

Chronology

of the Pro- and Anti-Federalist Papers and how they related to one another and to key events

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Year	Month	Day	Event	Pro-	Anti-	Subject	Opposes
1781	Mar	1	Articles of Confederation adopted				
1786	Sep.	14	Annapolis Convention				
1787	Feb	21	Congress calls for convention in Philadelphia				
1787	Apr	16	Madison's Virginia Plan				
	May	25	Constitutional Convention opens				
	May	29	Virginia Plan				
	Jun	15	New Jersey Plan				
	Jun	18	Hamilton Plan				
	Jul	16	Great Compromise				
	Aug	6	First Draft				
	Sep	17	Final version approved, Conv. closes				
	Oct	5			Centinel # 1	Responsibility, Checks	Federalist # 10 , 51
	Oct	6		James Wilson			
	Oct	8			Federal Farmer # 1	Extended republics, taxation	Federalist # 8 , 10 , 14 , 35 , 36
	Oct	9			Federal Farmer # 2	Extended republics, taxation	Federalist # 8 , 10 , 15 , 35 , 36
	Oct	18			Brutus # 1	Extent of union, States' Rights, Bill of Rights, Taxation	Federalist # 10 , 32 , 33 , 35 , 36 , 39 , 45 , 84
	Oct	22			John DeWitt # 1	Need for stronger union	Federalist # 1-6
	Oct	27		Federalist # 1	John DeWitt # 2	Need for stronger union	Federalist # 1-6
	Oct	31		Federalist # 2			
	Nov	5			John DeWitt # 2	Bill of Rights	Wilson (Nov. 28) , Federalist

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	Nov	14		Federalist #6			
	Nov	22		Federalist #10			
	Nov	27			Cato #5	Executive powers	Federalist #67
	Nov	29			Brutus #4	House of Representatives	Federalist #27 , 28 , 52-54 , 57
	Nov	30		Federalist #14			
	Dec	7	Delaware ratifies				
	Dec	12	Pennsylvania ratifies				
	Dec	18	New Jersey ratifies	Federalist #23	Penn. Minority	Extent of union, States' Rights, Bill of Rights, Taxation	Federalist #10 , 32 , 33 , 35 , 36 , 39 , 45 , 84
	Dec	27			Brutus #6	Broad construction, taxing powers	Federalist #23 , 30-34
1788	Jan	2	Georgia ratifies				
	Jan	3			Cato #7	Regulating election	Federalist #59
	Jan	9	Connecticut ratifies				
	Jan	16		Federalist #39			
	Jan	24			Brutus #10	Defense, standing armies	Federalist #24-29
	Jan	26		Federalist #45			
	Jan	31			Brutus #11	Judiciary	Federalist #78-83
	Feb	6	Massachusetts ratifies	Federalist #51			
	Feb	7	Massachusetts proposed amendments		Brutus #12 , Pt. 1	Judiciary	Federalist #78-83
	Feb	14			Brutus #12 , Pt. 2	Judiciary	Federalist #78-83
	Feb	19		Federalist #57			
	Feb	27		Federalist #62			
	Mar	15		Federalist #70			
	Mar	20			Brutus #15	Judiciary	Federalist #78-83

	Apr	10			Brutus #16	Senate	Federalist #62, 63
	Apr	26	Maryland ratifies				
	May	23	S. Carolina ratifies				
	May	28		Federalist #78, 84			
	Jun	5,7			Patrick Henry	Nature and powers of Union	Federalist #1, 14, 15
	Jun	21	New Hampshire ratifies; the 9th state				
	Jun	20-27			Melancton Smith	Representation in Congress	Federalist #52-57, 62-63
	Jun	25	Virginia ratifies				
	Jun	27	Virginia proposed amendments				
	Jul	26	New York ratifies				
	Aug	4	N. Carolina rejects				
1789	Mar	4	Constitution takes effect				
	Jun	8	Madison introduces Bill of Rights amendments				
	Nov	21	N. Carolina ratifies				
1790	May	29	Rhode Island ratifies				
1791	Nov	3	Bill of Rights amendments take effect				

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