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### **PRESS RELEASE**

#### **Education with a View from the Appellate Bench**

*Seventh District Court of Appeals heads "Back to School"*

Judge Gene Donofrio, Presiding and Administrative Judge of the Seventh District Court of Appeals, is pleased to announce that on October 19, 2022, the Seventh District Court of Appeals will hold oral arguments at the Performing Arts Center at Crestview High School. This event is part of the Court's "Back to School" program in which the Appellate Judges travel to various high schools to provide students an opportunity to see their local appellate court in action.

"The Court would like to thank the entire staff at Crestview High School, including educators, principal Laura Nappi and the event coordinators at the Performing Arts Center for allowing the Court to conduct these proceedings with the students as a live audience," stated Judge Donofrio. "This is a one-of-a-kind opportunity for the students to view appellate oral arguments in person."

The Crestview students will observe oral arguments on three appeals: *Wilbert Mullins et al. v. Liberty Township*; *State of Ohio v. Tony Paoella*; and *Danford Carpenter et al. v. Antero Resources Appalachian Corporation*. Each oral argument is presented to a three-judge panel. The panels will include each jurist from the Appellate Court including Judge Donofrio, Judge Cheryl L. Waite, Judge Carol Ann Robb and Judge David A. D'Apollito. Typically, oral argument proceedings occur in Youngstown at the Seventh District Court of Appeals.

"The Back-to-School Program allows students a unique glimpse of the judicial branch of government," said Judge Donofrio. This particular school event is a special homecoming for Judge Robb as she returns to her alma mater. "I am most pleased to bring our travelling bench to the students at Crestview so they can experience the appellate process at work," stated Judge Robb.

Oral arguments are scheduled to begin Wednesday at 9:30 am.