

## LESS TRANSPARENT

### EXAMPLE G: CRIMINAL JUSTICE

#### CRJ 104 Consensus and Conflict Models of Justice

Group Members:

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US Supreme Court

US District Courts

Courts of Limited Jurisdiction

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State Supreme Court



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Criminal Justice 104

### Revised EXAMPLE G: CRIMINAL JUSTICE

#### In-Class Activity: Consensus and Conflict Models of Justice

**Purpose:**

The purpose of this activity is to illustrate the structure and function of state and federal court systems.

**Task:**

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**Criteria:**

Students will compare their illustration of the court structure and functions to the organizational chart that I present in class. Students must note corrections on their original diagrams. The diagram will be graded and returned to students in the next class.

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