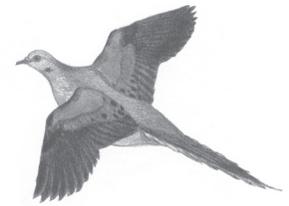


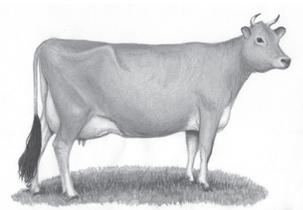
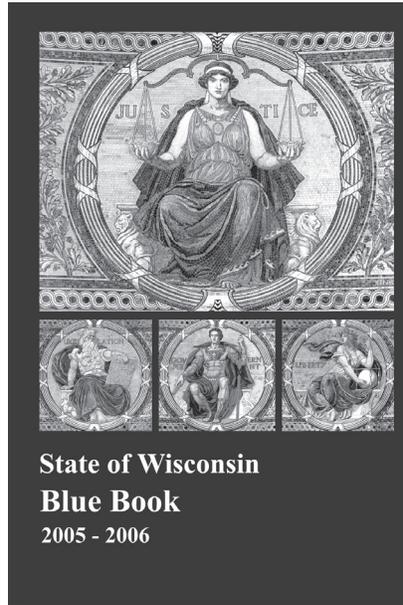


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# Introduction

*Inside the 2005-2006 Wisconsin Blue Book* is a study companion to the *2005-2006 Wisconsin Blue Book* designed for elementary students. *A Study Guide to the Wisconsin Blue Book* is available and is appropriate for high school students.

