

# The Bill of Rights

## The First 10 Amendments to the United States Constitution



# The First Amendment

- The First Amendment is know as the “Five Freedoms.”
- The Five Freedoms are Freedom of:
  - Religion
  - Speech
  - The Press
  - Assembly
  - Petition



Why are Freedom of Speech and the Press important?



**Is this “Free Assembly” and “Free Speech”?**



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# *Citizen Protections: The Second, Third, and Fourth Amendments*

- The **Second Amendment** gives state militias the right to have weapons.
- The **Third Amendment** prevents the military from forcing citizens to house soldiers.
- The **Fourth Amendment** forbids “unreasonable searches and seizures.”



What do you think “unreasonable searches and seizures” means?



**Can a police officer search a student's backpack?**

# Have you heard of this:

- You have the right to remain silent.
- Anything you say can and will be used against you in a court of law.
- You have the right to an attorney.
- If you cannot afford an attorney, one will be appointed for you.

# *The Rights of the Accused: The Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Amendments*

- **The Fifth Amendment:**
  - Due Process: Laws must be equally applied to all
  - Protects people from being a witness against themselves
  - Double Jeopardy: Protects people from being tried for the same crime twice

Fifth Amendment  
To the U. S. Constitution

No person shall...be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

What does Due Process mean?

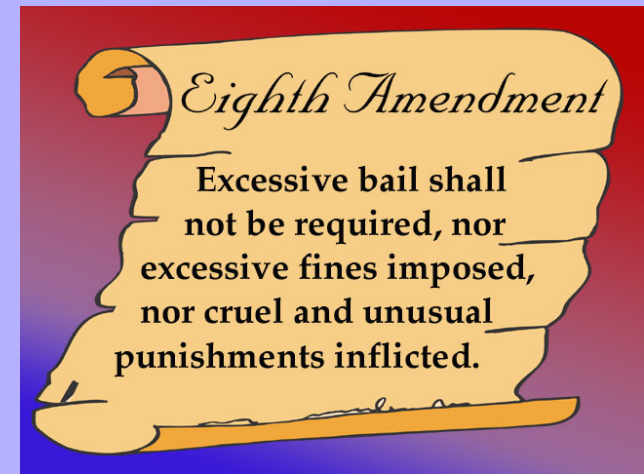


# Due Process: The Right to Remain Silent



# *The Rights of the Accused: The Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Amendments*

- The **Sixth Amendment** guarantees a speedy, public trial, and the right to a lawyer.
- The **Seventh Amendment** guarantees a jury trial for “civil” cases.
- The **Eighth Amendment** allows for “bail,” and forbids, “cruel and unusual punishment.”



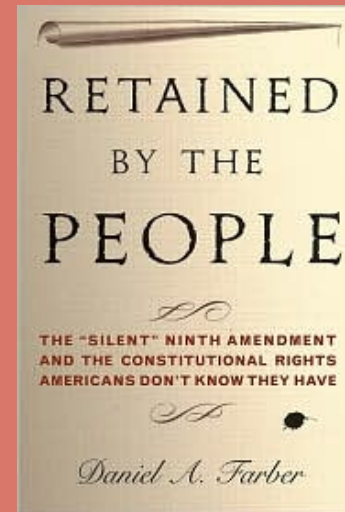
Why is it important to have trials be public?

# Due Process of the Law: Right to a Lawyer



# Other Rights and Powers: The Ninth and Tenth Amendments

- The **Ninth Amendment** says that citizens have more rights than are listed in the Constitution.
- The **Tenth Amendment** says that powers not given to the national government are reserved for the states.



Why do you think the Ninth Amendment was added to the Bill of Rights?

