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Court a Cases Review

McCulloch V Maryland

The Supreme Court case that establishes the necessary improper clause in the year 1819.

This case also established bank in Maryland along with giving the US government implied powers not explicitly enumerated. Case brought to court because McCulloch refused to follow state law in having authority to issue banknotes on certain tax documents.

New York Times V US

Court case in which the Nixon administration sued the New York Times with the cause being New York Times releasing or attempting to publish a classified defense department study. The study being on US involvement in Vietnam. The Nixon administration argued prior restraint was necessary to protect national security. The Times argued a violation of the first amendment, New York Times won government did not overcome heavy presumption against prior restraint in said case. Court Justice argued the vague word security should not be used to abrogate the fundamental law embodied in the 1st amendment.

Roe V Wade

The landmark decision issued in 1973, ruled by the United States Supreme Court. The court ruled that the access to a safe and legal abortion clinic is a constitutional right. The issue was brought to the court attention when a woman was denied the right to obtain an abortion due to Texas law. The court held that it is in a women's legal right to privacy to obtain an abortion, this protected by the 14th amendment.

US V Lopez

The gun free school zone act of 1990 made it unlawful for any individual to possess a firearm in any place in which was a school zone. Lopez carried a concealed loaded handgun into a school and arrested, being charged under Texas law. Went from state court to federal for his act violation, charges dropped within the state. Federally ruled as unconstitutional because it enacted on its authority under the commerce clause of congress.