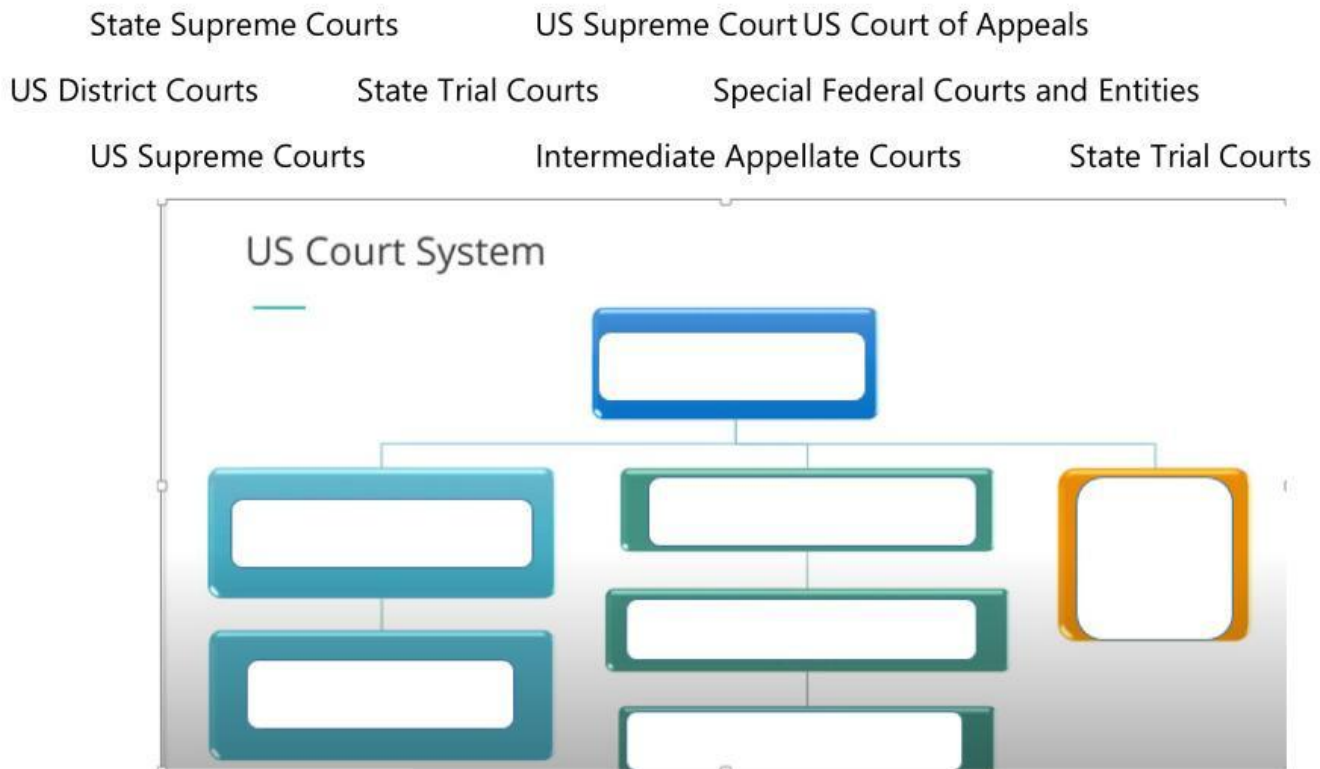


Structure of the US Court System

Use the following terms to fill out the Graphic Below:



Matching:

Original Jurisdiction Federalism Judicial Review

Appellate Jurisdiction District Courts Checks and Balances

Case Certification System Diversity Jurisdiction

1. _____ - most cases are originally filed here and are ruled upon by judges and juries; also known as the front line courts
2. _____ - the sharing of powers between the federal government and states
3. _____ - limits the power of federal or national courts
4. _____ - the ability of the court to declare a legislative or executive act in violation of the constitution; established in the case of Marbury vs Madison in 1803 by the US Supreme Court (ie: cases on whether state laws are in violation of the US Constitution, such as burning of US flags)
5. _____ - gives parties from other states access to federal courts

6. _____ - some cases may be immediately tried before the Supreme Court without having to go through the state or federal courts first (ie: lawsuits between 2 or more states, or cases involving ambassadors and other public ministers)
7. _____ - The Supreme Court only agrees to hear or certify selected cases that have gone through the federal or state court system before reaching the Supreme Court; The Supreme Court only takes cases that come from the Federal Court of Appeals of the State Supreme Court.
8. _____ - can hear cases on appeal on almost any other case that involves the point of constitutional or federal law (ie: cases where the US is a party, cases involving treaties, and cases involving ships on the high seas)

Multiple Choice:

1. What is the highest court in the US?
 - a. District Court
 - b. Supreme Court
 - c. Court of Appeals
2. Where is the US Supreme Court based?
 - a. Sugarland, TX
 - b. Lexington, KY
 - c. Washington D.C.
3. What are the two court systems that exist in the US?
 - a. International and Local
 - b. Federal and State
 - c. Regional and Out of State
4. How many federal districts are in the US?
 - a. 100
 - b. 94
 - c. 85
5. How many Circuit Courts of Appeals does the US have?
 - a. 12
 - b. 2
 - c. 15