4. Capitalization Examples

A
A-bomb
abstract B, I, etc.
Academy:
   Air Force; the Academy
   Andover; the academy
   Coast Guard; the Academy
   Merchant Marine; the Academy
   Military; the Academy
   National Academy of Sciences; the Academy of Sciences; the academy
   Naval; the Academy
   but service academies
accord, Paris peace (see Agreement)
accords, Helsinki
Act (Federal, State, or foreign), short or popular title or with number; the act:
   Appropriations
   Classification
   Clear Skies
   Economy
   Flood Control
   Military Selective Service
   No Child Left Behind
   Organic Act of Virgin Islands
   Panama Canal
   PATRIOT
   Revenue
   Sarbanes-Oxley
   Stockpiling
   Tariff
   Trademark
   Walsh-Healey Act; but Walsh-Healey law (or bill)
act, labor-management relations
Acting, if part of capitalized title
Active Duty
Adjutant General, the (see The)
Administration, with name; capitalized standing alone if Federal unit:
   Farmers Home
   Food and Drug
   Maritime
   Transportation Security
   but Bush administration;
   administration bill, policy, etc.
Administrative Law Judge Davis; Judge Davis; an administrative law judge
Admiralty, British, etc.
Admiralty, Lord of the
Adobe Acrobat Reader
Adviser, Legal (Department of State)
Adviser, Legal (Department of State)
Agency, if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to Federal unit:
   Central Intelligence; the Agency
   Chippewa (Indian); the agency
agent orange
Age(s):
   Age of Discovery
   Dark Ages
   Elizabethan Age
   Golden Age (of Pericles only)
   Middle Ages
   but atomic age; Cambrian age; copper age; ice age; missile age; rocket age;
   space age; stone age; etc.
Agreement, with name; the agreement:
   General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT); the general agreement
International Wheat Agreement; the wheat agreement; the coffee agreement
North American Free-Trade Agreement (NAFTA)
Status of Forces; but status-of-forces agreements
United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement; the free-trade agreement
but the Geneva agreement; the Potsdam agreement; Paris peace agreement
Air Force:
Air National Guard (see National)
Base (with name); Air Force base (see Base; Station)
Civil Air Patrol; Civil Patrol; the patrol Command (see Command)
One (Presidential plane)
Reserve
Reserve Officers’ Training Corps
Airport: La Guardia; Reagan National; the airport
Al Jazeera
Alaska Native (collective term for Aleuts, Eskimos, Inuits, and Indians of Alaska):
the Native; but Ohio native, a native of Alaska, etc.
Alliance, Farmers’, etc.; the alliance alliances and coalitions (see also powers):
Allied Powers; the powers (World Wars I and II)
Atlantic alliance
Axis, the; Axis Powers; the powers
Benelux (Belgium, Netherlands, Luxembourg)
Big Four (European); of the Pacific
Big Three
Central Powers; the powers (World War I)
Coalition of the Willing
European Economic Community
FritaluX (France, Italy, Benelux countries)

North Atlantic Treaty Organization
(see Organization)
Western Powers
Allied (World Wars I and II):
armies
Governments
Nations
peoples
Powers; the powers; but European powers
Supreme Allied Commander
Allies, the (World Wars I and II); also
members of Western bloc (political entity); but our allies; weaker allies, etc.
Al Qaeda
Alzheimer’s disease
Ambassador:
British, etc.; the Ambassador; the Senior Ambassador; His Excellency
Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary;
the Ambassador; Ambassador at Large; an ambassador
amendment:
Baker amendment
Social Security Amendments of 1983; 1983 amendments; the Social Security amendments; the amendments
to the Constitution (U.S.); but First Amendment, 14th Amendment, etc.; the Amendment
American:
Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO); the federation
Gold Star Mothers, Inc.; Gold Star Mothers; a Mother
Legion (see Legion)
National Red Cross; the Red Cross
Veterans of World War II (AMVETS)
War Mothers; a Mother
AmeriCorps Program
Amtrak (National Railroad Passenger Corporation)
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons; a Mason; a Freemason
Annex, if part of name of building; the annex
Antarctic Ocean (see Arctic; Ocean)
appendix I, A, II, etc.; the appendix; but
Appendix II, when part of title:
Appendix II: 1 Education Directory
appropriation bill (see also bill):
deficiency
Department of Agriculture
for any governmental unit
independent offices
aquaculture; acquiculture
Arab States
Arabic numerals
Arboretum, National; the Arboretum
Archipelago, Philippine, etc.; the archipelago
Architect of the Capitol; the Architect
Archivist of the United States; the Archivist
Arctic:
Circle
Current (see Current)
Ocean
zone
but subarctic
arctic (descriptive adjective):
clothing
conditions
fox
grass
night
seas
Area, if part of name; the area:
Cape Hatteras Recreational
White Pass Recreation; etc.
but area 2; free trade area; Metropolitan
Washington area; bay area;
nonsmoking area
Arlington:
Memorial Amphitheater; the Memorial

