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Oral arguments in *USA v. State of Arizona*, Case No. 10-16645, will be heard by a panel of three judges of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit on Monday, November 1, 2010, beginning at 9 AM (Pacific time) in San Francisco, CA.

The United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts will receive a live audio/video feed of this proceeding from the James R. Browning U.S. Courthouse in San Francisco, CA to courtroom 11 on the 5th floor of the John Joseph Moakley U.S. Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Way, Boston, MA, on **November 1, 2010, beginning at 12:00 noon (Eastern time)**.

The case involves the constitutionality of Arizona Senate Bill 1070 that requires state law enforcement officers to check a person's immigration status under certain circumstances, and authorizes a warrantless arrest where there is probable cause to believe that the person has committed an offense making him/her removable from the United States. The U.S. government, arguing that SB 1070 was preempted by federal statutes, sought a preliminary injunction to block enactment of the law. The preliminary injunction was granted in part and denied in part by the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona. The State of Arizona and its governor have appealed, seeking to remove the injunction imposed by the district court on certain portions of SB 1070. Other provisions of the law not subject to the injunction went into effect July 29, 2010.

Media/public access to the remote viewing location in the Moakley Courthouse will be on a first come-first served basis. The courtroom will open to public seating at 11:30 AM. All persons entering the courthouse must show a valid photo ID and pass through security screening. The general public is prohibited from bringing cameras, pagers, cellular telephones, personal data assistants (PDA's), laptop computers, tape recorders, and other electronic devices into any United States Courthouse in the District of Massachusetts. Persons bringing these devices into the courthouse must check them at the security screening station in order to gain access to the building. No photographs or recording /transmission of the audio and video displayed at the remote viewing location will be allowed. Proper decorum is expected.

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals has set up an Internet web page providing free public access to some of the electronic documents filed in the case. The web page is listed under "Cases of Interest" on the court home page: <http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov>.

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