Article IV: States

- <u>Article IV</u> explains the relationship <u>between the states</u> and the national government, (Federalism), and the <u>relationship among the states</u>.
- <u>Full Faith and Credit</u>:
- States must honor the <u>laws and court</u> <u>decisions</u> of other states. (Art. IV,Sect.1)
- <u>Privileges and Immunities</u>:
- States cannot <u>discriminate against</u> <u>people from other states</u> in favor of its own citizens. (Art. IV, Sect. 2)



- An example of full faith and credit is
- Privileges and Immunities

means:

Article V: Amendments

- <u>Article V</u> explains how to <u>amend</u> the Constitution
- The Constitution has <u>27 Amendments</u>.
- The first **10 amendments** are the **Bill of Rights**
- The most common way to <u>amend</u> the Constitution is
 - Amendments are proposed by 2/3 of Congress (both Houses).
 - Amendments are <u>approved by 3/4 of the</u> <u>state legislatures.</u>
- The second way to amend the Constitution:
- States apply to Congress for a <u>national</u> <u>convention. Then ¾ of state legislatures or</u> <u>state conventions</u> must ratify the amendment.



What is the most common way to amend the Constitution?

Article VI: Supremacy Article VII: Ratification

- Article VI explains that the Constitution and other national laws are the <u>"supreme law of the</u> <u>land."</u>
- <u>Article VII</u> explains the process for the states to <u>ratify</u> (approve) the Constitution.
 - The Constitution required <u>that 9</u>
 <u>out of the 13 states</u> had to approve the Constitution for it to take affect.



- Supreme law of the land means
- Ratify means
- How many states had to ratify the Constitution?