

Handout: Situations for 'You Be the Judge'

1. **Person A** says at a public meeting that **Politician B** is incompetent in her job. **Politician B** objects to this and wants to take **Person A** to court. **Person A** relies on the Bill of Rights for protection.
2. **Person C** walks the streets with a placard that says that a government policy is wrong and harmful. The government wants to stop this protest. **Person C** relies on the Bill of Rights for protection.
3. **Person D** believes that **Person E**, a political leader, is a dangerous person who will lead Australia to disaster. **Person D** physically attacks **Person E** at a demonstration, and is arrested. **Person E** relies on the Bill of Rights for protection.
4. **Person F** joins a group which opposes some government policies. They have only ever protested legally and peacefully. **Person G**, a police officer, secretly gathers information on that group, in case they are planning something illegal or dangerous. **Person F** finds out, and wants all such surveillance activities stopped. **Person F** relies on the Bill of Rights for protection.
5. **Person H** believes that the present voting system is wrong. He prints pamphlets telling people to vote in a different way at an election. His method is legal but if some people used it, there would be two voting systems in force in the community at the same time. **Person I** wants to stop **Person H** distributing the pamphlets. **Person H** relies on the Bill of Rights for protection.