

Madison, Federal Law, and You

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LAW/CASE	WHAT DID THE CHALLENGED LAW DO?	DO YOU BELIEVE MADISON WOULD HAVE SIGNED THE BILL?	WHY OR WHY NOT?
“BONUS BILL” (1817)	Congress would apply profits from the newly reauthorized national bank toward the building of roads and canals.	No	
MCCULLOUGH V. MARYLAND (1819)	Congress authorizes the creation of a National Bank.		
FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT (1938)	Congress sets a national minimum wage, and a maximum 44-hour work week.		
GUN FREE SCHOOL ZONES ACT (1995)	Congress creates “gun-free school zones,” making it illegal to have a firearm in school zones.		
GONZALEZ V. RAICH (2005)	The Controlled Substances Act bans local use and cultivation of marijuana for personal medicinal use.		