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adj.

1. *Law*

a. Of, relating to, or proper to courts of law or to the administration of justice: *the judicial system*.

b. Decreed by or proceeding from a court of justice: *a judicial decision*.

c. Belonging or appropriate to the office of a judge: *in judicial robes*.

2. Characterized by or expressing judgment: *the judicial function of a literary critic*.

3. Proceeding from a divine judgment.

[Middle English, from Anglo-Norman, from Latin *iūdicīālis*, from *iūdicium*, judgment, from *iūdex*, *iūdic-*, judge; see **deik-** [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

ju·di cial·ly *adv.*

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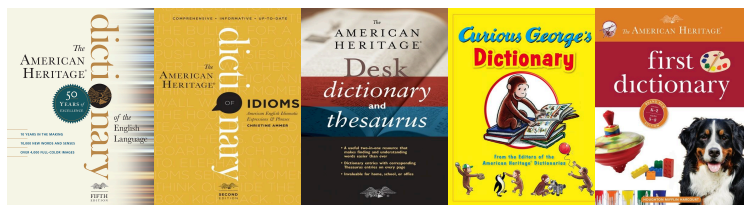
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