

Virginia Plan

The **Virginia Plan** was a [proposal](#) made by [Virginia](#) delegates at the [Constitutional Convention](#) of 1787. [James Madison](#) drafted the plan for a [government](#) with 3 [subdivisions](#), or branches that would be equal in power. It also proposed states with large [populations](#) have more representatives. States with small populations would have fewer representatives. The plan called for a congress with new powers to [tax](#) and make laws. It also proposed a president and a supreme court. Ultimately, this created a strong central government separated into three branches. The resolutions went well beyond making minor changes to the [Articles of Confederation](#). It succeeded in expanding the [debate](#) to include basic changes to the [structure](#) and powers of the [national](#) government. The plan was made by James Madison in 1789 Later on, the Virginia plan was modified and accepted as the [United States Constitution](#).

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