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## Third Appellate District to Hear Oral Argument in Colusa County

### *First Educational Program of Its Kind in Colusa County*

Sacramento—As part of its award-winning community outreach program, the Court of Appeal for the Third Appellate District will hear oral argument in Colusa County on Thursday, May 19, 2011, announced Administrative Presiding Justice Vance W. Raye.

This is the first time that a Court of Appeal session will be held in Colusa County. The session will begin at 9:00 a.m. at Colusa High School, 901 Colus Avenue, Colusa. All interested members of the public, attorneys, and judges are welcome to attend.

The following two cases will be heard:

- *The People v. Watts*, C063651, Colusa County. Quintin Joey Watts appeals from conviction and judgment for 11 counts of vehicular manslaughter with 21 findings of infliction of great bodily injury.
- *People ex rel. Edmund G. Brown, Jr., as Attorney General v. Native Wholesale Supply Company*, C063624, Sacramento County. The State of California appeals from order granting a motion to quash service for lack of personal jurisdiction over defendant, a nonresident corporation who sells cigarettes to tribal entities in California.

As part of this educational experience for high school students, the justices will discuss the court's appellate process and function and will hold a question and answer session immediately following oral argument. Ms. Kay C. Spurgeon, Superintendent of Schools, suggested the location and arranged for high school students to attend the proceedings.

The Court of Appeal ordinarily holds oral argument in its courtroom at 621 Capitol Mall, 10th Floor, Sacramento. The Third Appellate District  
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comprises 23 counties: Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, El Dorado, Glenn, Lassen, Modoc, Mono, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo, and Yuba. Colusa County is the twentieth county the court has visited as part of its award-winning outreach program.

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