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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, February 14, 2012, 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:

In the Interest of A.C.F.H. and D.A.B.H., Children – This is an appeal from an "Order in Suit Affecting Parent-Child Relationship" and a subsequent "Nunc Pro Tunc Order in Suit Affecting Parent-Child Relationship." The appellant is the biological mother of the two children who are the subject of both orders. Appellee is the step-father of both children. In the orders, the trial court appointed appellant and appellee joint managing conservators of the children, and gave appellant the exclusive right to designate the children's primary residence within Bexar County. In a single issue on appeal, appellant asserts appellee lacked the requisite statutory standing to petition the trial court to appoint him the sole managing conservator; therefore, the trial court did not have jurisdiction to enter the two orders.

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. v. Associated Dealers, Inc., et al. – This appeal involves a dispute regarding superior title and lien superiority in relation to a manufactured home. Javier Cardenas borrowed the balance due for the purchase price of the manufactured home from Wells Fargo and signed a security agreement granting Wells Fargo a security interest in the manufactured home. The manufactured home was purchased from a dealer, Investacore, which obtains the homes from TXAD, Inc., a subsidiary of Associated Dealers, Inc. TXAD, Inc. is listed as the owner on the manufacturer's certificates to the home and retained the manufacturer's certificate in its possession. Wells Fargo claimed superior title because Cardenas was a buyer in the ordinary course of business and, therefore, owned the manufactured home free and clear of all other interests. TXAD argued it retained superior title by possessing the manufacturer's certificates. The trial court granted summary judgment, quieting title in favor of TXAD, and Wells Fargo appeals.

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