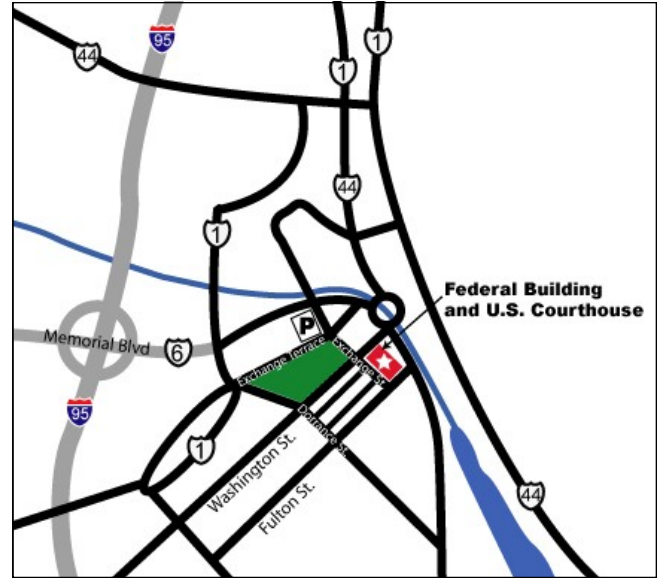


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Kennedy Plaza  
Providence, RI 02901



### Clerk's Office Hours

Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

### Public Transportation

Rhode Island Public Transit Authority

<http://www.ripta.com>

### Parking

Rhode Island Convention Center Parking Garage

<http://www.riconvention.com/attend/directions-parking>

### Landmark Status

Listed in the National Register of Historic Places



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**United States District Court**

<http://www.rid.uscourts.gov>

**Senator Jack Reed**

<http://www.reed.senate.gov>

**United States Marshals Service**

<http://www.usmarshals.gov/district/ri>

**General Services Administration**

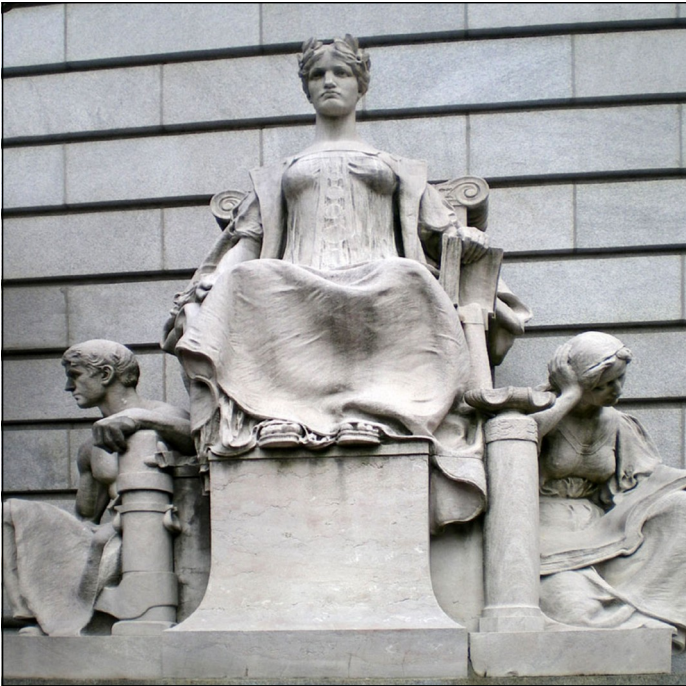
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### Art in Architecture

The GSA Art in Architecture Program commissions the nation’s leading artists to create large-scale works of art for new federal buildings.



### John Massey Rhind Sculptures

#### “Providence as Independent Thought” (left)

Shown on the left, Providence as Independent Thought is one of two statues created from limestone by John Massey Rhind in 1908 for the facade of the United States Courthouse in Providence, Rhode Island. It is sited to the left of the courthouse entrance. Independent Thought is represented by a seated female figure with Industry and Knowledge kneeling by her side. She holds a maple leaf branch in her right hand and an open book in her left. Industry, a kneeling male figure is dressed in work pants and shoes, holds a hammer in his right hand, and rests his left hand on a pulley block. Knowledge, a shrouded kneeling female figure, reads an open book symbolizing wisdom.

#### “Nation as Sovereign Power” (right)

Shown on the right, Nation as Sovereign Power was also created from limestone by John Massey Rhind in 1908. It is sited to the right of the courthouse entrance. A seated female figure represents Sovereignty with Justice and Law and Order kneeling by her side. She is crowned with an olive branch wreath and holds a bough of laurel in her left hand and a globe with an eagle perched on top in her right hand. Justice, a kneeling female figure, holds a balance on her lap and the sword of Justice in her left hand. Law and Order, a kneeling male figure, marks a page in a book with his index finger.