Article One

The Creation of Congress
UNITED STATES IN 1787


Middle States: New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania *, Delaware.


(*= Large States)

Legislatures Picked Delegates – 72 were selected but only 58 actually attended.
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<th>State</th>
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<td>Connecticut</td>
<td>William Samuel Johnson, Roger Sherman, Oliver Ellsworth (Elsworth)*</td>
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<td>Delaware</td>
<td>George Read, Gunning Bedford, Jr., John Dickinson, Richard Bassett, Jacob Broom</td>
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<td>Georgia</td>
<td>William Few, Abraham Baldwin, William Houstoun*, William L. Pierce*</td>
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<td>Maryland</td>
<td>James McHenry, Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Daniel Carroll, Luther Martin*, John F. Mercer*</td>
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<td>Massachusetts</td>
<td>Nathaniel Gorham, Rufus King, Elbridge Gerry*, Caleb Strong*</td>
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<td>New Hampshire</td>
<td>John Langdon, Nicholas Gilman</td>
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<td>New Jersey</td>
<td>William Livingston, David Brerley (Brearley), William Paterson (Patterson)</td>
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<td>Jonathan Dayton, William C. Houston*</td>
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<td>New York</td>
<td>Alexander Hamilton, John Lansing, Jr.<em>, Robert Yates</em></td>
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<td>Pennsylvania</td>
<td>Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Mifflin, Robert Morris, George Clymer, Thomas Fitzsimons; Jared Ingersoll, James Wilson, Gouverneur Morris</td>
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<td>South Carolina</td>
<td>John Rutledge, Charles Cotesworth Pinckney, Charles Pinckney, Pierce Butler, Pierce Butler</td>
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<td>Rhode Island</td>
<td>Rhode Island did not send delegates.</td>
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Preamble

- *Shortest* Section of the Whole Constitution
- Considered the Best
- Written *Last*
- Written By One Person –
  - Gouvernor Morris– Pennsylvania
- Just a Few Days Before the Close
- Accepted in its entirety by the Convention without changes!
“We the ‘People’.....”

- Not: “We the various states or “we the US”, or “we... the following delegates.”
- No reference to God, Providence, Deity– Why? Recognition that US was not a theocracy!
- What is the most important part of the preamble? “…In order to ensure a more perfect union....”

**Shorthand test for “Constitutionality”**

Political Consequence of That Phrase: No Provision to Opt Out of the U.S.  
*So, No Secession!*  
**Affirmed By “Texas vs. White” 1869**
Congress—The Section of the Constitution That Took the Longest To Draft – 4 to 5 Months

- Membership – (How Many to Start.)
- How Selected?
- How Long Terms?
- Why?
- Powers?
- Why These Specifically?
- (Fear of a Tyrant)

- Membership
- How Selected/Elected?
- How Long Terms?
- Rotation Class 1, 2, 3.
- Why?
- Powers?
- Advice and Consent.
- Impeachment Process
Slavery and Its Implications

- What Constitutes A Person?
- Who Were Counted?
- Exclusions?
- What About Those Opposed to Slavery?
- What Did They Want?
- Hoped Slavery Will Fade.
- Compromise At All?
- Slave Trade Gone in 1808.
- The Issue Would Only Get Fully Addressed By
  A Civil War and Civil War Amendments

The Original Sin Of America
Racism: The Consequence