The *Wisconsin Blue Book*, published since 1853, is the single most comprehensive manual of Wisconsin government. *Inside the Wisconsin Blue Book* and *A Study Guide to the Wisconsin Blue Book* are designed to familiarize Wisconsin students with this important resource, as well as the workings of their government. The authors hope that this increased familiarity will serve them well as they grow as students and citizens.

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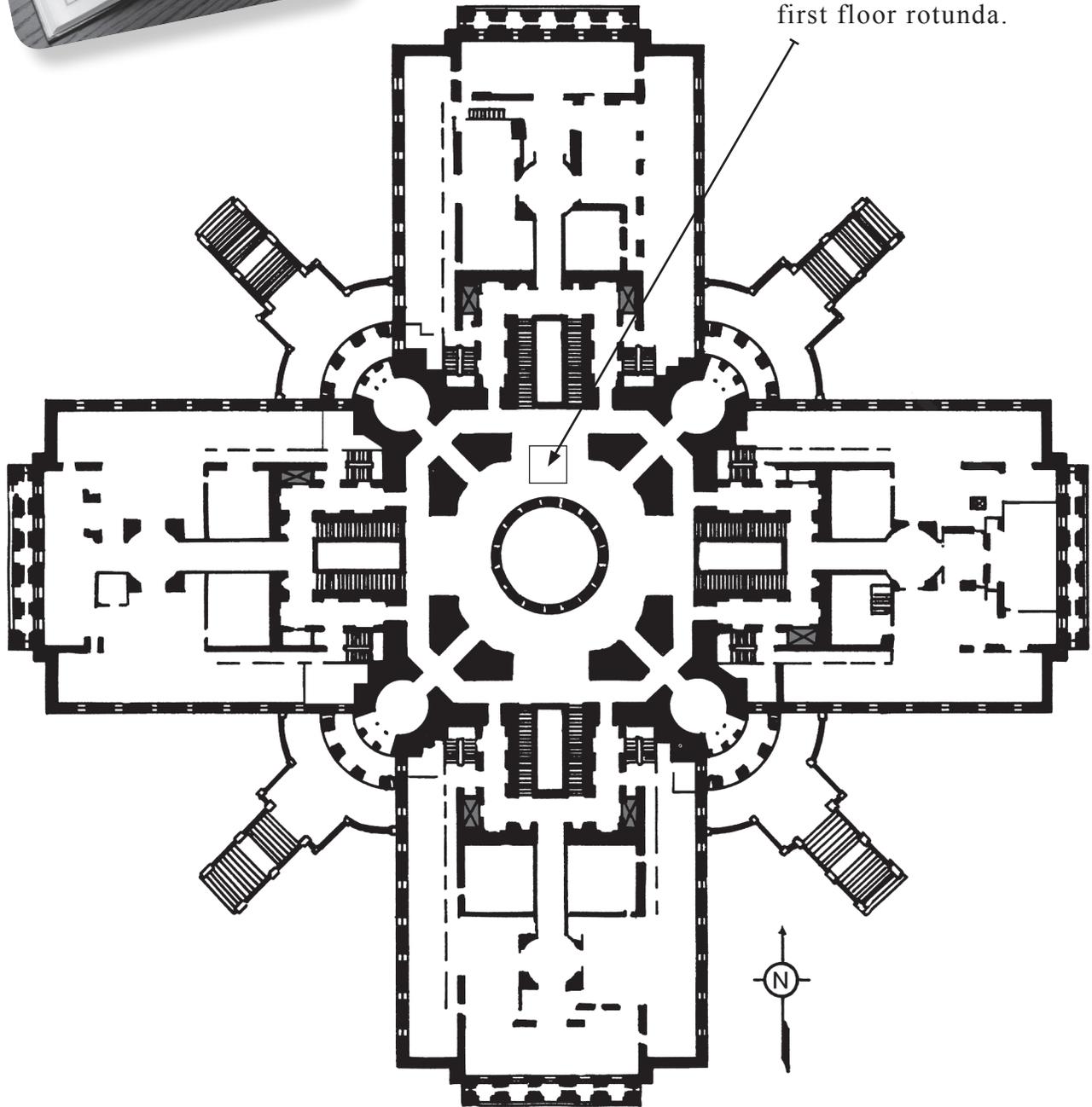
# Wisconsin



