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Court of Appeal to Hold Public Outreach Session at Pepperdine University

Ventura—As part of a statewide outreach program by California appellate courts, the Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District, Division Six, will hold oral argument at Pepperdine University School of Law on Thursday, March 29, 2007, at 1:30 p.m., announced Presiding Justice Arthur Gilbert.

This is the first time that Division Six has held such a session at Pepperdine's law school, located at 24255 Pacific Coast Highway, Malibu. About 100 first-year law students are expected to attend the session, which is also open to the public.

The outreach program is designed to educate law students on appellate procedure and the role appellate courts play in our judicial process. Four criminal cases have been selected and copies of the briefs have been made available to the students.

After oral argument the students will have an opportunity to discuss the appellate issues with counsel of record and write a drafted opinion. Once the court files its opinion, a copy will be transmitted to the law professors. This exercise will allow the students the opportunity to compare their proposed opinion with the court's opinion.

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