

Court Cases

Marbury v. Madison

- court establishes judicial review

Engel v. Vitale

- reading of a prayer at start of school day violates "establishment of religion"

McDonald v. Chicago

- right of someone to keep/bear arms is protected under 2nd amendment

Brown v. Board of Education

- separate educational facilities are unequal

Roe v. Wade

- a woman has the right to determine whether or not to have an abortion

Gideon v. Wainwright

- those who cannot afford an attorney will have one provided by the state

Baker v. Carr

- bc redistricting issues cause questions, federal courts can intervene (not just state courts)

Schenk v. US

- person who handed out anti-draft pamphlets not protected by 1st amendment bc it created danger

Wisconsin v. Yoder

- aslan children cannot be placed under mandatory education past 8th grade

McCulloch v. Maryland

- conflict arose btwn state/federal gov't (state gov't subordinate)

Shaw v. Reno

- deals w/ gerrymandering, redistricting based on race deemed unlawful bc of equal protection clause

New York Times v. US

- newspapers can publish pentagon papers w/o punishment

US v. Lopez

- Gun Free School Zones Act exceed congress' authority to regulate interstate commerce
- * increased power of state gov't

Citizens United v. FEC

- court rules that corporate funding of independent political ads couldn't be limited under 1st amendment