

## FOURTH CIRCUIT ORAL ARGUMENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT

This **Oral Argument Acknowledgment** form is to be completed and filed by arguing counsel within 7 days of the Oral Argument Notification. In criminal cases, counsel appearing for a defendant but not arguing must also file this form.

Case Number:

Date of Oral Argument:

Caption:

Attorney Arguing:

Arguing on Behalf of (party name):

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Select party type:

Appellant    Appellee    Appellant/Cross-Appellee    Appellee/Cross-Appellant    Amicus    Intervenor

Attorney Appearing for Defendant but **Not Arguing** in Consolidated Criminal Case:

**Argument Time:** Please indicate how much argument time you wish to use. You may thereafter change your requested time or change counsel arguing by filing a new **Oral argument acknowledgment** form and selecting "Amended" within the entry. Counsel arguing the case must be admitted to the Fourth Circuit, file an appearance of counsel form, and file this acknowledgment form.

- 20 minutes of argument time are allotted per side; all parties to a side must share oral argument time
  - 15 rather than 20 minutes are allotted in social security, black lung & labor cases in which primary issue is whether substantial evidence supports agency decision, and in criminal cases in which primary issue is application of sentencing guidelines; 30 minutes are allotted in en banc cases
  - Appellants and cross-appellants may reserve up to 1/3 of their time for rebuttal (7 out of 20 minutes)
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First Attorney Arguing Per Side:

Phone Number (day of argument):

Principal Argument Time:  
(for appellants and appellees)

Rebuttal Argument Time (if any):  
(appellants and cross-appellants only)

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Any Second Attorney Sharing Arguing Time:

Phone Number (day of argument):

Principal Argument Time:  
(for appellants and appellees)

Rebuttal Argument Time (if any):  
(appellants and cross-appellants only)

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Any Counsel for Amicus Participating in Argument by Leave of Court:

Phone Number (day of argument):

Argument Time:

Select one of the following:

Order allowing argument time  
Court-Appointed Amicus

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Signature:

Date: