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Date February 1, 2022

African-American History in the County Courthouse

When: February 16, 2022

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Where: Virtual Program (See link below to attend)

You are invited to join Gary M. Clemens, Clerk of the Circuit Court, his Historic Records team, and the Black History Committee of the Friends of the Thomas Balch Library for a virtual program in recognition of Black History Month. During this presentation, this team will discuss relevant details of individuals and records reflected in the Clerk's new brochure entitled, *African-American History at the Loudoun County Courthouse*. The Historic Records Division and the Black History Committee will discuss the creation of this brochure that exclusively covers African-American history at the courthouse through the historic court records retained in the Clerk's Office.

The brochure was created by virtue of a collaborative partnership with the Clerk of the Circuit Court Historic Records Division and the Black History Committee of the Friends of the Thomas Balch Library. These partners researched the court records for court cases, individuals and events that impacted the lives of African-Americans in Loudoun County and the United States. Donna Bohanon, Chair of the Black History Committee, stated "We are excited about this new brochure and using original records to educate people about African-American history in Loudoun County." Clerk Clemens added, "We value our relationship with the Black History Committee and are pleased to offer this unique education program."

[To participate in this virtual program, please use this link and join us at 6:30 pm on February 16, 2022.](#)

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