

Use of Facilities and Grounds

General Policies

The purpose of the judicial branch building is to facilitate the fair and effective administration of justice. The building is open to the public during regular business hours for the purpose of conducting court business and other activities compatible with the orderly administration, dignity, and security of the courts.

The judicial branch building, the grounds adjacent to the building, including the plaza, and parking lots nearby are not public forums for private use. The judicial branch reserves the right to restrict private activities in the building and on its adjoining grounds to ensure the administration of justice at all stages is free from disruption, interference, and undue influence, and to ensure the safety and security of persons inside the building. Use of the building and its adjoining grounds are subject to the following restrictions and exceptions.

Access to the building and adjacent parking lots and the building vestibule, rotunda, adjacent corridors, and public lobbies, shall remain open and unobstructed at all times so people may conduct court business without interference.

Activities such as demonstrations, rallies, news conferences and other public gatherings shall be confined to the lower terrace on the north end of the building plaza and the public sidewalk adjacent to Court Avenue.

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Locations for media interviews and rallies

