

TAKE NOTE

There's a lot of valuable information in this toolkit for Everyday Advocates. Before you jump into action, you may want to go through this checklist and take some notes of your own.

KNOW THE HISTORY

- ☐ *Do I understand the role of the courts?*
- ☐ *Can I explain why the Framers wanted the judiciary to be both independent and dependent on the other branches?*
- ☐ *Do I know how long federal judges serve?*

START WRITING

- ☐ *What is an example of when I should write a response?*
- ☐ *What are some considerations to account for when drafting my response?*
- ☐ *What are some different vehicles where I could spread the word about fair courts?*

STAY INFORMED

- ☐ *Do I know about the judicial process?*
- ☐ *Do I have people I can talk to about these issues?*
- ☐ *Do I know about the court system in my town, city and state?*
- ☐ *Am I near a school with professors who can help me out?*
- ☐ *Am I reading newspapers or checking up online for more information?*

TRAIN YOUR FRIENDS

- ☐ *Do I have an audience?*
- ☐ *What's my message?*
- ☐ *Where am I going to communicate?*
- ☐ *When should I communicate?*
- ☐ *Do I have an action plan?*