


THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

“We the People...”

The Constitution was drafted by James Madison and then discussed at the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1787. Each of the 13 states could send delegates to this convention. The Constitution became an important document for America, since it set up many ideas by which the U.S. is now governed. Some of these important ideas are below:



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BILL OF RIGHTS:
10 Amendments to the Constitution that were added in 1791

- Freedom of Speech**
- Freedom of the Press**
- Freedom of Religion**
- Right to Bear Arms**
- Freedom to Be Silent if Arrested**
- Freedom of Assembly**
- Freedom to Petition**

Federal taxes
to pay for the armed forces, post office, road building, etc.

Term Limit for the President:
4 years

Try This!

Draw lines to connect these important people to their branch of government.

President
 Senator
 State Representative
 Supreme Court Justice
 Vice President
 Judge

Judicial Branch
 Legislative Branch
 Executive Branch

Circle the freedoms given in the Bill of Rights.

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