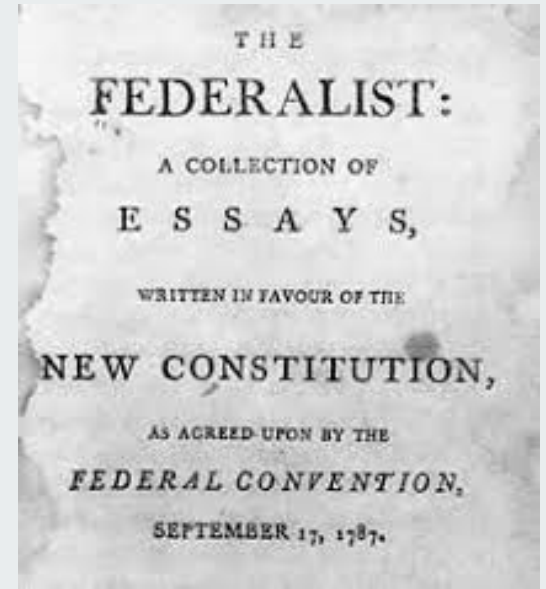




The Federalist Papers

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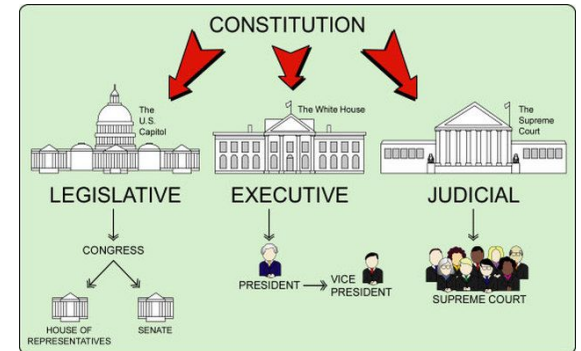


Summary

The two branches must agree with each other, while holding a balance of power in their respective branches. For the legislative branch they must have people whose opinions are united, supported and competent.

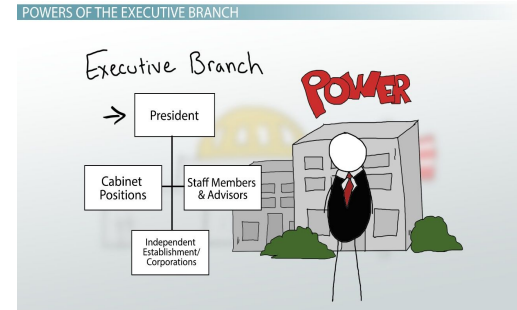
While the Executive branch must be able to administer laws, protect the rights of the people, and must have a strong president. A strong president must be able to uphold all these feats .

All branches must have unity, and energy to run the government.



What benefits does a strong presidency provide to a representative democracy?

A strong Executive branch means a strong government, when the executive branch is feeble that implies that the government is feeble. And can't properly administer laws.



Why does a weak executive create a bad government?

A weak executive implies a weak execution of government. And a weak execution of government must be, in practice, a bad government. “A feeble execution is but another phrase for a bad execution and a government ill executed.”





What are four ingredients of an energetic executive?

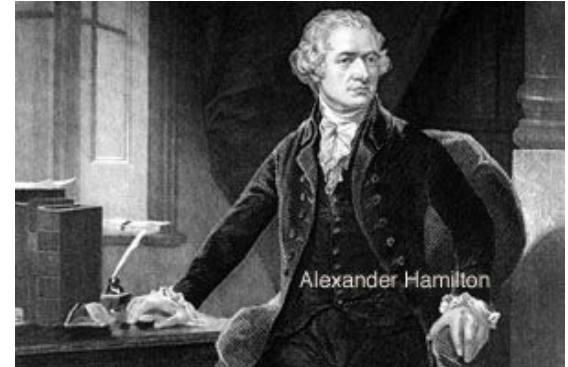
The four ingredients are

1. Unity
2. Duration
3. An adequate provision for its support
4. Competent powers



What, according to Hamilton, is the most necessary quality for a president

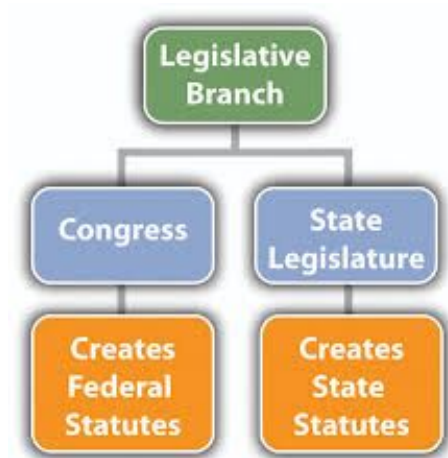
A President according to Hamilton has to have soundness of principles, and justice for their views. But the most necessary quality is to have energy to secure the people's privileges and interests. Having energy is the state of being strong and active. Which is needed for protecting the country, and administering the law.



What are characteristics of the legislative branch?

“Obstructs salutary plans, yet often promote deliberation and circumspection, and serve to check excesses in the majority.”

They constantly counteract those qualities in the Executive which are most necessary ingredients in its composition.



How do human weaknesses complicate decision-making, according to Hamilton?

They lessen the respectability, weaken the authority, and distract the plans and operations of those whom they divide.



What problems might arise if the presidency were split between two people?

The executive power is more easily confined when it is only one, multiplication is dangerous rather than friendly to liberty.

When equal power is placed in the hands of “so small a number of men” it becomes more liable to abuse and more dangerous when abused.

When power is solely in the hands of one man he will be more closely watched and is responsible for his own actions.



CONFLICT

And/Or



Why is disagreement with the legislative branch beneficial, while in the executive branch it is detrimental?

Its beneficial in the legislative branch, because it questions the power of the Executive power. Disagreement in the Executive branch serves to embarrass and weaken the execution of the plan to which they relate, from the beginning to end of it.





The End

