

# Court Advisory

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## Fourth Court of Appeals to Hear Oral Argument

The Fourth Court of Appeals will hear consolidated oral arguments in one appeal and one original proceeding on Thursday, July 25, 2013, beginning at 9:00 a.m., before the following panel of justices: Chief Justice Stone, Justice Karen Angelini, and Justice Rebeca C. Martinez.

The following cases will be presented:

*City of San Antonio v. International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 624* and *In re City of San Antonio* - These consolidated proceedings involve a dispute between the City of San Antonio and the International Association of Fire Fighters, Local 624, which represents firefighters employed by the City. The Union filed suit in the district court, alleging the City unilaterally changed the terms of the parties' collective bargaining agreement (CBA) regarding health care benefits. The Union sought declaratory and injunctive relief. In response, the City filed a motion to abate the proceedings on the grounds that: (1) the Union's claim is subject to arbitration under the terms of the CBA; and (2) the Union failed to exhaust its administrative remedies under the CBA before filing suit in court. The issue raised in these consolidated proceedings is whether the Union's claim falls within the scope of the CBA's arbitration provisions.

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