Gila County Superior Court

PUBLIC INTEREST CASES

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Once the case is selected, general information will appear, and includes the pleadings filed, hearings held, and status of the case. For more information about the case than the website displays, you may contact the office of the Clerk of Court.

Gila County Court Public Access

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http://www.gilacountyaz.gov/government/courts/index.php

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For a full explanation of this program, please visit the County Attorney's web page at the following link:

http://www.gilacountyaz.gov/government/county_attorney/diversion_deferred_program.php

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PENDING CASES

CIVIL

Case	Status as of:	Plaintiff/Defendant
CV201300032	05/15/2013	DEBORAH NICHOLS – Vs- MICHAEL LOWE, PEAK MEDICAL CARE, PLLC

CRIMINAL

CR201200336	04/14/2014	Brandon Lee LEWIS
CR201300569	05/14/2014	Michael Alan VODEN

• CASES SET FOR TRIAL

Case No.	Set for	Defendant
CR201300431	07/08/2014	Scott Christopher Laman
CR201300213	06/11/2014	Kyron Dale Grow

• CASES SET FOR SENTENCING

Case No.	Set for	Defendant
CR201300250	06/02/2014	Guillermo Ortega III

• DIVERSION CASES

Case No.	as of	Defendant

• RECENT DISPOSITIONS

Case No.	as of	Defendant
CR201300500	05/15/2014	Charles D Hampshire
CR201300500	05/15/2014	Daniel Alfred Norris
CR201300439	05/12/2014	Matthew Lee COX
CV20100115	03/19/2014	SANDRETTO *v.* PAYSON HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT, INC
CR201200530	02/03/2014	Brian Bradley BENDER
CR201300105	01/22/2014	Joshua Shane BLALOCK
CR201300239	01/21/2014	Nathan James O'DONNELL

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PENDING CASES
- CIVIL CASES -

Plaintiff:	**DEBORAH NICHOLS**	**Defendant:**	**MICHAEL LOWE,** **PEAK MEDICAL CARE, PLLC**
Case #:	**CV201300032**		
Attorney for Plaintiff:	Neal H. Bookspan Laura A. Rogal Jaburg & Wilk, P.C.	**Attorney for Defendant:**	Pro Per
Judge:	Peter Cahill	**Superior Court:**	Division I
Case Status:	**NO HEARING DATE AT THIS TIME** **Application for Entry of Default Against Defendants and Declaration in Support of Entry of Default Against Defendant filed 5/15/13**		
Case Notes:	Complainant alleges that the Defendant's actions breached his fiduciary and contractual duties and terms. Defendant is also said to have deliberately obstructed Plaintiff is seeking judgment be entered for compensatory damages and costs.		
Complaint:	Ct. 1 Breach of Fiduciary Duty – Dr. Michael Lowe Ct. 2 Intentional Interference With business Expectancy – Dr. Michael Lowe Ct. 3 Breach of Contract Ct. 4 Statutory Accounting Ct. 5 Issuance of a Temporary Restraining Order; Preliminary Injunction; Permanent Injunction		

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PENDING CASES
- CRIMINAL CASES -

Defendant:	**Brandon Lee LEWIS**	**Case #:**	**CR201200336**
Prosecutor:	**Gila County Attorney's Office**	**Defense:**	Michael Harper Chuck Walker
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	**Superior Court:**	Division I

Case Status:

March 31, 2014 @ 1:45 Defendant's Motion to Dismiss with Prejudice in PAYSON
LINK: *Motion to Dismiss with Prejudice.pdf*

April 14, 2014 @ 1:30 Pretrial Conference in PAYSON

May 6, 2014, @ 9:30 JURY TRIAL in GLOBE

May 6, 2014 trial date vacated on 4/14/14; new trial date to be reset by order of the court after consultation with counsel.

Defendant was charged with a number of counts of assaulting Peace Officers, acting in a manner to prevent his arrest, as well as causing damage to a police vehicle and police uniform.

