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In Marbury v. Madison, 1 Cranch, , 2 60 (), a unanimous Court held that the United States Constitution is the fundamental and paramount law of the nation. Summary of . 4/5 (74K reviews). WILLIAM MARBURY v. JAMES MADISON, Secretary of State of the United States. February Term, AT the December term, William Marbury, Dennis Ramsay, Robert Townsend. Sep 15, In, outgoing President John Adams had issued William Marbury a commission as justice of the peace — but the new Secretary of State, James Madison, refused to deliver it. Marbury then sued to obtain it. Marbury v. Madison () was the first case in which the Supreme Court of the United States invalidated a law passed by Congress. Chief Justice John Marshall's opinion for the Court articulated and defended the theory of judicial review, which holds that courts have the power to strike down legislation that violates the Constitution, 2 Marbury v. Madison says that instrument, "commission all the offi-cers of the United States." The acts of appointing to office, and commis-sioning the person appointed, can scarcely be con-sidered as one and the same; since the power to perform them is given in two separate and distinct sections of the constitution. The distinction be-. MARBURY v. MADISON () ORIGINS OF THE CASEA few days before Thomas Jefferson's inauguration, outgoing president John Adams appointed William Marbury to be a justice of the peace. But the commission was not delivered to Marbury. Later, Jefferson's new secretary of state, James Madison, refused to give Marbury the commission. Marbury v. Madison: Congress does not have the power to pass laws that override the Constitution, such as by expanding the scope of the Supreme Court's original jurisdiction. When William Marbury did not receive his letter of appointment to a justice of the peace position in the District of Columbia, he sued for a writ of mandamus (an order issued by a higher court to a lower one or to other government agencies and officials) to force its delivery.