

The Supreme Court

Of the United States



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*The judicial brunch of the power is vested in
the Supreme Court*



- ▶ The Supreme Court consists of the Chief Justice and 9 Associate Justices.
- ▶ Power to nominate the Justices is vested in the President of the United States, and appointments are made with the advice and consent of the Senate.
- ▶ Judges are appointed for life. They hold their Offices during good Behaviour and can be removed by an Impeachment.

Functions

- ▶ to explain the law
- ▶ to imply the law
- ▶ to guard the Constitution



Authorities

- ▶ to handle offences against federal laws and treaties
- ▶ to disputes among states
- ▶ to decide which of the lower court cases it will except for review
- ▶ to decide if actions of the legislative and executive brunches of power conform to the Constitution

The S.C. is the highest appellate judicial body of the country



- ▶ **The Supreme Court is in session from October to July**
- ▶ **The decisions of the S.C. are final, but can be superseded by another S.C. decision**

