

EOC Landmark Supreme Court Cases

Case	Essential Question
Marbury v. Madison (1803)	Judicial Review: Is Marbury entitled to his Presidential appointment? Is his lawsuit the correct way to get it? And, is the Supreme Court the place for Marbury to get the relief he requests?
Plessy v. Ferguson (1896)	Is Louisiana's law requiring racial segregation on its trains an unconstitutional violation of the equal protection clause of the Fourteenth Amendment?
Brown v. Board of Education (1954)	Does the segregation of children in public schools only on the basis of race deny the minority children of the equal protection of the laws guaranteed by the Fourteenth Amendment?
Gideon v. Wainwright (1962-1963)	Does the Sixth Amendment's right to counsel in criminal cases extend to felony defendants in state courts?
Miranda v. Arizona (1965-1966)	Does the police practice of interrogating individuals without notifying them of their right to counsel and their protection against self-incrimination violate the Fifth Amendment?
In re Gault (1966)	Were the procedures used to commit Gault (a juvenile) constitutionally legitimate under the Due Process Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment?
Tinker v. Des Moines School District (1968-1969)	Does a prohibition against the wearing of armbands in public school, as a form of symbolic protest, violate the students' freedom of speech protections guaranteed by the First Amendment?
United States v. Nixon (1974)	Is the President's right to safeguard certain information, using his "executive privilege" confidentiality power, entirely immune from judicial review?
Hazelwood School District v. Kuhlmeier (1987-1988)	Did the principal's deletion of the articles violate the students' rights under the First Amendment?
Bush v. Gore (2000)	Did the Florida Supreme Court violate Article II Section 1 Clause 2 of the U.S. Constitution by making new election law? Do standardless manual recounts violate the Equal Protection and Due Process Clauses of the Constitution?
D.C. v. Heller (2007)	Whether provisions of the D.C. Code generally barring the registration of handguns, prohibiting carrying a pistol without a license, and requiring all lawful firearms to be kept unloaded and either disassembled or trigger locked violate the Second Amendment rights of individuals who wish to keep handguns and other firearms for private use in their homes?