

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