curiae Brief" (Amicus Arizona Association for Justice) and the brief of amicus curiae were filed on June 10, 2025. After consideration,  
  
IT IS ORDERED the "Motion for Leave to File Supplemental Amicus Curiae Brief" is granted. The brief shall be filed as of June 10, 2025. (Hon. Ann A. Scott Timmer)

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25. 30-Jun-2025 FILED: State Farm's Response to Supplemental Amicus Curiae Brief; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Appellee State Farm)
26. 5-Sep-2025 NOTICE OF ORAL ARGUMENT: Set for Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 9:30 A.M. at Holbrook High School, Holbrook, AZ (20 minutes per side)
27. 8-Sep-2025 FILED: Notice of Acknowledgment of Oral Argument (Mick Levin will argue) (Appellant Balzan)
28. 9-Sep-2025 FILED: Notice of Acknowledgment of Oral Argument (Joel DeCiancio will argue) (Appellee State Farm)
29. 26-Sep-2025 SENT: Letter to Parties re Parking in Holbrook
30. 20-Oct-2025 FILED: Supplemental Citation of Legal Authority; Certificate of Service (Appellee State Farm)
31. 28-Oct-2025 ORAL ARGUMENT - Submitted for decision en banc (Attorneys who argued: Mick Levin, Joel DeCiancio)
32. 6-Jul-2026 OPINION - For the foregoing reasons, we vacate ¶¶ 12–16 of the court of appeals' memorandum decision and affirm the superior court's grant of summary judgment in favor of State Farm. (Hon Maria Elena Cruz - Author; Hon. Ann A. Scott Timmer - Concur; Hon. John R. Lopez IV - Concur; Hon. Clint Bolick - Concur; Hon James P. Beene - Concur; Hon William G. Montgomery - Concur; Hon. Kathryn H. King - Concur)