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The Judicial Branch - Vocab Cards

Congress]>

the group of people who are elected to make laws in the United States. It is made up of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

If you meet a member of _Congress_, he or she will either be a Senator or a member of the House of Representatives.

Synonyms: legislative branch



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constitution]>

the document that describes the principles and laws of a country, state, or organization.

When questions arise, the Supreme Court is tasked with interpreting the US _Constitution_ and determining what the basic laws of the country express.

Synonyms: charter, legislation



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interpret]>

to explain or give meaning to something.

The team was tasked with _interpreting_ the data and summarizing it for others to understand.

Synonyms: clarify, understand

Antonyms: obscure, misunderstand



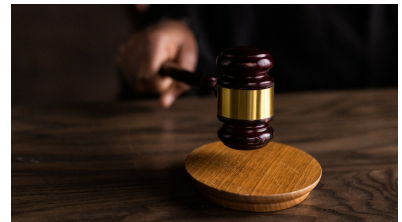
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judicial review]>

the ability of the Supreme Court to examine the actions of the legislative and executive branch and declare them unconstitutional.

Judicial review allows the Supreme Court to declare laws unconstitutional.



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judicial system]>

the part of the U.S. government that interprets the law and administers justice.

The highest court in the American _judicial system_ is the Supreme Court.



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Senate]>

one of the two legislative houses in the United States Congress, or a similar part of other governments.

The United States _Senate_ has fewer members than the House of Representatives, which is the other house of Congress.



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Supreme Court]>

the highest court in the United States.

As the highest court in the US, the _Supreme Court_ interprets federal law and rules on dozens of cases a year.



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verdict]>

the final decision of the jury in a trial.

The defendant received a _verdict_ of not guilty.



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