

## 4.2: Discussion- Civil Liberties and Public Policy

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The **USA PATRIOT Act** (reauthorized by Congress in 2006 with a few changes), the **Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 2008**, and actions carried out by the National Security Agency and George W. Bush administration raised new questions about the competing interests of national security and civil liberties. What are these interests and what issues of civil liberties are at stake? How should the Court reconcile these competing issues? Has the War on Terrorism overstepped appropriate boundaries of civil liberties?

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