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Law Day 2023

Cornerstones of Democracy: Civics, Civility, and Collaboration

BOSTON (April 26, 2023) -- On Wednesday, May 3, 2023, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts, Discovering Justice, and the Federal Bar Association will present a multi-faceted program of Law Day activities at the John Joseph Moakley United States Courthouse, in Boston, Massachusetts. Law Day is dedicated to the principles of government under law. It is meant to promote understanding of how the law and the legal process protect our liberty, strive to achieve justice, and contribute to the freedoms that all Americans share. Law Day programs will be held in the First Circuit Court of Appeals and in each of the District Courts within the Circuit during the week of May 1, 2023. At the Moakley Courthouse, fifth-grade students will learn about the role of the judicial branch from judges and court staff; high school students will participate in a mock jury empanelment; college and law school students will observe First Circuit oral arguments and meet with the judges and attorneys following the sitting; and, with judges and court staff, the Federal Bar Association, Massachusetts Chapter will announce the winners of its Bill of Rights Essay Contest.

For additional information regarding the program at the Moakley Courthouse or any of the other programs in the First Circuit, please contact Ed Wallace at [edward wallace@ca1.uscourts.gov](mailto:edward_wallace@ca1.uscourts.gov).