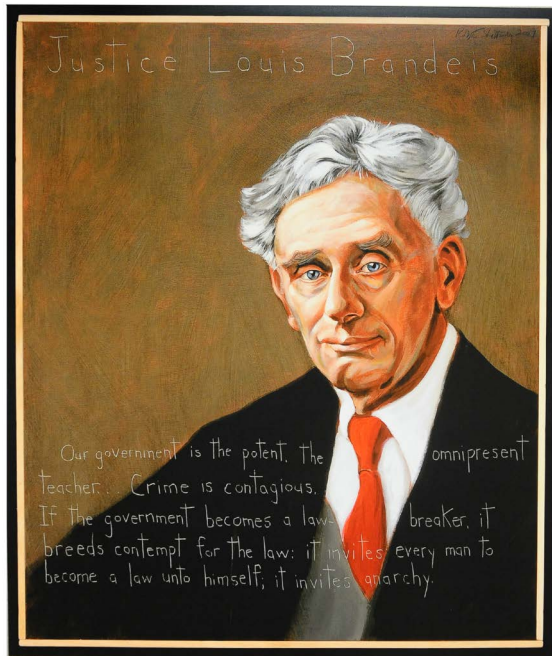


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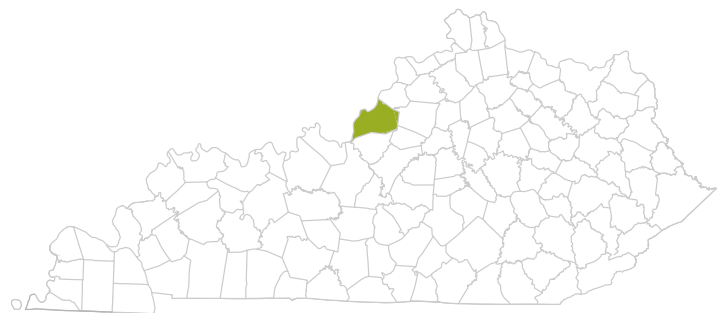
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LOUIS BRANDEIS | 1856-1941



Louis D. Brandeis (By Rob Shetterly. Courtesy of Louis D. Brandeis School of Law, University of Louisville.)

PUBLIC SERVICE – Louis D. Brandeis fought for people’s rights long before his 1916 appointment to the Supreme Court. “The People’s Lawyer,” Brandeis was known for his pro bono work representing individuals and small businesses against monopolies and corporations. He was a champion of the public’s right to privacy, most famously with his dissent in the 1928 Supreme Court decision in *Olmstead v. United States*. The court ruled that it was not a violation of individual rights for federal agents to use wiretapped private telephone conversations, obtained without judicial approval, as evidence. In his dissent, Brandeis foresaw an increasing risk to individual rights as scientific advances allowed law enforcement to gather evidence in ways even less intrusive than wiretapping.



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