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John Marshall: Patriot, Statesman, Chief Justice
to Open at the National Constitution Center in May


Curated by Kevin Walsh, University of Richmond Law Professor and John Marshall Foundation Board Member, and created by the exhibitions team at the NCC, the featured artifacts and accompanying narrative reveal the lesser-known Marshall in addition to Chief Justice Marshall, whose lasting impact continues to guide our nation. The exhibit presents Marshall as a soldier in Washington’s Continental Army, as the fair-minded statesman elected to Congress, as secretary of state appointed by John Adams, and as the devoted husband to Polly. It tells the story of a man, who came of age alongside the young nation he served, as well as the story of a Founder, who helped established the federal judiciary as a co-equal branch of government and who presided over the Supreme Court’s first exercise of judicial review to hold a federal law unconstitutional.

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