

Vocabulary Words

SS.7.C.1.8 Explain the viewpoints of the Federalists and the Anti-Federalists regarding the ratification of the Constitution and inclusion of a bill of rights.

Federalists

**Anti-
Federalists**

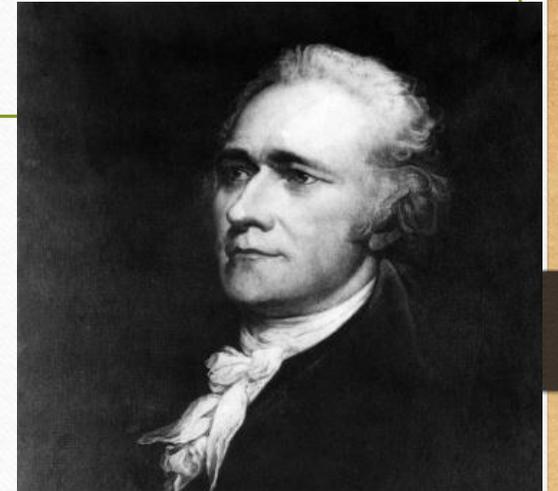
**The Bill of
Rights**

**The Federalist
Papers**

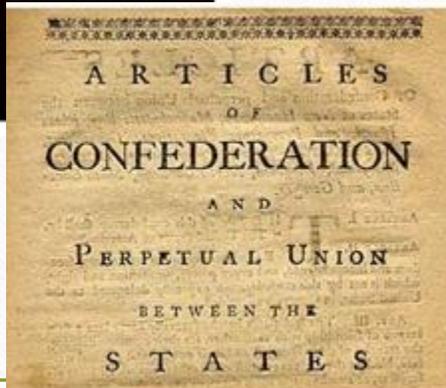
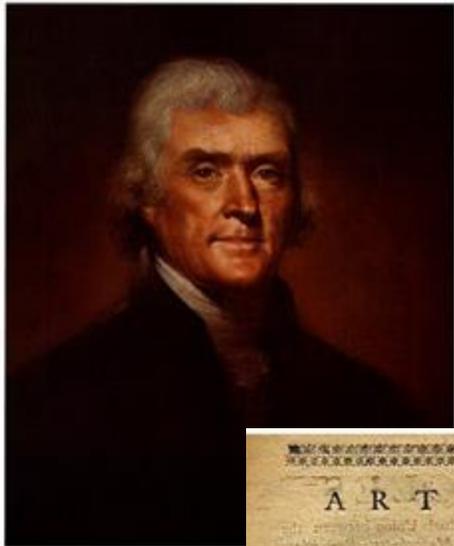
Ratification

Federalists

- One of the groups in the debate over **ratification**.
- Debated from 1787-1788
- Included James Madison, Alexander Hamilton, and John Jay
- Shared their views in **The Federalist Papers**
- Wanted a large federal government, supported the Constitution, and opposed a Bill of Rights.
- Believed **separation of powers** would protect rights.



