

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: January 30, 2023

From: The Louisiana Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal

As part of the Louisiana Supreme Court's "Judges in the Classroom/Students in the Courtroom" initiative, on **Wednesday, February 15, 2023**, the Louisiana Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal will conduct oral argument on several pending cases in Courtroom "A" of the 23rd Judicial District Court, Parish of St. James, State of Louisiana, in Convent, Louisiana, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Civics, law, or government-related classes from each of the two high schools in St. James Parish have been invited to attend and participate in this special court session. All court sessions are open to the public, space availability permitting.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS – INFORMATION

1. **Parking:** Counsel and the litigants desiring to attend oral argument are encouraged to arrive at the courthouse at least thirty minutes prior to the time oral argument is scheduled in order to secure appropriate parking, and to arrive in a timely manner in the courtroom where oral argument will be conducted.
2. **Seating:** A limited amount of reserved seating will be available in the front of the courtroom where oral argument will be conducted for counsel of record and for the litigants desiring to attend oral argument. Seating will be available on a first-come, first served basis, both in the reserved seating section of the courtroom and in the general seating section of the courtroom.
3. All cell phones and recording devices shall be turned completely off when inside of the courtroom where oral arguments will be conducted.
4. No video recordings or audio recordings shall be taken while court is in session. Photographs by authorized persons for educational/public relations purposes may be allowed during this special court session.

5. Decorum and sanctity of the court proceedings shall be maintained at all times. Accordingly, there shall be no talking or unusual or unnecessary movements, distractions or disturbances in and around the courtroom while court is in session.
6. Both court and courthouse security personnel will be on hand to maintain security and enforce all rules of decorum and sanctity of the court proceedings while court is in session.
7. It is anticipated that a short recess will be taken between the cases being argued so as to allow persons to exit and enter the courtroom where oral argument will be conducted.
8. Any questions pertaining to court-related issues concerning this Special Docketing Order should be directed to the Clerk of Court's Office, Louisiana Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal – (504) 376-1400.
9. Any questions pertaining to courthouse-related issues concerning this Special Docketing Order should be directed to Hon. Cody M. Martin, Judge, Division "B", 23rd Judicial District Court, 5800 Highway 44, P. O. Box 105, Convent, Louisiana 70723 – (225) 562-2280.

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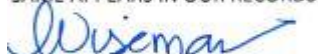
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Linda Wiseman
First Deputy, Clerk of Court

WHEREAS, as part of its community outreach efforts, the Louisiana Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal will conduct oral arguments at the 23rd Judicial District Court, Parish of St. James Parish, State of Louisiana, in Convent, Louisiana, on the cases currently scheduled for oral arguments in Courtroom “B” at the Louisiana Fifth Circuit Court of Appeal on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 10:00 o’clock a.m.;

AND WHEREAS, a Special Docketing Order is required for such purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that oral arguments will be conducted in the following cases on **Wednesday, February 15, 2023** in **Courtroom “A” of the 23rd Judicial District Court, Parish of St. James, State of Louisiana, located at 5800 Highway 44, Convent, Louisiana 70723, beginning at 9:00 o’clock a.m., to-wit:**

1. **No. 22-KA-282 – State of Louisiana v. Lanard A. Lavigne**
The parties in this cases shall be allowed a period of time for oral arguments not to exceed **30 minutes**, divided equally between opposing sides. Counsel are not required to use all of their allotted time.
2. **No. 22-KA-363 – State of Louisiana v. Dan Robertson**
This case will be submitted on briefs without oral arguments.
3. **No. 22-KA-281 – State of Louisiana v. Christopher L. Davis**
The parties in this cases shall be allowed a period of time for oral arguments not to exceed **30 minutes**, divided equally between opposing sides. Counsel are not required to use all of their allotted time.

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Gretna, Louisiana, this 18th day of January, 2023.

FOR THE COURT:

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Chief Judge Susan M. Chehardy