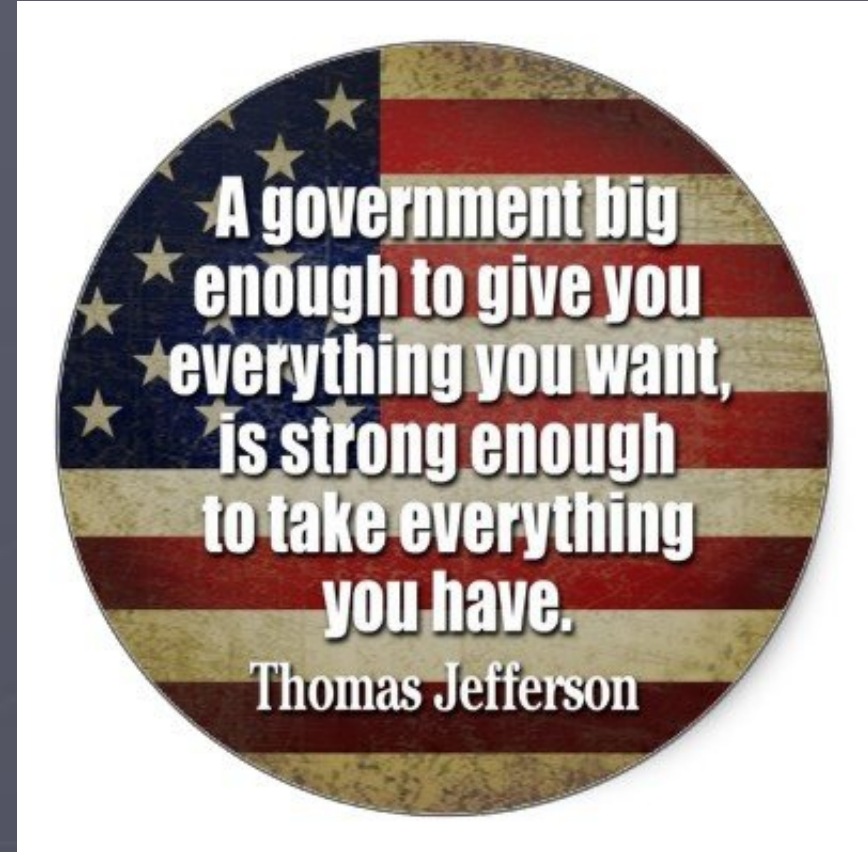


# Restrictions on Power

The Ideas of Limited Government, Separation of Power, and Checks and Balances

# Limited Government

- A political system in which legalized force is restricted through **delegated** or **enumerated** powers and **Implied Powers**
  - Delegated Powers: Specifically given to the Government
  - Implied Powers: Not specifically mentioned but necessary to accomplish delegated powers (ie. Judicial review)



# Reasoning for Limited Government

- People are the source of governments power, the government only has as much power as the people give it



# Separation of Power

- Power is divided between the three Branches of government, each with specific roles and responsibilities
  - Executive (President)
  - Judicial (Supreme Court)
  - Legislative (House of Representatives and Senate)



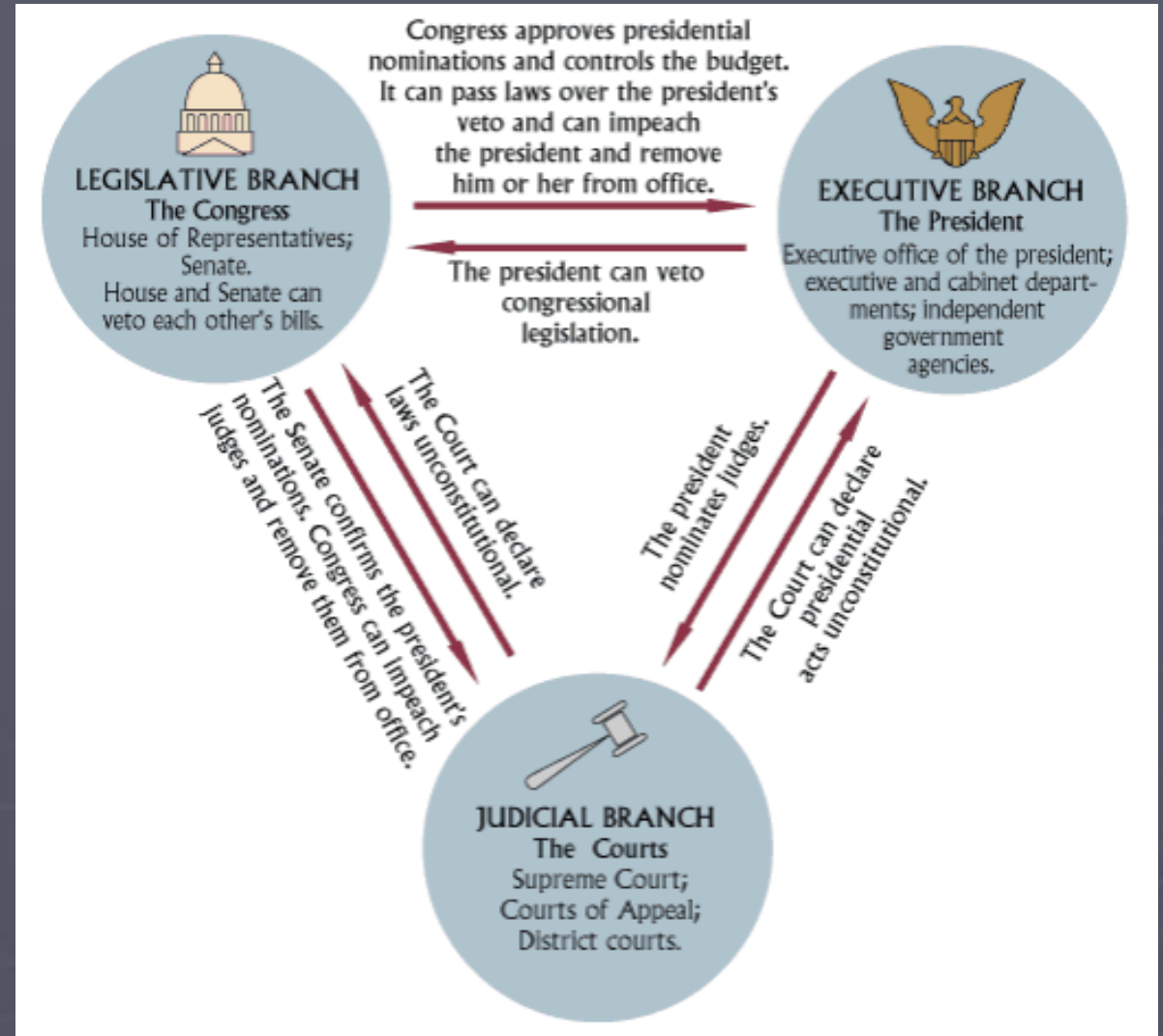
# Reasoning for Separation of Powers:

- The Founding Fathers did not want one branch to be able to become too powerful and controlling.



# Checks and Balances

- Each branch has the ability to restrain by amending or vetoing the acts of the other two branches.



# Reasoning for Checks and Balances:

- This makes the government much less efficient, but also prevents one branch from gaining power over the other two.