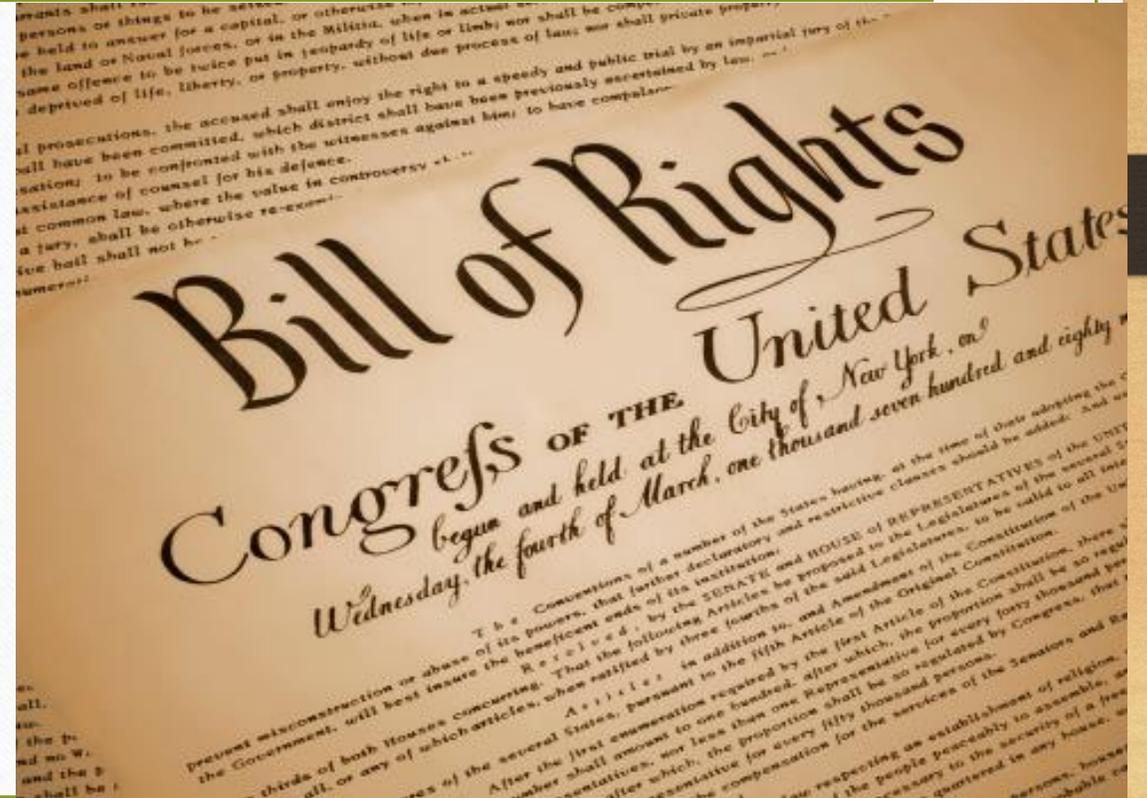
Anti-Federalists



- The other group in the debate over **ratification**
- Debated 1787-1788
- Included Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry
- Shared their views in the **Anti-Federalist Papers**
- Opposed the **ratification** of the **Constitution**-wanted **Articles of Confederation**
- Wanted states to have power, not the federal government
- Supported inclusion of a **bill of rights** to protect the people.

The Bill of Rights

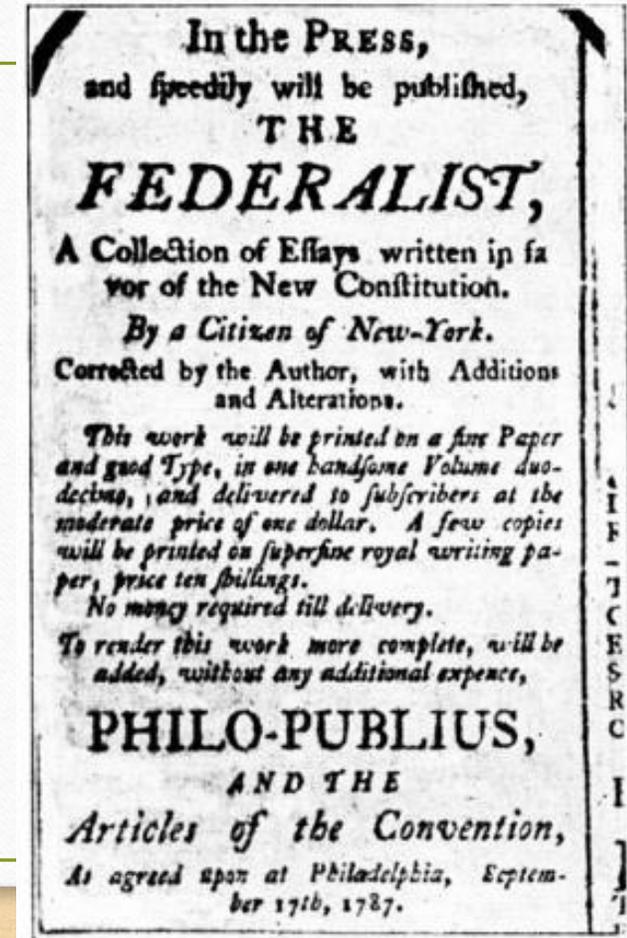
- The first 10 **amendments** to the Constitution
- Proposed by the **Anti-Federalists**, added as a compromise
- Protects basic individual freedoms, ex. freedom of speech, religion, press
- Protects basic rights, ex. right to bear arms, right to a speedy trial.
- Based on **natural rights**, **The English Bill of Rights**



The Federalist Papers

A series of essays written to explain and defend the proposed US Constitution

The Anti-Federalist Papers- a series of essays written to opposed and defeat the proposed US Constitution



The Great Compromise

The agreement between big states and small states at the Constitutional Convention.

The compromise was a bicameral legislature with two parts.

- House of Representatives- based on population
- Senate- equal reps for each state

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Ratification



(n.) The process of formally approving something by voting.

Ratify (v)