

25-5910 ORIGINAL

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Supreme Court, U.S.  
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IN THE

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

Guadalupe Romero PETITIONER  
(Your Name)

vs.

DCS — RESPONDENT(S)

ON PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO

Arizona Supreme court  
(NAME OF COURT THAT LAST RULED ON MERITS OF YOUR CASE)

PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI

Guadalupe Romero  
(Your Name)

6660 E. Broadway Rd  
(Address)

Mesa AZ 85204  
(City, State, Zip Code)

623-340-8159  
(Phone Number)

#### QUESTION(S) PRESENTED

Whether the trial court violated the appellant's constitutional and procedural rights by proceeding with the termination of parental rights despite the appellants documented mental illness and incapacity to understand or participate in the trial, thereby denying the appellant a fair hearing and due process under the law.

## List of parties

Former - Guadalupe mata  
AKA Lupita mata

Current - Guadalupe Romero  
AKA Lupita Romero

Melissa McGlothlin - Guardian ad litem

DCS

## LIST OF PARTIES

- ☒ All parties appear in the caption of the case on the cover page.
- ☐ All parties **do not** appear in the caption of the case on the cover page. A list of all parties to the proceeding in the court whose judgment is the subject of this petition is as follows:

## RELATED CASES

## TABLE OF AUTHORITIES CITED

### CASES

Rogers v. Tennessee

### PAGE NUMBER

Due process violations

Regarding any lapses in court process due to impaired understanding attributable to both mental state and physical condition during Prior hearings.

### STATUTES AND RULES

### OTHER

I Did not understand what was going on at the time of trial and I even told the Judge I did not know what was going on I did not understand I was diagnosed with anxiety and C-PTSD also I underwent a massive Blood Transfer when giving Birth that impaired me

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Petitioner respectfully prays that a writ of certiorari issue to review the judgment below.

**OPINIONS BELOW**

☐ For cases from **federal courts**:

The opinion of the United States court of appeals appears at Appendix A to the petition and is

☐ reported at \_\_\_\_\_; or,  
☒ has been designated for publication but is not yet reported; or,  
☐ is unpublished.

The opinion of the United States district court appears at Appendix \_\_\_\_\_ to the petition and is

☐ reported at \_\_\_\_\_; or,  
☐ has been designated for publication but is not yet reported; or,  
☐ is unpublished.

☐ For cases from **state courts**:

The opinion of the highest state court to review the merits appears at Appendix B to the petition and is

☐ reported at \_\_\_\_\_; or,  
☒ has been designated for publication but is not yet reported; or,  
☐ is unpublished.

The opinion of the \_\_\_\_\_ court appears at Appendix \_\_\_\_\_ to the petition and is

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## JURISDICTION

☐ For cases from **federal courts**:

The date on which the United States Court of Appeals decided my case was \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ No petition for rehearing was timely filed in my case.

☐ A timely petition for rehearing was denied by the United States Court of Appeals on the following date: \_\_\_\_\_, and a copy of the order denying rehearing appears at Appendix \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ An extension of time to file the petition for a writ of certiorari was granted to and including \_\_\_\_\_ (date) on \_\_\_\_\_ (date) in Application No. \_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_.

The jurisdiction of this Court is invoked under 28 U. S. C. § 1254(1).

☐ For cases from **state courts**:

The date on which the highest state court decided my case was 02-06-2025  
A copy of that decision appears at Appendix C.

☐ A timely petition for rehearing was thereafter denied on the following date: \_\_\_\_\_, and a copy of the order denying rehearing appears at Appendix \_\_\_\_\_.

☐ An extension of time to file the petition for a writ of certiorari was granted to and including \_\_\_\_\_ (date) on \_\_\_\_\_ (date) in Application No. \_\_\_\_ A \_\_\_\_.

The jurisdiction of this Court is invoked under 28 U. S. C. § 1257(a).

## CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY PROVISIONS INVOLVED

Sixth Amendment - Right to a fair trial, which includes:

- The right to be competent to stand trial.
- The right to effective assistance of counsel.
- The right to understand the proceedings and participate in one's defense.

Fourteenth Amendment - Due process Clause:

- Ensures that no person is deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law.
- Includes the right to a fair trial and competent representation.

Many states have statutes regarding competency to stand trial which require that a defendant understand the nature and purpose of the proceedings and be able to assist counsel.



### STATEMENT OF THE CASE

I was not mentally able to understand what was going on at the time of my case but I had been diagnosed with Anxiety and c-PTSD during my case and shortly after they rushed to close my case so fast and I did not understand like I can now the day of trial I told my Judge I did not know what was going on please not to do this but he continued with my trial anyway I love my children and they belong with me not split up they need me just as much as I need them please help me I had also just given birth and received a massive Blood transfer of 4 pints of blood and 3 pints of plasma I was not myself and I have medical records to prove it.

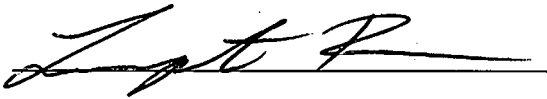
## REASONS FOR GRANTING THE PETITION

my right have been violated  
and I have C-PTSD and Anxiety  
and had just had a massive Blood  
transfer at trial I told the judge  
I did not understand what was going  
on please don't do this but he  
continued with my trial I did not  
understand than like I do now  
that I got myself the help I needed  
to get better for myself and my kids

### CONCLUSION

The petition for a writ of certiorari should be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "L. P. R.", written over a horizontal line.

Date: 5/5/25