

**Supreme Bench Courtroom (Room 600)**  
**The Clarence M. Mitchell Jr. Courthouse**

It was in this Courtroom that the judges of the Supreme Bench would sit en banc to hear various cases brought before it. The most distinguishing aspect of the room is its domed ceiling which is a replica of the dome atop the Main Reading Room of the Library of Congress. Around the base of the dome are set forth the names of some of Maryland's legal and political luminaries including Charles Carroll (signatory of the Declaration of Independence and member of the Continental Congress); Luther Martin (for a biography see Bill Kauffman's "Forgotten founder, drunken prophet: the life of Luther Martin"); John Van Lear McMahon (co-founder and first President of the Baltimore Bar Library) and Justice Roger Brooke Taney.

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