



(Unit 3C)
Judicial
Branch

Across

2. a court's calendar, showing the schedule of cases it is to hear
 4. a system of law based on precedent and customs making it the same for everyone
 6. a written document explaining the position of one side or the other in a case
 7. a detailed explanation of the legal thinking behind a court's decision in a case
 11. the area of jurisdiction of a federal court of appeals
 12. decision by a court with appellate jurisdiction to send a case back to a lower court to be tried again
 17. authority of only federal courts to hear and decide cases
 19. when a defendant believes an error was made in due process they may ask a higher court to review the case
 20. a person or party filing a lawsuit
 21. an individual or group being sued or charged with a crime
 22. a court's authority to hear and decide cases

Down

1. legal system where opposing sides challenge each other's allegations
 3. a statement written by a justice who votes with the majority, but for different reasons - optional
 5. the authority to hear cases for the first time; normally includes jury, witnesses, testimony, and a verdict
 8. authority for both state and federal courts to hear and decide cases
 9. pertaining to something that is opposed to the Constitution
 10. the authority of a court to hear a case appealed from a lower court
 13. 'let the decision stand,' the practice of using earlier judicial rulings as a basis for deciding cases
 14. a statement written by a justice who votes against the majority - optional
 15. the power of the Supreme Court to say whether any federal, state, or local law or government action goes against the Constitution
 16. a statement that presents the views of the majority of the Supreme Court justices in a case; required explanation of the Supreme Court's decision in a case
 18. a ruling that is used as the basis for a judicial decision in a later, similar case