



November 21, 2006

The Honorable John Roberts
Chief Justice of the United States
The Supreme Court
One First Street, NE
Washington, DC 20543

Dear Chief Justice Roberts:

C-SPAN would like to request the early release of the oral argument audio in the following cases:

- *Parents Involved v. Seattle School District No. 1* (05-908)
- *Meredith v. Jefferson County Board of Education* (05-915)

These two affirmative action cases are both scheduled for argument on Monday, December 4th. We're asking that the audio for both cases be released immediately following their submission to the Court. In 2003, C-SPAN requested the oral argument for two affirmative action cases involving the University of Michigan's college admission practices. That request under Chief Justice Rehnquist was granted. We believe these two cases, like the Michigan cases, reach the standard of a "heightened public interest."

C-SPAN appreciates your consideration of this request. Our courts producer, Tanya Chattman, will be in touch with Kathy Arberg to follow up on your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terence Murphy". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Terence Murphy
C-SPAN Vice President & Executive Producer

cc: Kathy Arberg