

Arizona Supreme Court
Civil Petition for Review - Family Court

CV-25-0309-PR

MACDONALD v MACDONALD

Appellate Case Information

Case Filed: 21-Nov-2025
 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. CORIEANNE MACDONALD, Petitioner/Appellee/Cross-Appellant

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CASE STATUS

Apr 14, 2026....Submitted

Mar 4, 2026.....At Issue

Nov 21, 2025....Pending

PREDECESSOR CASE(S)	Cause/Charge/Class	Judgment/Sentence	Judge, Role <Comments>	Trial	Dispo
1 CA 1 CA-CV 25-0475 FC					
MOH S8015DO202400193	Motion to Alter or Amend Decree of Dissolution		Megan A McCoy, Authoring Judge of Order Comments: (none)		

14 PROCEEDING ENTRIES

- 21-Nov-2025 FILED: Petition for Review; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance; Orders (CofA1); Order (MohCSC) Filed 5/5/25 (Respondent/Appellant S. MacDonald)
- 25-Nov-2025 FILED: Record from CofA: Electronic Record
- 2-Dec-2025 RECEIPT No.: 2025-00321 ; \$330.00, Authorization: 8831546128686029, Applied to: SCOTT MACDONALD - Class A Filing Fee (\$330.00) Paid for: SCOTT MACDONALD - By nCourt LLC
- 19-Dec-2025 FILED: Appellee's Response to Petition for Review; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Petitioner/Appellee C. MacDonald)
- 30-Dec-2025 RECEIPT No.: 2025-00347 ; \$165.00, Authorization: 8216015607494789, Applied to: CORIEANNE MACDONALD - Class B Filing Fee (\$165.00) Paid for: CORIEANNE MACDONALD - By nCourt LLC
- 3-Mar-2026 ORDERED: Petition for Review = GRANTED as to the following issue:

In family court actions, the appealability of an order is governed by Ariz. R. Fam. Law P. 78, which states that “[a] judgment as to all claims, issues, and parties is not appealable unless the judgment recites that no further matters remain pending, and that the judgment is entered under Rule 78(c).” Here, the trial court’s order denying Husband’s Motion to Alter or Amend contained additional findings and did not include finality language under Rule 78. Did the Court of Appeals err in holding that the time limit for filing a notice of appeal from that order began on the date it was entered, as opposed to the date it was certified as final under Rule 78?

FURTHER ORDERED: Request for Attorneys' Fees (Respondent/Appellant S. MacDonald) = CONTINUED.

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 March 23, 2026. Any amicus briefs are due on or before March 30, 2026 and any responses to amicus briefs are due on or before April 6, 2026. Any amicus briefs or responses may not exceed 20 pages in length.

- 4-Mar-2026 NOTICE OF ORAL ARGUMENT: Set for Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 1:00 P.M. [20 minutes per side)
- 11-Mar-2026 FILED: Record from CofA: Remaining Record

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| 9. | 6-Mar-2026 | FILED: Notice of Acknowledgment of Oral Argument (Isabel Humphrey will argue) (Appellee C. MacDonald) |
| 10. | 9-Mar-2026 | FILED: Notice of Acknowledgment of Oral Argument (Keith Berkshire will argue) (Appellant S. MacDonald) |
| 11. | 23-Mar-2026 | FILED: Appellee's Supplemental Brief; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Appellee C. MacDonald) |
| 12. | 23-Mar-2026 | FILED: Appellant's Supplemental Brief; Certificate of Service; Certificate of Compliance (Appellant S. MacDonald) |
| 13. | 9-Apr-2026 | FILED: Record from CofA: Electronic Record |
| 14. | 14-Apr-2026 | ORAL ARGUMENT - Submitted for decision en banc (Attorneys who argued: Keith Berkshire, Isabel M Humphrey) |