The Bill of Rights: Amendments 1 thru 10

1st Amendment

Five freedoms:

- Freedom of Speech
- Freedom of the Press
- Freedom of Religion
- Right to peacefully assemble
- Right to petition the government

2nd Amendment

- "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed."
- *DC v. Heller* court case (2008)
- *McDonald v. Chicago* (2010)
- Individuals do have a right to bear arms, not just the militia
- Incorporation doctrine; 2nd Amendment does apply to the states
- Gun ownership for self-defense

3rd Amendment

- Quartering of troops is forbidden during a time of peace
- National emergency would have to be declared & process would have to be prescribed by law



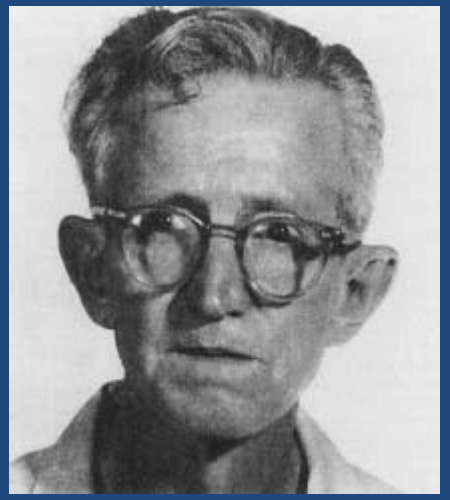
4th Amendment

- Protection against unreasonable searches and seizures
- Warrants issued based upon probable cause
- The exclusionary rule = evidence gained improperly must be thrown out

5th Amendment

- Indictment by a “Grand Jury”
- Right to remain silent
- Double Jeopardy
- Due Process
- Eminent Domain
- *Miranda v. Arizona (1966)*
- The police must read you your rights

6th Amendment



- Speedy and public trial
- Impartial jury of your peers
- Know the charges brought against you
- Question witnesses and call witnesses on your behalf
- Right to a lawyer
- *Gideon v. Wainwright*

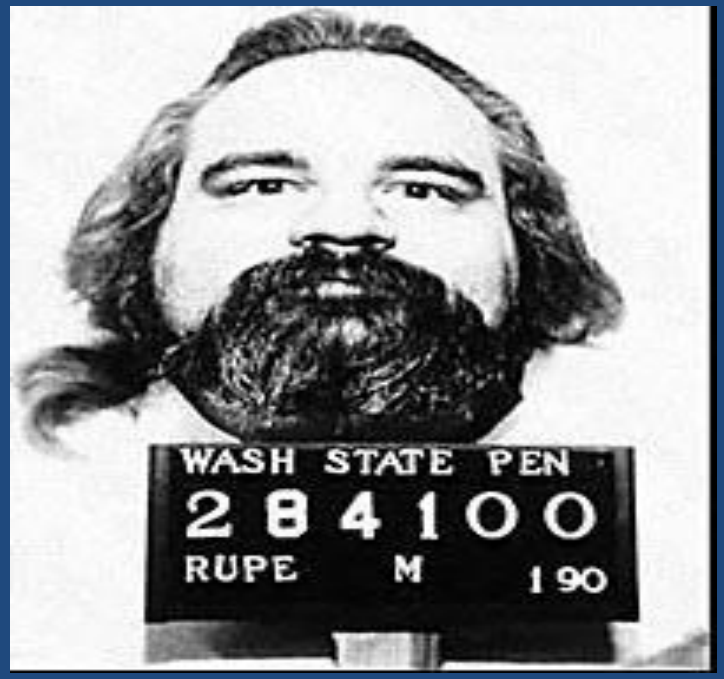
7th Amendment

- Civil suits of more than $20, you can request a jury trial



8th Amendment

- No excessive bail or fines
- Punishment must fit the crime
- No cruel or unusual punishment
- Mitchell Rupe Case



Remainder of the Bill of Rts.

Amendment 9 ~ Other rights may exist

- Right to privacy?
- Right to a public education?

Amendment 10 ~ Preservation of states' rights

- Elections
- Voting requirements
- Defining marriage
- Setting speed limits