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Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals to Offer Remote Viewing of *En Banc* Proceedings

SAN FRANCISCO – The United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit will provide for remote viewing of *en banc* court proceedings scheduled for September 19, 2012, in Courtroom One of the James R. Browning U.S. Courthouse, 95 7th St., San Francisco.

En banc courts, which consist of 11 judges rather than the normal three-judge appellate panel, are used to resolve intra-circuit case conflicts and legal questions deemed by the court to be of exceptional importance. Less than 20 cases per year typically receive *en banc* review.

The two appeals to be heard in San Francisco involve a California penal code requiring law enforcement officials to collect DNA of any adult arrested for a felony offense and Medtronic Inc.'s intrathecal pain medication pump that rendered plaintiff permanently paraplegic. More information is provided below.

A live video and audio feed from the proceedings at the San Francisco courthouse will be delivered via electronically secure means to the following Ninth Circuit courthouses:

Richard H. Chambers
U.S. Courthouse
125 South Grand Ave.
Pasadena, California
Mezzanine Room

U.S. Pioneer Courthouse
700 SW Sixth Avenue
Portland, Oregon
Pioneer Courtroom

William K. Nakamura
U.S. Courthouse
1010 Fifth Avenue
Seattle, Washington
En Banc Courtroom, 8th Floor

Public access to the remote viewing locations will be on a first-come-first-served basis. No photographs or recording/transmission of the audio and video displayed at the remote viewing locations will be allowed. Proper decorum is expected.

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NINTH CIRCUIT *EN BANC* COURTS
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
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10:00 a.m.

Haskell v. Harris

Plaintiffs in this class action appeal from the Northern California district court's denial of their motion for a preliminary injunction in their action challenging a California penal code that requires law enforcement officials to collect, through buccal swab, the DNA of any adult arrested for a felony offense. Case 10-15152

2:00 p.m.

Stengel v. Medtronic, Inc.

Richard and Mary Stengel appeal the Arizona district court's dismissal of their diversity action alleging injuries caused by Medtronic, Inc.'s, intrathecal pain medication pump implanted in Richard Stengel that rendered him permanently paraplegic. Case 10-17755

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals hears appeals of cases decided by executive branch agencies and federal trial courts in nine western states and two Pacific Island jurisdictions. The court normally meets monthly in Seattle, San Francisco, and Pasadena; every other month in Portland, Oregon; three times per year in Honolulu, Hawaii; and twice a year in Anchorage, Alaska. A complete schedule of cases is available online at <http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov>.

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