Episode 34: Separation of Powers

1. In which article does the term “separation of powers” appear in the Constitution?

2. What does Professor Kitrosser say is the most basic and uncontroversial thing the president can do?

3. What are the “checks” that the Executive and Legislative branches have over the Judiciary?
   
   Executive:  
   Legislative:

4. What is the name for the power of the Legislative branch to convene hearings and subpoena information from the Executive branch and other officers of the federal government?

Discussion question:
Professor Kitrosser mentioned that James Madison didn’t anticipate a system where people were more loyal to a political party than their branch. Do you think this happening now? And why would it be a problem?