


My visit to the...

New York State

Court of Appeals

Welcome to the
NYS Court of Appeals!
My name is **Ally** the Eagle!





I'm so glad you are here today!
What is your name?

HELLO

my name is

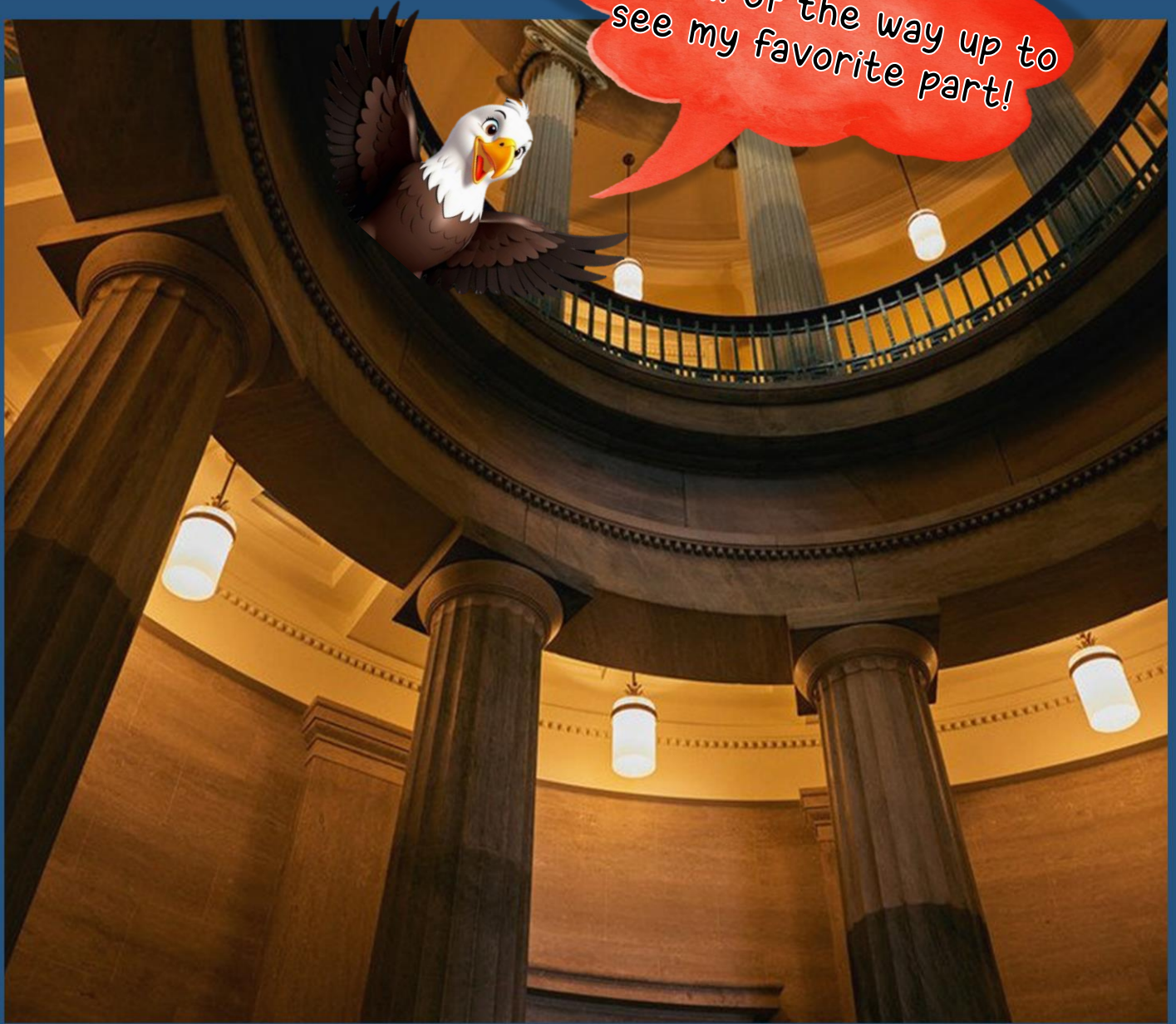


This building is almost 200 years old, and the Court of Appeals has been here on Eagle Street since 1917.

Be sure to look for my Q:'s
Can you answer all of them?

