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RTDNA Urges Judge Gorsuch to Support Cameras In the U.S. Supreme Court

WASHINGTON - The Radio Television Digital News Association (RTDNA) urges Supreme Court nominee Neil Gorsuch to support allowing cameras and microphones to cover oral arguments in the U.S. Supreme Court.

When asked in his confirmation hearings if he favored the use of cameras in the Court, Gorsuch said he had not given the issue a lot of thought, but added, "It's an issue I approach with an open mind." A recent survey conducted by the cable network C-SPAN confirms fully [three-quarters of American voters](#) support cameras in the Supreme Court.

"If Judge Gorsuch is confirmed to the Court, we encourage him to be a strong voice in support of cameras," said Mike Cavender, RTDNA Executive Director. "The American public should be able to see this important branch of government at work."

RTDNA also commends Senator Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) for raising the issue at the confirmation hearing. A bipartisan bill is being considered by Congress to allow the use of cameras in the Supreme Court unless a majority of justices objected on a case-by-case basis.

As the nation's leading organization working on behalf of electronic journalists to gain access to America's courtrooms for cameras, microphones and other electronic newsgathering tools of the trade, RTDNA has developed its acclaimed [Cameras in the Courts Guide](#). It covers rules regarding video and still cameras, microphones, laptops, smartphones and more, including even live blogging and tweeting, with details from every state and courts at the federal level.

"In experiment after experiment in federal courts across the country, cameras have proved to be compatible with the process of justice," added Cavender. "Allowing the public to observe proceedings of the Supreme Court is long overdue."

About RTDNA

RTDNA is the world's largest professional organization devoted exclusively to electronic journalism. Founded as a grassroots organization in 1946, RTDNA works to protect the rights of electronic journalists throughout the country, promotes ethical standards in the industry, provides members with training and education and honors outstanding work in the profession through the Edward R. Murrow Awards.



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