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Selecting the Guardians of Justice: How Federal Judges Are Appointed in the United States

Multiple Choice Questions

1. Who is primarily responsible for nominating federal judges in the United States?

- a) The Senate
- b) The Supreme Court
- c) The President
- d) The House of Representatives

2. What role does the Senate Judiciary Committee play in the federal judge appointment process?

- a) It conducts hearings and recommends nominees for confirmation.
- b) It conducts background checks on nominees.
- c) It has the final say in confirming nominees.
- d) It appoints federal judges.

3. Why are federal judges appointed for life in the United States?

- a) To ensure that judges remain in office regardless of their performance.
- b) To protect judges from political pressures and influence.
- c) To make the appointment process more efficient.
- d) To give judges more power over the other branches of government.

4. What is the purpose of the system of checks and balances in the federal judge appointment process?

- a) To give the President complete authority in selecting judges.
- b) To ensure that only members of the Supreme Court can appoint federal judges.
- c) To prevent any one branch of government from having too much influence in the selection of judges.
- d) To make the process more partisan and political.

5. Why is promoting diversity among federal judges considered important?

- a) It ensures that judges are politically aligned with the President.
- b) It reflects the varied perspectives and experiences of the American people.
- c) It expedites the appointment process.
- d) It guarantees that judges have prior judicial experience.

