

Bill of Rights Test Review

The first 10 amendments to the Constitution are called the Bill of Rights. An amendment is basically a change to the Constitution.

First Amendment is (FRAPP): There are limits to all First Amendment rights (ex. Can't yell fire in crowded theater)

Freedom of assembly allows you to meet in public and join groups like political parties that have meetings or rallies. Freedom of petition is writing complaints to the government.

The Establishment Clause in the first amendment deals with religion and separating church and state.

2nd amendment is about gun ownership and 3rd is about quartering soldiers.

4th Amendment: Protects you from unreasonable search and seizures, police must have a search warrant and probable cause.

5th amendment: Due Process, Double Jeopardy, Self-incrimination and Eminent Domain (you should know what these terms mean. Eminent Domain means the government can take your property if it has a reason and it must pay you fairly for it.

8th amendment: No excessive bail/ no cruel and unusual punishment. Some people claim the death penalty is cruel and unusual.

Ninth Amendment: not all rights are listed in the Constitution. You have protected rights that are not in the Constitution.

The Civil War Amendments: 13th, 14th and 15th: 13th is no slavery, 14th is all people born here are citizens, former slaves are citizens, all citizens have right to due process and rights, 15th all African American men can vote. Important that these Amendments are not fully followed for over 100 hundred years. Jim Crow laws were laws passed by state governments that promoted racist ideas. The 24th Amendment outlaws Poll Tax making the 15th more of a possibility.

The 19th gives women the right to vote (suffrage is another words for right to vote)