Supreme Court of Kentucky

2009-SC-000043-MR

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, EX REL.
J. MICHAEL BROWN, SECRETARY,
JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CABINET

APPELLANT

ON APPEAL FROM COURT OF APPEALS

V. NOS. 08-CA-002000-OA, 2008-CA-002019-OA AND 2008-CA-002036-OA
FRANKLIN CIRCUIT COURT NO. 08-CI-01409

INTERACTIVE MEDIA ENTERTAINMENT AND GAMING ASSOCIATION, INC., ET AL.

APPELLEES

ORDER SETTING ORAL ARGUMENT

Pursuant to CR 76.16, oral argument in the above-styled matter will be heard Thursday, October 22, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. prevailing Frankfort time, in the Supreme Court courtroom.

Fifteen minutes will be allotted each side for argument.

ENTERED: September ______, 2009.

Chief Justice

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INFORMATION CONCERNING ORAL ARGUMENT

Seating Arrangement: Counsel for appellant (or Movant or petitioner) should be seated at the table on the right facing the bench. Opposing counsel should be seated at the table on the left facing the bench. Parties shall not be seated at counsel tables except in instances in which an attorney is appearing pro-se, or where expressly permitted by the Court, pursuant to CR 76.16(4). When the Chief Justice addresses counsel in announcing the argument, counsel should rise to respond and to identify themselves. Counsel should rise whenever addressing the court.

Time Limitations: The order setting argument will indicate the time allotted each side for argument, usually fifteen (15) minutes per side. Prior to the argument the Court Administrator will ask whether appellant wishes to reserve any of allotted time for rebuttal and, if so, how much time. Time consumed by questions from the bench will not be charged against the time allotment.

Counsel shall confine argument to the allotted time. Illumination of the amber light, visible on the lower front center of the bench, will signal 60 seconds remaining; illumination of the red light will signal that time for argument has expired. This applies both to the principal argument and to rebuttal. At the red light counsel shall immediately cease argument, without prompting by the Court.

General: Counsel may expect the Court to be familiar with the briefs. However, a concise opening statement as to the nature and procedural history of the case will be helpful in eliminating the necessity for questions to draw out these facts. Counsel should expect questions from the court throughout the proceeding. Argument read from a prepared text is viewed with disfavor.

Oral arguments are video-taped for the use of the Justices. After the argument a copy may be available, provided counsel submits a blank tape to the Court Administrator prior to the argument. Any additional copies will have to be made from counsel's copy.

Finally, appropriate dress and behavior are expected by the Court of both the attorney and his or her guests. No food or drink is allowed in the Courtroom.