

SCOP Supreme Court Cases

Case	Date	Chief Justice	Issue	Result
Marbury v. Madison	1803	John Marshall	Article III, Section 2: Ability of the court to interpret laws' constitutionality	Madison: Judicial Review established
McCulloch v. Maryland	1819	John Marshall	Ability of the states to tax federal agencies (in this case, a bank)	McCullough: federal property is not subject to state tax
Dred Scott v. Sanford	1857	Roger Brooke Taney	5th Amendment: Slaves as citizens or as property	Sanford: slaves are constitutional property
Plessy v. Ferguson	1896	Melville Weston Fuller	14th Amendment: Segregation laws' violation of "equal protection under law"	Ferguson: "Separate but equal" established
Schenck v. United States	1919	Edward Douglass White	1st Amendment: The right of citizens to free speech when it threatens the common good	U.S.: Speech that presents a "clear and present danger" to the public is not protected
Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka	1954	Earl Warren	14th Amendment: Segregation laws' violation of "equal protection under law"	Brown: "Separate but equal" creates inequality and is unconstitutional
Engel v. Vitale	1962	Earl Warren	1st Amendment: Prayer in schools v. separation of church and state	Engel: prayer of any kind in public school is prohibited
Gideon v. Wainwright	1963	Earl Warren	6th and 14th Amendments: Right to council in all criminal cases	Gideon: states must provide lawyers to all accused in criminal cases
Escobedo v. Illinois	1964	Earl Warren	5th, 6th, and 14th Amendments: Necessity of informing arrested citizens of rights	Escobedo: statements taken before defendant is informed of rights are inadmissible in court

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Griswold v. Connecticut	1965	Earl Warren	9th and 14th Amendments: Ability of states to outlaw contraception	Griswold: banning of contraception violates the right to privacy
Miranda v. Arizona	1966	Earl Warren	5th, 6th, and 14th Amendments: Necessity of informing arrested citizens of rights	Miranda: police are required to inform arrested parties of rights before questioning
Roe v. Wade	1973	Warren Earl Burger	9th Amendment, Griswold v. Connecticut: The right of states to outlaw abortion	Roe: refusing abortion before the fetus is viable violates right to privacy
University of California Regents v. Bakke	1978	Warren Earl Burger	14th Amendment: Equal protection rights applied to non-minorities	No Opinion: Bakke admitted, but race may be a deciding factor in college admissions
Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania v. Casey	1992	William Hubbs Rehnquist	14th Amendment: Right of the state to set consent requirements and waiting periods for abortion	Pennsylvania: Requiring consent for minors and waiting periods is not a "substantial obstacle" against the right to abort