

SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
APACHE COUNTY

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<p>Michael P. Roca, Judge Pro Tem COURT REPORTER: (Digitally Recorded)</p> <p>JV2008065</p> <p>In re the matter of:</p> <p>ROMERO, CHRISTIAN RYAN</p> <p>A Person under 18 years of age</p>	<p>SUE HALL, CLERK OF THE COURT By: Laurel Waite, Deputy Clerk</p> <p>Hearing: November 10, 2008 Start: 3:10 PM End: 3:49 PM</p> <p>Bradley W Carlyon, Deputy County Attorney [em] Apache County Attorney's Office</p> <p>Wood Law Office [em] Benjamin Brewer</p> <p>Apache County Juvenile Court Services [em]</p> <p>Albert B Lassen, Guardian Ad Litem [em]</p> <p>Daniel C. Barr [hc] Perkins, Coie, Brown & Bain, PA P.O. Box 400, 2901 N. Central Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85001-0400</p> <p>David Jeremy Bodney [hc] Steptoe & Johnson LLP 201 W Washington St Ste 1600 Phoenix, AZ 85004-2382</p> <p>Betty Smith, Court Administrator [hc]</p> <p>Gary Sheets, Assistant Attorney General [em] State Attorney General's Office</p> <p>CASA Program Coordinator [hc] Diana Ryan PO Box 1222 St Johns, AZ 85936</p> <p>Child Protective Services [em] Christie Orona</p>
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MINUTE ENTRY: Status Conference

PRESENT IN JUVENILE COURT: CHRISTIAN RYAN ROMERO, Juvenile; Eryn Thomas, Parent of the Juvenile; Ben Brewer for Wood Law Office, Attorney for the Juvenile; Bradley W. Carlyon, Deputy County Attorney; and Juvenile Probation Department.

APPEARING TELEPHONICALLY: David Bodney and Daniel Barr

LET THE RECORD SHOW this is the date and time set for a Status Conference in the above-captioned matter.

The Court reads the Order concerning media coverage of this case.

Mr. Brewer states his concerns about the coverage and asks for the Order to remain in place.

Mr. Bodney and Mr. Barr inform the Court of their concerns of the broadness of the Order and requests a modification.

The Court voices his concern over the inaccurate information that is being disseminated and the potential for contaminating the dependency proceeding.

The Court asks Mr. Bodney or Mr. Barr to bring this matter before the court with a motion for reconsideration.

The Court will leave the current Order in place as written.

The Court has spoken with Ms. Himes concerning the visitation of the biological mother and arrangements are being made.

The defense has asked for access to the crime scene without it having been altered. Mr. Carlyon states that the house has been returned to the Romero family and some cleaning has been done.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED the State exercise its best efforts to facilitate an examination of the scene by the defense.

Mr. Carlyon makes a suggestion as to a doctor for the defense to use for their psychological evaluation. Mr. Brewer requests time to research with regard to an additional appointment of an expert for defense purposes.

The Court states that the defense will have until late Friday November 14th to nominate a second doctor or agree with the State's nominee. This will be a comprehensive evaluation as to competency and mental state at the time of the events in question.

The Court and Counsel discuss ARS §8-291.07.

The Court states that a copy of said Statute will be given to all psychological evaluators. All evaluations are to be sealed and not to be opened except by Court Order.

The Court and Counsel discuss CPS's request for their own evaluation. The Court overrules Mr. Brewer's request that CPS not have an evaluation.

Mr. Carlyon informs the Court that Mr. Candelaria has appointed Mr. Carlyon as Special Prosecutor to handle this matter. Mr. Carlyon requests that appointed mental experts be provided medical and educational records for the juvenile.

The Court asks Mr. Carlyon and Mr. Brewer prepare an Order for the Courts signature.

Mr. Colwell, Juvenile Probation, requests that Doctor Cady be allowed to speak to the biological mother, step-mother and school. Mr. Carlyon will draft a waiver for the mother's signature to authorize release of school records.

Hearing concludes.