

Court Advisory

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Fourth Court of Appeals to Hear Oral Argument

The Fourth Court of Appeals will hear oral arguments in two appeals on Tuesday, December 20, 2011, beginning at 9:00 a.m., before the following panel of justices: Chief Justice Catherine Stone, Justice Karen Angelini, and Justice Rebecca Simmons.

The following cases will be presented:

Camp Mystic, Inc., et al. v. S. Stacy Eastland – Camp Mystic, Inc. and Richard G. Eastland appeal the trial court’s granting of S. Stacy Eastland’s traditional and no-evidence motion for summary judgment and dismissal of their legal malpractice claims against S. Stacy Eastland. At issue in this appeal is whether (1) S. Stacy Eastland proved as a matter of law that the statute of limitations bars Camp Mystic, Inc., and Richard G. Eastland’s malpractice claims against him; and (2) Camp Mystic, Inc., and Richard G. Eastland brought forth evidence in their response to S. Stacy Eastland’s no-evidence motion for summary judgment to raise a fact issue.

In re Guardianship of Billie Ray Hood – This appeal involves a probate court order partitioning the community property owned by a husband and wife after the wife’s daughter was appointed guardian of the wife’s person and estate. On appeal, the husband contends: (1) the probate court was not authorized to partition the property; (2) the evidence is legally and factually insufficient to support several components of the partition order; (3) the requirement that the husband pay the wife a portion of his monthly civil service retirement is contrary to federal law; and (4) the trial court abused its discretion in sanctioning the husband’s attorney for discovery abuse.

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