

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA  
MARICOPA COUNTY

CR2025-007905-001 DT

01/23/2026

HONORABLE SIGMUND POPKO

CLERK OF THE COURT  
D. Van Hoorn  
Deputy

STATE OF ARIZONA

EDWARD DOUGLAS LEITER

v.

LAURA MICHELLE OWENS (001)

JEFFREY A SWIERSKI

COMM. POPKO

INITIAL PRETRIAL CONFERENCE

This matter was set for a non-appearance Initial Pretrial Conference on 01/21/2026.

IT IS ORDERED that Defense counsel advise their client of all future hearing dates as set forth below.

The parties have filed an Initial Pretrial Conference Statement.

The Court finds/orders as follows:

The State has filed notices as required by Rule 15.1(b).

The State has provided/made available the objects required by Rule 15.1(b).

The Defense has filed notices as required by Rule 15.2(b) and 15.2(c).

Any request to extend the deadline set this date must be done pursuant to Rule 15.6(d). Failure to request an extension may result in the preclusion of the evidence.

The matter having been previously designated complex,

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IT IS ORDERED affirming Complex Case Management Conference/Comprehensive Pretrial Conference on 02/25/2026 at 8:45 a.m. before Judge Rueter.

IT IS ORDERED affirming the Final Trial Management Conference (FTMC) on 07/22/2026 at 8:45 a.m. before Judge Rueter.

IT IS ORDERED affirming the Trial Assignment date on 07/29/2026 at 9:00 a.m. before the Master Calendar Assignment Judge. The Trial Assignment hearing is in person for all lawyers and defendants. The parties should contact the Trial Assignment division prior to the Trial Assignment date to request to appear virtually. The purpose of the hearing is to set dates for (1) the Trial Procedure Conference and (2) the jury selection date.

All self-represented litigants shall appear in person at the trial assignment date unless otherwise ordered. All in custody defendants shall be transported unless otherwise ordered.

Should the Trial Assignment Judge approve a virtual appearance, the Assignment Judge's division will email parties instructions and a link to join the Court Connect videoconference (for more information, visit <https://superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/court-connect/>). A hearing participant can also join by telephone by dialing 917-781-4590 and entering Access Code 103 815 458#. If a virtual appearance has been approved counsel of record and defendants are ordered to appear via videoconference with their webcams enabled.

Last Day: 08/29/2026 (0 DAYS EXCLUDED)

Notice: If an interpreter is needed for a victim or a witness for any hearing, counsel must notify the Court 48 hours in advance of the scheduled hearing. (Ten business days for any language other than Spanish).