NEW YORK
COURT OF APPEALS
HIGHEST TRIBUNAL IN
NEW YORK STATE
THIS BUILDING ERECTED 1842
STATE EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT 1940

Look all of the way up to see my favorite part!



Q: How many columns do you see in the rotunda? _____

This part of the Court of Appeals Hall is called the **ROTUNDA**.

The sun, moon, and stars represent the three seasons Court is in session.

The mural was painted by Eugene Savage in 1959.

This mural is called "The Romance of the Skies."



This court decides **APPEALS!**

But, what is an appeal?

An **APPEAL** is when you ask a higher court to change the final decision of a lower court.

The Court of Appeals is the highest court in New York!



Homework

Ally the Eagle

The Court of Appeals



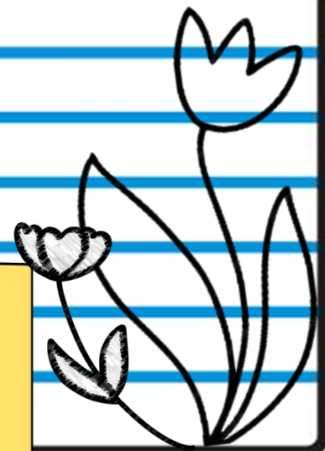
The Appellate Division



Trial level courts

Q: The Court of Appeals is located in which city?

(hint: It is also the state capital!)



The Court of Appeals consists of **7 judges**.

The judges make the final decisions on each **appeal** before the Court.

Each judge is selected by the Governor of New York State!



Q: who is our current Governor?



Chief Judge Wilson

Judges are appointed to the court for 14 year terms!



Judge Rivera



Judge Garcia



Judge Singas

Judge Cannataro



Judge Troutman

Judge Halligan



1 Chief Judge
+ 6 Associate Judges
= 7 Judges!



Welcome to the
COURTROOM!

JUDGE ALLY

I'm wearing a
ROBE

Judges wear
robes in the
courtroom.

During court the
judges sit on the
BENCH—
The big desk
upfront.

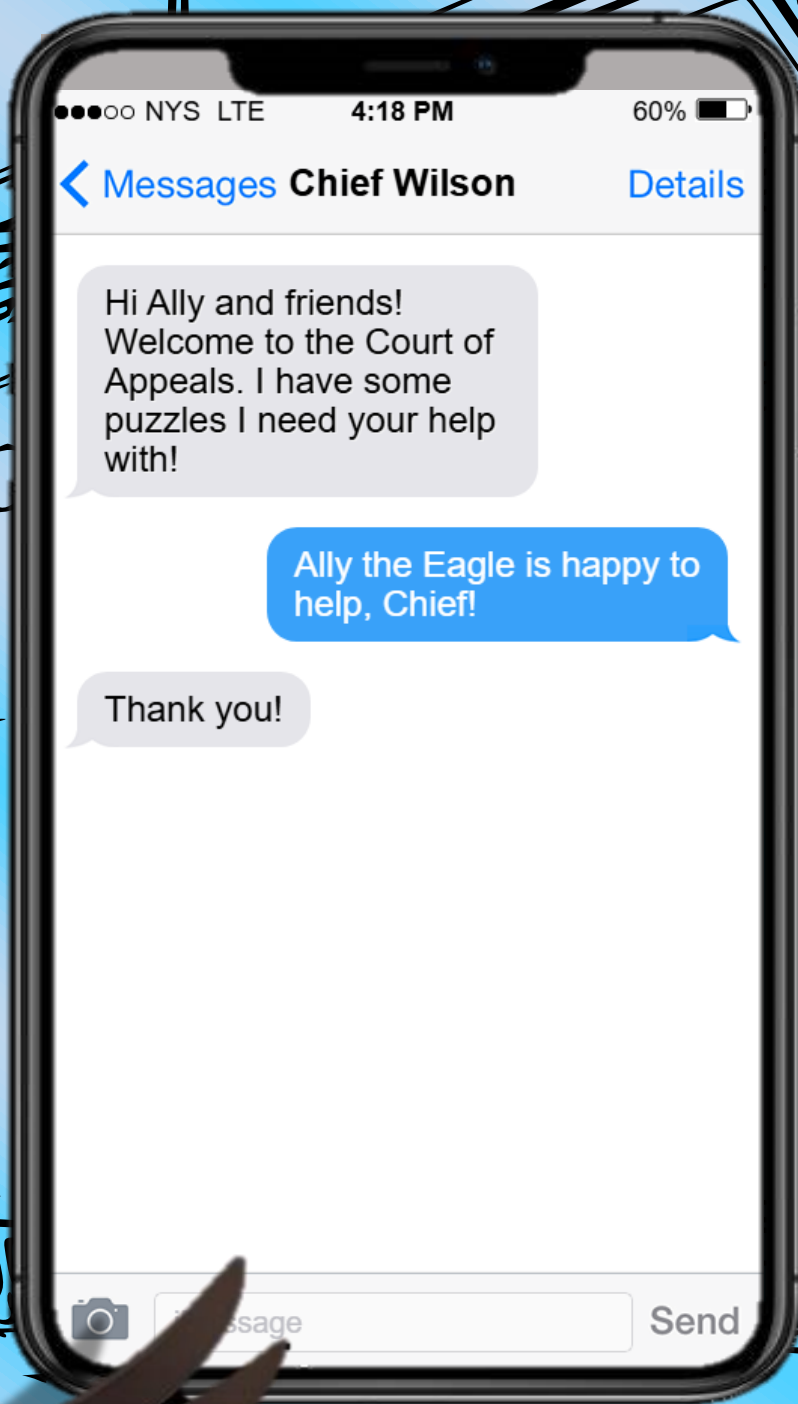
Judges listen to
ORAL ARGUMENT
In the Courtroom.

