



Administrative Office of the Courts

NEWS ADVISORY

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New Mexico's highest court to hear case in Las Cruces

LAS CRUCES – The New Mexico Supreme Court hears oral arguments in a case on Friday in Las Cruces and will meet with students after the hearing as part of an educational program on the rule of law.

It is the first time since statehood that New Mexico's highest court has met in Las Cruces to hear a case.

TIME: 1:30 p.m.

DATE: Friday, April 1

PLACE: Third Judicial District Courthouse
201 West Picacho Ave.
Las Cruces, NM

The oral argument will be live streamed. [Click here](#) for a webpage link to access the live stream and documents about the case before the Court. The hearing will be live streamed in English, Spanish and with American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation

Reporters and photographers wishing to cover the oral argument in person at the courthouse should contact Barry Massey, 505-470-3436, bmassey@nmcourts.gov, or Beth Wojahn, 505-469-5415, bwojahn@nmcourts.gov. Journalists need prior authorization to bring a camera inside the courtroom.

The Court will hear arguments in a case involving three people charged with stealing multiple cattle from their owners in Otero County. After the hearing, attorneys for the parties and the justices will respond to questions from students in the audience. However, judicial ethical rules preclude members of the Court from addressing the merits of the pending case.

[Click here](#) for more information on the Court's civics education program, which helps young people learn about the rule of law and the role of courts in our democratic system of government.

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