

BEGINNING FEBRUARY 26, 2018: A Second Season of C-SPAN's Special History Series: "Landmark Cases: Historic Supreme Court Decisions"

Produced in partnership with the National Constitution Center, 12-part feature series airs Mondays at 9 p.m. ET



#LandmarkCases

(For Release January 17, 2018) -- C-SPAN begins on February 26, 2018, a second season of Landmark Cases. Produced in partnership with the National Constitution Center, the series, which debuted in the fall of 2015, explores the issues, people, and places involved in some of the most historically significant Supreme Court cases in our nation's history.

The 90-minute programs will air live on C-SPAN and C-SPAN3 (also the weekend home for American History TV) and C-SPAN Radio on Monday nights at 9 p.m. ET, beginning February 26. They also will be available on demand at <u>http://landmarkcases.c-span.org/</u>.

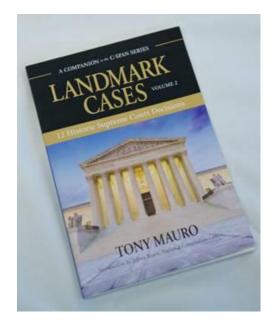
Using the public affairs TV network's signature live format of noted legal historians, constitutional scholars, and preeminent lawyers interspersed with visits to historic sites for context, the series explores the stories of historic rulings which changed American society, the plaintiffs who sparked these cases and the justices and lawyers who were key to the Supreme Court's review. All of the programs will be interactive via viewer phone calls and social posts. A video-rich website <u>http://landmarkcases.c-span.org/</u> offers both seasons on-demand along with

classroom materials including the National Constitution Center's <u>Interactive Constitution</u> which brings top constitutional experts together to explore areas of agreement and disagreement about the text and history of the Constitution. The 12 cases selected for season two are:

- *McCulloch v. Maryland* (1819) Congress' Powers (Feb. 26)
- The Civil Rights Cases (1883) Civil Rights Enforcement | 13th & 14th Amendments (March 5)
- *Yick Wo v. Hopkins* (1886) Racial Discrimination | 14th Amendment (March 12)
- Plessy v. Ferguson (1896) Equal Protection Racial Discrimination | 14th Amendment (March 19)
- *Gideon v. Wainwright* (1963) Right to Counsel | 6th Amendment (March 26)
- *Griswold v. Connecticut* (1965) Right to Privacy | 14th Amendment (April 2)
- *Katz v. United States* (1967) Search and Seizure | 4th Amendment (April 9)
- Brandenburg v. Ohio (1969) Freedom of speech | 1st Amendment (April 16)
- *Tinker v. Des Moines* (1969) Freedom of speech | 1st Amendment (April 23)
- New York Times v. United States (Pentagon Papers Case) (1971) Freedom of the Press | 1st Amendment (April 30)
- *Gregg v. Georgia* (1976) Death Penalty | 8th & 14th Amendments (May 7)
- *Regents of Univ. Cal v. Bakke* (1978) Affirmative Action | 14th Amendment (May 14)

C-SPAN's Susan Swain will return as host and Ben O'Connell, C-SPAN's managing editor, will executive produce Season 2.

Authoritative Supreme Court reporter Tony Mauro is writing a companion volume as he did in 2015. The new book features brief introductions to the backgrounds, highlights, and impact of the next 12 landmark cases in the C-SPAN series. Published by C-SPAN in cooperation with CQ Press, an imprint of SAGE Publications, Inc., the book once again includes an introduction by National Constitution Center President and CEO Jeffrey Rosen.



About C-SPAN:

Created by the cable TV industry and now in nearly 100 million TV households, C-SPAN programs three commercial-free public affairs television networks; C- SPAN Radio, heard in Washington D.C., at 90.1 FM and available as an App; and C-SPAN.org, a video-rich website offering live coverage of government events and access to the vast archive of C-SPAN programming. C-SPAN Classroom is the network's FREE membership service that works with C-SPAN's programs on public affairs, coverage of Congress, non-fiction books and American history to create free resources for teachers, students and the public to use in classrooms, projects or for research. <u>C-SPAN Classroom's website</u> provides social studies teachers with access to thousands of free resources, including short current events videos, Lesson Plans and Bell Ringers, plus Constitution Clips and On This Day in History events.

About the National Constitution Center

The <u>National Constitution Center</u> in Philadelphia inspires citizenship as the only place where people across America and around the world can come together to learn about, debate, and celebrate the greatest vision of human freedom in history, the U.S. Constitution. A private, nonprofit organization, the Center serves as America's leading platform for constitutional education and debate, fulfilling its Congressional charter "to disseminate information about the U.S. Constitution on a nonpartisan basis." As the **Museum of We the People**, the Center brings the Constitution to life for visitors of all ages through interactive programs and exhibits. As **America's Town Hall**, the Center brings the leading conservative and liberal thought leaders together to debate the Constitution on all media platforms. As a center for **Civic Education**, the Center delivers the best educational programs and online resources that inspire, excite, and engage citizens about the U.S. Constitution. For more information, call 215-409-6700 or visit constitutioncenter.org.