

MEDIA ADVISORY :: Supreme Court to Hold Session at Historic Burke County Courthouse May 23-24



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The Supreme Court of North Carolina will hold its May session of court at the Historic Burke County Courthouse in Morganton.

RALEIGH — The [Supreme Court of North Carolina](#) will hold its May session of court at the Historic [Burke County Courthouse](#) in Morganton, N.C., on May 23 and 24. The Court will hear three cases on Monday and three cases on Tuesday.

Under state law, the Supreme Court can meet in only two other cities outside of Raleigh: Edenton and Morganton.



Due to limited seating, admission to these sessions of court is by ticket only. Tickets are free of charge and available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis at the [Burke County Tourism Development Authority](#). Courtroom attire is required.

QUOTE

"We are delighted that Morganton is hosting the Supreme Court once again," said

Chief Justice Newby. "Holding this special session of court outside of Raleigh makes it easier for North Carolinians across the state to better understand the rule of law and the Judicial Branch's Constitutional obligation to ensure that justice is delivered without favor, denial, or delay."

WHO

[Chief Justice Paul Newby](#)

[Senior Associate Justice Robin Hudson](#)

[Associate Justice Sam Ervin IV](#) (a native of Burke County)

[Associate Justice Michael Morgan](#)

[Associate Justice Anita Earls](#)

[Associate Justice Phil Berger, Jr.](#)

[Associate Justice Tamara Barringer](#)

WHEN

Monday, May 23 and Tuesday, May 24

WHERE

Historic Burke County Courthouse
102 East Union St., Morganton, NC 28655

PRESS

Oral arguments will be streamed live on YouTube in lieu of a media pool.

About the Supreme Court of North Carolina

The [Supreme Court of North Carolina](#) is the state's highest court, and there is no further appeal from its decisions on matters of state law. It is made up of the Chief Justice, who also serves as head of the Judicial Branch, and six associate justices. Each justice serves an eight-year term. The Supreme Court has no jury and makes no determinations of fact, but it considers whether error occurred at trial or in judicial interpretation of the law.

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About North Carolina Judicial Branch

The [North Carolina Judicial Branch](#) is an equal and distinctively separate branch and core function of government. More than 7,000 Judicial Branch employees statewide administer justice in courthouses in North Carolina's 100 counties. The [Judicial Branch budget for FY 2020–21](#) was \$598.2M, 89.2% of which is used to pay salaries and the remaining 10.8% is used for operations. The Judicial Branch receives only 2.44% of the overall State budget.

About North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts

The North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts (NCAOC) is the administrative agency for the [North Carolina Judicial Branch](#), providing administrative services to help the North Carolina court system operate more efficiently and effectively, taking into account each courthouse's diverse needs, caseloads, and available resources.

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