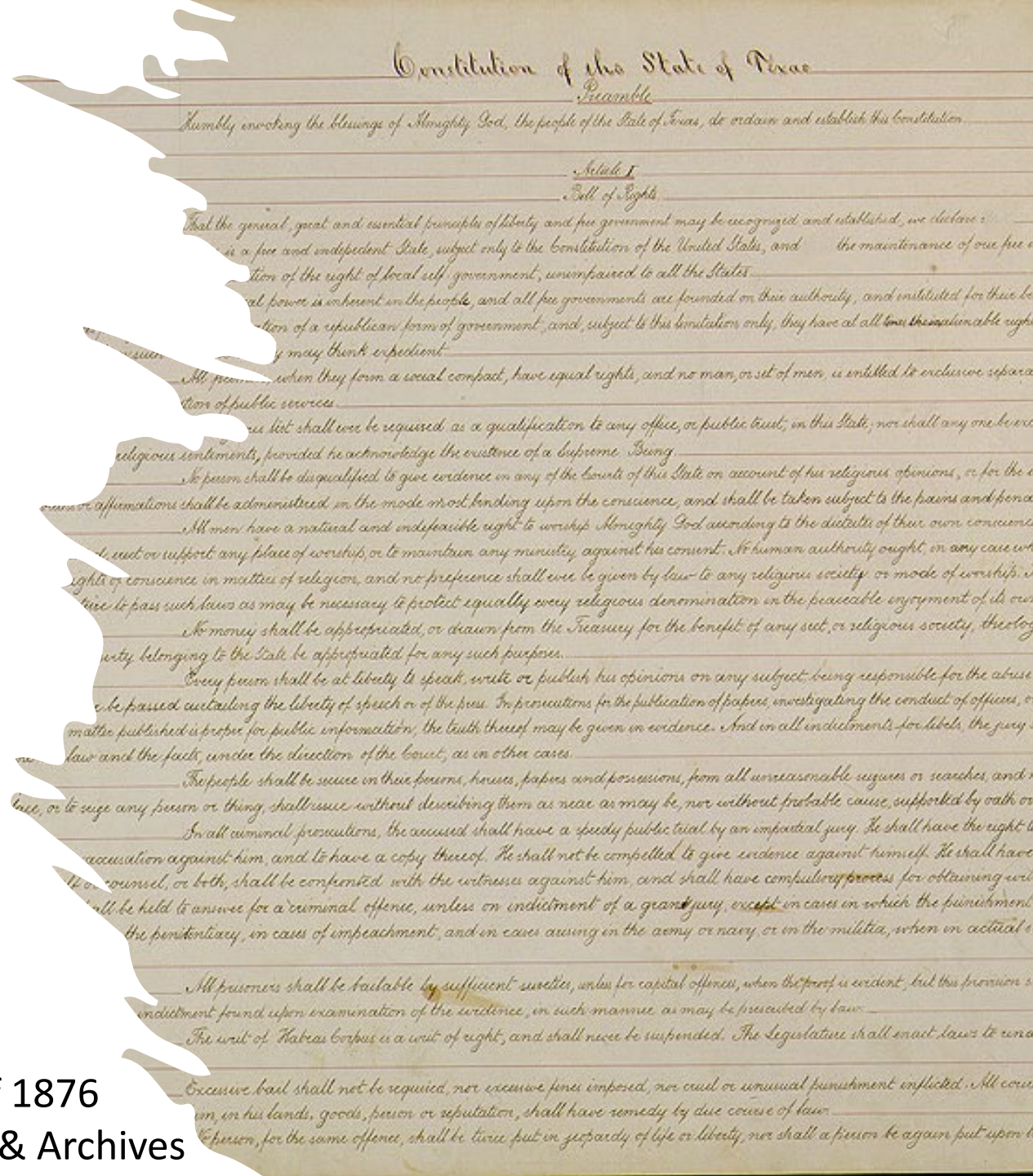




# Unit 9: Reconstruction

## Lesson 7: The Constitution of 1876

The Constitution of 1876  
Texas State Library & Archives

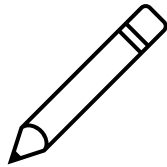


# Warm-up:

Follow the directions to complete your warm-up



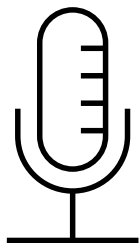
- Read the introduction scenario on your warm-up.



- Select all statements that you think are true, related to the Constitution of 1876.
- Share with a partner.



