

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY

CV 2025-036771

02/19/2026

HONORABLE GREG S. COMO

CLERK OF THE COURT
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Deputy

TRILOGY AT POWER RANCH COMMUNITY
ASSOCIATION

SCOTT CARPENTER

v.

JOHN DOE, et al.

JOHN DOE
NO ADDRESS ON RECORD

KEVIN R HARPER
MARC HERBENER
NO ADDRESS ON RECORD
KEEGAN C KLEIN
JUDGE COMO

MINUTE ENTRY

Central Court Building – Courtroom 401-VC-CV

10:02 a.m. This is the time set for an Order to Show Cause Return Hearing. Plaintiff, Trilogy at Power Ranch Community Association is represented by counsel, Scott Carpenter, and Kevin R. Harper. Defendant, Steve Berman is represented by counsel, Kevin R. Harper. All parties are present telephonically/virtually via Court Connect.

A record of the proceedings is made digitally in lieu of a court reporter.

Discussion is held regarding the discovery process, scheduling depositions, and the parties' readiness to set an Evidentiary Hearing.

Based on the discussion held on the record and the parties' positions,

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IT IS ORDERED setting this matter for an Evidentiary Hearing regarding Plaintiff's *Application for Preliminary Injunction* filed January 30, 2026, on **April 17, 2026**, at **1:30 p.m.** (time allotted: 3 hours) in this Division. The parties are to appear in-person.

THE HONORABLE GREGORY COMO
Maricopa County Superior Court
Central Court Building
Courtroom 401
201 W. Jefferson St
Phoenix, Arizona 85003
PHONE: 602-372-0754

NOTE REGARDING COURTROOM TECHNOLOGY: Parties who intend to use a personal device in conjunction with the courtroom's technology are encouraged to set up an appointment with the Division's Courtroom Assistant at 602-372-0755.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED directing the parties to file a list of witnesses and exhibits with a brief description on the topics that will be discussed with the Court by no later than **April 10, 2026.**

10:12 a.m. Matter concludes.

NOTE: All court proceedings are recorded digitally and not by a court reporter. Pursuant to Local Rule 2.22, if a party desires a court reporter for any proceeding in which a court reporter is not mandated by Arizona Supreme Court Rule 30, the party must submit a written request to the assigned judicial officer at least ten (10) judicial days in advance of the hearing and must pay the authorized fee to the Clerk of the Court at least two (2) judicial days before the proceeding. The fee is \$140 for a half-day and \$280 for a full day.

EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS

IT IS ORDERED that the parties shall exchange exhibits and file a list of intended witnesses with the Court by no later than **April 13, 2026.** Please include a brief description of anticipated testimony in the list of intended witnesses.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parties submit any proposed hearing exhibits as follows:

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1. **Submit Hearing Exhibits through Case Center.** This division is using Case Center (also known as Case Lines), a statewide electronic exhibit portal. Attorneys must submit exhibits through Case Center; Self-Represented Litigants can request to opt-out of Case Center by contacting the judge's division at **602-372-2958**. Unless otherwise ordered, Exhibits must be submitted at least **5 business days** before the hearing as provided below.
2. **Opting Out of Case Center (Self-Represented Litigants only).** A Self-Represented Litigant may opt out of Case Center no less than **10 calendar days** before the trial/evidentiary hearing (or within 24 hours of being served with notice if the party is served less than 10 calendar days before the evidentiary hearing). The Self-Represented Litigant must email the other Self-Represented Litigants or counsel and the assigned judicial division to notify the court that they are opting out and to request instructions for submitting exhibits. Self-Represented Litigants must comply with the deadline for submitting Exhibits. Each party must make sure the Court has the party's valid current email address. If you do not have an email address, you can obtain a free one through accounts.google.com. Each party must register for Case Center at <https://digitalevidence.azcourts.gov/?tlang=en-US>. The website has links to training resources that will guide you through uploading exhibits and navigating Case Center. The Clerk of Court will email each party (or their attorney of record) a case-specific Case Center link that the party will use to upload exhibits. For assistance with Case Center invitations only, email the Clerk of Court at COCExhibitQuestions@maricopa.gov. The email subject line should include the case number. The body of the email should include the parties' names, the assigned judge's name, and explain that the sender is requesting help with a Case Center invitation.
3. **Exhibit Format.** Case Center accepts most digital formats (including photographs, PDFs, Word files, audio files, and video files). Case Center automatically numbers the exhibits. Plaintiff/Petitioner's exhibits have either a P- prefix or can be referred to as Plaintiff's exhibit (i.e. Plaintiff's exhibit 5, or Exhibit P5) and Defendant/Respondent's exhibits have a D- prefix or can be referred to as Defendant's exhibit (i.e. Defendant's exhibit 5, or Exhibit D5). During the proceedings, parties are strongly advised to refer to exhibits using the Case Center exhibit numbers, for purposes of a clear record. For assistance with Case Center, contact AOC Support Services at (602) 452-3519 (option 5) or pasupport@courts.az.gov, Monday – Friday 7 AM – 6 PM, excluding State holidays.