ORDER VACATING JUDGMENT AND CONVICTIONS
Re: Convictions Entered: August 8, 2013
LINK: FINALVacatingJudgmentConvictions.pdf

Indictment:
Filed 7/18/2012

Ct. 1 - Aggravated Assault on Peace Officer
Ct. 2 - Aggravated Assault on Peace Officer
Ct. 3 - Aggravated Assault on Peace Officer
Ct. 4 - Resisting Arrest
Ct. 5 - Criminal Damage
Ct. 6 - Criminal Damage

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- CRIMINAL CASES -

Defendant:	**Michael Alan VODEN**	**Case #:**	**CR201300569**
Prosecutor:	**Gila County Attorney's Office** **Shawn Fuller**	**Defense:**	**Michael Bernays**
Judge:	Robert Duber, II	**Superior Court:**	Division II

Case Status:

May 19, 2014 Hearing on State's Motion to Revoke Defendant's Release Conditions continued to June 12, 2014 @1:30 p.m. in Payson

June 12, 2014 Pre-Trial Conference in Payson

Case Notes:

The Defendant is accused of causing the death of Randall Burnett, by use of a handgun, without premeditation, but knowing that his conduct would cause death or serious physical injury.

12/12/13 – Defendant's Bond amount was modified from $1m to $200,000, with other release conditions including house arrest, remaining within his fenced property which is to be padlocked, and to wear an electronic monitoring device.

Indictment: Ct. 1 - Second Degree Murder

Filed 11/13/13

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CASES SET FOR TRIAL
- CRIMINAL CASES -

Defendant:	**Scott Christopher LAMAN**	**Case #:**	**CR201300431**
Prosecutor:	**Shawn Fuller**		**Anna Ortiz**
Judge:	(to be reassigned)	**Superior Court:**	Division I

Case Status: **July 8, 2014** **Jury Trial** **in Globe**

State filed Notice of Change of Judge on 5/14/14- case to be reassigned.

The Defendant is accused of First Degree Murder; Attempted First Degree Murder; Discharging a Firearm at a Structure; Misconduct Involving Weapons-Prohibited Possessor; Unlawful Flight from Law Enforcement; Resisting Arrest; Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

Bond has been set at $1Million.

Indictment:

Filed 8/21/2013

Ct. 1 – First Degree Murder
Ct. 2- Attempted First Degree Murder
Ct. 3 – Discharging a Firearm at a Structure
Ct. 4- Misconduct Involving Weapons-Prohibited Possessor
Ct. 5- Unlawful Flight from Law Enforcement
Ct. 6- Resisting Arrest
Ct. 7 - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

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CASES SET FOR TRIAL
- CRIMINAL CASES -

Defendant:	**Kyron Dale GROW**	**Case #:**	**CR201300213**
Prosecutor:	**Shawn Fuller**	**Defense:**	**Anna Ortiz**
Judge:	(to be reassigned)	**Superior Court:**	Division I

Case Status: **June 11, 2014** **Jury Trial** **in Globe (12 person jury/7days)**

State filed Notice of Change of Judge on 5/14/14- case to be reassigned.

Case Notes: The Defendant is accused of First Degree Murder, 2 counts of Child Abuse-Death or Substantial Physical Injury, Aggravated Assault-Serious Physical Injury.

Defendant is in custody without bond.

Indictment:

Filed 4/10/2013

Ct. 1 - First Degree Murder,

Ct. 2 - Child Abuse-Death or Substantial Physical Injury, a dangerous crime against children

Ct. 3 - Aggravated Assault-Serious Physical Injury, a dangerous crime against children

Ct. 4 - Child Abuse-Death or Substantial Physical Injury, a dangerous crime against children

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CASES SET FOR SENTENCING
- CRIMINAL CASES -

Defendant:	**Guillermo ORTEGA, III.**	**Case #:**	**CR201300250**
Prosecutor:	**Shawn Fuller**	**Defense:**	**Anna Ortiz**
Judge:	Hon. Robert Duber, II.	**Superior Court:**	Division II

Case Notes: The Defendant is accused of Second Degree Murder; Attempted Second Degree Murder; 2 counts of Aggravated Assault-Serious Physical Injury; 2 counts of Aggravated Assault-Deadly Weapon/Dangerous Instrument

Case Status: **Sentence set for 6/2/14 @ 3:30 p.m., in Globe**

Indictment:

