

Court of Appeals

STATE OF ARIZONA
DIVISION TWO

Laura Owens,

Petitioner/Appellant,

v.

Clayton Echard,

Respondent/Appellee.

Case No. 2 CA-CV-2024-0315 FC

Maricopa County Superior Court

Case No. FC2023-052114

Judge Julie A. Mata

APPELLANT'S REQUEST FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

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Pursuant to Ariz. R. Civ. App. P. 18(a), Petitioner/Appellant Laura Owens respectfully requests this matter be set for oral argument.

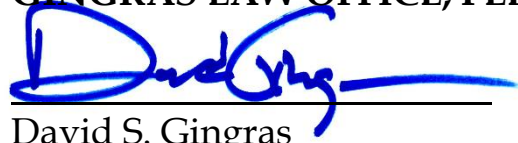
As explained in the briefs, this appeal raises significant matters of first impression and issues of recurring statewide importance. These issues included, but are not limited to:

1. Whether Rule 26 of the Rules of Family Law Procedure (the family court analogue to Civil Rule 11) permits a judge to award \$150,000 in *sua sponte* sanctions after a litigant seeks to invoke the safe harbor of the rule.
2. Whether the structural error rule, recognized in civil and criminal cases, *State v. Ring*, 204 Ariz. 534 (Ariz. 2003), applies in family court.

Because this case originated in the Maricopa County Superior Court, and since both parties, and counsel for both sides, all reside in Maricopa County and must travel, Appellant respectfully asks the Clerk to set oral argument for the Court's afternoon session, if possible.

DATED January 30, 2025.

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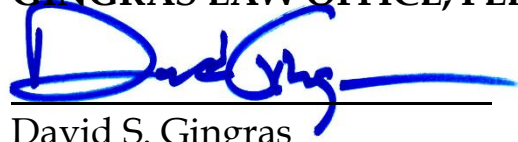
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On this date, the below-signing lawyer e-filed Appellant’s “Request for Oral Argument” with the Clerk of the Court for Division Two, and e-mailed copies of it to the following:

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