

COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIRST DISTRICT OF TEXAS

**Blackbuck Petroleum PropCo I LLC and AGP Energy Services LLC
v. Bluefin Resources PropCo LLC; Bluefin Resources LLC; Stanford
Petroleum LLC; and Scott Stanford**

Blackbuck Petroleum v. Bluefin Resources · No. 01-24-00826-CV · Decided April 23, 2026

SUMMARY

The First District Court of Appeals of Texas dismissed an appeal from an order denying a motion to compel arbitration after the parties reached a mediated settlement resolving all claims, including the pending appeal. The court granted the appellees’ unopposed motion to dismiss and taxed costs against the appellants.

CASE DETAILS

COURT	Court of Appeals for the First District of Texas
WRITING FOR THE COURT	Chief Justice Adams; Justice Guerra; Justice Guiney
JURISDICTION	Court of Appeals for the First District of Texas
DECIDED	April 23, 2026
DOCKET	01-24-00826-CV
DISPOSITION	dismissed
PROCEDURAL POSTURE	Appellants appealed the trial court's order denying their motion to compel arbitration. After the parties entered into a mediated settlement agreement and related settlement, release, and confidentiality agreement, appellees moved to dismiss the appeal, and appellants stated they were unopposed.
PRECEDENTIAL VALUE	Published opinion; memorandum opinion
PARTIES	Blackbuck Petroleum PropCo I LLC, AGP Energy Services LLC v. Bluefin Resources PropCo LLC, Bluefin Resources LLC, Stanford Petroleum LLC, Scott Stanford

TOPICS

- appellate procedure
- mediation
- arbitration
- costs

PRACTICE AREAS

QUESTIONS PRESENTED

1. Whether the appeal should be dismissed under Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 42.1(a)(2)(A) after the parties reached a settlement resolving the appeal and appellants stated they were unopposed to dismissal.

HOLDINGS

1. The court may dismiss the appeal when the parties have reached a settlement resolving the appeal and the dismissal is requested by motion under Texas Rule of Appellate Procedure 42.1(a)(2)(A); the court granted the unopposed motion and dismissed the appeal.

KEY QUOTATIONS

“resolve[s] any and all past and present claims and causes of action”

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

Blackbuck Petroleum PropCo I LLC and AGP Energy Services LLC appealed from an order denying their motion to compel arbitration. During the appeal, the parties entered into a mediated settlement agreement and a related settlement, release, and confidentiality agreement resolving their past and present claims, including the pending appeal. The parties agreed to file dismissals with prejudice, and appellants did not oppose appellees' motion to dismiss.

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The 215th District Court of Harris County denied appellants' motion to compel arbitration on October 11, 2024. Appellants filed an appeal. While the appeal was pending, the parties entered into settlement agreements resolving their claims and expressly covering the appeal. The First District Court of Appeals granted the unopposed motion to dismiss and taxed costs against appellants.

DISPOSITION

dismissed

OPINION

PER CURIAM.

Opinion issued April 23, 2026 In The Court of Appeals For The First District of Texas NO. 01-24-00826-CV BLACKBUCK PETROLEUM PROPCO I LLC AND AGP ENERGY SERVICES LLC, Appellants V. BLUEFIN RESOURCES PROPCO LLC; BLUEFIN RESOURCES LLC; STANFORD PETROLEUM LLC; AND SCOTT STANFORD, Appellees On Appeal from the 215th District Court Harris County, Texas Trial Court Case No. 2024-08213 MEMORANDUM OPINION Appellants Blackbuck Petroleum PropCo I LLC and AGP Energy Services LLC filed a

notice of appeal from the trial court's October 11, 2024 order denying their motion to compel arbitration.

Appellees Bluefin Resources PropCo LLC, Bluefin Resources LLC, Stanford Petroleum LLC, and Scott Stanford have now filed a motion to dismiss the appeal, noting that the parties have entered into a mediated settlement agreement, which incorporates a settlement, release, and confidentiality agreement that "resolve[s] any and all past and present claims and causes of action" between the parties, including the "appeal pending before the First District Court of Appeals (No.

01-24-00826- CV)." In the settlement, release, and confidentiality agreement, the parties agreed to "file dismissals with prejudice of all claims." Appellees therefore request that this Court effectuate the parties' agreement by disposing of this appeal by dismissal. See TEX. R. APP. P. 42.1(a)(2)(A). Copies of the mediated settlement agreement and the settlement, release, and confidentiality agreement, both of which are signed by the parties, are attached to appellees' motion to dismiss on file with this Court.

See id. 42.1(a)(2). Appellants filed a response to appellees' motion to dismiss, stating that they are unopposed to the motion and relief requested therein. No opinion has issued. See id. 42.1(c). Accordingly, we grant appellees' unopposed motion and dismiss the appeal, with costs to be taxed against the appellants. See id. 42.1(a)(2)(A), (d), 43.2(f). PER CURIAM Panel consists of Chief Justice Adams and Justices Guerra and Guiney.