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The Amendment guarantees all that are accused of a crime have a trial by jury.

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The Sixth Amendment guarantees that someone accused of a crime has the right to a speedy and public .

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The First Amendment protects the right to say what you want freely, known as Freedom of **SPEECH**, freedom of religion and the press, and the right to assemble and petition the government.

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The Second Amendment guarantees citizens the fundamental right to keep and bear **ARMS**.

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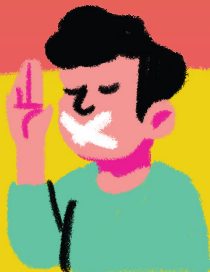
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The **SEVENTH** Amendment guarantees all that are accused of a crime have a trial by jury.

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The Sixth Amendment guarantees that someone accused of a crime has the right to a speedy and public **TRIAL**.

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