

Court Advisory

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Fourth Court of Appeals to Hear Oral Argument

The Fourth Court of Appeals will hear oral argument in one appeal on Friday, September 18, 2026, beginning at 10:00 a.m., before the following panel of justices: Justice Irene Rios, Justice Lori Massey Brissette, and Justice Adrian A. Spears, II.

Ex parte Cecilia Alicia Castellano and Ex parte Juan Manuel Medina 04-26-00096-CR and 04-26-00186-CR: These companion criminal habeas appeals involve facial constitutional challenges to Texas Election Code section 276.015, which criminalizes certain compensated vote-harvesting activities. Appellants contend the statute impermissibly restricts protected political speech, advocacy, and association in violation of the First Amendment and is unconstitutionally vague and overbroad.

The oral argument will be held in the courtroom of the Fourth Court of Appeals, Cadena-Reeves Justice Center, Third Floor, 300 Dolorosa, San Antonio, Texas. The argument also can be accessed using the following link:

The argument will be live streamed at:

<https://youtube.com/@thetexasfourthcourtofappeal404?si=9b3aCgAFjPrOgaD->

An archived version of the oral argument can be accessed using the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiaWJQ7eW5OQIALdyLN6s3A>