# ARIZONA COURT OF APPEALS DIVISION ONE

STATE OF ARIZONA, Respondent,

v.

MICHAEL D. MCFARLAND, Petitioner.

No. 1 CA-CR 21-0016 PRPC FILED 7-27-2021

Appeal from the Superior Court in Maricopa County No. CR2019-119939-001 The Honorable Laura M. Reckart, Judge

### **REVIEW GRANTED; RELIEF DENIED**

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Michael D. McFarland, Buckeye *Petitioner* 

## STATE v. MCFARLAND Decision of the Court

### **MEMORANDUM DECISION**

Presiding Judge Peter B. Swann delivered the decision of the Court, in which Judge David D. Weinzweig and Judge Paul J. McMurdie joined.

### PER CURIAM:

- ¶1 Petitioner Michael D. McFarland seeks review of the superior court's order denying his petition for post-conviction relief. This is petitioner's first petition.
- Absent an abuse of discretion or error of law, this court will not disturb a superior court's ruling on a petition for post-conviction relief. *State v. Gutierrez*, 229 Ariz. 573, 577, ¶ 19, 278 P.3d 1276, 1280 (2012). It is petitioner's burden to show that the superior court abused its discretion by denying the petition for post-conviction relief. *See State v. Poblete*, 227 Ariz. 537, ¶ 1, 260 P.3d 1102, 1103 (App. 2011) (petitioner has burden of establishing abuse of discretion on review).
- ¶3 We have reviewed the record in this matter, the superior court's order denying the petition for post-conviction relief, and the petition for review. We find that petitioner has not established an abuse of discretion.
- ¶4 We grant review and deny relief.



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