



FOURTH AMENDMENT HISTORY

Traditionally, courts have focused on whether police physically entered a space without a warrant. Today, with cell phones, GPS tracking, and digital records, the Supreme Court has had to think through how to apply the Fourth Amendment to the digital world. New technologies have forced the Justices to reflect on what counts as a search and when a person has a reasonable expectation of privacy. As you watch the video, take notes about the important people, events, or court cases that helped shape the understanding of the Fourth Amendment over time.

1761: James Otis Speaks

Who was James Otis? What was Otis protesting? Why?

Rewrite Otis's statement in your own words: "It is a power that places the liberty of every man in the hands of every petty officer."

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<i>Olmstead v. U.S.</i>	
When was this case? What was it about?	
Explain the majority opinion in this case.	Explain the dissenting opinion.

<i>Carpenter v. U.S.</i>
When was this case? What was it about?



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How did the Supreme Court rule in this case?

How has the Supreme Court applied the Fourth Amendment to new technologies?