



## **Supreme Court Agrees to C-SPAN's Request for Same-Day Release of Arguments in Two Upcoming Cases**

WASHINGTON (November 18, 2005) - In response to a [request](#) from C-SPAN, the Supreme Court has agreed to the same-day release of audio recordings of oral arguments in two upcoming cases of particular national interest.

In a letter dated November 9, 2005 and addressed to Chief Justice John Roberts, C-SPAN requested early release of audio in the following cases:

- *Ayotte v. Planned Parenthood of Northern New England*, Wednesday, November 30 (abortion case)
- *Rumsfeld v. Forum for Academic & Institutional Rights*, Tuesday, December 6 (military recruitment case)

The oral arguments will air on one of the C-SPAN networks, [www.c-span.org](http://www.c-span.org) and C-SPAN Radio shortly after the conclusion of each argument.

Former Chief Justice Rehnquist granted C-SPAN's request nine times since 2000. C-SPAN has been the requesting media organization in each of these cases and has aired the arguments in their entirety. Typically, the court releases audio recordings of all its arguments at the conclusion of a term.

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