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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 Thursday, March 31, 2022, beginning at 9:00 a.m., before the following panel of justices: Justice Patricia O. Alvarez, Justice Luz Elena D. Chapa, and Justice Irene Rios.

The following appeal will be presented:

*Yvondia Johnson v. Bexar Appraisal District* – This is a tax-exemption appeal of first impression. Appellant Yvondia Johnson appeals the trial court's denial of her motion for summary judgment and grant of Appellee Bexar Appraisal District's cross-motion for summary judgment. Johnson argues she was entitled to a residence homestead exemption on the total appraisal value of her Converse residence pursuant to section 11.131(b) of the Tax Code. Section 11.131(b) provides a 100 percent disabled veteran an exemption from taxation of the total appraised value of the veteran's residence homestead. The issues are: (1) whether Johnson demonstrated she was entitled to summary judgment by proving she met the requirements for the 11.131(b) exemption; and (2) whether her husband receiving the same exemption for his San Antonio residence bars her from receiving the 11.131(b) exemption for her Converse residence.

In accordance with the Texas Supreme Court's emergency orders in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the oral argument will be held through the Fourth Court of Appeals' Zoom license.

The argument can be accessed using the following link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiaWJQ7eW5OQIALdyLN6s3A