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Chief Justice John Marshall will meet with small groups of students and faculty and will deliver the keynote address of our year-long celebration at a dinner on the evening of October 6 in which he will examine the influence of Marshall on American constitutional law.

The following morning, October 7, Chief Justice Rehnquist will help unveil a new statue of John Marshall and George Wythe, the first law professor at William and Mary and in the United States, in the front plaza of the Marshall–Wythe School of Law.

On February 2, 2001, Justice Antonin Scalia of the United States Supreme Court will address the "John Marshall 200th Dinner" at the Library of Virginia in Richmond commemorating the 200th anniversary of John Marshall's appointment as Chief Justice. This dinner will help create an awareness for the John Marshall Foundation that will fund programs about Marshall's legacy and the importance of our judicial system.

"It is emphatically the province and duty of the judicial department to say what the law is. Those who apply the rule to particular cases, must of necessity supposed and interpret that rule. If two laws conflict with each other, the courts must decide on the operation of each."

HORACE V. MADISON

Bicentennial of the Appointment of
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Marshall-Wythe School of Law
College of William and Mary
2000–2001
John Marshall Scholarly Symposium

On October 19, we will hold our first of three John Marshall Scholarly Symposia. This first symposium, entitled "The Federal Appointments Process," will examine the way in which Supreme Court justices, lower federal court judges, and other executive branch officials are appointed and confirmed. The symposium will focus on a newly published book by Professor Michael Gerhardt of the William and Mary Law Faculty, The Federal Appointments Process, which is part of the Institute of Bill of Rights Law's " Constitutional Governance" book series. The proceedings of this symposium will be published in the William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal.

On October 26, we will hold our second John Marshall Scholarly Symposium. This symposium, entitled "The History of Free Speech," will examine the history of the protection of free expression in this country, with particular emphasis on the tumultuous twentieth century. This symposium will focus on a newly published book by击造 Foreman professor Michael Kranish, The People's British Privilege: The Struggle for Freedom of Expression in American History, which forms part of the Institute of Bill of Rights Law's " Constitutional Governance" book series. The proceedings of this symposium will also be published in the William & Mary Bill of Rights Journal.

Finally, on March 16 and 17, we will hold our third and final John Marshall Symposium which will focus specifically on the legacy of the Great Chief Justice. This symposium will open with a re-enactment of Marshall's greatest case, Marbury v. Madison, and will proceed with two panels of distinguished constitutional law scholars who will consider the various ways in which Marshall shaped our structure of constitutional government. The proceedings of this symposium will be published in the William and Mary Law Review.

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