

The Layout of a Criminal Courtroom

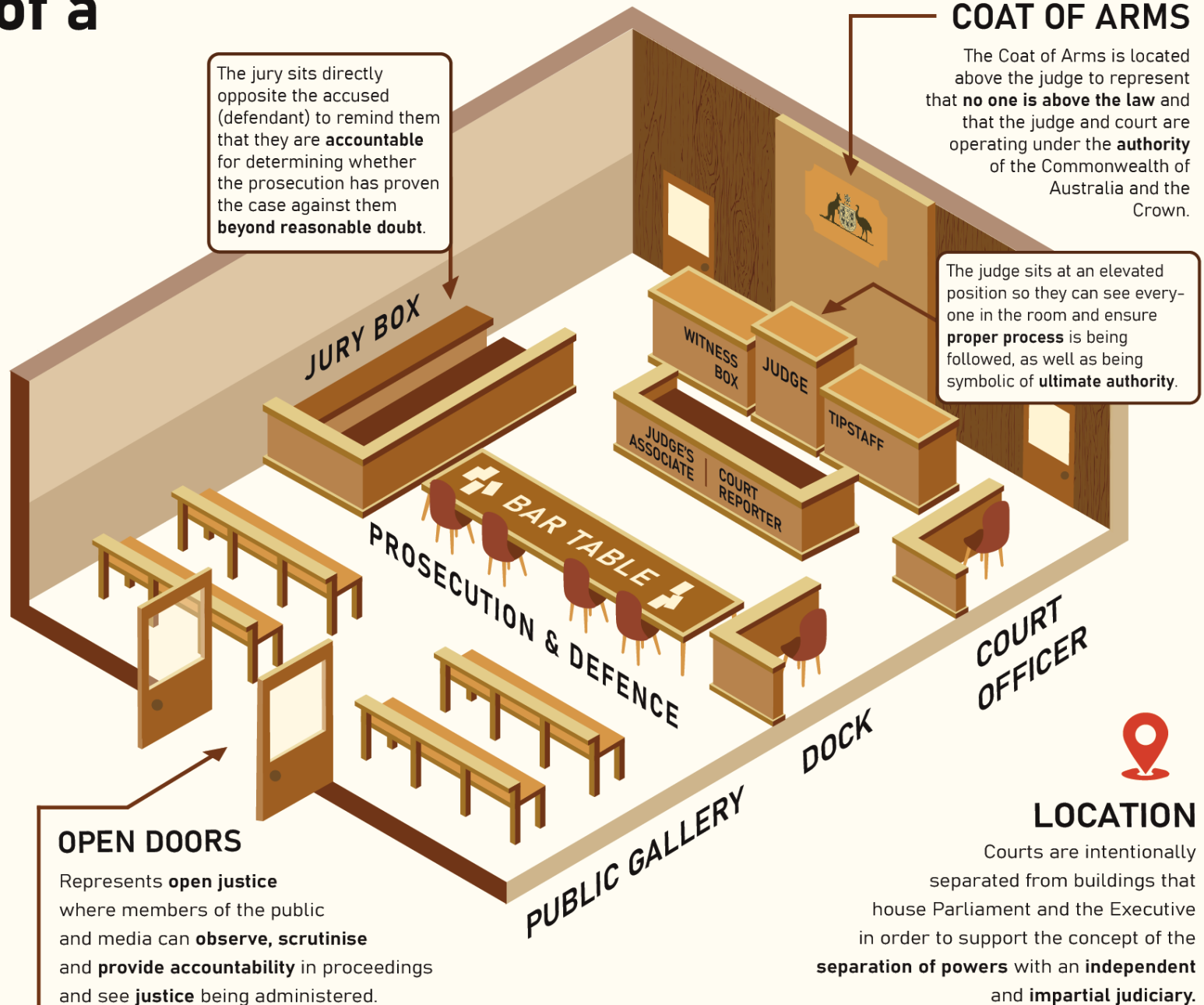
DESIGN & LAYOUT

Courtrooms are designed and laid out to ensure that proceedings facilitate the achievement of **the rule of law**. For example, the defence and prosecution sitting alongside each other at the bar table ensures that both parties are regarded **equally** by the court. Certain design features enhance **transparency**, such as lighting and acoustics that enable all attendees to clearly hear and see all goings on during hearings **so that justice is not only done but is seen to be done**.

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LOCATION

Courts are intentionally separated from buildings that house Parliament and the Executive in order to support the concept of the **separation of powers** with an **independent** and **impartial judiciary**.