

Landmark Supreme Court Cases

Presentation: Students are to research one of the landmark Supreme Court cases below and present the following to the class:

- 1) A short historical narratives exploring the facts of the case
- 2) Constitutional arguments on each side
- 3) Description of the Court's Ruling
- 4) Analysis of the Court's ruling
- 5) Thought-provoking discussion questions

Assessment: Once all presentations have been completed, students will have to write a written response to 1 of the cases presented in the class

- Marbury v. Madison (1803)- Judicial Review or Judicial Activism?
- McCulloch v. Maryland (1819) - Federal Power
- Gibbons v. Ogden (1824) - Commerce Clause, Federalism
- Reynolds v. United States (1878)- Free Exercise of Religion
- Hammer v. Dagenhart (1918) - Commerce Clause, Federalism
- Olmstead v. United States (1927) - Fourth Amendment
- Near v. Minnesota (1931) - Freedom of the Press, Prior Restraint
- Cantwell v. Connecticut (1940) - Free Exercise of Religion
- Minersville School District v. Gobitis (1940) - Freedom of Speech, Religion
- United States v. Causby (1946) - Eminent Domain
- Brown v. Board of Education (1954)- Equal Protection
- Mapp v. Ohio (1961)- Fourth Amendment, Exclusionary Rule
- Engel v. Vitale (1962) - Freedom of Religion, Establishment Clause
- Gideon v. Wainwright (1963)- Sixth Amendment, Right to Counsel
- New York Times v. Sullivan (1964) - Freedom of the Press, Libel
- Griswold v. Connecticut (1965)- Personal Liberty, Privacy
- Miranda v. Arizona (1966)- Rights of the Accused
- Loving v. Virginia (1967)- Equal Protection
- Tinker v. Des Moines (1969)- Freedom of Speech, Students
- New York Times v. United States (1971) - Freedom of the Press, Prior Restraint
- Roe v. Wade (1973)- Personal Liberty
- Gregg v. Georgia (1976) - Eighth Amendment, Death Penalty
- Island Trees School District v. Pico (1982) - Freedom of Speech, Students
- New Jersey v. T.L.O. (1985)- Fourth Amendment, Students
- Bethel v. Fraser (1986)- Freedom of Speech, Students
- Allegheny County v. ACLU (1989) - Freedom of Religion, Establishment Cause
- Texas v. Johnson (1989) - Freedom of Speech
- Lee v. Weisman (1992) - Freedom of Religion, Establishment Clause
- Lucas v. South Carolina Coastal Commission (1992) - Eminent Domain
- United States v. Lopez (1995) - Commerce Clause, Federalism
- Dickerson v. United States (1999) - Rights of the Accused
- Owasso v. Falvo (2001) - Privacy, Students
- Zelman v. Simmons-Harris (2002) - Freedom of Religion, Establishment Clause
- Pottawatomie v. Earls (2002) - Fourth Amendment, Students
- Locke v. Davey (2004) - Free Exercise of Religion
- Kelo v. New London (2005)- Eminent Domain
- MGM Studios v. Grokster (2005) - Property Rights, Copyright
- Morse v. Frederick (2007) - Freedom of Speech, Students
- District of Columbia v. Heller (2008) - Second Amendment
- McDonald v. Chicago (2010) - Second Amendment
- Citizens United v. F.E.C. (2010) - Freedom of Speech, Campaign Finance