

Supreme Court Timed Writing

Date: _____ Lab: _____

You are to argue whether or not you believe the Supreme Court is an effective tool in preserving American rights.

- choose a position
- choose 3 cases from different areas of rights that support your position
- show your knowledge of the cases
- explain how they support your position using evidence from the cases
- use terminology found in judicial philosophy that supports your position

This assignment is to be done independently.

You have two nights to prepare your materials for your timed writing.

You may only use class handouts and your notes.

You may bring these materials to the writing.

You will have 45 minutes to type your argument with evidence from these cases.

At the end of class you will print your argument and staple this sheet to the top.

This will count for a major test grade.

Rubric:

Choosing & stating a position _____ / 10 points

Explanation of case #1 _____ / 10 points

Explanation of case #2 _____ / 10 points

Explanation of case #3 _____ / 10 points

Argument using case #1 _____ / 10 points

Argument using case #2 _____ / 10 points

Argument using case #3 _____ / 10 points

Understanding of judicial philosophy _____ / 10 points

Encompassing argument of position _____ / 20 points

Total grade _____ / 100 points