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4. **Exhibit Upload Assistance.** Scanners are available at each of the regional court Law Library Resource Centers. Each scanner has an attached computer and instructions on how to upload exhibits into Case Center.

5. **Physical Exhibits.** The Courtroom Clerk will handle marking physical exhibits for Self-Represented Litigants who opt out of Case Center. Attorneys who submit physical exhibits must create a placeholder in Case Center and include “Physical Exhibit” in the name of the exhibit prior to submitting the physical exhibit(s) to the Division. The collection of physical exhibits must have a Physical Exhibit Case Coversheet that includes the following: (1) the name of the party submitting the exhibit(s); (2) the case number; (3) the date of hearing; and (4) the exhibit number(s) and description(s). In addition, each individual exhibit must have an Exhibit Coversheet printed on color paper indicating the physical exhibit’s exhibit number in Case Center. For Self-Represented Litigants, if any individual exhibit is a document that is longer than ten (10) pages, each page of the exhibit shall be numbered. Division staff will provide the exhibits to the Courtroom Clerk for marking. The Courtroom Clerk will mark any physical exhibit(s) with the same exhibit number used in Case Center.

6. **Devices and WiFi.** If needed, hearing participants may request to use a court-provided device to view and present exhibits during an evidentiary hearing. All requests for access to a court-provided device must be submitted to the Division via email **5 calendar days** before the hearing. Hearing participants can connect to the court’s free MCPUBLIC WiFi in 90-minute intervals, after which they are automatically disconnected. If disconnected, users may follow the intranet prompts to reconnect. If parties determine that this may interfere with the presentation of their case, they may request access to MCSponsored WiFi, which will allow uninterrupted access to court WiFi. This request must be made by emailing the assigned division **10 calendar days** in advance of any Hearing. Self-Represented Litigant access will be valid for 60 days; lawyer and nonlawyer representative access will be valid for 365 days.

7. **Remote Witnesses.** Any party who calls a witness who is appearing remotely (i.e., by telephone or videoconference) should either (1) provide the witness with a copy of all exhibits or (2) ensure that the remote witness has an electronic device available that allows them to view exhibits displayed on a screen through either Case Center, or Teams.

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8. **Exhibit Presentation During Hearings.** Unless indicated otherwise in any hearing-specific court minute entry or order, offerors may, but are not required to, use Case Center to present (e.g., show to the court, a witness, or the jury) evidence during a Hearing. Options for presentation of evidence include but are not limited to the following: (1) use of paper copies of the exhibits that have been uploaded to Case Center; (2) use of evidence presentation software and/or PDF viewers to display PDFs of exhibits that have been uploaded to Case Center; (3) screen sharing of Case Center through Court Connect (Teams); and (4) use of Case Center “Presentation” mode to share exhibits. Parties are strongly encouraged to download PDFs of their Case Center exhibits and/or have paper copies available in the event there are technological difficulties in the courtroom.

9. **Additional Resources.** For Case Center related training and questions, the parties may wish to visit the Thomson Reuters Case Center Home Page at <https://answers.legalprof.thomsonreuters.com/casecenter-us/search>. For technical issues with Case Center, parties may contact AOC Support Services Monday – Friday from 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM, excluding State holidays, at (602) 452-3519, 1-800-720-7743 (toll free), or pasupport@courts.az.gov. The parties may also wish to review A.O. 2024-080 at <https://superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/media/30ylnjsa/ao2024-080-re-use-of-case-center-in-the-civil-department.pdf> for additional information regarding Case Center.