

## **Arizona Adjudications Project**

# APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE INSTRUCTIONS

The Arizona Adjudications Project is an initiative of the University of Arizona's Natural Resource Use & Management Clinic. Claimants in Arizona's general stream adjudications with small water right claims may apply for limited legal representation. As a university clinic, we are limited in the types and number of cases we can accept.

To apply for legal assistance, please fill out and return the attached Application and Authorization forms. Answer all questions in the Application to the best of your ability. If you do not know the answer to a question you may leave it blank. If you do not understand a question, please let us know in your answer. Do not send the Clinic any additional documents or records related to your water rights claim. Clinic staff and students will evaluate your request and determine whether the Clinic can assist you.

The Application and Authorization forms do not create an attorney-client relationship. If you have any pending deadlines you must pursue these on your own; do not wait to hear from us. The University of Arizona's Adjudications Project has not agreed to represent you at this time.

We appreciate your patience as we review and respond to applications.

Please submit completed forms to:

Law-AZAdjudicationsProject@arizona.edu

or

University of Arizona Natural Resource Use & Management Clinic
Attn: AZ Adjudications Project
James E. Rogers College of Law
P.O. Box 210176
Tucson, AZ 85721



#### **SECTION 1: Information About You**

Date:					
Name:	Phone Number:				
Address (Street, City, State, Zip): If the address for the water right is different, note both.					
E-mail Address:					
Have you previously contacted the Clinic:  Yes No					
How did you hear about the Clinic?					

### **SECTION 2: Water Right Claim(s)**

1. Please briefly describe why you are seeking assistance.

2. For what purpose do you use your water (i.e. domestic, irrigation, stockwatering, wildlife)?

3.	What is the point of diversion for your water right claim (i.e. well, stream pump, receive water from a ditch or canal)?
4.	Do you know how much water you are currently using? What is your estimate?
5.	Have you filed an application for permit with Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) for your water use(s) (i.e. a "33" form / Application for Permit to Appropriate Public Water or a historical "36" Water Rights Registration Act form)?
6.	Have you claimed your water use in the adjudication by filing a Statement of Claimant ("39" form) with ADWR? If yes, what is your Statement of Claimant number?
7.	In which adjudication watershed/subwatershed is your claim located? If you do not know write "unsure."
8.	Have you submitted any other forms to the ADWR related to your water use? What types?

9. Do you have any additional records or paperwork related to the water claim? Please describe the types of documents (i.e. original patents, deeds, well agreements, historic photos or descriptions...). Do not send any additional documents to the Clinic at this time.

# **SECTION 3: Property Information**

1.	what is the acerage of the parcel associated with your water right claim?
2.	What is the parcel number associated with your property?
3.	When did you acquire the property?
4.	If you are not the original owner of the property, have you filed any documents with ADWR regarding the ownership of your water right?

## **SECTION 4: Additional Information**

1.	Have you received any recent mailings from either the ADWR, the Maricopa County Superior Court, or the Apache County Superior Court? If so, what were the mailings about? When did you receive the mailings?
2.	Do you have an active contested case in front of the Special Master? Have you recently appeared in court, or do you have an upcoming court deadline for a status conference or a filing?
3.	Do you know about any other important upcoming dates related to your water right claim?
4.	Have you ever received legal assistance for this water right claim? If so, when and in what form?



#### **AUTHORIZATION FORM**

I authorize any attorney, staff member, student, or volunteer working with the University of Arizona Natural Resource Use & Management Clinic to communicate with any persons or government agencies that have information relevant to the Clinic's evaluation of my case.

I further authorize the University of Arizona Natural Resource Use & Management Clinic to examine, receive, and/or photocopy any and all documents pertaining to me or my case that are in the possession of such persons or agencies.

This document serves as authorization for evaluation purposes only. I understand that the University of Arizona Natural Resource Use & Management Clinic does not represent me. The Application and Authorization forms do not create an attorney-client relationship.

Date:	Signature:	
	Your Name:	
Address:		
Phone:		