

**Review Guide: Judicial Branch Civil Liberties & Civil Rights**

1. What does not allow the prosecution to appeal the decision if the defendant is found not guilty?
2. What is the right to an *appeal*?
3. Which U.S. law established the system of lower courts?
4. What gives the Supreme Court the power to decide the constitutionality of a law?
5. Which Supreme Court Chief Justice led the most judicially active court for the rights of people accused of crimes?
6. What is *Judicial Review*?
7. What is a *plaintiff*?
8. What is a *precedent*?
9. A federal district court of appeals hears cases in order to determine whether the \_\_\_\_\_ trial was fair and the law was interpreted correctly.
10. Federal courts hear cases involving federal laws and cases beyond the authority of individual \_\_\_\_\_.
11. From least powerful to most powerful, list the correct order of U.S. court supremacy.
12. How are federal judges chosen?
13. What amendment nullified the Dred Scott case?
14. What court is only concerned about the fairness of a trial and the interpretation of the law in a trial?
15. The Court of Claims and the Tax Court are both examples of \_\_\_\_\_ courts.
16. What is the main difference between a legislator and a federal judge? (hint: think influence)
17. What "Check" (in our system of checks and balances) does the U.S. Senate have on the power of the Supreme Court?

18. What "Check" (in our system of checks and balances) do the citizen of the United States have on the power of the Supreme Court?
19. What "Check" (in our system of checks and balances) does the President have on the power of the Supreme Court?
20. The U.S. Supreme Court does NOT have an army to send if laws it helps to create are not followed. So what then does the Supreme Court need to consider before ruling on a case?
21. Who is the current Chief Justice?
22. What are the duties of the Supreme Court?
23. What is *Jurisdiction*?
24. What is *Habeus Corpus*?
25. What is *Stare Decisis*?
26. Are all decisions that the S.C. makes binding on all lower courts?
27. Explain the "Rule of Four"?
28. What does the adversary system help to create?
29. What is *Judicial Restraint*?
30. What is *Judicial Activism*?
31. What is the difference between a *Strict Constructionist* and a *Loose Constructionist*?

**Know the following Court Cases**

*Marbury v. Madison*

*Texas v. Johnson*

*Plessy v. Ferguson*

*Roe v. Wade*

*McCulloch v. Maryland*

*Miranda v. Arizona*

*Brown v. Board*

*New Jersey v. TLO*

*Gibbons v. Ogden*

*Korematsu v. U.S.*

*Dred Scott v. Sanford*

*Gideon v. Wainwright*