

**A Timeline of the Tennessee Supreme Court Chamber in the Tennessee State Capitol**

* **1835** – The Tennessee Supreme Court is established with the ratification of the 1835 Tennessee Constitution.
* **1845** – Construction begins on the Capitol Building.
* **1854** – The Tennessee Supreme Court begins using the Supreme Court Chamber in the Capitol while the building is still under construction.
* **1859** – Construction of the Capitol Building is completed.
* **1861** – The Tennessee Supreme Court holds its last session before the Civil War disrupts state government operations
* **1865** – The Tennessee Supreme Court begins hearing cases again after new justices are appointed by Governor William G. Brownlow.
* **1870** – Voters ratify the 1870 Tennessee Constitution, which expands the number of justices from three to five.
* **1936** – The Tennessee Supreme Court moves out of the Capitol to the newly constructed Tennessee Supreme Court Building.
* **1988** – After fifty years of use as an office space, the Historic Supreme Court Chamber is restored to its original appearance.