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**SOUTH DAKOTA SUPREME COURT'S COMMITTEE
FOR THE STUDY OF CAMERAS IN THE TRIAL COURTS
WILL MEET IN RAPID CITY**

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The South Dakota Supreme Court's Committee for the Study of Cameras in the Trial Courts will hold a meeting on Friday, April 3rd, 2009, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at the Radisson Hotel (445 Mt. Rushmore Road) in Rapid City. The primary focus of the April 3rd meeting will be to consider the media's point of view in allowing cameras in the trial court level, as well as other topics.

Several individuals from the media and legal profession, several who have firsthand experience with cameras at the trial court level, have been invited to address the committee regarding their personal experiences. The guests will also take part in a panel discussion and a question & answer session.

The list of invited speakers include Dave Busiek a 30 year news veteran from Iowa, Jean Casarez correspondent for "In Session", Todd Epp attorney and editor/reporter/publisher of South Dakota Watch blog-site, Gary Hengstler director of National Center for the Courts and Media in the Reynolds School of Journalism and Center for Advanced Media Studies at the University of Nevada-Reno, and John Bradley District Attorney in Williamson County Texas.

For further information and program details please contact Judith Roberts at (605) 773-3474. The Committee encourages all interested persons to attend.

Individuals requiring assistance should contact the State Court Administrator's Office (605) 773-3474 at least 48 hours before the meeting to make any arrangements.

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