**Landmark Supreme Court Cases**

**Project**

#  Big Idea

The Judicial Branch, comprised of the federal court system, interprets all government processes, ensuring the protection of civil rights and civil liberties.

**Task**

You have been selected to serve on a Landmark Supreme Court Case Commission. Your committee has been tasked with establishing the most important and influential Supreme Court case in recent history. As a commissioner, your team (2 people) must *research* and *review* a nominated court case and *prepare* apresentation that will effectively persuade other members of the Landmark Supreme Court Case Commission to select your case *as the most significant Supreme Court decision in recent times.* Voting will take place by secret ballot.

This will be worth 40 points.

**\* DUE DATE: Wed. 2/17 **

**The winning**

**team will receive bonus points!**

**Project Requirements**

**Presentation**

20 points

**Component I:** Research - use credible sources (*not wikipedia*), and information needs to be in your own words! DO NOT COPY PASTE OR YOU WILL RECEIVE A ZERO

•**Component II:** Power Point or Prezi presentation

•Technical Requirements: 6 slides minimum (font for titles should be size 32 font and for summary/facts/information size 24) and you must include 3-4 pictures that enhance project

#### Works Cited

10 points

* You must have 1 Works Cited slide
* 2 minimum citations in correct MLA format

#### Oral Presentations

10 points

Team Work

* You will graded based on how well you know the information and present that to the class. This means you need to speak directly to the audience.
* Project your voice so that you can be heard easily.
* Maintain an appropriate pace during presentation.
* Working with a partner is an important element to this project. If you are absent for either work day, YOU are still responsible for the slides and information decided upon by you and your partner. If you are absent for the presentation, you will earn a 0 for that part of the grade.

**Do NOT read the information from the PPT or Prezi (you may use note cards if necessary)**

Nominated Supreme Court Cases

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**First Amendment**

*Engel v. Vitale* (1962)

*Tinker v. Des Moines Independent Community School District* (1969)

*Hazelwood v. Kuhlmeier* (1988)

*Wisconsin v. Yoder* (1972)

*Morse v. Frederick (2007)*

*Walker v. Texas Division, Sons of Confederate Veterans*

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**4th Amendment**

*New Jersey vs TLO* (1985)

*Safford Unified School District v. Redding (2009)*

*Riley v. California (2014)*

*Rodriguez v. United States*

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**5th amendment**

*Miranda v. Arizona* (1966)

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**6th Amendment**

*Gideon v. Wainwright* (1963)

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**14th Amendment (Due Process / Equal Protection)**

*Gratz v. Bollinger* (2003)

*Brown v. Board of Education* (1954)

*Regents of the University of California v. Bakke* (1978)

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**8th Amendment**

*Roper v. Simmons* (2005) *\*Juvenile death penalty case*

*Glossip v. Gross (2015)*

**Website Resources:**

* [**www.landmarkcases.org**](http://www.landmarkcases.org/)
* [**www.oyez.org**](http://www.oyez.org/)
* [**www.supremecourtus.gov**](http://www.supremecourtus.gov/)

Remember to cite all sources used in your project!

**Assigned Court Case \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**STEP 1 –Preliminary Research and Prezi or PowerPoint**

1. *Collect content-specific requirements for your assigned case (take notes)*
	* Constitutional Issue/Question
	* Opposing Viewpoints (both sides of argument)
	* Key players
	* Supreme Court Decision (including the majority number of votes v. minority number of votes)
	* Enduring Legacy ~ *relevance to society and your life! Essentially, explain why you think this case is the most important Supreme Court decision of recent times (convince your audience)!*

**STEP 2 – Divide Tasks and Develop Presentation**

1. Divide Tasks - 6 slides minimum (font for titles should be size 32 font and for summary/facts/information size 24) and you must include 3-4 pictures that enhance project! DON’T forget the “Works Cited” slide (it is NOT one of the 6 minimum)

**\*It will be necessary to share contact information with your partner (email address or phone number) in order to be sure each person does their portion.**

 **Remember** – Projects should present the information clearly and in an organized manner. The purpose of this part of the assignment is to help your classmates understand the court case with written information and visuals, and it is also meant to *guide* you through the presentation.

1. Create Slides: Start creating Prezi or PowerPoint slides. Check in with each other to make sure your project stays on track!

## STEP 3 - Final Reminders

### Double and triple check the assignment guidelines and rubric to ensure success!

* WORK together – you are ALL responsible for the final presentation.
* REHEARSE in advance and speak *clearly.*

## Work Schedule

* + **Computer Lab Days: February 10th and February 12th**
	+ *It is also expected that you work outside of school,* ***if necessary***

**Presentations are on Wednesday, February 17th**