Federal Judiciary Study Kickoff



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Background

LWVUS Convention 2024 Delegates voted overwhelmingly to conduct a one-year study of the Federal Judiciary



Federal Judiciary Study Committee

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Have you ever participated in a local, state, or LWVUS study?

Yes or No





Federal Judiciary Study



Federal Judiciary Study Scope

To develop a LWV position on the Federal Judiciary as an essential component of US democracy.

Purpose of the Study includes, but is not limited to: addressing concerns and clarifying judicial accountability, transparency, independence and ethics.

The scope addresses the Supreme Court as well as the other Article III federal courts.



KEY DATES FOR FEDERAL JUDICIARY STUDY - TIMELINE

NOVEMBER

WEBINAR-- NOV 20th 6:00 PM EST

DECEMBER

ADDITIONAL STUDY MATERIALS POSTED ON LMS

JANUARY

INFO ON HOW TO PREP FOR MEETING SENT TO LEAGUES
TOWN HALL MEETING



KEY DATES FOR FEDERAL JUDICIARY STUDY - TIMELINE

FEBRUARY

STUDY GUIDE AND CONSENSUS QUESTIONS SENT TO LOCAL AND STATE LEAGUES BY FEB 7

LEAGUES HOLD MEETINGS FROM 2/7/25- 4/14/25

WEBINAR

MARCH

LEAGUES CONTINUE TO HOLD MEETINGS AND COMPLETE CONSENSUS QUESTIONS

APRIL

CONSENSUS SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR LEAGUES 4/14/25



KEY DATES FOR FEDERAL JUDICIARY STUDY - TIMELINE

APRIL- MAY

PROPOSED POSITION PRESENTED TO LWVUS BOARD FOR VOTE

JUNE

FEDERAL JUDICIARY POSITION ANNOUNCED AT COUNCIL JUNE 26-28, 2025











COMING SOON STAY TUNED



Resources

Federal Judiciary Page LMS

www.lwv.org/league-management/advocacy-litigation/2024-2025-federal-judiciarystudy-process-committee-and

Contact

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TBA

Impact on Issues

www.lwv.org/impact-issues



Questions?



