



## **The Final Countdown... Supreme Court Decision Watch**

Since oral arguments concluded in March, we have been eagerly awaiting a ruling from the Supreme Court on the constitutionality of PPACA. PPACA decision watch is in its final stages and a decision is expected within the coming days as the Court's current term ends June 28. The Court has been issuing decisions on Mondays and Thursdays so a decision could come as late as Thursday, June 28. Some Court observers even speculate that there is a small possibility the decision could be delayed beyond June, perhaps even into the next term.

Predictions are flying on how the Court will rule. Ultimately, only nine Justices and their clerks know what the outcome will be. As Justice Ginsburg quipped last week at the annual Court review of the American Constitution Society, "At the Supreme Court, those who know don't talk. And those who talk don't know."

It is anticipated that the Court's decision on these issues will be voluminous with the possibility of dissenting and concurring opinions.

Haynes Benefits is prepared to address a number of potential decision scenarios. When the Court's decision is released, our attorneys will collaborate together to read, review, and analyze the decision. Our next steps will be to:

- Help you make sense of the Court's decision;
- Help you understand the impact of the Court's decision on your organization's particular needs and interests; and
- Provide advice, counsel and guidance on any necessary and/or recommended organizational response to the outcome.

There will be lots of information and communication to come following the Court's decision. Stay tuned - - we will continue to help you navigate the waters of Health Care Reform!

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