



Chief Judge Merrick B. Garland
U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit
E. Barrett Prettyman U.S. Courthouse
333 Constitution Ave.
Washington, D.C., 20001

Delivered via e-mail to Circuit Executive Betsy Paret

October 19, 2017

Dear Chief Judge Garland:

I write to urge the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit to provide a live audio feed of arguments in 17-5236, *Garza v. Hargan*, on the court's website when it is argued tomorrow, October 20, at 10:00 a.m.

As the executive director of an organization that advocates for greater transparency in the federal judiciary, I am appreciative of your September 2013 notice establishing a same-day audio protocol for D.C. Circuit cases, a policy that all but one of the federal circuit courts now follows.

I am also aware that the D.C. Circuit has recently authorized live audio. I believe that this case, being of heightened public interest, should be accessible to all Americans, no matter where in the country they reside, live as it unfolds.

Thank you for taking important steps toward greater court transparency and for considering this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "GABE ROTH" in a stylized, cursive font.

Gabe Roth
Executive Director
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