

POLS 1101

Chapter 2 Study Guide

Collective Action and Founding Fathers

Declaration of Independence

Articles of Confederation

Structure

Weaknesses (at War and in the Peace)

republicanism (def)

natural rights

Federalists and Antifederalists

Constitutional Convention

Virginia Plan

New Jersey Plan

Great Compromise

Three/Fifths Compromise

Debates at the Constitutional Convention

Majority rule versus minority rights

Small states versus large states

Legislative power versus executive power

National power versus state power

Slave states versus non-slave states

Structure of the Government under the Constitution

Ratification Process

Amendment Process

Interpreting the Constitution

The 18th Amendment as an example

Who is the Speaker of U.S. House of Representatives?

Who represents you in the U.S. House of Representatives?