On the walls you can
see many
PORTRAITS.

Judges get a
portrait when they
retire.

My favorite part of
the courtroom is...

Ally the Eagle just received a text message from **Chief Judge Wilson**!



Q: why are some portraits bigger than others?

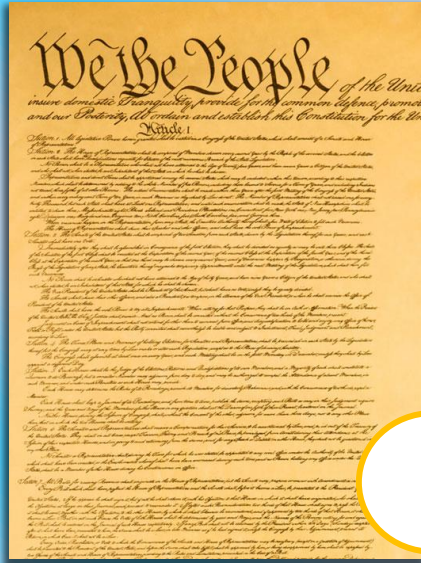


Court of Appeals Word Search!

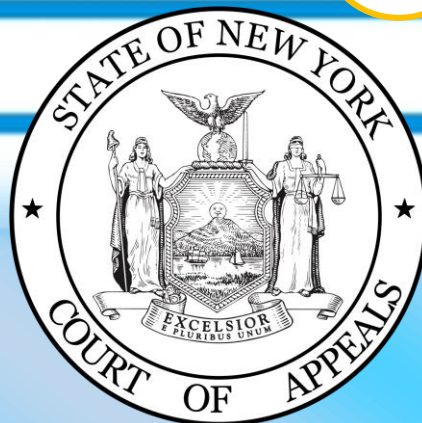
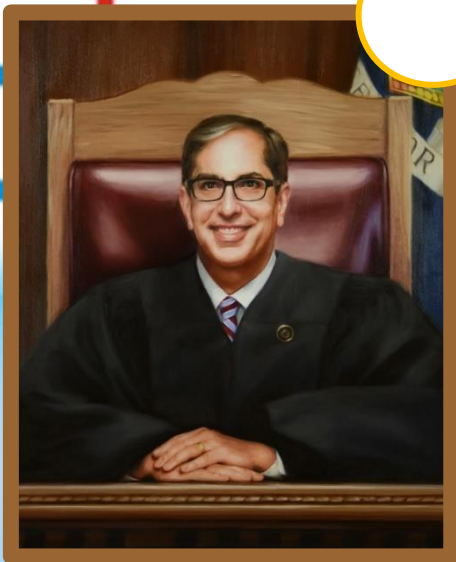


