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Like its predecessor, "May it Please The Court", "The First Amendment" contains cassettes with edited oral arguments before the Supreme Court. The highlights of the arguments are held together by commentary from Peter Irons, who also introduces each case with a brief history and a review of
the legal questions involved. It also finishes with another short talk by Irons, indicating how the Court ruled and talking a bit about the opinions. The companion book has transcripts of the cassettes, as well as highlights from the opinions in the case. Whereas the previous book contained 23 cases and one introduction to the court, this one has only 16 cases. Moreover, four cases are in fact repeats from the previous book. The cases in this one are, with the issue involved in parenthesis: R.A.V v. City of St. Paul (cross burning); Texas v. Johnson (flag burning, included in the previous book); Tinker v. Des Moines (Vietnam protest by high school students, also in the previous book); U.S. vs. O'Brien (draft card burning as protest), Abbington v. Schempp (school prayer, included in the previous book); Barnes v. Glen Theater (nude dancing); Branzburg v. Hayes (disclosure of a reporter's sources); Cohen v. California (vulgar speech); Employment Division v. Smith (religious use of peyote); Hazelwood v. Kuhlmeier (censorship of school papers); Hustler Magazine v. Falwell (suing for emotional distress from a parody); Hurley v. Irish-American Gays, Lesbian and Bisexual Group of Boston (gays marching on St. Patrick's Parade); Miller v. California (obscenity), New York Times v. Sullivan (libel); and New York Times v. United States (prior restraint and the Pentagon Papers, included in the previous book).

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