

**READING ASSIGNMENT FOR FIRST DAY OF CLASS
MONDAY, AUGUST 23rd**

Please read closely and be ready to discuss pages 88-113 in Susan Low Bloch, Vicki Jackson, & Thomas G. Krattenmaker, Inside the Supreme Court: The Institution and its Procedures (2d ed. 2008). Questions to consider: How are potential justices selected? Who nominates them? Who confirms their nomination? What attributes or qualities are important in the nomination and confirmation process?

If you are unable to secure a copy of the textbook, these are the three law review articles that you should find on Westlaw or Lexis/Nexis/Thompson and read before class:

David Strauss and Cass Sunstein, The Senate, the Constitution and the Confirmation Process, 101 Yale L.J. 1491 (1992) (Read pages 1494-1502)

Paul Freund, Appointment of Justices: Some Historical Perspectives, 101 Harvard L. Rev. 1146. (Read pages 1146-1162).

Henry P. Monaghan, The Confirmation Process: Law or Politics, 101 Harvard L. Rev. 1202 (Read entire article, which is available also at https://scholarship.law.columbia.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1776&context=faculty_scholarship).