

## Walking Tour of Historical Exhibits

An easy walking tour starts with the contemporary statue located just inside the courthouse entrance (Exhibit #1: *Justice*, by American sculptor Diana Moore). This modern rendition of a blindfolded figure, juxtaposed with our historical studies, represents the timelessness of the concept of justice. Exhibit #2, on the wall just outside the Clerk's Office, explores the Native American tribe known as the Abanaki, whose presence here dates back at least 10,000 years. The remaining exhibits displayed throughout the rest of the first floor focus primarily on New Hampshire's history, although some incorporate national and international components. A total of 27 exhibits are presented on the first floor, ending with a large print and descriptive text of Howard Chandler Christy's *Scene at the Signing of the Constitution of the United States*.

As you proceed upstairs, you'll find the "silver oar" display on the mezzanine. This exhibit (#30) honors the historical link between our current district courts, colonial America's vice-admiralty courts, and the admiralty courts of England (dating from circa 1360).

The third floor exhibits are devoted primarily to issues national in scope. The subject matter of these exhibits is diverse, including the American Revolution, Abraham Lincoln's presidency, America's civil rights struggles of the twentieth century, and a memorial to Senator Warren Rudman, among other important topics. Don't forget to visit the conference rooms if they are open. Specifically recommended is Exhibit #43, which highlights New Hampshire's much renowned Civil War regiment, the "Fighting Fifth."



*"To me, this building is about...the people who will come into it under stress, who will be dealt with fairly by the American justice system....In the final analysis, the federal court system...ensures that our constitutional rights are forever preserved, and that is why I'm so delighted that this building bears my name."*

Warren B. Rudman  
September 19, 1997  
Rudman Courthouse Dedication



For a biography of Senator Rudman, see Exhibit #39

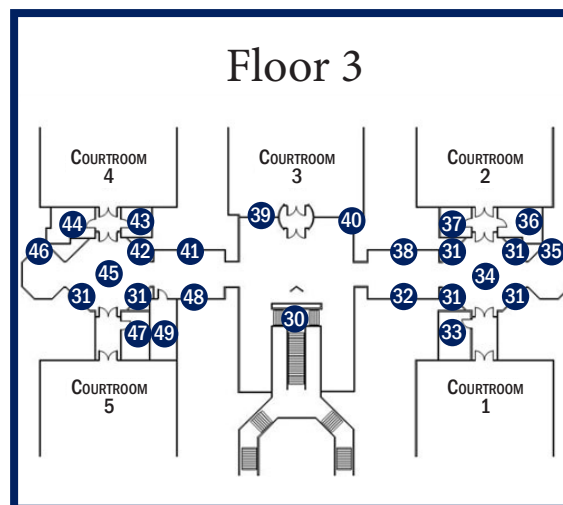
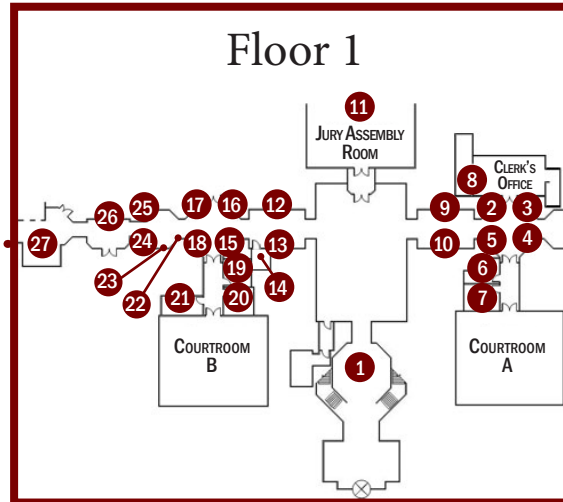


## Floor 1 Exhibits

- 1 Justice Statue
- 2 Wobanakik: The Dawn Land
- 3 A Foothold in the New World
- 4 Judges of the Bankruptcy Court of NH 1
- 5 Judges of the Bankruptcy Court of NH 2
- 6 New Hampshire in the Revolution
- 7 Through the 19th Century: NH's Development
- 8 The Clerk of Court
- 9 Setting Precedents: NH Constitutional History
- 10 The Carrigain Map of New Hampshire, 1816
- 11 Photos of the Rudman Courthouse
- 12 The Concord Coach
- 13 The Old Man of the Mountain
- 14 Lake Winnepesaukee
- 15 Made in NH: International Pledges for Peace & Security
- 16 Civilian Conservation Corps
- 17 Portsmouth Naval Shipyard
- 18 Magistrate Judges of the District Court
- 19 The Race for the Moon: NH "Shepards" the Way
- 20 Mount Washington Observatory
- 21 Learning the Law in New Hampshire
- 22 Presidential Nomination
- 23 Voting Methods
- 24 The Vote
- 25 The Electoral College
- 26 The District of New Hampshire
- 27 The Signing of the United States Constitution

## WELCOME TO THE WARREN B. RUDMAN UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE

We invite you to view our historical exhibits that are displayed throughout the public areas of this courthouse. Conference room exhibits may be viewed whenever the rooms are not in use by attorneys, litigants, or court staff.



## Floor 3 Exhibits

- 30 Federal Courts and the Silver Admiralty Oar
- 31 Judges of the District Court of New Hampshire
- 32 Washington's Troops and the Battle of Trenton
- 33 Betsy Ross
- 34 Spotlight on District Judge Sullivan
- 35 May We Never Forget our Veterans
- 36 The Mayflower Compact
- 37 Jefferson, Franklin and Adams
- 38 Declaration of Independence
- 39 Warren B. Rudman
- 40 Naturalization: Where NH's New Citizens Come From
- 41 The Presidency of Abraham Lincoln
- 42 Two Centuries of Immigration
- 43 New Hampshire's "Fighting Fifth" Regiment
- 44 The Battle of Gettysburg, Day 2
- 45 Spotlight on District Judge Clark
- 46 The Third Branch: Principles of American Jurisprudence
- 47 The Wright Brothers and the Invention of the Airplane
- 48 Civil Rights
- 49 The Bus Rides of Protest: 1947 - 1961