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An original handwritten copy of the Wisconsin Constitution is on display on the north side of the first floor rotunda.



**State Capitol**  
First Floor

# Constitution

*Preamble.*

1. The Wisconsin Constitution is the fundamental law of Wisconsin. The Constitution is divided into sections which are called "articles". How many articles are there?

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2. When the early settlers came to Wisconsin, they wrote the Constitution to set down rules that the new state should use to govern itself. What year was the Wisconsin Constitution approved by Wisconsin voters?

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3. Article I of the Constitution sets forth certain fundamental rights. List four rights that the people of Wisconsin want to protect.

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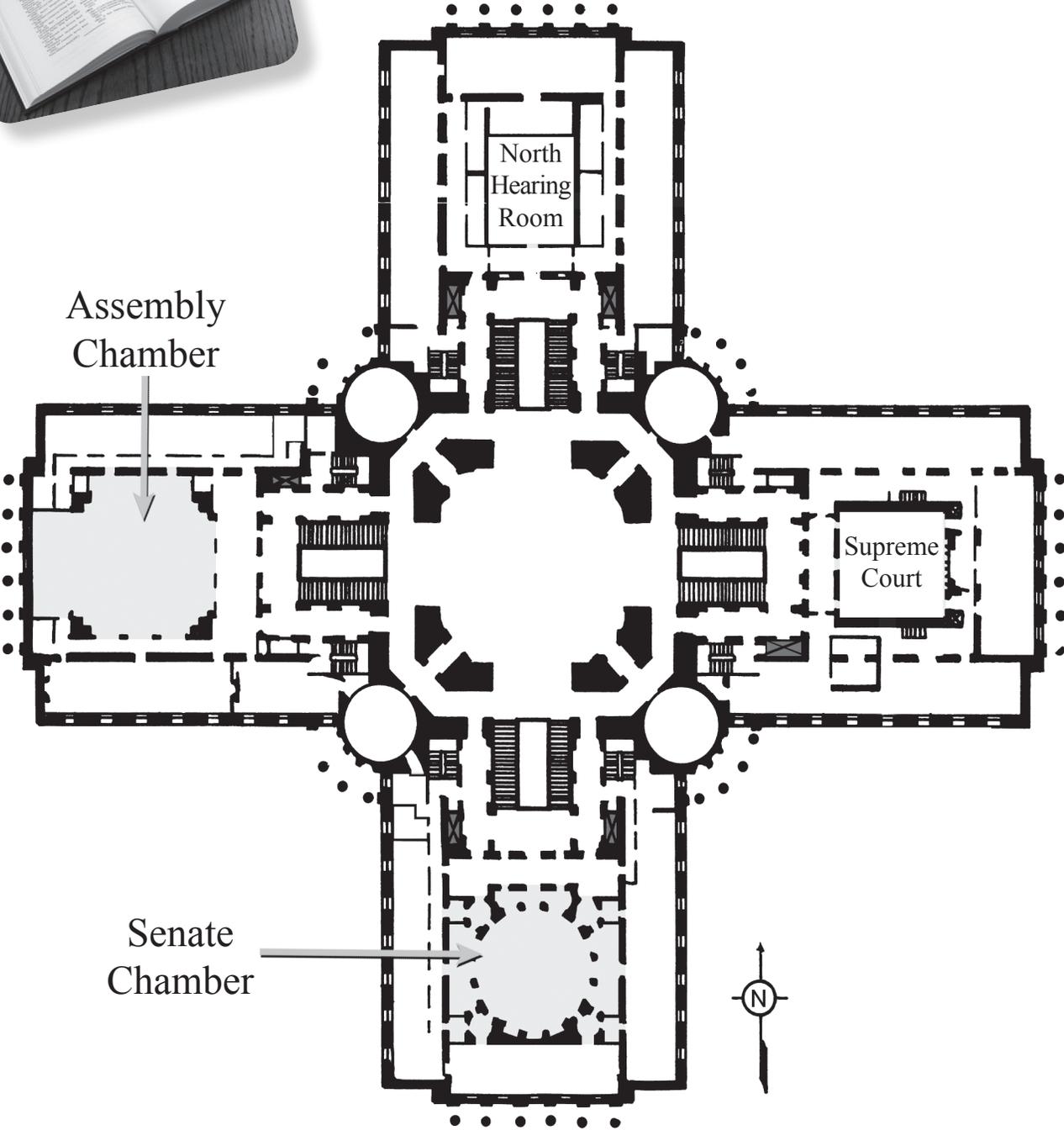
4. The purpose of the Constitution is stated in the Preamble. Where in the Constitution is the Preamble found?

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# Legislative Branch



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Assembly Chamber



Supreme Court

Senate Chamber



**State Capitol**  
Second Floor

# Legislative Branch

1. In Article IV of the Constitution, the people grant law making power to the legislature. On what page of the *Blue Book* will you find Article IV?

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2. The Wisconsin Legislature is made up of two houses. What are they called?

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3. How long are terms for members of each house?

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4. How many Democrats and Republicans were in each house at the beginning of the 2005 session?

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5. How many members of the legislature are farmers?

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6. What agency publishes the Wisconsin Statutes every two years?

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7. Were there any bills passed by the 2003 Legislature related to crime?

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8. Were there any bills about elections passed in 2003?

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9. Did any bills deal with the use of mobile phones while driving?

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10. From the session schedule on page 259, can you tell if the legislature will be in a floorperiod on your next birthday?

