



The Justice Revius O. Ortique Jr. Mock Trial Center will hold its first official court activities with a pre-trial lecture by Appeals Court Justice Terri Love and oral arguments of the official docket of the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals.

On Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011 at 4 p.m., Judge Terri Love's lecture will give Dillard students interested in law an opportunity to gain firsthand knowledge about the legal profession and the myriad procedures involved in court hearings and the appellate process.

In addition, students are invited to the hearings on Thursday, Feb. 3, 2011, at 10 a.m. in which Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal Judges Dennis Bagneris Sr., Terri Love, and Max Tobias Jr. will hear oral arguments of the official court docket of cases at the Justice Revius O. Ortique Jr. Mock Trial Center. "Justice Ortique was a judicial trailblazer, civil rights activist, and mentor to many judges and we are honored to hold oral arguments at a location that recognizes his contributions to Louisiana law and public service," said Judge Love.

Thursday's hearings will expose students and the community to real-time court hearings and educate them regarding the intricacies of trials in the appellate system. The Fourth Circuit has jurisdiction over civil and criminal appeals originating from the trial courts of Orleans, Plaquemines and St. Bernard Parishes.

Students, faculty, and staff interested in attending the lecture and/or court hearings should contact Travis Chase at (504) 816-4713.