# Share with the class



One statement that I think is true for the type of Constitution the delegates wanted to create is that \_\_\_\_\_



# Essential Question



What are the seven principles of government that provide the foundation of the Texas Constitution of 1876, and how did the Constitution uphold those principles?

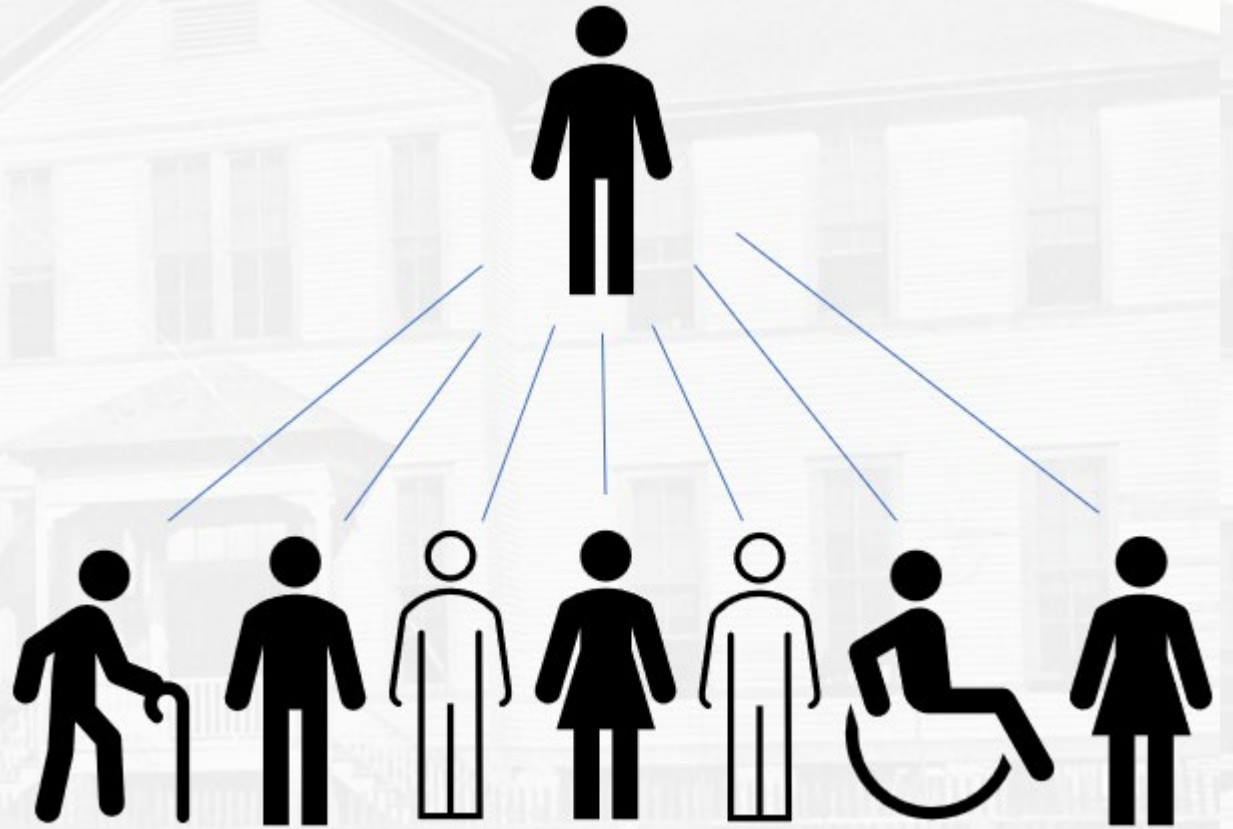
# In today's lesson...

1. **We will** examine the meaning and important seven key principles of government.
2. **I will** categorize different excerpts from the Texas Constitution of 1876 based on the principles they uphold or represent.

