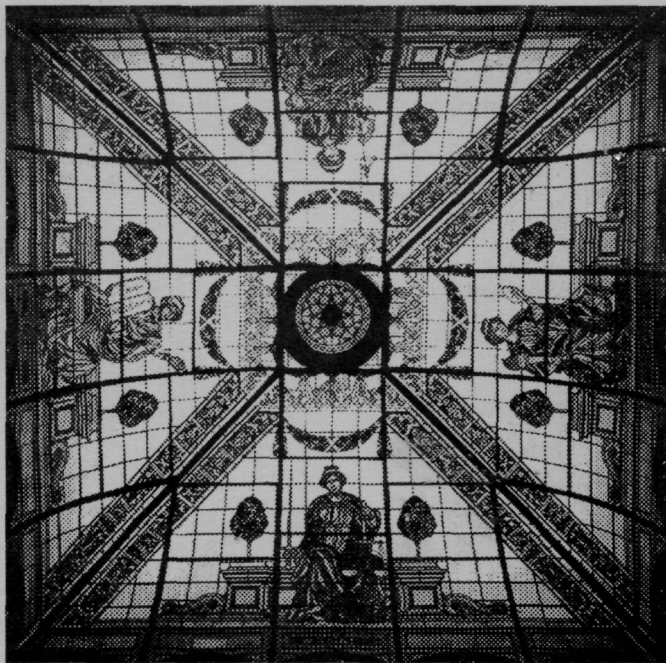


# *Court House Beautification and Improvements 1982 - 1999*

From his appointment as Administrative Judge in 1984, Chief Judge Joseph H.H. Kaplan gave high priority to improvements in the historic Baltimore City Courthouses. Implementation of that improvement program was largely the responsibility of Mary B. Widomski.

Mary B. Widomski has been contributing to Baltimore's legal community for over 30 years. In 1966, Mrs. Widomski was the Senior Secretary for the State's Attorney's Office. She became Judge Sklar's secretary, was assigned to the Administrative Office of the Circuit Court, and in 1982 held the position of Fiscal Administrator. Since 1985, Mary Widomski has served as Deputy Administrator for the Circuit Court for Baltimore City. In addition to her fiscal, budget and personnel management skills, this Court greatly benefitted from her enormous esthetic design and decorating talents.



In all of their endeavors, both Chief Judge Kaplan and Mrs. Widomski have acknowledged the generous support and cooperation of The Baltimore Courthouse and Law Museum Foundation, Inc., City and State governments, the Bar Association of Baltimore City, and the Monumental City and other Bar organizations.

The Baltimore Courthouse and Law Museum Foundation, Inc. is pleased to publish this record of achievement.

Robert T. Gonzales, President  
June 24, 1999

THE FOLLOWING BEAUTIFICATION AND IMPROVEMENT  
PROJECTS GIVE DAILY WITNESS TO THE  
TALENTS OF MARY WIDOMSKI:

PROJECT	BUILDING	COMPLETION DATE
Reconstruction of Stained Glass Domes (2nd Floor Calvert Street Lobby)	Mitchell	October 1984
Renovations to Courtrooms 203 and 231	Mitchell	January 1985
Renovation of Conference Room 510	East	September 1985
Boys Juvenile Detention Room/ Juvenile Waiting Area	Mitchell	April 1988
Interior Public Area Lighting Enhancements	Mitchell	June 1989
Major Passenger and Freight Elevator Renovations	East	August 1989
Exterior Cleaning of Building	Mitchell	October 1989
Restoration of Exterior Bronze Doors Second Floor Renovations (Construction of 6 Additional Courtrooms, Chambers, Various Hearing Rooms, a Lock-Up, Ancillary Offices, and Canteen)	East	March 1990
6th Floor Skylight Renovations	East	June 1990
Installation of Exterior Flagpoles	East	December 1990
Installation of Exterior Lighting	Mitchell	December 1990
Courtroom 400 Renovations	Mitchell	September 1991
Renovations to Room 508 (Conference Room Extension & Mediation Rooms)	East	January 1991
Renovations to Jury Assembly Rooms	Mitchell	September 1995
Marriage Room Project	Mitchell	August 1996

PROJECT	BUILDING	COMPLETION DATE
Medical Division Renovation Project	East	September 1996
Renovations to Courtroom 215	Mitchell	October 1996
Domestic Relations Masters Project	East	January 1997
Renovations to Courtroom 420	East	March 1997
Construction of Central Booking Courtroom Facility	Central Booking	March 1997
Renovations to 548 for Additional Courtroom/Chambers	East	June 1997
Renovations to Courtroom 339	East	August 1997
Renovations to Courtroom 600 & Chambers	Mitchell	December 1997
Relocation of Civil Assignment From 219 Mitchell to 403 East	East	November 1998
Renovations to Courtroom 464	Mitchell	February 1999
Family Division Project (Rooms 333, 325 & 327)	East	March 1999
Construction of 3 Additional Jury Rooms (Room 503)	Mitchell	May 1999
Renovation of 509 Conference Room & Construction of New Attorneys Conference Rooms	Mitchell	May 1999
Renovations to Rooms 432/434 (Construction of New Courtroom & Chambers)	Mitchell	May 1999
Renovations to 510 Conference Room	East	June 1999
Renovations to Grand Jury Room (207)	Mitchell	June 1999
Major Renovations to Rest Room Facilities	Mitchell	August 1999

In addition to these important improvements, undertaken in the 1984-1999

Courthouse Improvement Program of Administrative Judge Joseph H.H. Kaplan and the Bench, Mrs. Widomski was instrumental in accomplishing numerous other projects including carpet replacement, painting of courtrooms and ancillary offices.

To make this record complete, we note that some of the improvements implemented by Judge Kaplan himself also benefitted from consultation with Mrs. Widomski. Those projects include the restoration of the Supreme Bench Courtroom 600 dome (1982), installing new roofs on Courthouse East and Mitchell Courthouse (1987), facilitating the Post office modernization without destroying the original architecture (1991), inaugurating video recording in response to the shortage of court reporters (1990), supporting improvements to Preston Gardens and St. Paul Street parking (1985), commissioning, with the support of the Mayor and City Council, the Richter Cornbrooks Gribble, Inc. Consultant Master Plan for the Restoration and Renovation of the Mitchell Courthouse (1989), and creating four new courtrooms and chambers on the first floor of Courthouse East for the Court's Family Division (1999).

The sum of these remarkable improvements over the past fifteen years is an historic reference equivalent to the renovation of former Courthouse West in 1950.

We congratulate both our Chief and Administrative Judge Joseph H.H. Kaplan (and Bench architect-in-chief) and our highly dedicated Deputy Administrator Mary B. Widomski for these great accomplishments which reflect our respect and affection for these "temples of justice."

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