



CHAMBERS OF  
MAURICE B. FOLEY  
CHIEF JUDGE

**UNITED STATES TAX COURT**  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20217

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The United States Tax Court is a federal trial court based in Washington, D.C. that resolves tax disputes between taxpayers and the Internal Revenue Service in 74 cities throughout the United States. We welcome invitations for our Judges to speak with schools and student groups.

We have experience adjudicating cases involving relatively small dollar amounts and cases where billions of dollars are in dispute. Our Judges, however, are not just tax nerds. They are engaging and motivating. Collectively, our Judges' expertise relates to all branches of government, the fashion industry, collegiate football, antique motorcycles, fly fishing, and picking cotton by hand.

We come from a wide range of socioeconomic, racial, and ethnic backgrounds. Many of us have inspirational stories overcoming failure, hardship, language and gender barriers, and even immigration hurdles. On the bench we have our first female Chief Judge, our first African-American Judge (currently serving as Chief Judge), our first female African-American Judge, and our first Mexican-American Judge.

The pandemic has revealed that geography is not a barrier to connection. We would be thrilled with the opportunity to interact virtually with your students and help them better understand our government, the field of tax, and that there are often detours on the path to success.

If you would be interested in having one of our Judges meet with a group of students, please contact Jennifer Siegel, our Public Affairs Counsel, at (202) 521-3355, or by email at [PublicAffairs@ustaxcourt.gov](mailto:PublicAffairs@ustaxcourt.gov).

Sincerely,

Maurice B. Foley  
Chief Judge