Amphitheater; the amphitheater
Memorial Bridge (see Bridge)
National Cemetery (see Cemetery)
Arm, Infantry, etc. (military); the arm
Armed Forces (synonym for overall Military Establishment):
British
Retirement Home (AFRT)
of the United States
armed services
armistice
Armory, Springfield, etc.; the armory
Army, American or foreign, if part of name;
capitalized standing alone only if referring to U.S. Army:
Active; Active-Duty
Adjutant General, the
All-Volunteer
Band (see Band)
branches; Gordon Highlanders; Royal Guards; etc.
Brigade, 1st, etc.; the brigade;
Robinson’s brigade
Command (see Command)
Command and General Staff College (see College)
Company A; A Company; the company
Confederate (referring to Southern Confederacy); the Confederates
Continental; Continentals
Corps, Reserve (see Corps)
District of Washington (military); the district
Division, 1st, etc.; the division
Engineers (the Corps of Engineers); the Engineers; but Army engineer
Establishment
Field Establishment
Field Forces (see Forces)
Finance Department; the Department
1st, etc.
General of the Army; but the general

1 The colon is preferred; a dash is permissible; but a comma is too weak.
General Staff; the Staff
Headquarters, 1st Regiment
Headquarters of the; the headquarters
Regiment, 1st, etc.; the regiment
Regular Army officer; a Regular
Revolutionary (American, British,
French, etc.)
service
Surgeon General, the (see Surgeon
General)
Volunteer; the Volunteers; a Volunteer
army:
Lee’s army; but Clark’s 5th Army
mobile
mule, shoe, etc.
of occupation; occupation army
Red
Arsenal, Rock Island, etc.; the arsenal
article 15; but Article 15, when part of title:
Article 15: Uniform Code of
Military Justice
Articles:
of Confederation (U.S.)
of Impeachment; the articles
Asian (see Orient, the; oriental)
Assembly (see United Nations)
Assembly of New York; the assembly (see
also Legislative Assembly)
Assistant, if part of capitalized title; the
assistant
assistant, Presidential (see Presidential)
Assistant Secretary (see Secretary)
Associate Justice (see Supreme Court)
Association, if part of name; capitalized
standing alone if referring to
Federal unit:
American Association for the
Advancement of Science; the
association
Federal National Mortgage (Fannie
Mae); the Association
Young Women’s Christian; the
association
Astrophysical Observatory (see
Observatory)
Atlantic (see also Pacific):
Charter (see Charter)
coast
Coast States
community
Destroyer Flotilla; the destroyer flotilla;
the flotilla
Fleet (see Fleet)
mid-Atlantic
North
seaboard
slope
South
time, standard time (see time)
but cisatlantic; transatlantic
Attorney General (U.S. or foreign country);
but attorney general of Maine, etc.
attorney, U.S.
Authority, capitalized standing alone if
referring to Federal unit:
National Shipping; the Authority
Port Authority of New York and New
Jersey; the port authority; the
authority
St. Lawrence Seaway Authority of
Canada; the authority
Tennessee Valley; the Authority
Auto Train (Amtrak)
autumn
Avenue, Constitution, etc.; the avenue
Award:
Academy
Distinguished Service
Merit
Mother of the Year
the award (see also decorations, etc.)
Axis, the (see alliances)
Ayatollah; an ayatollah

B
Badlands (SD and NE)
Balkan States (see States)
Baltic States (see States)
Band, if part of name; the band:
   Army, Marine, Navy
   Eastern, etc. (of Cherokee Indians)
Bank, if part of name; the bank; capitalized
   standing alone if referring to
   international bank:
   Export-Import Bank of the United States;
   Ex-Im Bank; the Bank
   Farm Loan Bank of Dallas; Dallas Farm
   Loan Bank; farm loan bank; farm loan
   bank at Dallas
Farmers & Mechanics, etc.
Federal Land Bank of Louisville;
   Louisville Federal Land Bank; land
   bank at Louisville; Federal land bank
Federal Reserve Bank of New York;
   Richmond Federal Reserve Bank;
   Reserve bank at Richmond;
   Federal Reserve bank; Reserve
   bank; Reserve city
First National, etc.
German Central; the Bank
International Bank for Reconstruction
   and Development; the Bank
   blood bank, central reserve, soil bank
Bar, if part of name; Maryland (State) Bar
   Association; Maryland (State) bar; the
   State bar; the bar association
Barracks, if part of name; the barracks:
   Carlisle
   Disciplinary (Leavenworth)
   Marine (District of Columbia)
   Reserve A barracks; barracks A; etc.
Base, Andrews Air Force; Air Force base;
   the base (see also Naval); but Sandia
   Base
Basin (see geographic terms)
Battery, the (New York City)
Battle, if part of name; the battle:
   of Gettysburg; but battle at Gettysburg;
   etc.
   of the Bulge; of the Marne; of the
   Wilderness; of Waterloo; etc.
battlefield, Bull Run, etc.
battleground, Manassas, etc.
Bay, San Francisco Bay area; the bay area
Belt, if part of name; the belt:
   Bible
   Farm
   Rust
   Sun
   Reserve bank
   but money belt
Beltway, capitalized with name; the beltway
Bench (see Supreme Bench)
Benelux (see alliances)
Bible; Biblical; Scriptures; Ten
   Commandments; etc. (see also book)
bicentennial
   bill, Kiess; Senate bill 217; House bill 31 (see
   also appropriation bill)
   Bill of Rights (historic document); but GI
   bill of rights
   Bizona; bizonal; bizone
Black (see African-American; Negro)
Black Caucus (see Congressional)
bloc (see Western)
block (grants)
Bluegrass region, etc.
B’nai B’rith
Board, if part of name; capitalized standing
   alone only if referring to Federal or
   international board:
   Employees’ Compensation Appeals
   Federal Reserve (see Federal)
   Military Production and Supply
   (NATO)
National Labor Relations
   of Directors (Federal unit); but board of
   directors (nongovernmental)
   of Health of Montgomery County;
   Montgomery County Board of Health;
   the board of health; the board
   of Regents (Smithsonian)
   of Visitors (Military and Naval
   Academies)
on Geographic Names
Railroad Retirement
bond:
  Government
  savings
  series EE
  Treasury