appeal	courtroom	rotunda
judge	governor	bench
portrait	chief	argument

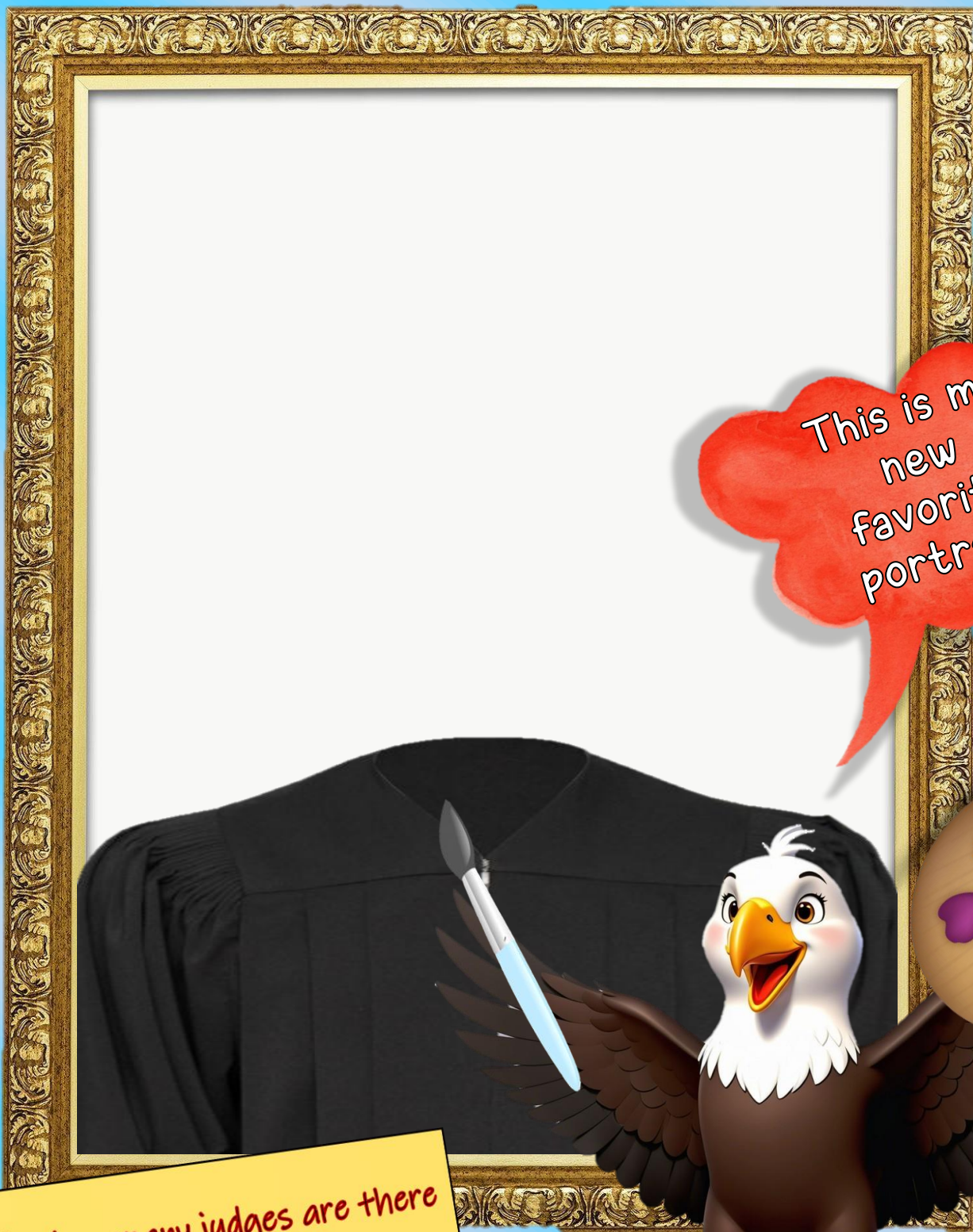
Can you help **Ally** match the picture to the correct word?



- 1)portait 2)column 3)constitution
4) seal 5) court officer 6)courtroom



What would your **portrait** look like if you were a judge?



This is my new favorite portrait!



Q: How many judges are there at the Court of Appeals? ____



You are an amazing
artist! The judges
would like you to
design the Court's
new columns!



