

Court Advisory

Fourth Court of Appeals
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Fourth Court of Appeals to Hear Oral Argument

The Fourth Court of Appeals will hear oral arguments in one appeal on Wednesday, November 3, 2010, beginning at 10:00 a.m., before the following panel of justices: Justice Karen Angelini, Justice Phyllis Speedlin, and Justice Steven C. Hilbig.

The following case will be presented:

- (1) *In re K. L. & J. Limited Partnership and David Torres* - This is an original proceeding arising out of a sexual harassment law suit. The petition for writ of mandamus challenges the trial court's discovery orders regarding plaintiff's alienage, citizenship status, social security number, and employment records.

The Fourth Court of Appeals will hear oral argument in two appeals on Thursday, November 4, 2010, beginning at 9:00 a.m., before the following panel of justices: Chief Justice Catherine Stone, Justice Sandee Bryan Marion, and Justice Steven C. Hilbig

The following cases will be presented:

- (1) *Irene V. Rodriguez v. State* – A jury found Irene V. Rodriguez guilty of holding herself out as an attorney, and the trial court assessed punishment at ten years' confinement, probated, and a \$1,000 fine. On appeal, Rodriguez, who is a notary public, challenges the legal and factual sufficiency of the evidence in support of the verdict, and she asserts the trial court erred in overruling her motion for new trial.
- (2) *Justin E. Briggs, Individually, and Justin E. Briggs as Next Friend of Austin E. Briggs v. Toyota Manufacturing of Texas, et al.* – This is an appeal of the trial court's dismissal of a lawsuit filed by Justin Briggs arising from an explosion during the construction of Toyota's San Antonio assembly plant. The issues presented on appeal relate to whether the defendants were entitled to assert the exclusive remedy provision contained in Texas Workers' Compensation Act with regard to the claims made by Briggs.

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The oral arguments will be held in the Fourth Court's Courtroom, Cadena-Reeves Justice Center, Third Floor, 300 Dolorosa, San Antonio, Texas