

Federalist 39

1. How does Madison define a republic?
2. What does it mean to have judges “retain their offices by the firm tenure of good behaviour?” [This isn’t true of Texas judges, by the way.]
3. What is the term of office for the House? Senate? President?
4. What was the criticism of the adversaries of the Constitution?
5. On what grounds does Madison proclaim the ratification of the Constitution to be a federal, rather than national, act?
6. What makes the selection of the President a federal, rather than national, act?
7. What conclusion is drawn about the government’s character from the fact that it acts directly on individuals, rather than merely on the states?
8. In regards to the extent of the government’s powers, what does Madison say about its jurisdiction?