

Citizenship Terms Used in the U.S. Constitution -- Defined & Some Legal References to Same

Constitutional Term	U.S. Citizenship Status of the Parents at Time of Child's Birth	Conjunction (And, Or)	Location of Birth	Conjunction (And, Or)	Other	Legal Reference
"Citizen" of the United States (Referenced many places in Constitution)	Born to at least one U.S. citizen parent (citizenship given by law via Federal Statutes)	OR	Born in the USA.	OR	Naturalized Citizen (citizenship given by law via Federal Statutes)	U.S. Constitution, 14th Amendment, Section 1. U.S. v. Wong Kim Ark, 169 U.S. 649 (1898). Perkins v. Elg, 307 U.S. 325 (1939). U.S. Federal Statutes
"Citizen of the United States at time of Adoption of this Constitution" aka "the Grandfather Clause" aka "Original Citizen" (Stated in Article II)					Citizen of the United States at time of Adoption of the Constitution	U.S. Constitution, Article II, Section 1, Clause 5.
"Born Citizen" of the United States (Referenced, established, and rights clarified in the 14th Amendment)			Born in the USA.			U.S. Constitution, 14th Amendment, Section 1. U.S. v. Wong Kim Ark, 169 U.S. 649 (1898)
"Naturalized Citizen" of the United States (Referenced and rights clarified in the 14th Amendment)			Not Born in the USA	AND	Citizenship rights obtained by processes governed by Federal Statutes including person swearing an Oath of Allegiance to the USA & renouncing any and all foreign allegiances such as to any Prince or Potentate	U.S. Constitution, 14th Amendment, Section 1. U.S. Federal Statutes
"Natural Born Citizen" of the United States (Referenced only in Article II as one of the specific qualification requirements to serve as the President and Commander in Chief in the USA) Note: This type of citizen of a nation is a citizen via "natural law" and cannot be given by any man made law. The acts of nature itself gave this person natural born citizenship of the nation. This is typically the largest group in any nation which has been in existence for a couple generations or more. It is also the group which innately has the strongest natural allegiance to the nation and the least potential foreign familial or other foreign influences on them.	Both parents are U.S. citizens of any type when child is born	AND	Born in the USA.			U.S. Constitution, Article II, Section 1, Clause 5. Law of Nations, Book 1, Chapter 19, Section 212. Perkins v. Elg, 307 U.S. 325 (1939). Also, comments by Congressman and Judge John Bingham a framer of the 14th Amendment.