book:
  books of the Bible
  First Book of Samuel; etc.
  Good Book (synonym for Bible)

book 1, I, etc.; but Book 1, when part of title:
  Book 1: The Golden Legend

Boolean:
  logic
  operator
  search

border, United States-Mexican

Borough, if part of name: Borough of the
  Bronx; the borough

Botanic Garden (National); the garden (not
  Botanical Gardens)

Bowl, Dust, Rose, Super, etc.; the bowl

Boy Scouts (the organization); a Boy Scout;
  a Scout; Scouting; Eagle Scout;
  Explorer Scout

Branch, if part of name; capitalized
  standing alone only if referring to a
  Federal unit:

  Accounts
  Public Buildings
  but executive, judicial, or legislative
  branch

Bridge, if part of name; the bridge:
  Arlington Memorial; Memorial;
  Francis Scott Key; Key
  but Baltimore & Ohio Railroad bridge

Brother(s) (adherent of religious order)

budget:
  department
  estimate
  Federal
  message
  performance-type
  President’s

Budget of the United States Government,
  the Budget (publication)

Building, if part of name; the building:
  Capitol (see Capitol Building)
  Colorado
  House (or Senate) Office
  Investment
  New House (or Senate) Office
  Old House Office
  Pentagon
  the National Archives; the Archives
  Treasury; Treasury Annex

Bulletin 420; Farmers’ Bulletin No. 420

Bureau, if part of name; capitalized
  standing alone if referring to Federal
  or international unit:

  of Customs (name changed to U.S.
    Customs and Border Protection)
  of Engraving and Printing
  of Indian Affairs

C

C–SPAN

Cabinet, American or foreign, if part of
  name or standing alone (see also
  foreign cabinets):

  British Cabinet; the Cabinet
  the President’s Cabinet; the Cabinet;
  Cabinet officer, member

Calendar, if part of name; the calendar:
  Consent; etc.

House
  No. 99; Calendars Nos. 1 and 2
  of Bills and Resolutions

Private

Senate

Unanimous Consent

Union

Wednesday (legislative)

Cambrian age (see Ages)

