

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
MARICOPA COUNTY

CV 2025-035545

01/29/2026

HONORABLE MICHAEL MANDELL

CLERK OF THE COURT
C. Curley
Deputy

ELI DALTON-WEBB

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5009 E IRONWOOD CIR
SIERRA VISTA AZ 85650

v.

INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

ROBERT VINCENT WREN

JUDGE MANDELL

EVIDENTIARY HEARING SET

Courtroom 814-VC-CV East Court Building

9:01 a.m. This is the time set for an Order to Show Cause Evidentiary Hearing regarding *Plaintiff's Petition for Order to Show Cause* filed on October 1, 2025. Plaintiff, Eli Dalton-Webb, is present on his own behalf. Defendant, Industrial Commission, is represented virtually by counsel, Robert Wren.

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

Discussion is held regarding Plaintiff's Motion to Video Record; Notice of Audio Recording filed on January 27, 2026.

For the reasons stated on the record,

IT IS ORDERED granting Plaintiff's Motion to Video Record; Notice of Audio Recording filed on January 27, 2026.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the video recorder/camera shall remain stationary at all times during the court proceeding.

Defense counsel makes an oral Motion to Continue.

The Plaintiff having no objection and for reasons stated on the record,

IT IS ORDERED granting Defense counsel's oral Motion to Continue.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED vacating the in-person Order to Show Cause Evidentiary Hearing set this date and resetting same on **March 9, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. (90 minutes)** before this division. All counsel (and any self-represented party) shall appear in person.

Honorable Michael S. Mandell
Maricopa County Superior Court
East Court Building, Courtroom 814
101 W. Jefferson Street, Phoenix AZ 85003
Judicial Assistant: Andrea Boley
Andrea.Boley@jbazmc.maricopa.gov
Phone: (602) 372-5052

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the parties shall submit their exhibits and their list of witnesses to the opposing parties no later than **February 13, 2026**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED limiting the discovery to the issues that have been raised in the Plaintiff's Petition for Order to Show Cause which may include the Plaintiff's request for public records and the Plaintiff's request for the worker's compensation hearings to be opened to the public.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, by **February 13, 2026**, the parties are to submit a Pre-Hearing Statement, that identifies:

1. A listing of witnesses who will be called to testify, and a brief summary as to what each of those witnesses are going to testify to.
2. A list of exhibits that each party intends to present at the Evidentiary Hearing.

The parties are to promptly notify the Court if all issues have been resolved and the Evidentiary Hearing can be vacated. In the event the parties do not resolve their issues, each party

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shall deliver to the judge at the Evidentiary Hearing a tabbed notebook containing that party's exhibits.

EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS

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

- 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 Andrea.Boley@jbazmc.maricopa.gov or (602) 372-5052. Unless otherwise ordered, Exhibits must be submitted **no later than February 13, 2026**.
- 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 www.azcourts.gov/digitalevidence. The website has links to training resources that will guide you through uploading exhibits and navigating Case Center. The Clerk of Court will send an email invitation to each party (or their attorney of record) with a case-specific Case Center link for uploading exhibits before the first hearing. For subsequent hearings in the same case, parties will not receive another email and should access the case on the Case List page. For instructions, See azcourts.gov/Portals/0/222/TrainingVideos/Invitation-CaseList-CaseFilter-3-2-2022.mp4. **For assistance with the 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

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the exhibits. Plaintiff/Petitioner's exhibits have a **P-** prefix (**Exhibit P1, P2**, etc.) and Defendant/Respondent's exhibits have a **D-** prefix (**Exhibit D1, D2**, etc.). During the hearing, the parties must refer to exhibits using the Case Center exhibit numbers. 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.

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. **Exchange Exhibits**. No later than **February 16, 2026**, you must give the other party copies of all exhibits you submitted for use at the hearing.
6. **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 judge's 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 should be numbered. Division staff will provide the exhibits to the Courtroom Clerk for marking. The Courtroom Clerk will mark physical exhibit(s) with the same exhibit number used in Case Center.
7. **Devices and WiFi**. If needed, hearing participants may request to use a court-provided devices 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 for up to 90 minutes. For evidentiary hearings/trials longer than 90 minutes, WiFi users, the parties may request access to MCSponsored WiFi which will allow access to WiFi without the need to reconnect after 90 minutes 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.

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8. **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.
9. **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.
10. **Additional resources.** For Case Center related training and questions, the parties may wish to visit the Arizona Courts Digital Evidence Training Resources Website at: <https://www.az.courts.gov/digitalevidence/Training/AttorneyandSelf-RepresentedLitigants>. *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://www.azcourts.gov/digitalevidence> for additional information regarding Case Center.

NOTE: All court proceedings are recorded by audio and video method 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.

ATTENTION SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANTS: Unless an attorney files a notice that he or she represents a party, the person(s) not represented by an attorney will act as his or her own attorney. **The law requires the Court to hold all persons representing themselves to the same standard as a licensed attorney.** Self-represented litigants are encouraged to review the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, paying particular attention to Rule 26. Please note that **only a**

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licensed attorney may represent a corporation, LLC, or similar business entity in the Superior Court. Ramada Inns v. Lane & Bird Advertising, 102 Ariz. 127, 426 P.2d 395 (1967).

Before the Judge can consider anything you send him, you must show him that you have given a copy of your request:

1. To the Clerk of the Court. The Clerk of the Court is a separately elected official. It is the clerk's job to keep an independent record of everything that happens at the court. The Court cannot act on a document that has not been made a part of that record; and
2. To every other party involved in the case. This is so all parties have a fair chance to tell the judge what they think before he makes a decision.

Because of that, if you want the Judge to consider something you send him, you must file the original document with the Clerk of the Superior Court, mail or deliver a copy directly to this division (that is, to the Judge, using his specific courtroom address), and mail or deliver a copy to all opposing parties. In addition, on each document you must include a signed certificate that says whether you mailed or hand delivered each copy, when you did so, and states the specific people and the specific addresses to which you mailed or hand delivered each copy. If a party is represented by a lawyer, you must send or deliver the copy to the lawyer, not to the party.

Do not mail or send papers for the Clerk or other parties to the Judge.

If you want to file papers with the Clerk of the Court by mail, please send them to:

Clerk of the Superior Court's Office
Civil File Counter
201 W. Jefferson
Phoenix, AZ 85003

The clerk's guidelines for filing by mail can be found at:

<http://www.clerkofcourt.maricopa.gov/filing-by-mail.asp>

All parties representing themselves must keep the Court updated with address changes. A form may be downloaded at: https://superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/llrc/fc_gn9/

Or you may purchase printed forms at any of the following Superior Court Law Library Resource Center locations (Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.):

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Downtown Phoenix Facility

East Court Building
101 W. Jefferson St.
Phoenix, AZ 85003-2243

Southeast Facility

222 E. Javelina Ave.
Mesa, AZ 85210-6201

Northeast Court Facility

18380 N. 40th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85032

Northwest Regional Center

14264 W. Tierra Buena Lane
Surprise, AZ 85374

9:27 a.m. Matter concludes.