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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 Tuesday, June 24, 2014, beginning at 9:00 a.m., before the following panel of justices: Chief Justice Catherine Stone, Justice Marialyn Barnard, and Justice Luz Elena D. Chapa.

The following case will be presented:

John Thomas Ford v. The State of Texas –This appeal arises out of a murder conviction. The appeal raises numerous issues, including: (1) legal sufficiency; (2) denial of the motion for new trial; (3) the trial court's alleged improper response to a jury note; (4) failure to suppress cell phone records; (5) challenge to the affidavit used to obtain a search warrant; (6) improper admission and exclusion of evidence; (7) improper jury argument; (8) denial of a motion for continuance; and (9) denial of request for independent examination of DNA evidence.

The Fourth Court of Appeals will hear oral arguments in one appeal on Tuesday, June 24, 2014, beginning at 1:30 p.m., before the following panel of justices: Chief Justice Catherine Stone, Justice Marialyn Barnard, and Justice Luz Elena D. Chapa.

The following case will be presented:

King Ranch, Inc. v. Juan Antonio Garcia, Gonzalo Chapa, and Carmen S. Chapa-This appeal arises from a boundary dispute between King Ranch, Inc. and three adjoining property owners, Juan Antonio Garcia, Gonzalo Chapa, Jr., and Carmen S. Chapa. The boundary line not only separates the parties' land but also serves as the boundary line between Jim Wells County and Kleberg County. King Ranch challenges the legal and factual sufficiency of the evidence to support the trial court's determination of the location of the boundary line and its alternative findings that the adjoining property owners had adversely possessed land located inside a fence.

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