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Wishing everyone a healthy, happy New Year! We welcome your questions, ideas and comments. Email us at information@dcchs.org.



The Watergate Cover-up Trial - An Historic Dialogue on the Society's Website

Watch, listen, and witness history as a number of the leading participants in the 1974 Watergate Trial talk together for the first time. Listen to the fascinating exchanges between defense Counsel, Plato Cacheris, and Prosecutor, James F. Neal, and to the never-before heard commentary of John Dean and D. Todd Christofferson, former law clerk to Judge Sirica. [Watch Moderator Carl Stern](#) prod the panelists to talk candidly and expansively.



Meet Steve Pollak, the Society's President

Stephen J. Pollak, President of the Historical Society, is currently a senior counsel at Goodwin Procter LLP and was a partner at Shea & Gardner until its merger with Goodwin. Mr. Pollak had a distinguished career in government during the 1960s, serving successively as Assistant to the Solicitor General, Advisor to the President for National Capital Affairs, and Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights. Mr. Pollak served as president of the D.C. Bar, chair and member of the D.C. Judicial Nominations Commission, and president and member of the Board of the D.C. Bar Foundation. He is currently a member of the D.C. Access to Justice Commission. Mr. Pollak has received numerous awards, including the D.C. Bar's Thurgood Marshall Award for Service in the Public Interest and the Council for Court Excellence's Justice Potter Stewart Award.

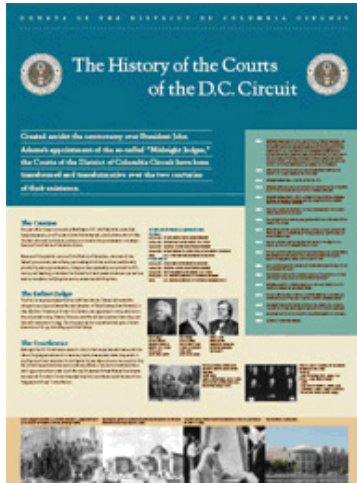


Coming Soon

- Panel discussion in the Ceremonial Courtroom on the Role of the D. C. Circuit in Reviewing Agency Rules. Date and Panelists to be announced.
- Moot Court Argument Program for area high school youth - April 9, 2010. We expect about 100 high school juniors and seniors to come to the Courthouse to argue cases before judges of the D. C. Circuit Courts.

A Glimpse into the History and Work of the D.C. Circuit Courts

A [special exhibit](#) graces the halls of the E. Barrett Prettyman U.S. Courthouse displaying photos, documents, and text that highlight the courts' unique role in the



history of the District and the country. Unveiled at the dedication of the William B. Bryant Annex of the Courthouse, the exhibit highlights the influence the D.C. Circuit Courts have had on the nation's legal history. Funded by the courts, the exhibition was developed by the Society under the leadership of Board member Jeffrey Lamken.