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# Senate

*Skylight in Senate Chamber*



*“The Marriage of the Atlantic and the Pacific” mural in the Senate Chamber symbolizes the opening of the Panama Canal.*

*Senate Chamber in the State Capitol*



*Senate Parlor*

*Senator Coggs poses a question to a witness at a committee hearing. (Richard G.B. Hanson II photo)*

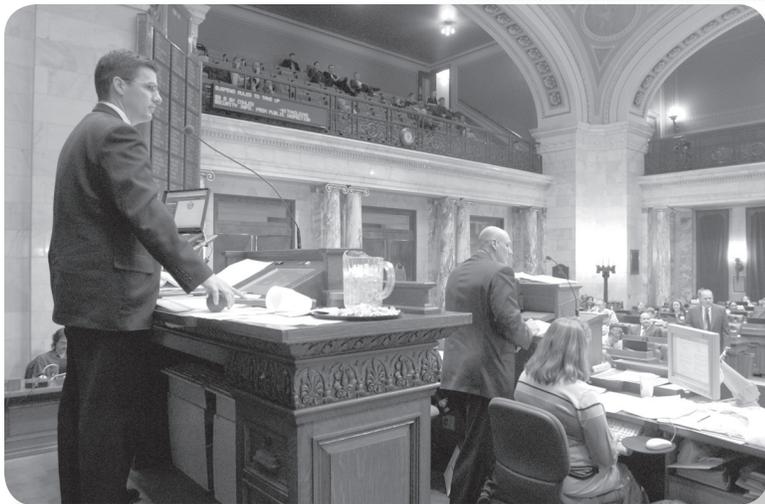


# Assembly

*Assembly Chamber in the State Capitol*



*Three scenes from the assembly mural depicting Wisconsin's past, present, and future*



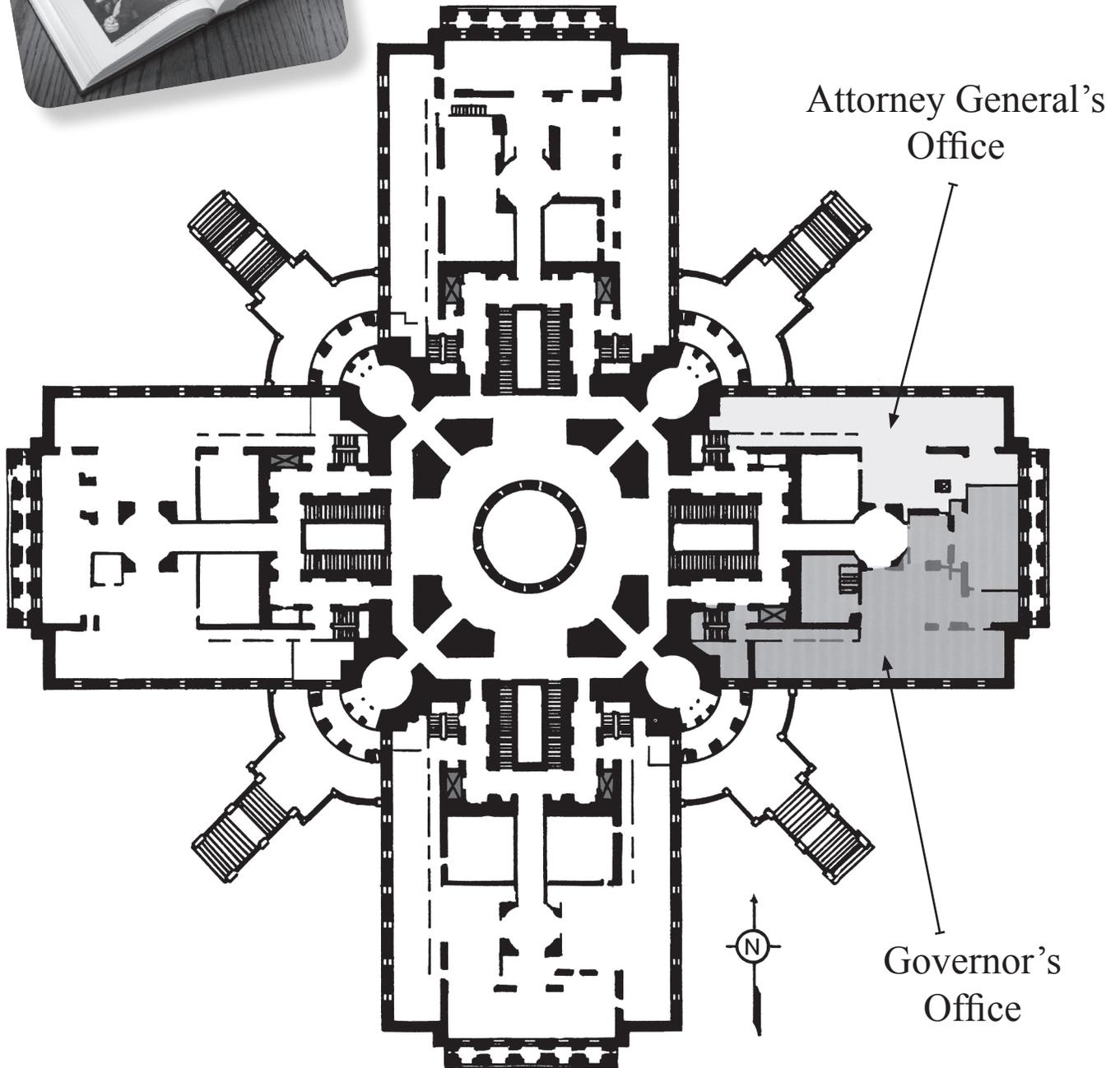
*Speaker John Gard presides over a floor session.  
(Jay Salvo photo)*



