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Freedom of Assembly & Petition

Constitutional Provisions

Assemble- People organizing to express their views

Petition- Bringing ones views to the attention of the public via letters, ads, lobbying, parades, etc

Remember its for peaceful assembly & petition, inciting violence, blocking a street, closing a school, etc is illegal

Civil Disobedience- People peacefully violating the law to express their views

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Time, Place, Manner Rule

Keeping the peace is important & sometimes debated

Content Neutral- Government cannot regulate assemblies based on what is being said

Often “Free Speech” zones will be created for protests.

Such as the Westboro Baptist Church

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Assemblies on Public & Private Property

**Demonstrations will often require permits &
notice to gain a license to hold a petition**

This way violence is curbed as is peace upheld

**You cannot trespass on private property, even to
express political views**

**This can be in privately owned shopping centers for
example**

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Freedom of Association

Right of Association- the right to join with others to promote political, economic, & social causes

You cannot just single 1 person out of an entire group

People cannot be fired from a job because of political associations

Small groups have to adhere to larger groups, such as college organizations