



Supreme Court of Appeals State of West Virginia

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Supreme Court to hear cases at WVU College of Law

For immediate release

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. – The Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia will hear arguments in three cases on Tuesday, Feb. 28, at the West Virginia University College of Law in Morgantown.

The justices will hear arguments beginning at 10 a.m. in the Marlyn E. Lugar Courtroom at the College of Law. The doors will open at 9 a.m. The event is free and open to the public and will be webcast on the West Virginia Judiciary website, www.courtswv.gov.

After breaking for lunch, the Court will reconvene at 1 p.m. to judge the finals of Baker Cup Moot Court appellate advocacy competition for second-year law students.

“WVU College of Law is the only law school in the state and we are delighted to be able to bring the Court to the state’s future lawyers, WVU students, and local community every year,” said Chief Justice Allen H. Loughry II.

The Court hears an argument docket at the law school once each spring. Justice Robin Jean Davis, Justice Menis Ketchum, and Justice Margaret Workman are graduates of the College of Law. Justice Elizabeth D. “Beth” Walker earned her law degree at Moritz College of Law at The Ohio State University. Chief Justice Allen H. Loughry II has law degrees from The American University, Washington College of Law (two degrees); the University of London; Capital University School of Law; and he studied law at the University of Oxford.

The Court will hear the following cases in Morgantown. Selected documents in the cases can be accessed through links on the West Virginia Judiciary website at <http://www.courtswv.gov/supreme-court/calendar/2017/dockets/feb-28-17ad.html>.

Rule 20 argument

In Re: A.L.C.M., No. 16-0786 - Certified Question From the Circuit Court of Ohio County. Question: Is a Petition for Relief from Parental Abuse and Neglect alleging

abuse and/or neglect of an unborn child who is subsequently born alive actionable under West Virginia law? The Circuit Court said it is.

Petition of A.N.T. for Expungement of Records, No. 16-0147 - The State of West Virginia appeals the February 9, 2016, order of the Circuit Court of Ohio County that granted a motion to expunge a criminal record.

Rule 19 argument

State of West Virginia v. Leonard Lewis, No. 15-0931 – Petitioner appeals his conviction and sentencing for attempted murder, kidnapping, malicious assault, domestic assault, and domestic battery. He is serving a life sentence without mercy.

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