American Politics 10100
Study Guide
Midterm 2
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The second midterm will be drawn from the following are terms, concepts and items.

Bargain struck at the Constitutional Convention
14th Amendment
Civil liberties
Civil rights
Establishment Clause
Lemon Test
Endorsement Test
Non-preferential Test
Free Exercise Clause
Writ of habeas corpus
Compelling Interest Test
Absolute Protected Speech
Clear and Present Danger Test
Conditionally Protected Speech
Libel
Slander
Obsenity
Symbolic Speech
Commercial Speech
Due Process Liberties
Sedition
Miller vs. California (1973)
4th Amendment
Exclusionary Rule and its exceptions
Mapp v. Ohio (1961)
5th Amendment - Court-related Rights
Grand juries
Double Jeopardy
Palko v. Connecticut (1937)
Self-incrimination
Miranda v. Arizona (1966)
6th Amendment - Fair Trial
Court Appointed Attorney
Giddeon vs. Wainwright (1963)
Right to Privacy
Birth Control
Griswold v. Connecticut (1966)
Abortion
Roe v. Wade (1973)
Common vs. civil law
Prior Restraint
Selective incorporation
School vouchers, choice and charter schools (Movie, reading and lecture)
How we subsidize private schools
School prayer
Bill of attainder
Undue burden test
Regulatory taking
Due process
Police powers
Procedural due process
Miranda v. Arizona (1966)
Double jeopardy
Cruel and unusual punishment
Death penalty
Dred Scott Case
Emancipation Proclamation
Reconstruction
De jure segregation
Plessy v. Ferguson (1896)
NAACP
Brown v. Board of Education (1954)
Civil Rights Act of 1960
Civil Rights Act of 1964
Voting Rights Act of 1965
de facto segregation
Affirmative action
Women and Civil Rights
Structural discrimination
Americans with disabilities Act of 1990
Age claims
Gays and lesbian movement
Bakke vs. California Board of Regents
Natural rights
Kerner Commission
Equal protection clause
Rational basis test
Strict scrutiny test
Heightened scrutiny test
White primary
You should be familiar with the Fiske article and the issues involved in giving preferences given
to athletes.
Racial gerrymandering
Fundamental rights
Proving discrimination
Poll tax
Literacy tests
Rights as applied to association, accommodation, employment and housing.
Racial and religious restrictive covenants
Red-lining
California Prop. 209
Class action suits
Why affirmative action prospered in the 1970s and 80s.
Interest group definition
You should be familiar with the functions of Interest Groups, why they've grown, and the challenges associated in maintaining interest groups.
Types of interest groups
Interest Group Bias
Strategies to Influence Public Policy
PACs
Bundling
Movements
Union membership
Free rider
Closed shop
Interest group resources
Federal register
Amicus curiae brief
Federal Election Campaign Act (FECA) of 1971
Iron triangle
Challenges associated with public opinion
Who is Informed About Politics?
Sources of information about politics
Issue publics.
How socialization occurs.
Ideologies
Liberalism
Conservatism
Sampling
Latency
Salience
Intensity
Reasons for the low voter turn out
Party identification
Australian ballot
"Motor voter" bill
Voter registration
Role of Media in a Democracy
Democratic Dilemmas
The News Media and Government
Pressure on policymakers
Spin control
Yellow journalism
Muckraking
Post WW1 "objectivity"
Changes in Readership and Viewership
Ownership of the Media
The 1996 Telecommunication Deregulation Act
Factors that promote news and editorial diversity
What is news and what determines what is covered?
Criticisms of the News Media
Issue ads
Fairness doctrine
Media bias
Selective exposure
Issue framing
Issues in "Counterfeit Coverage"