

STATE OF MAINE

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT

Docket No. OJ-15-2

In the Matter of  
Request for Opinion of the Justices

**ORAL ARGUMENT PROCESS**

The Justices will hold Oral Argument on the Governor's Request for an Opinion of the Justices at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, July 31, 2015, in Courtroom 12 of the Cumberland County Courthouse in Portland. The argument will proceed as follows:

1. Counsel for the Governor will be allotted fifteen minutes for argument. Up to three uninterrupted minutes may be reserved; up to two minutes may be reserved for rebuttal.
2. Counsel for Representatives Kenneth W. Fredette, Eleanor M. Espling, and Jeffrey L. Timberlake will then be allotted up to five minutes for argument. No uninterrupted or rebuttal time is allotted.
3. Counsel for the President of the Maine Senate and the Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives will then be allotted up to fifteen minutes for argument. Up to three uninterrupted minutes may be reserved, but no rebuttal time is allotted.
4. Counsel for the Attorney General will then be allotted up to five minutes for argument. No uninterrupted or rebuttal time is allotted.
5. Counsel for the Governor will then argue in rebuttal if time has been reserved.

The media is welcomed at the Argument, but space may be limited, and members of the media should be in the courtroom 30 minutes in advance of the Argument. Section I(D) of Administrative Order JB-05-15 (A. 9-11),

*Cameras and Audio Recording in the Courtroom*, applies to the argument. Still cameras may be used if they are situated in a stationary position, as directed by the Clerk of Court in advance of argument; are not moved during argument; and are completely silent. Pooling of video will be necessary, and thus, only one video camera will be permitted. The videographer must be in place in advance of argument, as directed by the Clerk, must remain stationary during the argument, and must act as pool videographer for all media intending to obtain video footage. Members of the media are permitted to take notes during the argument using laptop computers or other electronic devices that are completely silent.

Audio from the Argument will be streamed live by the Judicial Branch, [www.courts.maine.gov](http://www.courts.maine.gov), and will be available for on-demand streaming on the Court's website shortly after the argument. If there is insufficient room in the courtroom to accommodate the public, another room with an audio feed will be made available.

Dated July 29, 2015

For the Justices,

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Leigh I. Saufley  
Chief Justice