

**Civics**  
**The Judicial Branch**  
*Part I*  
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**Answer the following:**

1. What is at the top of the Federal Court System? (193)
2. What is a court's authority to hear and decide cases called? (194)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ jurisdiction refers to the fact that only federal courts can hear and decide federal cases. (195)
4. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a court order requiring someone to appear in court. (199)
5. District courts have \_\_\_\_\_ jurisdiction, or the authority to hear federal cases first. (196)
6. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a previous case that gives guidance to other judges hearing similar cases. (197)
7. What is the term for the geographic area covered by an appeals court? (197)
8. The job of the \_\_\_\_\_ courts is to review decisions made in the lower district courts. (197)
9. What jurisdiction allows a court to hear appeals from a lower court? (197)
10. How many Federal judicial circuits are in the U.S.? (193)
11. What circuit does Alabama belong to? What other states are included in Alabama's circuit? (193)