

**United States Court of Appeals**  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 03-5288

September Term, 2004

96cv01285

Filed On: July 20, 2005 [907268]

In re: Gale A. Norton, Secretary of the Interior in her official  
capacity

Petitioner

ORDER

This case has been scheduled for oral argument on Friday, October 14, 2005 at 9:30 AM before Chief Judge Ginsburg and Circuit Judges Henderson and Randolph.

The time and date of oral argument will not change absent further order of the Court.

It is **ORDERED**, on the court's own motion, that a briefing schedule be established as follows:

Petitioner's Brief	Wed, Aug 10 2005
Appendix	Wed, Aug 10 2005
Respondent's Brief	Wed, Aug 31 2005
Petitioner's Reply Brief	Wed, Sep 14 2005
Oral Argument	Fri, Oct 14 2005

Because the briefing schedule is keyed to the date of argument, the Court will grant requests for extension of time limits for briefs or transcripts only for extraordinarily compelling reasons.

Parties are strongly encouraged to hand deliver their briefs to the clerk's office on the date due. Filing by mail may delay the processing of the brief. Additionally, counsel are reminded that if filing by mail, they must utilize the most expeditious form of delivery. See Fed.R.App.Proc. 25(a). Briefs should be in final form. All briefs and appendices must contain the date that the case is scheduled for oral argument at the top of the cover. See D.C. Cir. Rule 28(a)(7).

A further order of the Court will be issued regarding the allocation of time for argument.

Petitioner must raise issues and arguments in the opening brief. The Court ordinarily will not consider issues and arguments raised for the first time in the reply brief.

**FOR THE COURT:**  
Mark J. Langer, Clerk

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