# Executive Branch



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# Executive Branch

Article V of the Wisconsin Constitution sets up the Executive Branch of the government. When the authors of the Constitution created a legislature to make the laws, they also created an Executive Branch to execute, or put into practice, the laws passed by the legislature.

The Executive Branch is headed by the Governor, who is elected by the people and who appoints many officers to administer state government (see pages 346-366). The Executive Branch consists of many departments with various responsibilities. The Department of Natural Resources, for example, governs fishing, hunting, and environmental concerns. The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection assists farmers.

1. Who is the State Superintendent of Public Instruction?

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2. From the list of departments on page 320, can you identify which department administers drivers licenses?

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3. Who is the governor's chief of staff?

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4. Can you determine which state bureau is responsible for preventing and controlling disease among animals? (HINT: It is part of the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection.)

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5. What is the name of the fund administered by the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board?

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6. Can you find a photo of the Milwaukee Art Museum in the *Blue Book*?

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7. Who is the commander in chief of the Wisconsin National Guard? Who is the Adjutant General?

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8. What department and division are responsible for the sale of fishing licenses?

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# Executive Branch

9. What is the title of the publication about state parks published by the Department of Natural Resources?

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10. What division of the Department of Public Instruction oversees education of the blind and hearing impaired?

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*School children plant an oak tree at the State Capitol in honor of the Year of Wisconsin Forestry. (DNR photo)*



*Visitors to Wisconsin state parks enjoy guided hikes and other interpretive programs. (DNR photo)*



*The official release of the Wisconsin State Quarter - October 2004*



# Executive Branch



*Governor Jim Doyle*



*Governor's Conference Room in the State Capitol*



*Wisconsin has been a leader in providing learning opportunities to younger students. (ECB photo)*



*State Superintendent of Public Instruction Elizabeth Burmaster reads to early childhood students. (DPI photo)*