The columns look fantastic! Can you help me with a few more projects?

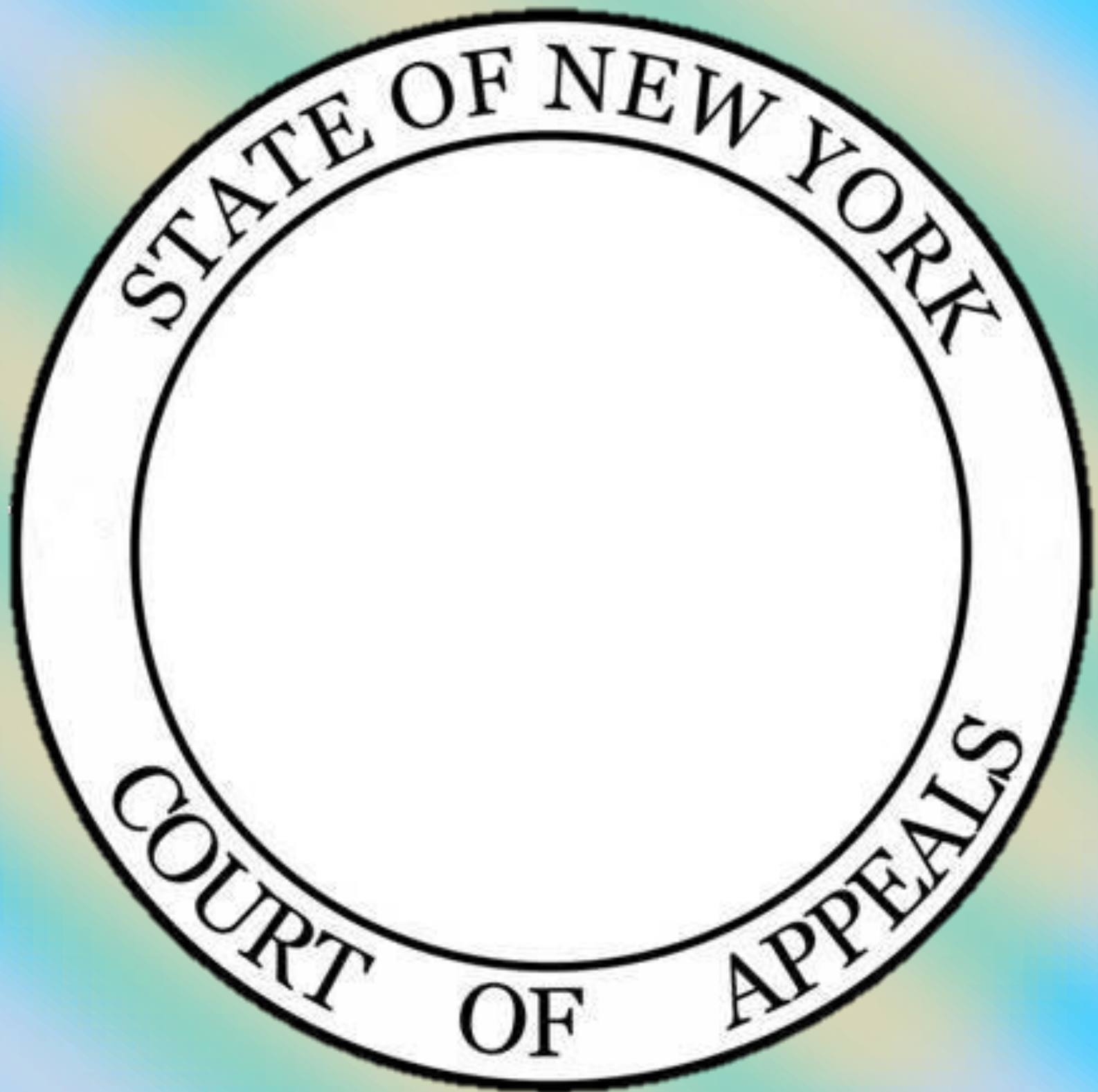
The judges would also like you to design a new robe!





We need to repaint
the ceiling!

Can you help **Ally** design the new
Court of Appeals seal?



Thanks for all of your help!
I had a great time here at
the Court of Appeals with
you! I hope you learned a
lot and will visit again!



JUDGE ALLY

