

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

Masi L LC v. Seshat Bank, et al.

No. CV-25-02892-PHX-SPL, United States District Court for the District of Arizona (March 13, 2026)

SUMMARY

The United States District Court for the District of Arizona grants Plaintiff’s renewed motion for alternative service. The Court authorizes service by publication because Plaintiff was unable to locate valid physical, mailing, or electronic addresses for the defendants, and requires proof of service by publication by May 11, 2026.

OPINION

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PER CURIAM.

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6 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

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8 Masi L LC,) No. CV-25-02892-PHX-SPL) 9) 10 Plaintiff,) ORDER vs.)) 11) Seshat Bank,
et al.,) 12) 13 Defendants.)) 14) 15 Pending before the Court is Plaintiff’s Renewed Motion for
Alternative Service 16 (Doc. 11). “Before a federal court may exercise personal jurisdiction over a
defendant, the 17 procedural requirement of service of summons must be satisfied.” Omni Capital
Int’l, Ltd. 18 v. Rudolf Wolff & Co., 484 U.S. 97, 104 (1987), superseded by statute on other
grounds. 19 Service of an individual and business entity are governed by Federal Rules of Civil
20 Procedure 4(e) and 4(h), respectively. As Plaintiff notes, Arizona Rule of Civil Procedure
21 4.1(k) authorizes alternative means of service if service under 4.1(c) through 4.1(j) prove 22
impracticable. 23 “Due process requires the Court to craft a method of service that is ‘reasonably
24 calculated, under all the circumstances, to apprise interested parties of the pendency of the 25
action and afford them an opportunity to present their objections.’” Amazon.com Inc. v. 26 Peng,
No. 2:23-cv-00607-TL-BAT, 2023 WL 5015398, at *3 (W.D. Wash. Aug. 7, 2023) 27 (quoting
Mullane v. Cent. Hanover Bank & Trust Co., 339 U.S. 306, 314-15 (1950) 28 (collecting cases)).
Here, Plaintiff has been unable to find a valid address for either 1 | Defendant despite retaining a
licensed private investigator. (Doc. 11 at 2, § 2). In addition, the email address Plaintiff previously
communicated with Defendant through is now 3 | inactive. (Doc. 11 at 2, 94] 3-5). Plaintiff has
therefore been unable to verify any physical, mailing, or electronic address to effect service. (Doc.
11 at 2, | 6). As a result, Plaintiff now seeks to serve Defendants by publication. Good cause
appearing, 6 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Motion for Alternative Service (Doc. 11) 1s
granted. 8 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff shall have until May 11, 2026, to 9 |

complete and file proof of service by publication in accordance with Arizona Rule of Civil 10 |
Procedure 4.1(1). 11 Dated this 13th day of March, 2026. 13 Honorable even P. Lggan 14 United
States District udge 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

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