

**Gambling – Your Verdict:
A Nebraska Connects Special
Procedures (Final)**

The Nebraska ETV Network and the Political Science Department of the University of Nebraska at Kearney select which groups will represent the opposing points of view, the presiding judge, official timers and other support personnel for stage managing the event.

Groups as advocate organizations to represent opposing views are Nebraskans For The Good Life, Yes On Amendment 3, and Keep the Money In Nebraska.

The advocate organizations select one or two attorneys to organize their case, question witnesses, and argue their point of view.

The advocate organizations also select up to three witnesses apiece to represent their side. Each will be allowed to cross-examine the opposing witnesses. A list of witnesses and three alternates to be used in case of emergency will be made available to the program producers and the opposing side no later than 7 days prior to the event.

Each side will be allowed to present a total of six pieces of evidence or exhibits. These materials will be made available to the program producers and the opposing side no later than 7 days prior to the event. Evidence will be made available on NETV's website as well.

Witnesses and evidence will be emailed and or faxed to Bill Kelly of NETV and Peter Longo of UNK no later than 4:00 PM, Tuesday, September 21, 2004.

The taping will take place Tuesday, September 28, 2004 The audience will be asked to take their seats by 6:30 PM. Taping is scheduled to begin at 7:00 PM.

This event will be open to the public on a first come, first serve basis. UNK Instructors may reserve blocks of seats for classes. A set number of reserved seats will be set aside for leadership of the advocacy groups, for Chancellor of UNK and the Political Science Department, for NETV, and for members of the working press. The only television cameras allowed in the hall during the program taping will be those operated by NETV.

In the hour prior to the program taping a jury of 12 will be selected from volunteering UNK students. During the 30 minutes prior to the taping attorneys for the advocacy organizations will be asked to question the prospective jurors for up to three minutes apiece. Each counsel can strike one juror. Although these students/jurors will sit in the front row, it is understood that this exercise is solely as an educational opportunity for the students and a "warm up" act before the taping and no polling of the jury will take place nor will any verdict be rendered. It will be made clear to the viewing audience that they are the jury for this program.

The judge, retired Alaska Superior Court Judge Karen L. Hunt, will preside over the conduct and of the courtroom rule on disputes raised during the proceedings including time allotments. There will be no opportunity to object to the admissibility of evidence or witnesses presented.

Following an introduction by a program host, the judge will call the proceedings to order and read a brief summary of the issue to be argued. The text of that summary will be distributed to participants for their review and input before it is finalized by the program organizers.

A specific time limit will be given to each segment of the proceedings and tracked by one or more official time keepers. There will be no “re-allotting” time not used in one segment to another. The judge has the authority to signal that a microphone is shut off and the floor be given to the next participant.

All participants in the event should be prepared for requests from area news media for comments before and after the event.

The program will be copyrighted by Nebraska Educational Telecommunications, thus making the use of any moving or still image or audio from the broadcast illegal without the express written permission of NET. Other than recognized media organizations, no individual or entity will be granted permission to use any portion of the program... credited or un-credited... in any published or broadcast or Internet based communication.

No campaign materials of any kind will be allowed in the area inside the building where the program taping takes place.