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A Conversation with Abraham Lincoln

SACRAMENTO—In commemoration of the 150-year anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation and the Gettysburg Address, and the 50-year anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King’s speech, *I Have a Dream*, the [Court of Appeal, Third Appellate District](#), proudly announces its presentation of *A Conversation with Abraham Lincoln* and *The Life of Frederick Douglass*.

The live interview with President Lincoln will take place at the California State Fair, Cal Expo, Center Stage on Saturday, July 13, 2013 at 11:45 a.m. President Lincoln played by renowned Lincoln actor and historian [James Getty](#), will be interviewed by the court’s administrative presiding justice, Honorable Vance Raye, himself a descendant of slaves freed by the president’s proclamation.

After the live interview, fairgoers will have the opportunity to shake Mr. Lincoln’s hand and take photos with him at the court’s exhibit, *Let Freedom Ring!*, in Building A. Justices of the court will also be on hand to meet and greet fairgoers and sign copies of a book chronicling the history of our court.

Thereafter, there will be a meeting between Mr. Lincoln and the great, great, great grandson of Frederick Douglass, [Ken Morris](#). Morris will talk about the life of Frederick Douglass.

The exhibit, *Let Freedom Ring!* will be available for viewing during the two weeks of the State Fair. It will display information about President Lincoln, Frederick Douglass, and the court’s first administrative presiding justice, [Honorable Norton Parker Chipman](#). Chipman, an abolitionist and civil war officer, knew both Lincoln and Douglass, and was with Lincoln at Gettysburg. The exhibit also features a timeline of cases, events, and people associated with the advancement of civil rights. Photographs of the winners of a student essay contest with excerpts from the winning essays will also be displayed. The essay contest grand prize is a [Sojourn to the Past](#) scholarship.