



**Judicial Branch of Arizona  
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**Judicial Branch in Maricopa County Recognizes ‘Law Day’**  
*2022 Theme: The Constitution in Times of Change*

PHOENIX (April 27, 2022) – The rule of law continues to change and evolve for the greater good of all Americans.

On May 1 across the United States, the legal community will celebrate Law Day to recognize the importance of the rule of law and its contributions to the freedoms Americans treasure. The 2022 National Law Day theme is “Toward a More Perfect Union: The Constitution in Times of Change.”

“We’re thrilled to be back in-person for Law Day after two years of great virtual events, and we’re honored to be partnering with the Arizona Supreme Court and the State Capitol Museum this year to celebrate Law Day in the Historic Senate,” said Judge Sara Agne, Law Day chair for the Court.

Historical context is important to the laws and the constitution.

“There are good reasons the Preamble to the U.S. Constitution has us aspiring ‘toward a more perfect Union’ — our State and federal constitutions, like our Union, are works in progress with challenges like a global pandemic providing ever more fruitful opportunities to perfect them and the ways we interpret and apply them,” Judge Agne said.

In 1958, President Dwight Eisenhower introduced Law Day as a national dedication to the principle of government under law. Commemorated annually since that date, Law Day programs are conducted throughout the country by bar associations, courts, schools and civic organizations.

As an allied commander in World War II, President Eisenhower saw what happens when there is a breakdown in the rule of law. President Eisenhower witnessed more than 400,000 Americans die in the war.

“The clearest way to show what the rule of law means to us in everyday life is to recall what has happened when there is no rule of law,” said President Eisenhower.

In 1961, Congress officially designated May 1 as the official date for celebrating Law Day. Each year, the American Bar Association selects a theme based on a particular aspect of the law that impacts the lives

of Americans. The Law Day program continues to grow nationally and has spread to many countries around the world.

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