# Limited Government



# Republicanism





# Separation of Powers



The Capitol Building  
**The Legislative Branch**  
Austin, Texas  
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The Governor's Mansion  
**The Executive Branch**  
Austin, Texas  
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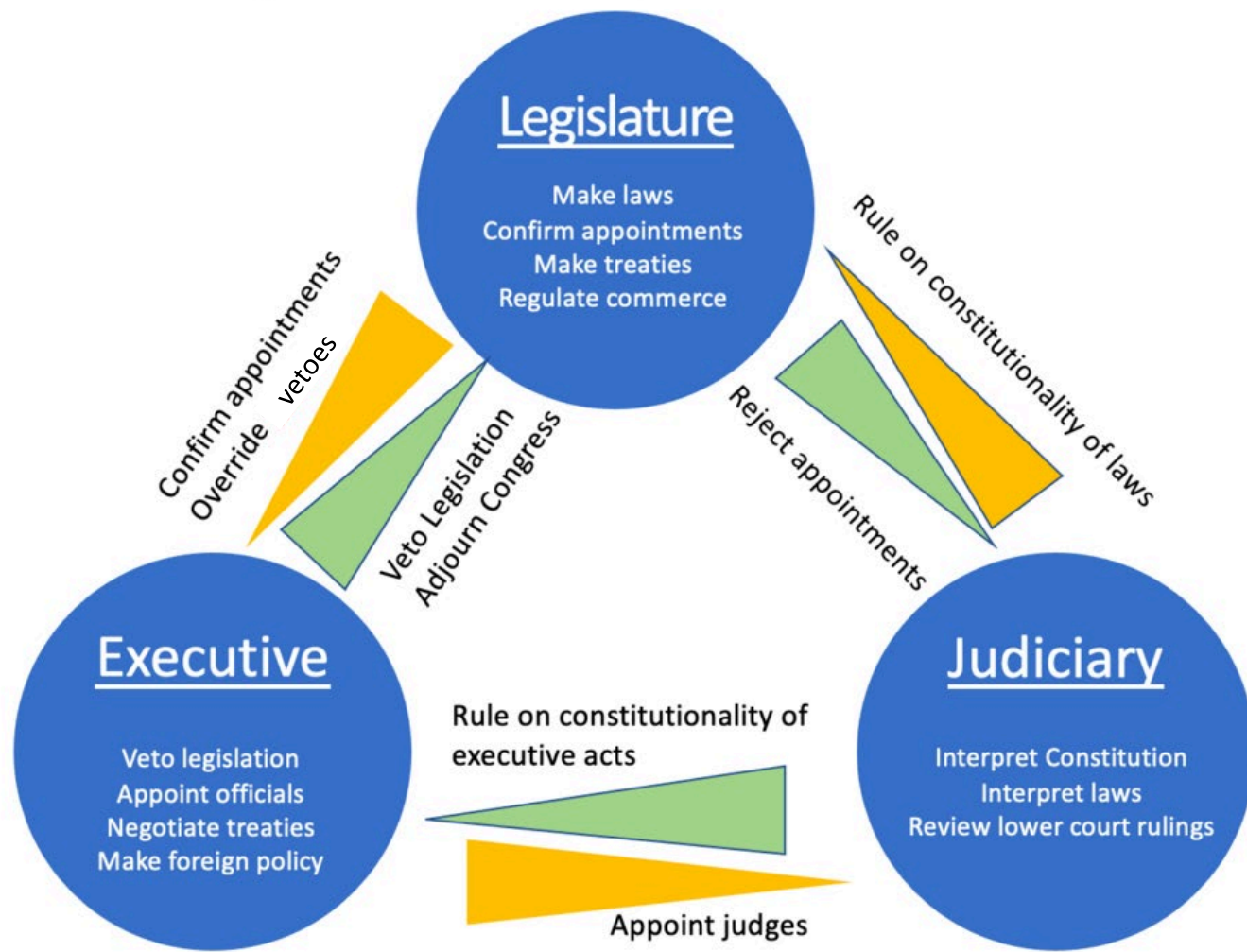


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**The Judicial Branch**  
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*The Supreme Court of Texas*