Camp Lejeune; David, etc.; the camp

Canal, with name; the canal:
  Cross-Florida Barge
Isthmian Panama
Cape (see geographic terms)
Capital, Capital City, National Capital (Washington, DC) but the capital (State)
Capitol Building (with State name); the capitol
Capitol, the (Washington, DC):
Architect of Building
caucus room
Chamber
Cloakroom
dome
Grounds
Halls (House and Senate)
Halls of Congress
Hill; the Hill
Police (see Police)
Power Plant
Prayer Room
Press Gallery, etc.
rotunda
Senate wing
stationery room
Statuary Hall
the well (House or Senate)
west front
catch-22
Caucasian (see White)
caucus: Republican; but Congressional
Black Caucus (incorporated name);
Sun Belt Caucus
CD–ROM
Cemetery, if part of name: Arlington National; the cemetery
Census:
Twenty-third Decennial (title);
Twenty-third (title); the census
2000 census
2000 Census of Agriculture; the census of agriculture; the census
the 23d and subsequent decennial censuses
Center, if part of name; the Center (Federal); the center (non-Federal):
Agricultural Research, etc.; the Center (Federal)
Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; the Kennedy Center; the Center (Federal)
the Lincoln Center; the center (non-Federal)
central Asia, etc.
Central America
Central Europe
Central States
central time (see time)
century, first, 21st, etc.
Chair, the, if personified
Chairman, Chairwoman, Chair:
of the Board of Directors; the Chairman (Federal); but chairman of the board of directors (non-Federal)
of the Committee of the Whole House; the Chairman
of the Federal Trade Commission; the Chairman
Vice
chairman, chairwoman, chair (congressional):
of the Appropriations Committee of the Subcommittee on Banking but Chairman Davis, Chairwoman Landrieu
Chamber of Commerce; the chamber:
of Ada; Ada Chamber of Commerce; the chamber of commerce
of the United States; U.S. Chamber of Commerce; the chamber of commerce; national chamber
Chamber, the (Senate or House)
channel 3 (TV); the channel
Chaplain (House or Senate); but Navy chaplain
Chapter 5, II, etc.; but Chapter 5, when part of title: Chapter 5: Research and Development; Washington chapter, Red Cross
Chargé d’Affaires, British, etc.; the Chargé d’Affaires; the Chargé
chart 2, A, II, etc.; but Chart 2, when part of legend: Chart 2.—Army strength
Chapter, capitalized with name; the charter: Atlantic
United Nations
cheese: Camembert, Cheddar, Parmesan, Provolone, Roquefort, etc.
Chief, if referring to head of Federal unit; the Chief:
Clerk
Forester (see Forester)
Intelligence Office
Judge
Justice (U.S. Supreme Court); but chief justice (of a State)
Magistrate (the President)
of Division of Publications
of Engineers (Army)
of Naval Operations
of Staff
Christian; Christendom; Christianity; Christianize; but christen
court and state
court calendar:
Christmas
Easter
Lent
Pentecost (Whitsuntide)
Church, if part of name of organization or building
Circle, if part of name; the circle:
Arctic
Logan
but great circle
Circular 420
cities, sections of, official or popular names:
East Side
French Quarter (New Orleans)
Latin Quarter (Paris)
North End
Northwest Washington, etc. (District of Columbia); the Northwest; but northwest (directional)
the Loop (Chicago)
City, if part of corporate or popular name; the city:
Kansas City; the two Kansas Citys
Mexico City
New York City; but city of New York
Twin Cities
Washington City; but city of Washington
Windy City (Chicago)
but Reserve city (see Bank)
civil action No. 46
civil defense
Civil War (see War)
Clan, if part of tribal name; Clan MacArthur; the clan
class 2, A, II, etc.; but Class 2 when part of title: Class 2: Leather Products
Clerk, the, of the House of Representatives;
of the Supreme Court of the United States
clerk, the, of the Senate
client
client/server
coal sizes: pea, barley, buckwheat, stove, etc.
coalition; coalition force; coalition members, etc.
coast: Atlantic, east, gulf, west, etc.
Coast Guard, U.S.; the Coast Guard;
Coastguardsman Smith; but a coastguardsman; a guardsman;
Reserve
Coastal Plain (Atlantic and Gulf)
Code (in shortened title of a publication); the code:
District
Federal Criminal
Internal Revenue (also Tax Code)
International (signal)
of Federal Regulations
Penal; Criminal; etc.
Pennsylvania State
Radio
Television
Uniform Code of Military Justice
United States
ZIP Code (copyrighted)
but civil code; flag code; Morse code
codel (congressional delegation)
collection, Brady, etc.; the collection
collector of customs
College, if part of name; the college:
   Armed Forces Staff
   Command and General Staff
   Gettysburg
   National War
   of Bishops
   but electoral college
college degrees: bachelor of arts, master’s, etc.
Colonials (American Colonial Army); but colonial times, etc.
Colonies, the:
   Thirteen
   Thirteen American
   Thirteen Original
   but 13 separate Colonies
colonists, the
Command, capitalize with name; the command:
   Air Force Materiel
   Army
   Central (CENCOM)
   Naval Space
   Zone of Interior
Commandant, the (Coast Guard or Marine Corps only)
Commandos, the; Commando raid; a commando
Commission (if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to Federal or international commission):
   International Boundary, United States and Canada
   of Fine Arts
   Public Buildings
Commissioner, if referring to Federal or international commission; the Commissioner:
   Land Bank; but land bank commissioner loans
   of Customs and Border Protection
   U.S. (International Boundary Commission, etc.)
   but a U.S. commissioner
Committee (or Subcommittee) (if part of name; the Committee, if referring to international or noncongressional Federal committee or to the Committee of the Whole, the Committee of the Whole House, or the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union):
   American Medical Association
   Committee on Education; the committee on education; the committee
   Appropriations, etc.; the committee; Subcommittee on Appropriations; the subcommittee; subcommittee of the Appropriations Committee
   Democratic National; the national committee; the committee; Democratic national committee member
   Democratic policy committee; the committee
   Joint Committee on Printing; the Joint Committee; the committee; but a joint committee
   of Defense Ministers (NATO); the Committee (see also Organization, North Atlantic Treaty)
   of One Hundred, etc.; the committee on Finance; the committee
   President’s Advisory Committee on Management; the Committee
   Republican National; the national committee; the committee;
Republican national committeeman
Republican policy committee; the committee
Senate policy committee
Subcommittee on Immigration; the subcommittee
*but* Baker committee
ad hoc committee
conference committee
Committee Print No. 32; Committee Prints Nos. 8 and 9; committee print
Common Cause
Commonwealth:
  British Commonwealth; the Commonwealth
  of Australia
  of Kentucky
  of Massachusetts
  of Pennsylvania
  of Virginia
Communist Party; a Communist compact, U.S. marine fisheries, etc.; the compact
Company, if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to unit of Federal Government:
Panama Canal Railway Company; the Company
Procter & Gamble Co.; the company
Comptroller of the Currency; the Comptroller
Comptroller General (U.S.); the Comptroller
Comsat
Concord
Confederacy (of the South)
Confederate:
  Army
  flag
  Government
  soldier
  States
Confederation, Articles of

Conference, if referring to governmental (U.S.) or international conference:
Bretton Woods; the Conference
Judicial Conference of the United States; U.S. Judicial Conference;
Judicial Conference; the Conference
Tenth Annual Conference of the United Methodist Churches; the conference
Congress (convention), if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to international congress:
Library of
of Industrial Organizations
of Parents and Teachers, National; the congress
Congress (legislature), if referring to national congress:
of Bolivia, etc.; the Congress
of the United States; First, Second, 10th, 103d, etc.; the Congress
Congressional:
Black Caucus; the Black Caucus; the caucus
Directory, the directory
District, First, 10th, etc.; the First District; the congressional district; the district
Medal of Honor (see decorations)
*but* congressional action, committee, etc.
Congressman; Congresswoman;
  Congressman at Large; Member of Congress; Member; membership
Conservative Party; a Conservative Constitution, with name of country; capitalized standing alone when referring to a specific national constitution; *but* New York State Constitution; the constitution constitutional consul, British, general, etc.
consulate, British, etc.
Consumer Price Index (official title); the price index; the index; but a consumers’ price index (descriptive)

Continental, only if following name;
North American Continent; the continent; but the Continent (continental Europe)

Continental:
Army; the Army
Congress; the Congress
Divide (see Divide)
Outer Continental Shelf
Shelf; the shelf; a continental shelf
continental Europe, United States, etc.

