

# Unit 4b – The Executive Branch

## Vocabulary

### POTUS – General Terms

1. Cabinet
2. Council of Economic Advisors (CEA)
3. Electoral College
4. Executive Agreement
5. (The) Executive Office
6. Executive Order
7. Executive Privilege
8. Frontloading
9. Government Accountability Office (General Accounting Office)
10. Impeachment
11. Implied powers
12. Impoundment
13. Independent Executive Agencies
14. Independent Regulatory Agencies
15. Legislative Veto
16. Mandate theory of elections
17. Media events
18. National Security Council (NSC)
19. Office of Management and Budget (OMB)
20. Office of Personnel Management (OPM)
21. Pocket Veto
22. Policy agenda
23. Political Action Committee (PAC)
24. Press conference
25. Presidential coattails
26. Public financing of presidential campaigns
27. Senatorial courtesy
28. Solicitor General
29. Sound bites
30. Veto (types)
31. Vetting
32. War Powers Resolution
33. Watergate
34. White House staff

### Bureaucracy – General Terms

1. Administrative Discretion
2. Bureaucracy
3. Civil Service
4. Civilian employee vs. political appointee
5. Deregulation/Regulation
6. Domestic Policy
7. GS (General Schedule) Rating
8. Incentive system
9. Iron Triangles (Subgovernments)
10. Merit principle
11. Patronage
12. Policy gridlock
13. Policy Implementation
14. Public sector vs. private sector
15. Standard Operating Procedure
16. Senior Executive Service
17. Street-Level Bureaucrats
18. Succession

### Supreme Court Cases

1. *U.S. v. Nixon, 1974*
2. *Clinton v. N.Y.C., 1998*
3. *Bush v. Gore, 2000*

### The Constitution

1. Article II
2. 12<sup>th</sup> Amendment
3. 20<sup>th</sup> Amendment
4. 22nd Amendment
5. 25th Amendment

### Legislation

1. Budget & Impoundment Control Act, 1974
2. Hatch Act
3. Pendleton Civil Service Act