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PRESS ADVISORY:

Chief Justice Panelist at White House Forum on Increasing Access to Justice

Chief Justice Chase T. Rogers has been invited to participate Tuesday, April 16, in a *White House Forum on Increasing Access to Justice*, and in particular to address what Connecticut has done to increase legal services for low-income people.

The White House and the nonprofit Legal Services Corp. are co-hosting the event; Chief Justice Rogers will join senior officials from President Barack Obama's administration and fellow leaders from the legal community. She will participate in a panel on pro bono services that will be moderated by Harvard Law School Dean Martha Minow.

A key point of discussion for the panel will be how courts across the country have encouraged greater pro bono services by the bar to better assist the civil legal needs of low-income individuals. Such initiatives have been a priority for Chief Justice Rogers, and she welcomes the opportunity to both share Connecticut's efforts and to learn about what other states are doing.

"The exchange of information is extremely valuable, with the end result being better legal representation for those who can't afford it," she added.

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