

COTUS Outline

Article 1: Legislative Branch

1.1: Legislative Powers; Congress

1.2: House of Representatives; requirements of office; Speaker impeachment; changed by 14th Amendment, section 2

1.3: Senate; requirements of office; the census; role of Vice President; impeachment; changed by 17th Amendment

1.4: Elections; changed by 12th Amendment, section 2

1.5: Rules of Proceedings; adjournment

1.6: Privilege from arrest; compensation

1.7: Revenue bills; presentment clause; veto; pocket veto

1.8: Enumerated Powers; revenue; borrowing; **commerce**; naturalization; bankruptcy; currency; post office; copyright; inferior courts; piracy; war power; armed forces; District of Columbia; **Necessary and Proper** clause

1.9: Federal Restrictions; Habeas Corpus; ex post facto laws; appropriations; titles of nobility; changed by 16th Amendment

1.10: State Restrictions; treaties; coining money; bills of attainder; ex post facto laws; impairing obligation of contracts; titles of nobility; import and export taxes; etc.

Article 2: Executive Branch

2.1: Executive Power; President and Vice President; the Electoral College; requirements of office; rules of succession; compensation; oath of office; changed by 12th Amendment and 25th Amendment

2.2: Commander in Chief; reprieves and pardons; treaties; nominations and appointments; recess appointments

2.3: State of the Union; Take Care clause; commissioned officers

2.4: Impeachment of President, Vice President, and civil officers

Article 3: Judicial Branch

3.1: Judicial Power; Supreme Court; inferior courts; tenure and compensation of judges

3.2: Jurisdiction; cases; controversies involving states; original jurisdiction; appellate jurisdiction; trial by jury; changed by 11th Amendment

3.3: Treason

Article 4: States

4.1: Relations among the States

4.2: Privileges and immunities; extradition (including slaves); changed by 13th Amendment

4.3: Admission of New States; territories

4.4: Republican Form of Government

Article 5: Amendment Procedures

Article 6: Supreme Law of the Land; oath to support Constitution; no religious test

Article 7: Ratification; signors, 9/17/1787