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Dear Counsel,

Good morning. In response to your inquiry, we implemented the following policy at the Court of Appeals:

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Court of Appeals is implementing a policy that only attorneys, litigants, and necessary staff may attend oral argument. Spectators and visitors will not be permitted during court proceedings.

<https://sccourts.org/whatsnew/displaywhatsnew.cfm?indexID=2456>

Due to Covid restrictions and social distancing measures, we can permit two attorneys at the appellant's table and two attorneys at the respondent's table, as well as 8 additional attorneys, litigants, or necessary staff, which we will allocate as evenly as possible between the parties. Upon receipt of a written request, we can make an audio recording of the oral argument available. In light of these measures, we will waive the customary fee for an audio recording.

Please let me know at least one day ahead of time how many folks you anticipate will attend oral argument.

Jenny Abbott Kitchings

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Ms. Harrison,

With the argument in the Courtroom, is it open to the public, or at least to the parties?

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Dear Counsel:

The oral arguments scheduled in this appeal will now be held in person on **April 21, 2021 at 10:00 am** in Courtroom 1 of the Calhoun Building. Because arguments will no longer be held via WebEx, testing is not required.

We ask that counsel arguing this appeal please respond to this email to confirm your availability on April 21. Thank you.

Catherine Harrison

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Dear Counsel:

At this time, the Court of Appeals is pursuing remote oral arguments via Cisco WebEx. **This appeal is scheduled for oral argument on April 14, 2021, at 10:40 am in Virtual Courtroom I.**

The time limits for argument are as follows:

Appellant: 15 minutes

Respondent: 10 minutes

Respondent: 10 minutes

Appellant in reply: 5 minutes

In addition, the attorneys making the oral arguments must attend a WebEx test to check their connectivity. We require you to test from the location you will be making your oral argument. We anticipate the testing will take 15-30 minutes.

Please note:

- If you have already participated in a Court of Appeals WebEx oral argument and will be joining from the same location using the same equipment, you need not attend the test.
- Attorneys planning to only observe oral argument need not attend the test.
- You do not need to test at the same time as opposing counsel.

We are offering two test dates: March 23, 2021 at 10:00 am and March 24, 2021 at 10:00 am. Please reply to this email with your preference for testing.

The Court of Appeals Virtual Courtroom I can be accessed here:

<https://scjudicial.webex.com/scjudicial/onstage/g.php?MTID=eb51ad7011021ff736d1c8051d8718920>

Once you join the event, you will be an "attendee." Attendees may observe the proceedings, but cannot appear on video, speak, or see a list of other attendees. The clerk will move counsel from attendee status to "panelist" before the argument is scheduled to begin.

When you are moved into the virtual courtroom, please remember to unmute your microphone and turn on your camera. Everyone participating in the oral argument, including the judges on the panel, will be joining the event as an attendee, so be aware once you come into the courtroom that you can be seen and heard by everyone who has signed in.

You may share this link with anyone wishing to view the oral argument. We will use the same link for testing.

Our WebEx guidelines are attached for your review.

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