



# Media Advisory

Alaska Court System, 303 K Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Anchorage, AK 99501

**Contacts:** Marilyn May, [mmay@akcourts.us](mailto:mmay@akcourts.us), 907-264-0612; FAX 907-264-0878

Mara Rabinowitz, [mrabinowitz@akcourts.us](mailto:mrabinowitz@akcourts.us); 907-264-0879; FAX 907- 264-0640

---

## **ALASKA SUPREME COURT TO HEAR CASE AT KETCHIKAN HIGH** **“Supreme Court LIVE” Event Fosters Understanding of the Justice System**

**Anchorage, Alaska (November 10, 2014)** – The Alaska Supreme Court will visit Ketchikan High School on Wednesday November 19, from 9:30AM–11:40AM for the *Supreme Court LIVE* educational program. *Supreme Court LIVE* brings Supreme Court oral arguments in actual cases to student audiences at Alaskan high schools. Designed to help students better understand the justice system, this unique learning opportunity debuted in 2010.

The court will hear oral arguments in a pending case before an audience of high school students. The case – *State of Alaska v. Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes*, stems from a conflict between the State of Alaska and the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes about whether tribes have the power to set child support and whether the State must recognize and enforce child support orders issued by a tribe.

Volunteer attorneys from the Alaska Bar Association and staff from the court system are visiting Ketchikan High School in the days preceding the program to help students understand the appellate process and the case itself, using case summaries and information from the court’s website: <http://courts.alaska.gov/outreach-scl2014-ket.htm>; The program will include question-and-answer sessions with the attorneys arguing the cases, and with members of the Supreme Court.

The program is open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes early to allow time for security screening. Members of the media wishing to use cameras or other electronic equipment in the auditorium should file an Application for Court Approval of Media Coverage <http://courts.alaska.gov/forms/tf-945.pdf> with Appellate Clerk Marilyn May by November 14, 2014 at the email address or fax number noted above.

###

---