Continentials (Revolutionary soldiers)
Convention, governmental (U.S.);
international, or national political;
the convention:
89th National Convention of the American Legion
Constitutional (United States, 1787);
the Convention
Democratic National; Democratic Genocide (international)
on International Civil Aviation
Republican National; Republican
Universal Postal Union; Postal Union
also International Postal; Warsaw

copper age (see Ages)

Corporation, if part of name; the Corporation, if referring to unit of Federal Government:
Commodity Credit
Federal Deposit Insurance
National Railroad Passenger (Amtrak)
Rand Corp.; the corporation
St. Lawrence Seaway Development
Union Carbide Corp.; the corporation
Virgin Islands

Corps, if part of name; the corps, all other uses:
Adjutant General’s
Army Reserve

Chemical
diplomatic
Finance
Foreign Service Officer (see Foreign Service)
Job
Judge Advocate General’s
Marine (see Marine Corps)
Medical
Military Police
Nurse
of Cadets (West Point)
of Engineers; Army Engineers; the Engineers; but Army engineer; the corps
Ordnance
Peace; Peace Corpsman; the corpsman
Quartermaster
Reserve Officers’ Training (ROTC)
VII Corps, etc.
Signal
Transportation
Youth
but diplomatic corps
corpsman; hospital corpsman
corridor, Northeast
Council, if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to Federal or international unit (see also United Nations):
Boston City; the council
Choctaw, etc.; the council
Her Majesty’s Privy Council; the Privy Council; the Council
National Security; the Council of Foreign Ministers (NATO); the Council
of the Organization of American States; the Council
Philadelphia City; the council
counsel; general counsel
County, Prince George's; county of Prince George’s; County Kilkenny, etc.;
Loudoun and Fairfax Counties; the county
Court (of law) capitalized if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to the Supreme Court of the United States, to the Court of Impeachment (U.S. Senate), or to an international court:
Circuit Court of the United States for the Tenth Circuit; Circuit Court for the Tenth Circuit; the circuit court; the court; the tenth circuit
Court of Appeals for the State of North Carolina, etc.; the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals; the court of appeals; the court
Court of Claims; the court
Court of Impeachment, the Senate; the Court
District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Missouri; the district court; the court
International Court of Justice; the Court
Permanent Court of Arbitration; the Court
Superior Court of the District of Columbia; the superior court; the court
Supreme Court of the United States (see Supreme Court)
Supreme Court of Virginia, etc.; the supreme court; the court
Tax Court; the court
U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia; the court
Covenant, League of Nations; the covenant
Creed, Apostles’; the Creed
Crown, if referring to a ruler; but crown colony, lands, etc.
cruise missile
Current, if part of name; the current:
Arctic
Humboldt
Japan
North Equatorial
customhouse; customs official
czar; czarist
D
Dalai Lama
Dalles, The; but the Dalles region
Dark Ages (see Ages)
Daughters of the American Revolution;
a Daughter
daylight saving time
Declaration, capitalized with name:
of Independence; the Declaration of Panama; the declaration
decorations, medals, etc., awarded by
United States or any foreign national government; the medal, the cross, the ribbon (see also Award):
Air Medal
Bronze Star Medal
Commendation Ribbon
Congressional Medal of Honor
Croix de Guerre
Distinguished Flying Cross
Distinguished Service Cross
Distinguished Service Medal
Good Conduct Medal
Legion of Merit
Medal for Merit
Medal of Freedom
Medal of Honor
Mother of the Year
Purple Heart
Silver Star Medal
Soldier’s Medal
Victoria Cross
Victory Medal
but oakleaf cluster
also Carnegie Medal; Olympic Gold Medal; but gold medal
Decree (see Executive); Royal Decree
Deep South
Defense Establishment (see Establishment)
Deity, words denoting, capitalized
Delegate (U.S. Congress)
Delegates, Virginia House of
delegate (to a conference); the delegate; the delegation
Delta, Mississippi River; the delta
Democratic Party; a Democrat
Department, if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to a Federal or international unit:
of Agriculture
of the Treasury
of Veterans Affairs
Yale University Department of Economics; the department of economics; the department
Department of New York, American Legion
department:
executive
judicial
legislative
Depot, if part of name; the depot (see also Station)
Depression, Great
Deputy, if part of capitalized title; but the deputy
derivatives of proper names: but the
dial-up
Diet, Japanese (legislative body)
diplomatic corps (see also Corps; service)
Director, if referring to head of Federal or international unit; the Director:
District Director of Internal Revenue
of Fish and Wildlife Service
of National Geodetic Survey
of the Mint
Office of Management and Budget
but director, board of directors
(nongovernmental)
Director General of Foreign Service; the
Director General; the Director
diseases and related terms:
AIDS (acquired immunodeficiency syndrome)
Alzheimer’s disease
cerebral palsy
Down syndrome
German measles
HIV (human immunodeficiency virus)
Hodgkin’s disease
Lyme disease
Marfan’s syndrome
Ménière’s syndrome
myasthenia gravis
Parkinson’s disease
Reye’s syndrome
spina bifida
Distinguished Service Medal, etc. (see decorations)
District, if part of name; the district:
Alexandria School District No. 4; school district No. 4
Congressional (with number)
Federal (see Federal)
Los Angeles Water; the water district
but customs district No. 2; first assembly
district; public utility district
District of Columbia; the District:
Anacostia Flats; the flats
Arlington Memorial Bridge; the Memorial Bridge; the bridge
Children’s Hospital; the hospital
District jail; the jail; DC jail
Ellipse, the
Mall, The National; The Mall
Mayor (when pertaining to the District of Columbia only)
Metropolitan Police; Metropolitan policeman; the police
police court
Public Library; the library
Reflecting Pool; the pool
Tidal Basin; the basin
Washington Channel; the channel
Divide, Continental (Rocky Mountains); the divide
Divine Father; but divine guidance, divine providence, divine service
Division, Army, if part of name: 1st Cavalry Division; 1st Air Cavalry Division; the division
Division, if referring to Federal governmental unit; the Division:
Buick Division; the division; a division of General Motors
Passport; the Division
but Trinity River division (reclamation); the division
Dixie
docket No. 66; dockets Nos. 76 and 77
Doctrine, Monroe; the doctrine; but Truman, Eisenhower doctrine
document, fairness
Document, if part of name; the document:
Document No. 130
Document Numbered One Hundred Thirty
draconian
drawing II, A, 3, etc.; but Drawing 2 when part of title: Drawing 2.—
Hydroelectric Power Development
Dust Bowl (see Bowl)