Ct. 1 –Second Degree Murder

Ct. 2 – Attempted Second Degree Murder

Ct. 3-Aggravated Assault-Serious Physical Injury

Ct. 4-Aggravated Assault-Serious Physical Injury

Ct. 5-Aggravated Assault-Deadly Weapon/Dangerous Instrument

Ct.6-Aggravated Assault-Deadly Weapon/Dangerous Instrument

DISPOSITION: **JURY TRIAL – Commenced on April 23, 2014**

VERDICT:

Ct. 1- SECOND DEGREE MURDER - JURY FOUND DEFENDANT-GUILTY

Ct. 2-ATTEMPTED SECOND DEGREE MURDER - JURY FOUND DEFENDANT-GUILTY

Ct. 3-AGGRAVATED ASSAULT-SERIOUS PHYISICAL INJURY TO (V.A.)- JURY FOUND DEFENDANT GUILTY

Ct. 4-AGGRAVATED ASSAULT-SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY TO (E.G.)-JURY FOUND DEFENDANT GUILTY

Ct. 5-AGGRAVATED ASSAULT-DEADLY WEAPON/DANGEROUS INSTRUMENT UPON (V.A.)-JURY FOUND DEFENDANT GUILTY

Ct.6-AGGRAVATED ASSAULT-DEADLY WEAPON/DANGEROUS INSTRUMENT UPON (E.G.)-JURY FOUND DEFENDANT GUILTY

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RECENT CASE DISPOSITIONS

Defendant:	**Charles Dee HAMPSHIRE (D1)**	**Case #:**	**CR201300500**
Prosecutor:	**Gila County Attorney**	**Defense:**	**Ronald DeBrigida**
Judge:	Gary V. Scales for the Hon. Peter J. Cahill	**Superior Court:**	Division I
Case Notes:	The Defendant is accused of Criminal Trespass in the First Degree		
Indictment:	**Ct. 1 - CRIMINAL TRESPASS IN THE FIRST DEGREE**		
DISPOSITION:	**JURY TRIAL – Commenced on May 13, 2014 thru May 15th, 2014**		
VERDICT:	**Ct. 1- CRIMINAL TRESPASS IN THE FIRST DEGREE JURY FOUND DEFENDANT-NOT GUILTY**		

RECENT CASE DISPOSITIONS

Defendant:	**Daniel Alfred NORRIS (D2)**	**Case #:**	**CR201300500**
Prosecutor:	**Gila County Attorney**	**Defense:**	**Barry Standifird**
Judge:	**Gary V. Scales for the Hon. Peter J. Cahill**	**Superior Court:**	Division I
Case Notes:	The Defendant is accused of Criminal Trespass in the First Degree		
DISPOSITION:	**JURY TRIAL – Commenced on May 13, 2014 thru May 15, 2014**		
Indictment:	**Ct. 1- CRIMINAL TRESPASS IN THE FIRST DEGREE JURY FOUND DEFENDANT-NOT GUILTY**		

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Defendant:	**Matthew Lee COX**	**Case #:**	**CR201300439**
Prosecutor:	**Gila County Attorney's Office**	**Defense:**	**Ronald DeBrigida**
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	**Superior Court:**	Division I
Case Status:	**April 23 2014**	**Jury Trial**	**in Globe**
Case Notes:	The Defendant is accused of 3 counts of Forgery, and one count of Theft, in the altering of checks as well as the theft of money belonging to Rex Cox, with a value of $1,000 to $2,000.		
	RULING ENTERED RE REJECTED PLEA BARGAIN *February 24, 2014 – Motion to Reconsider* *Link-* **Order Denying Motion for Reconsideration COX.pdf**		
Indictment:	Ct. 1 - Forgery Ct. 2 - Forgery Ct. 3 - Forgery Ct. 4 - Theft		
SENTENCING:	**May 12, 2014 @ 11:00 a.m.**		**in PAYSON**
CONVICTION:	**Amended Ct. 1- Attempted Forgery** • **Suspend Sentence** • **Probation for six (6) months** • **Fines, fees & surcharges** **All remaining counts dismissed.**		**CLASS 5 FELONY**

RECENT CASE DISPOSITIONS

2010-00115 SANDRETTO *v.* PAYSON HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT, INC. Arizona Court of Appeals decision issued: **March 11, 2014**.