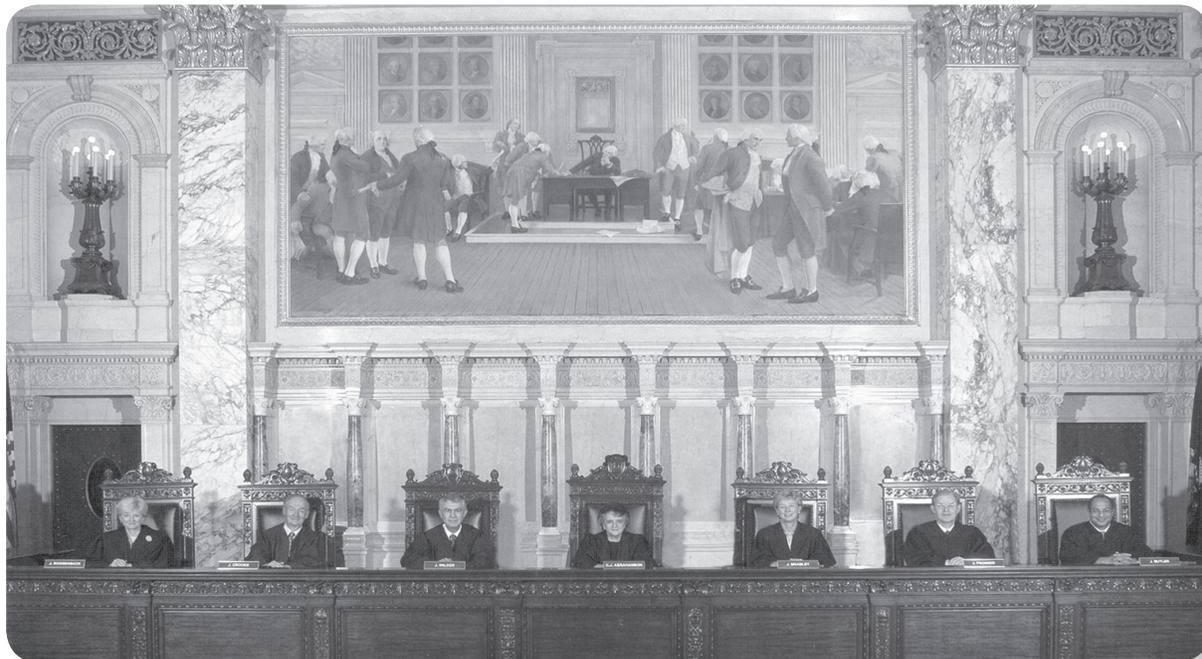


*Wisconsin's title of "America's Dairyland" is exemplified by this pastoral scene near Darlington.*

# Judicial Branch



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*At top, The Supreme Court's chamber in the East Wing of the State Capitol provides the setting for the court's formal portrait. (Supreme Court photo)*



*At right, Judge Sue E. Bischel is shown presiding over a jury trial in the Brown County Circuit Court in Green Bay.*



# Judicial Branch

Article VII of the Wisconsin Constitution creates the Judicial Branch of the government. When the authors of the Constitution set up a Legislative Branch to make laws and an Executive Branch to execute the laws, they created a Judicial Branch to provide justice to the state's citizens in the form of courts and to interpret the law in case of dispute. The Judicial Branch consists of the Supreme Court, with seven justices, the highest court in the state; the Courts of Appeals; the Circuit Courts; and the Municipal Courts. Most trials start at the Circuit Court, and decisions can be appealed to the higher courts.



1. Who is Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?

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2. How is the Chief Justice chosen from among the seven members of the Supreme Court?

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3. What is the length of term for a member of the Supreme Court?

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4. In what month are judges elected?

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5. Name a Circuit Court judge in your county.

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6. How many Circuit Court judgeships are there in Wisconsin?

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7. Is the State Law Library open to the public?

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8. What was the name of the case decided by the Supreme Court in 2004 relating to Indian gaming compacts?

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# Statistics (Pages 617-858)

The *Wisconsin Blue Book* has a large section dealing with statistics about the state. The following questions come from the statistical section, found on pages 617-858.

1. How many pounds of apples were produced in Wisconsin in 2003?

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2. How many minks were harvested in Wisconsin in 2003?

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3. How many 4th graders attended public school in the 2003-04 school year? Is the trend upward or downward from previous years?

