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# First lecture: Law Jargon (Terminology)

## 1-Act

A law that has been passed by the Government (or legislature) and approved by the President.

#### 2-Amendment

A minor change to a law or contract.

## 4-Assembly

A group of people gathered together for a special purpose, sometimes as a law-making body.

# 6-Bi-cameral legislature

A law-making body, known in Algeria as Parliament. It is divided into a lower and an upper house. The Nation Council is the lower house and the National People's Assembly is the upper house.

## 7-Bill (law)

A draft of a new law or change to a current law that has yet to be passed.

# 8-Citizenship rights

Rights that are enjoyed by a citizen, such as the right to vote and to live permanently in a particular country.





## 9-Convention

An agreement between nations or sides, for example the European Convention on Human Rights; also, a formal meeting of members or representatives of groups such as political parties, professional associations or industry groups.

## 10-Executive

The Executive is the branch that ensures the law is put into practice. The power to run the State is divided in three - legislative power (make law), executive power (enforce law) and judicial power (apply the law).

# 11-Legislature

The branch of government that makes laws.

## 12-Judiciary

The judiciary is the collective term for the judges of a country's courts. The role of the judiciary is to interpret laws and uphold justice by applying the law through the courts.

## 13-Franchise

In political terms, a citizen's right to vote at elections.

## 14-Rule of law

A system in which the law applies to and must be obeyed by everyone, including a head of state or a government.