

Press Release

The Arkansas Supreme Court will conduct oral argument at the John Paul Hammerschmidt Conference Center-North Arkansas College in Harrison, Arkansas on Thursday, November 1, 2007 beginning at 9:00 a.m. (The Court will go into informal session for a few minutes right at 9:00 to allow for photographs). The public is welcome to attend. The case that will be argued is *Christopher Branning v. State of Arkansas*.

This will only be the sixth occasion in modern times that the Supreme Court has held court outside of Little Rock. Since 2002, the Supreme Court has held oral argument in Fayetteville, Fort Smith, Jonesboro, Monticello, and Hope. Amendment 80 to the Arkansas Constitution, adopted by vote of the people in 2000, provides that the Supreme Court may meet at such times and places as designated by the Court.

Following oral argument, the Justices will be visiting with students at various public schools in Harrison.

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