

Mercedes McCAMBRIDGE and Richard L. McCambridge,  
Executor v. CITY OF LITTLE ROCK; Jess F. Hale; Sgt.  
Edward Alexander; Little Rock Police Department

87-352

742 S.W.2d 114

Supreme Court of Arkansas  
Opinion delivered December 14, 1987

APPEAL & ERROR — IMPORTANT CASE WITH SERIOUS LEGAL ISSUES —  
STAY GRANTED PENDING APPEAL. — Where a motion for a stay in  
an important case with serious legal issues is presented to the  
appellate court, a stay will be granted pending appeal.

Motion for Stay Pending Appeal; motion granted.

*Bryant, Owen & Powell*, by: *William L. Owen*, and *Bell*,  
*Bilheimer & Crockett*, by: *C. Richard Crockett*, for appellant.

No response.

PER CURIAM. [1] We grant the stay as we have done consistently in important cases where serious legal issues are presented to this court. While we may well agree that the photographs requested under the Freedom of Information Act should be made available to the public, this case should be briefed, argued and decided like any important case pending before this court. Therefore, we grant the appellant's motion to

stay pending appeal.

HICKMAN, DUDLEY and HAYS, JJ., dissent.

DARRELL HICKMAN, Justice, dissenting. I would deny the stay. The records in question are unquestionably public and to deny the public access at this time violates the Freedom of Information Act.

DUDLEY and HAYS, JJ., join in this dissent.

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