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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 Wednesday, September 29, 2021, beginning at 2:00 p.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:

Robyn Lynn Shalit v. Michael Lawrence Shalit – This is an appeal, and a cross appeal, from a final decree of divorce. In the underlying case, Robyn Lynn Shalit sued for divorce from Michael Lawrence Shalit in 2011. After a multi-day trial in March 2019, the trial court made findings of fact, divided the community estate, and signed a final decree of divorce.

Appellant Robyn Lynn Shalit argues that the trial court mischaracterized some community property as Michael’s separate property, it erred by including in the divorce decree a different separate property provision than the one she requested, and the trial court’s division of the property was not just and right.

Cross-Appellant Michael Lawrence Shalit also argues that the trial court mischaracterized some property, and its division was not just and right. He further argues he was denied due process of law, his reimbursement claim was improperly struck, and Robyn should not have been awarded spousal maintenance.

The court will decide the issues after submission by oral argument.