

US History

Landmark Supreme Court Cases Project

Resources List

Helpful tips before you begin:

- You may use Wikipedia
- When you are stuck, try a specific search about your case. For example, try searching for “flag burning freedom of expression” or “Flag burning laws in United States”
- Always click on links on helpful pages before going back to google
- When you’ve done all that, ask me for help!

1. *Texas v. Johnson*

- a. Streetlaw: Overview, Background, Questions, Decision, Resources. Explore all tabs and links on this page: http://www.streetlaw.org/en/landmark/cases/texas_v_johnson#Tab=Overview
- b. Bill of Rights Institute: <http://www.billofrights.org/page.aspx?pid=813>

2. *Snyder v. Phelps*

- a. Newsweek – video on Westboro Baptist Church before the case:
<http://www.thedailybeast.com/newsweek/videos/2010/10/05/free-speech-fight.html>
- b. Time Magazine – “Why the Supreme Court ruled for Westboro”:
<http://www.time.com/time/nation/article/0,8599,2056613,00.html>
- c. PBS – Interview with reporter covering the case:
<http://www.pbs.org/wnet/religionandethics/episodes/october-8-2010/snyder-v-phelps/7180/>

3. *Edwards v. Aguillard*

- a. Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Edwards_v._Aguillard

4. *District of Columbia v. Heller*

- a. Gun Facts thorough summary of case: <http://www.gunfacts.info/pdfs/misc/Heller%20-%20Media%20Briefing%20Book%20-%20public.pdf>
- b. CNN “High Court Strikes Down Gun Ban” http://articles.cnn.com/2008-06-26/us/scotus.guns_1_gun-ban-second-amendment-gun-violence?_s=PM:US
- c. Shmoop District of Columbia v. Heller: <http://www.shmoop.com/right-to-bear-arms/district-of-columbia-v-heller.html>

5. *New Jersey v. TLO*

- a. Streetlaw: Overview, Background, Questions, Decision, Resources. Explore all tabs and links on this page: http://www.streetlaw.org/en/landmark/cases/new_jersey_v_tlo
- b. Shmoop – The Right to Privacy: Make sure to read this and scroll to bottom to use links on related issues: <http://www.shmoop.com/right-to-privacy/new-jersey-v-tlo.html>

6. *Vernonia School District v. Acton*

- a. PBS Summary: http://www.pbs.org/pov/pdf/larryvlockney/lvl_lessonplan_handout1.pdf
- b. East Buchanan School District summary: http://www.east-buc.k12.ia.us/05_06/AG1/jh/jh2.htm
- c. ACLU: <http://aclu.procon.org/view.resource.php?resourceID=616>

7. *Ingraham v. Wright*

- a. Interview between student and lawyer in courtroom: <http://www.corpun.com/usscr5.htm>
- b. A Teachers' guide to the case: <http://www2.maxwell.syr.edu/plegal/Lessons/Sdpr/sdpr5.html>

8. *Coker v. Georgia*

- a. The New Georgia Encyclopedia <http://www.georgiaencyclopedia.org/nge/Article.jsp?id=h-2934>
- b. Time Magazine – “The Law: Arguing about Death for Rape”:
<http://www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,918840,00.html>
- c. ACLU: <http://aclu.procon.org/view.resource.php?resourceID=3131>

9. *Roe v. Wade*

- a. Streetlaw: Overview, Background, Questions, Decision, Resources. Explore all tabs and links on this page: http://www.streetlaw.org/en/landmark/cases/roe_v_wade
- b. PBS Frontline: Read this summary and use the links in the “Analysis” Section for interviews with experts: <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/pages/frontline/clinic/wars/cases.html>