



Comm Skills Virtual Learning

Legal Communication I & II

9-12/ Sixth Amendment & Criminal Procedure

April 15, 2020



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Lesson: [April 15th, 2020]

Objective/Learning Target: Students will understand the scope of the Sixth Amendment.

Bell Ringer/Let's Get Started

Watch this brief video that introduces the Miranda v. Arizona decision. While you watch, think about what commonalities this Supreme Court Case may share with Gideon. Here is the link: [MIRANDA V ARIZONA](#)

Now, create a Venn diagram to illustrate the similarities and differences between these two cases.

Lesson/Activity

We will continue with [Gideon as guests discuss his second trial](#) after the Supreme Court rendered its decision in this case.

After watching the video, you should be able to:

1. Describe Clarence Gideon's response to the decision.
2. Explain the outcome of Gideon's second trial.

Lesson/Activity

Next, Paul Clement explains how this case was the [impetus for reforms](#) in the federal system including providing appointed counsel, establishing financial structure for attorneys and criminal procedure.

As we watch this clip, prepare to **explain the national impact of this case on the judicial system.**

Lesson/Activity

Finally, we are going to listen as Constitutional scholar [Akhil Amar](#) talks about the scope of legal coverage in the decision in this case and whether or not it should be extended to other areas of the law.

Practice

Public Defender - Job Description Trifold Brochure

For this activity, you will create a “3 fold brochure”. A document such as this is used to share information on a topic. It is meant to be visual and share information about your topic.

FORMAT: You will use either digital tools or paper for this, selecting one of the 3-fold brochures that are available as a **TEMPLATE** when you create a new document. A template will have the general format set up for you so that you mostly have to choose pictures and text.

Practice

TOPIC: Public Defenders - Job Description

Alternate topics: 6th Amendment cases; Public defense reform; Legal Aid

.CONTENT: Your brochure will have 6 sections:

Suggestions:

Front page: Title and pictures of your character

Background

Education/training

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Practice

Suggested Content:

What is the day -to -day job like?

Quotes from articles

Back Page--Links to where information can be found.

Additional Resources

[The Legal Aid Society](#)

[Public Defenders Speak Up and Push Back](#)

[“What It’s Like to Be a Public Defender Right Now”](#)