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4. What is the highest point in elevation in Wisconsin?

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5. What two notable events occurred in Wisconsin in 1851?

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6. When was your county created?

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7. How many Wisconsin soldiers were killed in the Civil War?

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8. What newspaper is located in Orfordville, Wisconsin?

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9. How many people are there in Wisconsin between the ages of 10-14, according to the 2003 estimate?

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10. How many barrels of cranberries were produced in Wisconsin in 2003?

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# Statistics

11. Has the value of tobacco produced in Wisconsin increased or decreased in recent years?

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12. Which county had the most land in farms in 2002?

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13. What is the easternmost state park in Wisconsin?

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14. How many Wisconsin school districts have more than 10,000 pupils?

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15. How much did Wisconsin spend on education per pupil in 2001-02?

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16. How many children in Wisconsin were home-schooled in 2003-04?

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17. What Milwaukee institution closed in 1996 after 152 years in operation?

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18. What is "Famous Citizen" Woodrow Charles Herman best known for?

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19. In what year was the Village of Winter incorporated?

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20. What historic site is located in Eagle, Wisconsin?

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# State Symbols (pages 966-970)



1. How many lead ingots are pictured on the coat of arms?  
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2. What Latin word was originally proposed for the state motto?  
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3. “On, Wisconsin!” was written by William T. Purdy in 1909. When was it officially adopted as the state song?  
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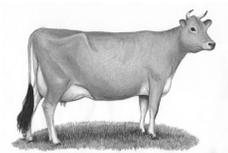


4. How many years elapsed between the selection of the wood violet as the state flower and the passage of the act that made it official?  
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5. When was the first attempt to make the muskellunge the state fish?  
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6. Which University of Wisconsin-Madison scientist led the effort to make Antigo Silt Loam the state soil?  
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# State Symbols

7. The honeybee is the state insect. What other insects were considered for the title of official state insect?

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8. How many inches in length are the average trilobite fossil remains?

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9. Who is generally credited with developing the American Water Spaniel as a separate breed?

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10. When did the law requiring the slogan “America’s Dairyland” to appear on Wisconsin license plates pass?

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11. What law officially sanctioned the state nickname, the Badger State?

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12. What is the state fruit, and when was it designated by the legislature as the state fruit?

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# Famous Citizens of Wisconsin (pages 707-710)

Match the descriptions in the left column to the names in the right column.

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|---|-------------------------|
| 1. Nobel prize winning physicist _____  | a. Mildred Harnack      |
| 2. Founder of the Green Bay Packers _____                                       | b. Laura Ingalls Wilder |
| 3. Author; received 1925 Pulitzer Prize for the novel, <i>So Big</i> _____      | c. Liberace             |
| 4. Painter awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom _____                      | d. Albert Ochsner       |
| 5. Surgeon and pioneer in radium cancer treatment _____                         | e. Laura Ross Wolcott   |
| 6. Actor; won Academy Awards for two films _____                                | f. Harry Houdini        |
| 7. UW-Madison president during the 1870s and 1880s _____                        | g. Spencer Tracy        |
| 8. Chemist; devised butterfat content test _____                                | h. Charles McCarthy     |
| 9. Magician and escape artist _____   | i. Douglas A. MacArthur |
| 10. Wrote <i>Little House on the Prairie</i> _____                              | j. John Bascom          |
| 11. Playwright and novelist; received Pulitzer Prize for <i>Our Town</i> _____  | k. Daniel Hale Williams |
| 12. Doctor; first physician to perform open heart surgery _____                 | l. Thornton Wilder      |
| 13. Musician; world famous pianist-singer _____                                 | m. Earl L. Lambeau      |
| 14. First woman physician in Wisconsin _____                                    | n. Orson Welles         |
| 15. Author of the Wisconsin Idea _____  | o. William Vilas        |
| 16. Woman war hero who resisted Nazis in Germany _____                          | p. Edna Ferber          |
| 17. Director and actor; directed and starred in movie <i>Citizen Kane</i> _____ | q. Stephen Babcock      |
| 18. Political leader; served as U.S. Postmaster General _____                   | r. John Bardeen         |
| 19. General; served in World Wars I and II and Korea _____                      | s. Edward P. Allis      |
| 20. Industrialist who developed the steel rolling mill _____                    | t. Georgia O’Keeffe     |

# Answer Guide

## Wisconsin Constitution

1. 14, p. 193.
2. 1848, p. 194.
3. Various answers.
4. At the beginning, p. 194.

