

MAKE-UP ASSIGNMENT FOR SUPREME COURT SIMULATION AND JUSTICE SYSTEM QUIZ

Your assignment is to analyze, summarize and evaluate the significance of an important case decided by the U.S. Supreme Court by writing a case summary. Be sure to answer all of the following questions **IN YOUR OWN WORDS**, in complete sentences, in paragraph form (no bullet points). Do not copy your answers from another student or from an on-line summary of the case.

Section 1: Background Information

- What is the title of the case?
- What is the website address where you found your information for this case summary?
- What are the circumstances of the case?
- How did this case get to the Supreme Court?
- On what date was this case decided?

Section 2: Constitutional Issue(s)

- What is the constitutional issue to be decided in this case? (State your question so that it can be answered either yes or no.)

Section 3: Arguments

- What are the major arguments of each side?
- What precedents were cited, and what were the constitutional principles involved?

Section 4: Opinion of the Court

- What was the ruling of the court?
- How did the justices vote on this case?
- What were the major reasons given in the majority opinion?
- What were the major reasons given in the dissenting opinion?

Section 5: Significance

- What was the significance of this decision for individuals, society, and/or the government?

Please choose, google and print a case to summarize from the following list:

U.S. v. Virginia (gender equality in college)

Kent v. U.S. (sentencing juveniles as adults)

Goss v. Lopez (due process for students)

Texas v. Johnson (flag burning)

Tinker v. Des Moines (free speech for students)

Santa Fe Independent School District v. Jane Doe (school prayer)

U.C. v. Bakke (affirmative action in college admissions)

Brown v. Board of Education (school segregation)

Thompson v. Oklahoma (death penalty for juveniles)

New Jersey v. T.L.O. Issue: (Privacy Rights at School)

Vernonia School District v. Acton (Student Athletes and Drug Testing)

Grutter v. Bollinger (Affirmative Action in College)

DeShaney v. Winnebago County Social Services (Constitutional Rights at Home)