E
Earth (planet)
East:
Coast (Africa)
Middle, Mideast (Asia)
Near (Balkans)
Side of New York
South Central States
the East (section of United States)
east:
Africa
coast (U.S.)
Pennsylvania
Eastern:
Gulf States
Middle, Mideastern (Asia)
North Central States
Shore (Chesapeake Bay)
States
United States
eastern:
France
seaboard
Wisconsin
easterner
EE-bond
electoral college; the electors
Elizabethan Age (see Ages)
email (lowercase within a sentence)
Email (uppercase “E” to start a sentence)
Emancipation Proclamation (see Proclamation)
Embassy, British, etc.; the Embassy
Emperor, Japanese, etc.; the Emperor
Empire, Roman; the empire
Engine Company, Bethesda; engine
company No. 6; No. 6 engine
compny; the company
Engineer officer, etc. (of Engineer Corps);
the Engineers
Engineers, Chief of (Army)
Engineers, Corps of (see Corps)
Envoy Extraordinary and Minister
Plenipotentiary; the Envoy; the
Minister
Equator, the; equatorial
Establishment, if part of name; the
establishment:
Army
Army Field
Defense
Federal
Military
Naval; but naval establishment;
Navel Establishments Regs
Navy
Postal
Regular
Reserve
Shore
but civil establishment; legislative
establishment
Estate, Girard (a foundation); the estate
estate, third (the commons); fourth
(the press); tax; etc.
Eurodollar, euro
Excellency, His, Her; Their Excellencies
Exchange, New York Stock; the stock
exchange; the exchange
Executive (President of United States):
Chief
Decree No. 100; Decree 100; but
Executive decree; direction
Mansion; the mansion; the White House
Office; the Office
Order No. 34; Order 34; but Executive
order
power
executive:
agreement
branch
communication
department
document
paper
privilege
exhibit 2, A, II, etc.; but Exhibit 2, when
part of title: Exhibit 2: Capital
Expenditures, 1935–49
Expedition, Byrd; Lewis and Clark; the
expedition
Exposition, California-Pacific
International, etc.; the exposition
Fair Deal
Fair, World’s, etc.; the fair; Texas State Fair
fall (season)
Falls, Niagara; the falls
Far East, Far Eastern; Far West (U.S.); but
far western
Farm, if part of name; the farm:
    Johnson Farm; but Johnson’s farm
    San Diego Farm
    Wild Tiger Farm
Fascist; fascism
Father of his Country (Washington)
Fed, the (no period)
Federal (synonym for United States or other
sovereign power):
    Depository Library Program but Federal
depository library, libraries
District (Mexico)
Establishment
Government (of any national
government)
grand jury; the grand jury
land bank (see Bank)
Register (publication); the Register
Reserve Board, the Board; also Federal
    Reserve System, the System; Federal
    Reserve Board Regulation W, but
    regulation W
    but a federal form of government
federally
fellow, fellowship (academic)
Field, Byrd, Stewart, etc.; the field
figure 2, A, II, etc. (illustration); but Figure
2, when part of legend: Figure 2.—
Market scenes
firewall
firm names:
    ACDelco
    America Online (AOL)
    Bausch & Lomb Inc.
    BP
    Bristol-Myers Squibb
    Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co.
    Coldwell Banker
    Colgate-Palmolive Co.
    Comcast
    Dow Jones & Co., Inc.
    Dun & Bradstreet
    eBay
    E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.
    FedEx
    GlaxoSmithKline
    Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. (A&P)
    Hamilton Beach/Proctor Silex, Inc.
    Hartmarx Corp.
    Hewlett-Packard
    Houghton Mifflin Co.
    Ingersoll-Rand Co.
    Intel Corp.
    J.C. Penney Co., Inc.
    Johns-Manville Corp.
    Kennecott Exploration Co.
    Kmart
    Libbey-Owens-Ford Co.
    Macmillan Co.
    Merck & Co., Inc.
    Merrill Lynch
    Microsoft
    Pfizer Inc.
    Phelps Dodge Corp.
    PricewaterhouseCoopers
    Procter & Gamble Co.
    Rand McNally & Co.
    Rolls-Royce
    Sun Microsystems
    3M
    Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.
    US Airways
    Wal-Mart
    Weyerhaeuser Co.
    Xerox Corp.
    First Family (Presidential)
    First Lady (wife of President)
    First World War (see War)
flag code
flag, U.S.:
    Old Flag, Old Glory
Stars and Stripes

