

Cameras roll in federal court in St. Louis | Video

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A case that yielded a \$5.3 million jury verdict was the first to be recorded on digital video in U.S. District Court in St. Louis under a national pilot program.

Cameras caught [three hours of the first day of trial, including opening statements](#).

The cameras stopped rolling after a criminal trial bumped *Process Controls International Inc. v. Emerson Process Management et al.* from the 3rd floor courtroom set up for video.

The court signed up with 13 other federal courts for a three-year cameras-in-the-courtroom pilot program but was a year late in starting because of the time it took to repair flood damage in the building after a pipe burst in August 2011.

The parties and judges must give permission and decide which portions of a trial will be recorded.

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