

# Rule of Law: Not of Man

Ours is a government of liberty, by, through  
and under law. No man is above it, and no man  
is below it.

— Theodore Roosevelt

Pulling up to a red light, there are no other cars in sight.  
Do you go, or wait for the light to turn green? Most of us  
would wait, not out of fear, but out of respect for the law.

We respect our laws because they are clearly communicated  
and fairly enforced. Everyone is held accountable to the  
same laws, and those laws protect our fundamental rights.

This is the foundation of the rule of law.

**Learning Center Hours are: Monday through Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,  
excluding Federal Holidays.**

**To arrange a TFE Courthouse tour call: 244-2727**

## THE JUDICIAL LEARNING CENTER

in the Thomas F. Eagleton U.S. Courthouse.  
St. Louis, Missouri



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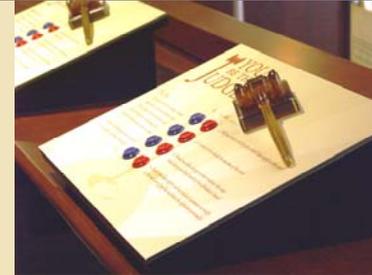
The Judicial Learning Center is the only educational center in the United States devoted to the judicial process in the Federal Courts. It is dedicated to promoting public understanding of the importance of an independent judiciary and the rule of law in American society.



## Displays and Exhibits

"The Learning Center is a perfect starting point for tour groups visiting the Eagleton Courthouse."

*Jim Woodward, Clerk  
U.S.. District Court*



## The Mission

Content for the JLC was developed in consultation with prominent educators, representatives of the bar, museum experts, community leaders and judges to insure that exhibits and displays further the mission of the Center. Funding for the exhibits was provided by a not-for-profit corporation founded by leaders of the legal community.

Visitors to the JLC not only learn about the three levels of federal courts, but they also discover why the judicial branch was designed to be a separate but coequal branch of the government.

The JLC exhibits focus on the importance of "The Rule of Law" and depict how and why the Federal court system was created. The differences between state and federal courts are also outlined. Other JLC highlights include an exhibit on landmark Eighth Circuit cases and interactive displays allowing visitors to "serve" as jurors and "preside" as a judge.

Taylor Studios, Inc. of Rantoul, Illinois designed, fabricated and installed the displays in a modular style to ensure easy updating of the displays in the future.



News items about current legal issues and other events affecting citizens in federal court, parties pursuing justice and public officials who perform the work of the federal courts are also highlighted in the "Federal Courts in the News" section of the learning center.

Visitors are encouraged to leave their comments about the JLC and the issues it presents by posting notes on a special display, for future visitors to read.