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The following cases are placed upon the calendar of the Supreme Court for hearing at its courtroom in the Ronald M. George State Office Complex, Earl Warren Building, 350 McAllister Street, Fourth Floor, San Francisco, California, on January 7, 2026. The public may attend in person and also have access to argument via live-streaming on the judicial branch website: https://supreme.courts.ca.gov/.

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(Viramontes, J., assigned justice pro tempore)

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(Guerrero, C. J., not participating; Rubin, J., assigned justice pro tempore; Weingart, J., assigned justice pro tempore)

GUERRERO

Chief Justice

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