

HISTORICAL JUNE

June 1, 1779:

Benedict Arnold is court-martialed.

The court-martial convenes in Philadelphia. He is charged with misusing government wagons, illegally buying and selling goods and favoring the British Loyalists. Although his notorious betrayal was months away, Arnold's resentment over this order and the perceived mistreatment by the American Army would fuel his traitorous decision.



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Truth is the only safe ground to stand on.

– Elizabeth Cady Stanton, rights activist

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June 4, 1919:

Congress passes the 19th Amendment.

Guaranteeing women the right to vote, this is passed by Congress and sent to the states for ratification. In 1869, the National Woman Suffrage Association, led by Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton, worked through the state legislatures to call attention to the issue. Wyoming became the first state granting women the right to vote in 1890. In 1920, Tennessee ratified the amendment, giving it the two-thirds majority necessary to make it the law of the land.



June 4, 1989:

The crackdown at Tiananmen begins.

With protests for democratic reforms entering their seventh week, the Chinese government authorizes its soldiers and tanks to reclaim Beijing's Tiananmen Square. By nightfall on June 4, Chinese troops had forcibly cleared the square, killing hundreds and arresting thousands of demonstrators and suspected dissidents.



June 13, 1967:

Thurgood Marshall is appointed to the Supreme Court.

President Lyndon Johnson appoints U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Thurgood Marshall to fill the seat of retiring Associate Justice Tom C. Clark. After a heated debate, the Senate confirmed Marshall's nomination by a vote of 69-11. He was sworn in by Chief Justice Earl Warren, making him the first African American to sit on America's highest court.



June 16, 1966:

Miranda rights are established.



The Supreme Court hands down its decision in *Miranda v. Arizona*, establishing the principle that all criminal suspects must be advised of their right to counsel and their protection against self-incrimination before interrogation. The 1966 case arose from the confession of Ernesto Miranda, in custody for suspicion of abducting and raping a Phoenix woman.