



# COURT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

OF THE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA

FALL 2021  
CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION SERIES

*Jessie Woodbridge v. Evansville Housing Authority:*  
A Landmark Public Housing Discrimination Case

OCTOBER 29, 2021  
2PM ET



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In 1953, Henry Richardson, Jr., Indiana legal counsel for the NAACP, filed a housing discrimination lawsuit in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana. Assisted by Thurgood Marshall and Constance Baker Motley, Richardson argued against "separate but equal" public housing facilities in Evansville before the Hon. William E. Steckler. At issue was a new 172-unit public housing building in Evansville that the Housing Authority of Evansville had restricted to white tenants only. Richardson ultimately prevailed in what became known as a landmark public housing discrimination case. Indiana Supreme Court Law Clerk Ryan Schwier will examine the details of the case and discuss its historical and legal significance.

## Annual Roundtable: Federal Criminal Prosecutions & the Role of the U.S. Attorney

NOVEMBER 19, 2021  
2-3:30PM ET



Former U.S. Attorneys for the Southern District of Indiana will gather to converse about the roles they played in the criminal justice system during their time in office. Topics will include career paths to appointment, enforcement priorities, significant prosecutions, post-office careers, and changes to the role of U.S. Attorney. Panelists will include former U.S. Attorneys Susan Brooks, Deborah Daniels, Josh Minkler, John Tinder, and Bradley Williams. The Hon. Sarah Evans Barker, herself a former U.S. Attorney, will serve as moderator.

## The Life and Times of 19th Century Federal Judges Jesse Lynch Holman & David McDonald

DECEMBER 9, 2021  
2-3PM ET



Come join us as we close out the year with an entertaining and educational presentation on 19th century Judges! Explore the life and times of the Hon. Jesse Lynch Holman (1835-1842) and the Hon. David McDonald (1864-1869) through excerpts of their own letters and diaries illuminating their fascinating judicial careers. Period actors will play the parts of Judges Holman and McDonald. Southern District of Indiana Court Historian Doria Lynch and Public Outreach Coordinator Mary Giorgio will provide historical context and discuss parallels and contrasts to the modern-day workings of the federal courts.



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