

**- PREAMBLE -**

We the People of the United States,  
in Order to form a more perfect Union,  
establish Justice,  
insure domestic Tranquility,  
provide for the common defense,  
promote the general Welfare,  
and secure the Blessings of Liberty  
to ourselves and our Posterity,  
do ordain and establish this  
Constitution for the  
United States of America.

September 17, 1787

**- EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS -**

**High School Roundtable:**

*Courtroom, Chief Justice Pariente/Justice Cantero*

**Elementary Session 1:**

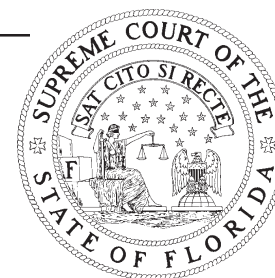
*Library, Justice Quince/Judge Hazouri*

**Elementary Session 2:**

*Judicial Meeting Room, Justice Lewis/Annette Pitts*

**Elementary Session 3:**

*Judicial Conference Center, Justice Anstead/Kelly O'Keefe*



**CEREMONIAL SESSION**

# **CONSTITUTION DAY**



**SEPTEMBER 13, 2005  
9:45 A.M.**

**SUPREME COURT BUILDING  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA**

## PROCLAMATION

“Whereas the Founding Fathers of this great nation on September 17, 1787, signed a Constitution for the United States of America; and

“Whereas the 218<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the signing of the Constitution is Saturday, September 17, 2005, making it the oldest written Constitution in the world; and

“Whereas President George W. Bush on December 8, 2004, signed a law establishing a national program to commemorate Constitution Day each year, with a special focus on our schools; and

“Whereas the Supreme Court of Florida is committed to assist our schools and other institutions in honoring and recognizing the blessings conferred upon us by the United States Constitution; and

“Whereas the Supreme Court of Florida has organized the Program of Observance being conducted here in the courtroom today so that it can be broadcast throughout the state as a way that our students and others can honor Constitution Day under federal law;

“Now, therefore, I, Barbara J. Pariente, Chief Justice of Florida, hereby proclaim that September 17, 2005, is recognized as Constitution Day in the State Courts and encourage the courts, the legal profession, and all the people of Florida to commemorate the signing of our nation’s charter during the month of September.”

## CEREMONIAL SESSION

# CONSTITUTION DAY

*September 13, 2005*

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**Convening of the Court**  
Marshal Stephen Robertson

**Pledge of Allegiance**  
Justice Charles Wells and elementary students

**Welcoming and Opening Remarks**  
Chief Justice Barbara Pariente

**Signing and Reading of the Proclamation**  
Chief Justice Barbara Pariente and Justice Harry Lee Anstead

**Reading of the Preamble**  
Done by All in attendance - led by Justice Quince

**Song: *America The Beautiful***  
Fred Lee

**Conclusions and Adjournment**  
Chief Justice Barbara J. Pariente

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*Reception Following in the Rotunda*