Attachment P: About U.S. Courts — Study Guide

1. What are the three distinct branches of the national government?

2. Why is it said that the federal courts are "the guardians of the Constitution”?

3. What role does the Judicial Branch have in the law making/enforcing process?

4. What is meant by the expression "an independent court system"? (Read the entire last paragraph. Your answer should summarize all of the information that pertains to the question. Answer in a complete paragraph.)

5. What are the two ways the founding fathers made this happen?

6. In your own words, write the reasons that a federal judge can be impeached.