

Formation of Constitution

The flawed nature of ~~the Articles of Confederation~~, the first American constitution, led to the calling of a convention in Annapolis. This convention was attended only by ~~5~~ delegates of five states. The stated purpose of this well connected and quite clear in statement convention was to amend the Articles of Confederation in order to make national government. However, this convention failed. Another, convention was called which came to be known as 'The Philadelphia Convention'. The delegate of Rhode Island did not participate and Massachusetts delegate arrived late. The convention initially started to amend the articles, but this purpose was ~~quickly~~ absolutely sidelined and it was decided to bring in a new document for a strong national government. The meetings for framing the new constitution were held in secrecy because it was a controversial matter. The new constitution addressed issues about democracy, representation, slavery etc. Once the constitution reached ratifying stage conflict emerged between Federalists and Anti-Federalists, proponents

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of the ~~constitution~~ and critics, respectively.

In the ~~end~~, however ~~the constitution was~~ avoid writing in passive please
ratified by a ~~narrow~~ vote & serves as
'Supreme Law of Land' to date.