

Branches of Government

Branch	Members	Roles	Selection	Term	Checks and Balances
Legislative	Congress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senate • House of Representatives 	Makes the laws			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Congress approves presidential nominations and controls the budget • Congress can pass laws over the president's veto • Congress can impeach the president and remove him/her from office • President can veto congressional legislation
Judicial	Courts of Law <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supreme • Appellate • Federal District 	Interprets the laws			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Court can declare laws unconstitutional • Senate confirms presidential nominations • Congress can impeach judges and remove them from office
Executive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President • Cabinet Members 	Enforces and carries out the laws			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President nominates judges • Court can declare presidential acts unconstitutional

Bricks (Academic Language)

Mortar (Language Usage)