



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE of PENNSYLVANIA COURTS

Media Advisory – For Planning Only

Sept. 12, 2011

Pennsylvania Supreme Court Will Hold Historic Session in Philadelphia's Old City Hall

Harrisburg – For the first time in two centuries, on Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 9:30 a.m., the Pennsylvania Supreme Court will hold oral arguments in the Supreme Court Chamber in Old City Hall, at the corner of 5th and Chestnut streets in Philadelphia. It is also the first time a proceeding will be taped for later television broadcast by PCN.

There will be five seats reserved for media who wish to cover this historic event. Reservations will be taken by Amy Kelchner at the number below on a first-come-first-served basis.

Reporters may wish to leave at the end of an argument – six are scheduled – to make room for another member of the media. A reminder that no cell phones, cameras or recording devices are allowed in the Courtroom, as is the case with all Supreme Court proceedings.

Chief Justice Castille will be available for 15 minutes following the session for brief interviews. Those should also be scheduled with Amy Kelchner.

Because of the anticipated interest in the first televised proceedings the Supreme Court will make a satellite feed available the afternoon of Sept. 13. It will include video footage of that day's arguments in Old City Hall. Details about that satellite feed will be issued the morning of Sept. 13. A still photo will also be available on the Web site.

Date/Time:

Tuesday, Sept. 13 – 9:30 a.m.

Location:

Supreme Court Chamber in Old City Hall
Corner of 5th and Chestnut streets
Philadelphia, PA

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