

United States Court of Appeals
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 19-5352**September Term, 2019****1:18-cv-02841-RMC****1:19-cv-01745-RMC****1:19-cv-00132-RMC****Filed On: December 18, 2019** [1820748]

American Hospital Association, et al.,

Appellees

v.

Alex M. Azar, II, in his official capacity as
Secretary of Health and Human Services,

Appellant

Consolidated with 19-5353, 19-5354**ORDER**

Upon consideration of appellant's unopposed motion to set the briefing schedule and hear cases this term, it is

ORDERED that the following briefing schedule will apply in these cases:

Appellant's Brief	January 23, 2020
Appendix	January 23, 2020
Appellees' Brief	February 20, 2020
Appellant's Reply Brief	March 12, 2020

All issues and arguments must be raised by appellant in the opening brief. The court ordinarily will not consider issues and arguments raised for the first time in the reply brief. To enhance the clarity of their briefs, the parties are cautioned to limit the use of abbreviations, including acronyms. While acronyms may be used for entities and statutes with widely recognized initials, briefs should not contain acronyms that are not widely known. See D.C. Circuit Handbook of Practice and Internal Procedures 42 (2019); [Notice Regarding Use of Acronyms](#) (D.C. Cir. Jan. 26, 2010).

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FOR THE COURT:

Mark J. Langer, Clerk

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Deputy Clerk