

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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2021 Virtual Summer Teacher Institute Announced!

INDIANAPOLIS (May 12, 2021) – Teachers, have you ever wondered what happens in federal court? Are you looking for a fun summer workshop to fulfill your professional development hours? The annual Federal Court Teacher Institute organized by the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana is for you! Registration is now open for this immersive workshop, which will take place on June 16-17, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, via Zoom.

During this summer's virtual program, you will meet a federal judge, hear from fascinating guest speakers, and participate in fun interactive activities. Learn about the Federal Court's newest educational initiative, *Federal Courts 101*. Investigate and evaluate news and media coverage of the federal courts and learn how to bring information literacy into your classroom. Gain practical knowledge of the federal court system and leave the event with new ideas for classroom activities, lesson plans, and a myriad of useful resources!

Speakers at this year's program include the Hon. Tanya Walton Pratt, Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana; Heidi Kuehl, Circuit Librarian for the Library of the U.S. Courts of the Seventh Circuit; Hannah Solomon-Strauss, 2020-2021 U.S. Supreme Court Fellow; and Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law Assistant Deans Chasity Thompson and Patricia Kinney. A segment on careers at the courthouse will also afford the opportunity to interact with professionals such as a Deputy U.S. Marshal, U.S. Probation Officer, law clerk, court reporter, and more!

The virtual workshop is designed for middle school and high school social studies teachers and is appropriate for both history and government courses. Space is limited – register by June 4 to reserve a seat! To register, download a registration form at www.insd.uscourts.gov/teacher-institute. Questions? Contact Mary Giorgio at (317) 229-3711 or by email mary_giorgio@insd.uscourts.gov.