

Court Advisory

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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, May 14, 2019, beginning at 2:00 p.m., before the following panel of justices: Justice Rebeca C. Martinez, Justice Beth Watkins, and Justice Liza A. Rodriguez.

The following case will be presented:

Deandre Jerome Dorch v. The State of Texas - Deandre Jerome Dorch appeals his convictions for injury to a child by omission and abandoning a child in two related cases. On appeal, Dorch challenges the sufficiency of the evidence to prove that (1) he knowingly or intentionally caused serious bodily injury to the children by failing to provide them with protection, food, shelter, or medical care under Texas Penal Code section 22.04, and (2) he intentionally abandoned the children in a place under circumstances that exposed them to an unreasonable risk of harm under Texas Penal Code section 22.041. Dorch also challenges the trial court's denial of his motion to suppress statements, denial of his requested jury instructions, and admission of expert testimony.

The Fourth Court of Appeals will hear oral arguments in one appeal on Monday, May 20, 2019, beginning at 10:00 a.m., before the following panel of justices: Justice Rebeca C. Martinez, Justice Beth Watkins, and Justice Liza A. Rodriguez.

The following case will be presented:

MPI, Inc. d/b/a Mission Park Funeral Chapels and Cemeteries v. Timothy Mott and Sharlotte Mott - This appeal arises out of a judgment in a premises liability action. The appeal raises challenges to the viability of a premises liability action as a matter of law, the legal sufficiency of the evidence, contractual waiver, and evidentiary issues.

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