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**Court of Appeals to Hear Arguments in Plata v Schwarzenegger
*Receiver's Lead Attorney to be Available for Post-Hearing Media Interviews***

For Thursday, February 12, 2009

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Immediately following the arguments, the Receiver's Lead Attorney, James Brosnahan, will be available for comments to the media on the front steps (Seventh Street) of the courthouse.

Mr. Brosnahan will also be available for a phone conference at 3pm at 1-888-272-7337 ID# 3554858

(San Francisco, CA) The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals will hear arguments on the State's Appeal Motion against an Interim Order to Show Cause as to why the Governor and State Controller should not be held in contempt of court. The order currently being appealed was issued by Federal Judge Thelton Henderson of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California last October in the case of Plata v Schwarzenegger. Justices Schroeder, Canby and Hawkins will convene on **Thursday, February 12, 2009** at 9am at the **James R. Browning US Courthouse, 95 Seventh Street, San Francisco, Ca. 94103 in Courtroom 1 on the 3rd Floor**. Several other cases will be heard, so it is expected that Plata v Schwarzenegger will be before the bench **sometime between 10:30am and 12:30pm**. Mr. Brosnahan will be available for the media immediately following the hearing.

Who: Receiver's Lead Attorney, James Brosnahan

What: Arguments before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in the State's Appeal motion of the Interim Order to Show Cause as to why the Governor and Controller should not be held in contempt in the case of Plata v Schwarzenegger.

When: Thursday, February 12, 2009 (Appeals court convenes at 9am) Plata v Schwarzenegger is expected to be heard sometime between 10:30am and 12:30pm. Mr. Brosnahan's comments to the media will immediately follow. Mr. Brosnahan will also conduct a phone media briefing at 3pm at the number above.

Where: Hearing- James R. Browning US Courthouse, 95 Seventh Street, San Francisco, Ca. 94103 in Courtroom 1 on the 3rd Floor.

Media briefing- Front Steps of the US Courthouse (Seventh Street Side)