Star-Spangled Banner

flags, foreign:

- Tricolor (French)
- Union Jack (British)
- United Nations

Fleet, if part of name; the fleet:

- Atlantic
- Channel
- Grand
- High Seas
- Marine Force
- Naval Reserve
- Pacific, etc. (naval)
- 6th Fleet, etc.
- U.S.

flex fuel

floor (House or Senate)

flyway; Canadian flyway, etc.

Force(s), if part of name; the force(s):

- Active Forces
- Active-Duty
- Air (see also Air Force)
- All-Volunteer
- Armed Forces (synonym for overall U.S. Military Establishment)
- Army Field Forces; the Field Forces
- Fleet Marine
- Navy Battle (see Navy)
- Navy Scouting (see Navy); Reserve Force
- Rapid Deployment
- Task Force 70; the task force; but task force report
- United Nations Emergency; the Emergency Force; the Force; but United Nations police force

foreign cabinets:

- Minister of Foreign Affairs; Foreign Minister; the Minister
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the Ministry
- Office of Foreign Missions; the Office
- Minister Plenipotentiary
- Premier
- Prime Minister

Foreign Legion (French); the legion

Foreign Service; the Service:

- officer
- Officer Corps; the corps
- Reserve officer; the Reserve officer
- Reserve Officer Corps; the Reserve Corps; the corps
- Staff officer; the Staff officer
- Staff Officer Corps; the Staff Corps; the corps

Forest, if part of name; the national forest; the forest:

- Angeles National
- Black
- Coconino and Prescott National Forests

but State and National forests (see System)

Forester (Chief of Forest Service); the Chief; also Chief Forester

form 2, A, II, etc.; but Form 2, when part of title: Form 1040: Individual Income Tax Return; but withholding tax form

Fort McHenry, etc.; the fort

Foundation, if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to Federal unit:

- Chemical; the foundation
- Ford; the foundation
- National Science; the Foundation
- Russell Sage; the foundation
- Founding Fathers; Founders/Founder (of this Nation, Country)
- four freedoms
- Framers (of the U.S. Constitution; of the Bill of Rights)
- free world
- Frisco (for San Francisco; no apostrophe)
- Fritalux (see alliances)

Fund, if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to international or United Nations fund:

- Democracy (United Nations); the Fund
- International Monetary; the Fund

but civil service retirement fund;
highway trust fund; mutual security fund; national service life insurance fund; revolving fund

G

Gadsden Purchase
Gallery of Art, National (see National)
Gallup Poll; the poll
GAO (Government Accountability Office)
Geiger counter
General Order No. 14; General Orders No. 14; a general order
General Schedule
gentile
Geographer, the (State Department)
geographic terms (terms, such as those listed below,² are capitalized if part of name; are lowercased in general sense (rivers of Virginia and Maryland));

