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Fitchburg Historical Society Event  
Gets Behind the Scenes at the Superior Courthouse  
*Judges Share Years of Stories*

For immediate release:

(Fitchburg, MA: April 22, 2015) On April 30, 2015, from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m., the Fitchburg Historical Society, 781 Main Street, will host *Stories from the Bar*, a special fundraiser to honor and celebrate Fitchburg's legal tradition and one of its downtown landmarks, the Worcester County Superior Courthouse. This event will benefit the educational programs of the Fitchburg Historical Society. A limited number of tickets are still available, and must be reserved in advance.

Beginning at 4:30pm, guests will enjoy a social hour with cocktails. From 6pm to 7pm there will be desserts along with the stories and anecdotes from a number of local judges and long-time attorneys, including Judges Andre Gelinas and Ed Reynolds, along with many other special guests. These untold stories of Fitchburg's legal luminaries from the cloakroom, the sidebar and the local watering hole, will provide a glimpse into what it was like to work in the superior courthouse and experience the justice system first hand.

This event is presented in conjunction with *Law and Justice in Fitchburg*, a new Wallace Exhibit Series exhibition at the Fitchburg Historical Society, made possible by the Wallace Foundation. The exhibition features furniture and memorabilia from the superior courthouse, along with historical displays on Fitchburg's judges, attorneys and law firms. Contemporary photos of the courthouse by Fitchburg photographer Charles Sternaimolo are also on view.

Those interested in attending *Stories from the Bar* should RSVP through the Fitchburg Historical Society, at 978-345-1157. Tickets cost \$50 per person. Free parking is located at the rear of the building.

**About the Fitchburg Historical Society:** Founded by James F.D. Garfield in 1892, the Fitchburg Historical Society is an independent non-profit that was created to collect, preserve, and interpret the history of Fitchburg. The Society hosts lectures, debates and annual events relating to the city's history. In 2014, they published *Legendary Locals: Fitchburg* on the occasion of Fitchburg's 250th anniversary.