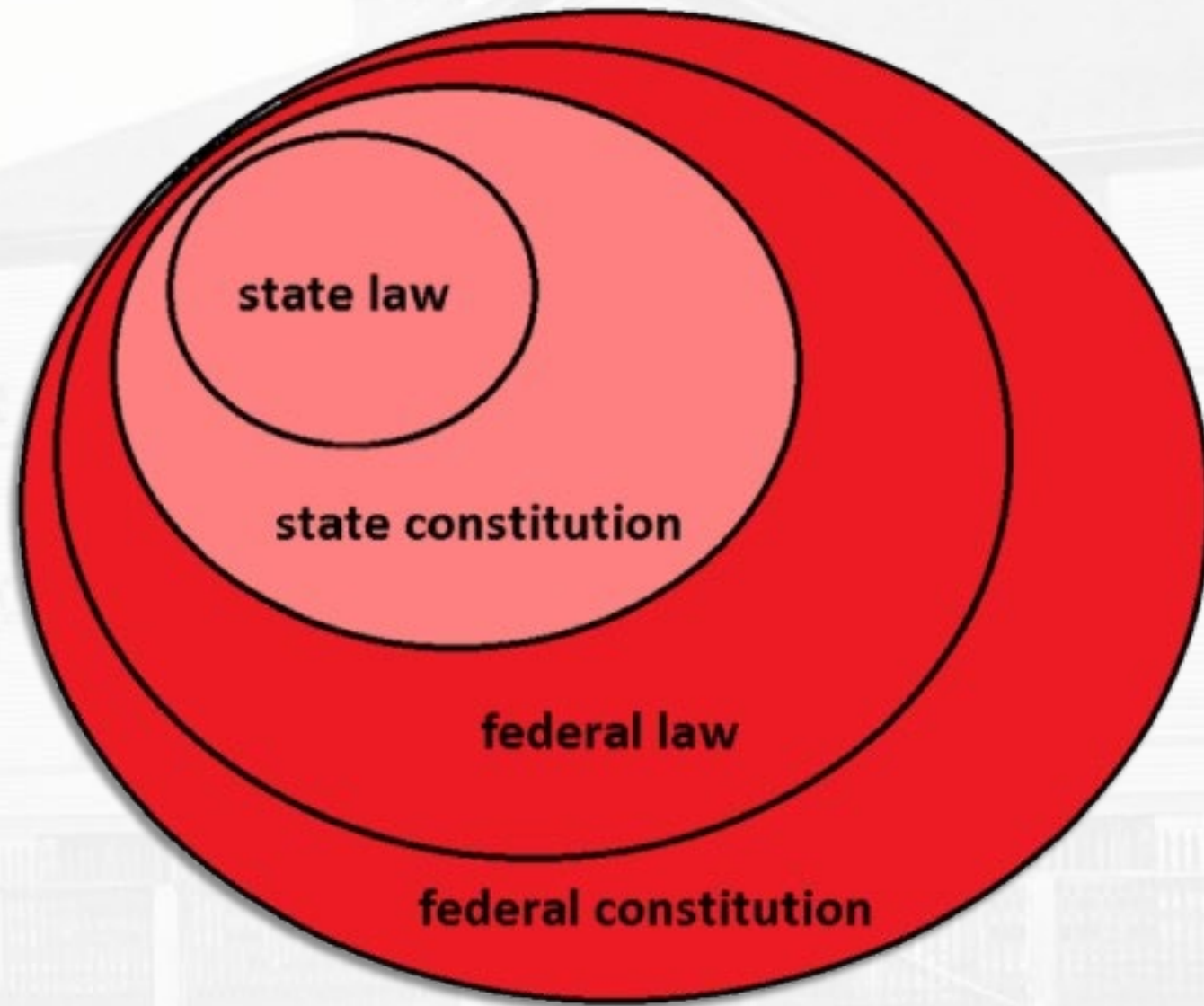
# Checks and Balances

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# Federalism





# Popular Sovereignty



A Peaceful Assembly in Austin, 1986.

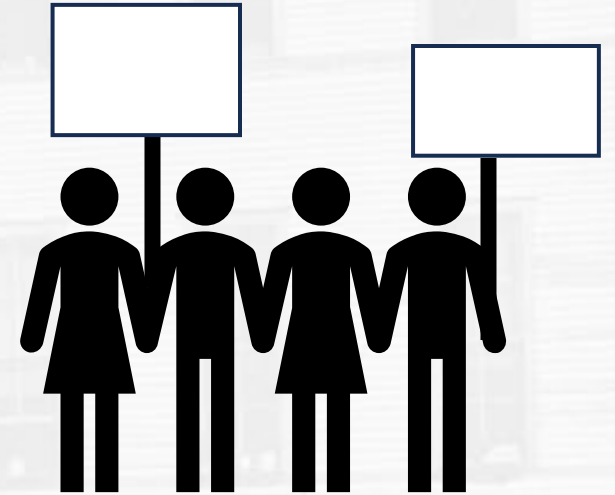
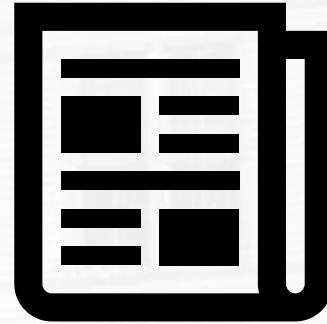
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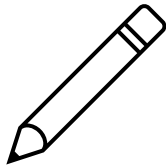


# Individual Rights



# Exit Ticket:

Follow the directions to complete your exit ticket



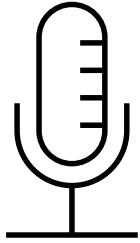
- Match the political principle on the left with its correct description on the right.



- Share with a partner.



# Share with the class



The political principle of \_\_\_\_\_  
means that \_\_\_\_\_