Link to the court's opinion: http://www.appeals2.az.gov/Decisions/CV20130044OPN.pdf

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Defendant:	**Brian Bradley BENDER**	**Case #:**	**CR201200530**
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney	**Defense:**	Chad Shell
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	**Superior Court:**	Division I

Case Notes: Defendant is charged with unlawfully controlling property, with a value of $4,000 to $25,000. Allegations also include the Defendant falsely claiming to be an organization representative with the intention of defrauding, as well as claiming to be licensed to submit a business proposal/bid.

Indictment:	Ct. 1 -	Theft	Class 3 Felony
	Ct. 2 -	Criminal Impersonation	Class 6 Felony
	Ct. 3 -	Contracting Without a License	Class 1 Misdemeanor

DISPOSITION: **JURY TRIAL – commenced October 22, 2013**

VERDICT:	Ct. 2 -	Criminal Impersonation	**JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – NOT GUILTY**
	Ct. 3 -	Contracting Without a License	**JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY**

SENTENCING:	**February 3, 2014 @ 1:30**	**SENTENCING**	**in PAYSON**

CONVICTION:

CT. 3 - CONTRACTING WITHOUT A LICENSE **CLASS 1 MISDEMEANOR**

- **Suspended Sentence**
- **Probation for three (3) years**
- **All Fines, Fees & Surcharges**

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RECENT CASE DISPOSITIONS

Defendant:	**Joshua Shane BLALOCK**	**Case #:**	**CR201300105**
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney	**Defense:**	Ronal DeBrigida
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	**Superior Court:**	Division I
Case Notes:	Defendant is accused of trafficking in stolen jewelry, which had been stolen from the victim, Kim Becker.		
Indictment:	Ct. 1 - Trafficking Stolen Property in the 2nd Degree		**Class 3 Felony**
DISPOSITION:	**JURY TRIAL – Commenced on January 22, 2014.**		
VERDICT:	**CT. 1 - TRAFFICKING STOLEN PROPERTY / 2ND DEGREE**		**JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – NOT GUILTY**

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RECENT CASE DISPOSITIONS

Defendant:	**Nathan James O'DONNELL**	**Case #:**	**CR201300239**
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney	**Defense:**	Jonathan Warshaw
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	**Superior Court:**	Division I

Case Notes: Defendant is charged with the possession and transportation of heroin, in such an amount as to be a quantity meant for sale. It is also alleged that the Defendant was in possession of drug paraphernalia, use of Marijuana and driving while suspended.

Indictment:

Ct. 1 -	Possession of Narcotic Drug for Sale>threshold	Class 2 Felony
Ct. 2 -	Transportation of Narcotic Drug for Sale>threshold	Class 2 Felony
Ct. 3 -	Possession of a Narcotic Drug	Class 4 Felony
Ct. 4 -	Use of a Narcotic Drug	Class 4 Felony
Ct. 5 -	Use of Marijuana	Class 6 Felony
Ct. 6 -	Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	Class 6 Felony
Ct. 7 -	Aggravated DUI-Drugs/License suspended	Class 4 Felony

DISPOSITION: **JURY TRIAL – commenced December 18, 2013**

VERDICT:

Ct. 1 -	Possession of Narcotic Drug	**JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY**
Ct. 2 -	Possession of Narcotic Drug	**JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY**
Ct. 3 -	Possession of Narcotic Drug	**JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY**
Ct. 4 -	Use of a Narcotic Drug	**JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – NOT GUILTY**
Ct. 5 -	Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	**JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY**

SENTENCING: **January 21, 2014**

CONVICTION:

CT. 1 -	**POSSESSION OF NARCOTIC DRUG**	**Class 5 Felony**
CT. 2 -	**POSSESSION OF NARCOTIC DRUG**	**Class 5 Felony**
CT. 3 -	**POSSESSION OF NARCOTIC DRUG**	**Class 5 Felony**
CT. 5 -	**POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA**	**Class 6Felony**

- Suspended Sentence
- Mandatory Two (2) Years Probation (Prop 200)
- All Fines, Fees & Surcharges

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