## Legislative Branch

1. p. 199.
2. Senate and Assembly.
3. Four years in the Senate; Two years in the Assembly.
4. Senate: 19 Republicans, 14 Democrats; Assembly: 60 Republicans, 39 Democrats, p. 271.
5. 13, p. 277.
6. Revisor of Statutes Bureau, p. 302-03.
7. Yes; Act 36, p. 307-08.
8. Yes; Act 24, p. 308.
9. Yes; Assembly Bills 58, 462, 464, and 465, all of which failed to pass.
10. Various answers.

## Executive Branch

1. Elizabeth Burmaster, p. 318.
2. Department of Transportation.
3. Susan Goodwin, p. 327.
4. Bureau of Animal Disease Control, p. 388.
5. The Children's Trust Fund, p. 437.
6. p. 560.
7. Commander in Chief is Governor Jim Doyle. Adjutant General is Maj. Gen. Albert H. Wilkening, p. 459.
8. Department of Natural Resources, Division of Customer and Employee Services, p. 470.
9. *Wisconsin State Parks – Explore and Enjoy*, p. 470.
10. Division for Learning Support: Equity and Advocacy, p. 483.

## Judicial Branch

1. Shirley S. Abrahamson, p. 576.
2. By seniority, p. 581.
3. 10 years, p. 577.
4. April, p. 578.
5. Various answers, p. 586-89.
6. 241, p. 585.
7. Yes, p. 592.
8. *Panzer v. Doyle*, p. 601.

# Answer Guide

## Statistics

1. 68,000,000, p. 620.
2. 25,972, p. 653.
3. 61,744. Trend is slightly downward, p. 670.
4. Timms Hill, p. 693.
5. First railroad in Wisconsin, first State Fair, p. 698.
6. Various answers, p. 747.
7. 12,216, p. 781.
8. Orfordville Journal & Footville News, p. 789.
9. 395,957, p. 814.
10. 3,607,000, p. 620.
11. Increased from \$6.3 million in 1999 to \$6.7 million in 2003, p. 621.
12. Grant County, 606,000 acres, p. 624.
13. Rock Island, p. 654.
14. 11, p. 669.
15. \$8,634, p. 677.
16. 21,034, p. 678
17. Pabst Brewing, p. 705.
18. Jazz clarinetist and big band leader, p. 708.
19. 1973, p. 761.
20. Old World Wisconsin, p. 711.

## State Symbols

1. 13, p. 966.
2. Excelsior, p. 967.
3. 1959, p. 967.
4. 40 years, p. 967.
5. 1939, p. 968.
6. Francis D. Hole, p. 969.
7. Monarch butterfly, dragonfly, ladybug, and mosquito, p. 968.
8. 1 to 2 inches, p. 969.
9. Dr. Fred J. Pfeifer of New London, p. 969.
10. 1939, p. 968.
11. Trick question – it has never been recognized by law, p. 968.
12. The cranberry, 2003, p.970.

## Famous Citizens of Wisconsin

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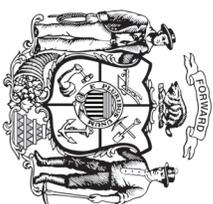
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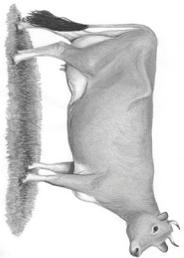


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