



McCulloch v. Maryland - Quiz

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Q1. What was the main controversy surrounding the First Bank of the United States?

- A. Its economic stability
- B. Its constitutionality
- C. Its location
- D. Its management

Q2. Who led the strict constructionists in opposing the national bank?

- A. Alexander Hamilton
- B. John Marshall
- C. Thomas Jefferson
- D. James McCulloch

Q3. What clause was at the heart of the debate over the Second Bank of the United States?

- A. Commerce Clause
- B. Supremacy Clause
- C. Necessary and Proper Clause
- D. Equal Protection Clause

Q4. What did the state of Maryland impose on the Second Bank of the United States?

- A. A \$15,000 annual tax
- B. A ban on operations
- C. A requirement to move locations
- D. A fine for poor management

Q5. What was the Supreme Court's ruling in McCulloch v. Maryland?

- A. The bank was unconstitutional
- B. States could tax the bank
- C. The bank was constitutional and states could not tax it
- D. The case was dismissed

Q6. Who wrote the Supreme Court's opinion in McCulloch v. Maryland?

- A. Thomas Jefferson
- B. Alexander Hamilton
- C. James McCulloch
- D. John Marshall

Q7. What did the Supremacy Clause establish?

- A. State laws as supreme
- B. The US Constitution as the supreme law of the land
- C. The President's authority over Congress
- D. The power of state banks

Q8. What was the 10th Amendment's role in the case?

- A. It supported Maryland's argument
- B. It was irrelevant to the case
- C. It was used to argue state sovereignty
- D. It overturned the Necessary and Proper Clause

Q9. What precedent did Chief Justice Marshall cite in his ruling?

- A. The creation of the First Bank of the United States
- B. A previous state tax case
- C. An international banking law
- D. A colonial-era statute

Q10. What was the long-term impact of McCulloch v. Maryland?

- A. It limited federal power
- B. It established federal preeminence over states
- C. It led to the dissolution of the national bank
- D. It increased state taxation powers

Answer Key

1. Q1: B
2. Q2: C
3. Q3: C
4. Q4: A
5. Q5: C
6. Q6: D
7. Q7: B
8. Q8: C
9. Q9: A
10. Q10: B