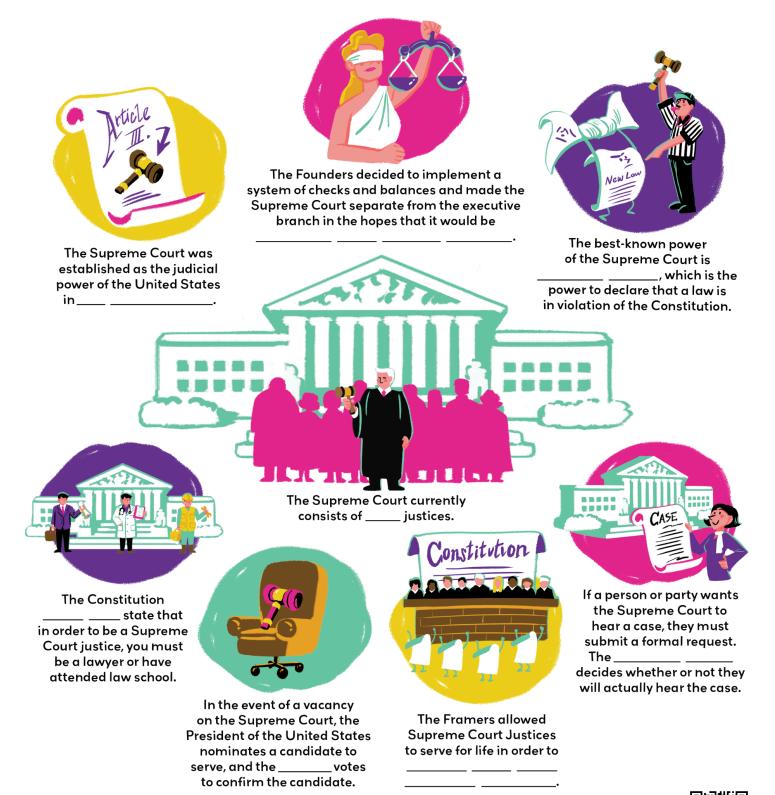
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The Supreme Court was established as the judicial power of the United States in **THE CONSTITUTION**.



The Founders decided to implement a system of checks and balances and made the Supreme Court separate from the executive branch in the hopes that it would be **IMPARTIAL WHEN ISSUING VERDICTS**.



The best-known power of the Supreme Court is **JUDICIAL REVIEW**, which is the power to declare that a law is in violation of the Constitution.



The Constitution **DOES NOT** state that in order to be a Supreme Court justice, you must be a lawyer or have attended law school.



The Supreme Court currently consists of **NINE** justices.



In the event of a vacancy on the Supreme Court, the President of the United States nominates a candidate to serve, and the **SENATE** votes to confirm the candidate.

The Framers allowed Supreme Court Justices to serve for life in order to **PROTECT THEM FROM POLITICAL PRESSURE**.

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CASE

If a person or party wants the Supreme Court to hear a case, they must submit a formal request. The **SUPREME COURT** decides whether or not they will actually hear the case.