

THE CONSTITUTION

- I. Background
 - A. Articles of Confederation – (weak Nat)
 - sovereignty?
 - economy?
 - taxes?
 - money?
 - rebellion?

- B. Sectionalism
- slavery
- economic basis
- size
- II. Compromises
- A. Great (Connecticut) Compromise
- Virginia Plan
- New Jersey Plan
- B. Commerce Compromise
- slavery vs. taxing trade

- C. 3/5 Compromise
- representation vs. taxation
- III. Separation of Powers
- Purpose?
- A. 3 Branches
- B. Checks and Balances
- IV. Types of Powers
- delegated (expressed, implied, inherent)
- enumerated (aka expressed)
- concurrent
- reserved
- exclusive
- inherent
- implied

- V. Articles
- 1. Legislative Branch
- structure
- qualifications/terms
- powers
- 2. Executive Branch
- qualifications/terms
- electoral system
- powers/duties

- 3. Judicial Branch
 - vague
 - types of cases
 - defines treason
- 4. State Relationships
- 5. Amendment Process
- 6. National Supremacy
- 7. Ratification

VI. Protections: Bill of Rights

- Civil Liberties (1st Amendment)
- Civil Rights (2nd – 9th Amendment)
- Federalism (10th Amendment)

VII. PROTECTIONS FROM THE MAJORITY

- Habeas corpus
- Bill of attainder
- Ex post facto law