

# CONSTITUTIONAL PROCESS

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I. **Text**: Sullivan & Gunther, *Constitutional Law* (16th ed. 2007).

II. **Reading Assignments**: The following pages in the textbook are assigned:

week 1.....	1-15, 82-94
week 2.....	94-126
week 3.....	126-143, 174-192
week 4.....	192-228
week 5.....	228-240, 362-384
week 6.....	384-421
week 7.....	421-456
week 8.....	456-491
week 9.....	491-525
week 10.....	525-561
week 11.....	561-597
week 12.....	597-632
week 13.....	632-661
week 14.....	661-673

III. **Recommended Reading**: There are a great many books, monographs, and articles concerning constitutional law. You are encouraged to explore these works, and to augment the assigned reading. Two treatises are worthy of note: Nowak & Rotunda, *CONSTITUTIONAL LAW* (7th ed. 2004); and Chemerinsky, *CONSTITUTIONAL LAW--PRINCIPLES AND POLICY* (3d ed. 2006).

IV. **Class Participation**: Please be expected to be called on for class discussion and be prepared to describe and analyze the assigned materials in class. In addition, comments and questions are always welcome. Class participation is essential to the course. Students will not be graded on class participation, except that if a student is absent or unprepared when called on for class discussion, his or her grade will be lowered one level.

V. **Final Examination**: Students will be graded on the basis of an open-book final examination. The exam will be graded according to demonstrated ability to use case law and legal reasoning in a theoretical, analytical manner; the emphasis will be on the application of legal concepts and principles to factual situations. In answering the questions on the exam, relevant cases and materials in the textbook should be discussed and applied.