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Assignment 1: Search and Seizure

Due Week 4 and worth 240 points

Review the [FindLaw database](#) and identify a case concerning the 4th Amendment. It may also be helpful to research the Strayer Online Library for this assignment.

Complete a four to five (4-5) page legal memorandum in which you:

1. Include a brief summary of the case.
2. Explain the court's decision, including whether there has been a violation of the plaintiff's 4th Amendment right against unlawful search and seizure by the government.
3. Summarize the court's opinion.
4. Summarize any dissenting opinion.
5. Use at least two (2) quality resources in this assignment. **Note:** Wikipedia and similar Websites do not qualify as quality resources.

Your assignment must follow these formatting requirements:

- Be typed, double spaced, using Times New Roman font (size 12), with one-inch margins on all sides; citations and references must follow APA or school-specific format. Check with your professor for any additional instructions.
- Include a cover page containing the title of the assignment, the student's name, the professor's name, the course title, and the date. The cover page and the reference page are not included in the required assignment page length.

The specific course learning outcomes associated with this assignment are:

- Explain the differences and commonalities between civil and criminal law and procedures.
- Use technology and information resources to research issues related to civil and criminal procedures.
- Write clearly and concisely about issues in law and the legal system using proper writing mechanics.

Grading for this assignment will be based on answer quality, logic / organization of the paper, and language and writing skills. [Click here](#) to access the rubric for this assignment.

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WEEK 4

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Extra Credit Opportunity:

For up to 8 points of extra credit in your writing assignment, answer the following questions in addition to the questions in the grading rubric:

1. Does this case abolish the Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable search and seizure?
2. Is there any search or seizure by the government which could be considered unreasonable?
3. Does it water down the Fourteenth Amendment protection against being deprived of liberty w/out due process?
4. If you are arrested (for any reason or the wrong reason), what protections are left, i.e. what constitutes due process?

If you answer the extra credit question fully and turn in your paper early during or before week 4, you will receive the following points based on time of submittal:

Submit by Wednesday- 8 pts.

Submit by Thursday- 7 pts.

Submit by Friday - 6 pts.

Submit by Saturday- 5 pts.

Submit by Sunday- 4 pts.

If you don't submit your paper early and answer the extra credit questions, you may still receive extra credit, but only for 3 pts.

Suggested cases for briefing for the Assignment:

Weeks v. United States 232 U.S. 383 (1914)- landmark Supreme Court case guaranteeing the Fourth Amendment right to be free from unreasonable seizure of property from one's home without a warrant.

Aguilar v. Texas 378 U.S. 108 (1964)- established the criteria for probable cause needed to support a valid search warrant.

Illinois v. Gates 462 U.S. 213 (1983)- overruled the Aguilar test and replaced the two- pronged test (separate and independent) with the totality of the circumstances test to determine probable cause.

Katz v. United States 389 U.S. 347 (1967)- established a reasonable expectation of privacy regarding electronic

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Criteria	Unacceptable Below 60% F	Meets Minimum Expectations 60-69% D	Fair 70-79% C	Proficient 80-89% B	Exemplary 90-100% A
1. Include a brief summary of the case. Weight: 20%	Did not submit or incompletely included a brief summary of the case.	Insufficiently included a brief summary of the case.	Partially included a brief summary of the case.	Satisfactorily included a brief summary of the case.	Thoroughly included a brief summary of the case.
2. Explain the court's decision, including whether there has been a violation of the plaintiff's 4 th Amendment right against unlawful search and seizure by the government. Weight: 25%	Did not submit or incompletely explained the court's decision, including whether there has been a violation of the plaintiff's 4 th Amendment right against unlawful search and seizure by the government.	Insufficiently explained the court's decision, including whether there has been a violation of the plaintiff's 4 th Amendment right against unlawful search and seizure by the government.	Partially explained the court's decision, including whether there has been a violation of the plaintiff's 4 th Amendment right against unlawful search and seizure by the government.	Satisfactorily explained the court's decision, including whether there has been a violation of the plaintiff's 4 th Amendment right against unlawful search and seizure by the government.	Thoroughly explained the court's decision, including whether there has been a violation of the plaintiff's 4 th Amendment right against unlawful search and seizure by the government.
3. Summarize the court's opinion. Weight: 20%	Did not submit or incompletely summarized the court's opinion.	Insufficiently summarized the court's opinion.	Partially summarized the court's opinion.	Satisfactorily summarized the court's opinion.	Thoroughly summarized the court's opinion.
4. Summarize any dissenting opinion. Weight: 20%	Did not submit or incompletely summarized any dissenting opinion.	Insufficiently summarized any dissenting opinion.	Partially summarized any dissenting opinion.	Satisfactorily summarized any dissenting opinion.	Thoroughly summarized any dissenting opinion.
5. 2 references Weight: 5%	No references provided	Does not meet the required number of references; all references poor quality choices.	Does not meet the required number of references; some references poor quality choices.	Meets number of required references; all references high quality choices.	Exceeds number of required references; all references high quality choices.
6. Clarity, writing mechanics, and formatting requirements Weight: 10%	More than 8 errors present	7-8 errors present	5-6 errors present	3-4 errors present	0-2 errors present