



PART 1: Power, Power, Who's Got the Power?


"Our **FOUNDING FATHERS** were so worried about the **ABUSE of POWER** and so worried about any **ONE PERSON** or group having too much control, that they **DIVIDED** power between **FEDERAL** and **STATE GOVERNMENTS** and then **SEPARATED** government functions and powers into **THREE BRANCHES**.

*The Bottom Line: Government power is divided and separated; among **ELECTED** and appointed officials; and designed with **CHECKS** and **BALANCES** among the Three Branches (See PART 2)*

DIVIDED GOVERNMENT



FEDERAL GOVERNMENT



STATE GOVERNMENT

US CONSTITUTION gives the Power to:

10th AMENDMENT -- All powers NOT given to the Federal Government go to the STATES to:

Manage Foreign Affairs and Defense
Maintain Interstate Relations
Resolve Conflict Between States

Manage Local Affairs
Maintain Public Schools
Matters Within Its Boundaries

Both Federal and State have the POWER to:

Regulate ELECTIONS
Collect TAXES
Borrow MONEY
Establish COURTS

Federal Power SEPARATED into 3 BRANCHES

State Power SEPARATED into 3 BRANCHES

EXECUTIVE
Elected Officials carry out or enforce the rules (like the COACH)

LEGISLATIVE
Elected Officials make the LAWS (like the RULE BOOK in sports)

JUDICIAL
APPOINTED by the President (confirmed by Senate) they make judgments about the laws (like the UMPIRE OR REFEREE)

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