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Geological Survey (see Survey)
GI bill of rights
Girl Scouts (organization); a Girl Scout; a Scout; Scouting
G-man
Gold Star Mothers (see American)
Golden Age (see Ages)
Golden Rule
Gospel, if referring to the first four books of the New Testament; but gospel music
Government:
British, etc.; the Government
department, officials, -owned, publications, etc. (U.S. Government)
National and State Governments
Printing Office (see Office)
U.S.; National; Federal
Government information product
government:
Churchill
Communist
District (of Columbia)
European governments
Federal, State, and municipal governments
insular; island
military
seat of State
State and Provincial governments
Territorial
governmental
Governor:
of Louisiana, etc.; the Governor; a Governor; State Governor(s);
Governors’ conference
of Puerto Rico; the Governor
of the Federal Reserve Board; the Governor
Governor General of Canada; the Governor General
GPO Access
grand jury (see Federal)
Grange, the (National)
grant, Pell
graph 2, A, II, etc.; but Graph 2, when part of title: Graph 2.—Production levels
Great:
Basin
Depression
Divide
Lakes; the lakes; lake(s) traffic
Plains; but southern Great Plains
Seal (any nation)
Society
War (see War)
White Way (New York City)
great circle (navigation)
Greater Los Angeles, Greater New York
gross national product (GNP)
Group:
G8 (Group of 8) (representatives of the eight leading industrial nations)
Helsinki Monitoring; the group
Military Advisory Group; the group
Standing (see Organization)
World Bank
group 2, II, A, etc.; but Group 2, when part of title: Group II: List of Counties by States
Guard, National (see National)
guardsman (see Coast Guard; National Guard)
Gulf:
Coast States; but gulf coast of Mexico; the gulf
States
Stream; the stream
H
Hall (U.S. Senate or House)
Halls of Congress
H-bomb; H-hour
Headquarters:
Alaskan Command; the command headquarters
4th Regiment Headquarters; regimental headquarters
32d Division Headquarters; the division headquarters
hearing examiner
Heaven (religious); heaven (place)
Heimlich maneuver
hell (place)
Hells (no apostrophe) Canyon
Hemisphere, Eastern; Western; etc.; the hemisphere
Hezbollah  
High Church  
High Commissioner  
High Court (see Supreme Court)  
high definition  
High School, if part of name: Western; the high school  
Highway No. 40; Route 40; State Route 9; the highway  
Hill (the Capitol)  
Hispanic  
Holocaust, the (World War II); a holocaust  
Holy Scriptures; Holy Writ (Bible)  
home page  
Hospice, if part of name  
Hospital, if part of name; the hospital:  
Howard University  
St. Elizabeths (no apostrophe)  
but naval (marine or Army) hospital  
hospital corpsman (see corpsman)  
House, if part of name:  
Blair  
Johnson house (private residence)  
of Representatives; the House (U.S.)  
Office Building (see Building)  
Ohio (State); the house  
but both Houses; lower (or upper) House (Congress)  
House of Representatives (U.S.), titles of officers standing alone capitalized:  
Chairman (Committee of the Whole)  
Chaplain  
Clerk; but legislative clerk, etc.  
Doorkeeper  
Official Reporter(s) of Debates  
Parliamentarian  
Postmaster  
post office  
Sergeant at Arms  
Speaker pro tempore  
Speaker; speakership  
HUD (Department of Housing and Urban Development)  

Hudson's Bay Co.  
Hurricane Andrew, Katrina, Rita, etc.  

Ice age (see Ages)  
imam  
Independent Party; an Independent  
Indians:  
Absentee Shawnee  
Alaska (see Native)  
Eastern (or Lower) Band of Cherokee; the band  
Five Civilized Tribes; the tribes  
Native Americans  
Shawnee Tribe; the tribe  
Six Nations (Iroquois Confederacy)  
Initiative, Caribbean Basin; but strategic defense initiative  
Inquisition, Spanish; the Inquisition  
inspector general  
Institute, if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to Federal or international organization:  
National Cancer; the Cancer Institute; the Institute  
National Institutes of Health; the Institutes  
of International Law; the Institute  
Woman's; the institute  
Institution, if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to Federal unit:  
Brookings; the institution  
Carnegie; the institution  
Smithsonian; the Institution  
surprise government; island government  
tempest waterway (see waterway)  
tempest departmental  
tempest interface  
International Court of Justice; the Court  
tempest international:  
banks (see Bank)  
boundary
dateline
law
Morse code (see Code)
Internet, Intranet
Interstate 95; I−95; the interstate
Intracoastal Waterway; the waterway (see also waterway)
intrastate
Irish potato
Iron Curtain; the curtain
Islam; Islamic
Isthmian Canal (see Canal)
Isthmus of Panama; the isthmus

J
Japan Current (see Current)
Java (computer language)
Jersey cattle
Job Corps
Joint Chiefs of Staff; Chiefs of Staff
Joint Committee on Printing (see Committee)
Journal clerk; the clerk
Journal (House or Senate)
Judge Advocate General, the judge; chief judge; circuit judge; district judge; but Judge Judy
judiciary, the Justice; Justice Stevens, etc.

K
kaffiyeh (Arabic headdress)
King of England, etc.; the King
Koran, the; Koranic
Krugerrand

L
Laboratory, if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to Federal unit: Forest Products; the Laboratory; but laboratory (non-Federal)
Lake: Erie, of the Woods, Great Salt; the lake
Lane, if part of name: Maiden; the lane
Latter-day Saints
law, copyright law; Ohm’s, etc.
League, Urban; the league
Legion:
American; the Legion; a Legionnaire; French Foreign; the legion
Legislative Assembly, if part of name:
of New York; of Puerto Rico, etc.; the legislative assembly; the assembly legislative branch, clerk, session, etc.
Legislature:
National Legislature (U.S. Congress); the Legislature
Ohio Legislature; Legislature of Ohio; the State legislature; the legislature Letters Patent No. 378,964; but patent No. 378,964; letters patent
Liberal Party; a Liberal
Libertarian Party; a Libertarian
Liberty Bell; Liberty ship
Librarian of Congress; the Librarian
Library:
Army; the library
Harry S. Truman; the library of Congress; the Library
Hillsborough Public; the library
Lieutenant Governor of Idaho, etc.; the Lieutenant Governor
Light, if part of name; the light:
Boston
Buffalo South Pier Light 2; but light No. 2; light 2
but Massachusetts Bay lights
Lighthouse (see Light Station)
Lightship, if part of name; the lightship:
Grays Reef
North Manitou Shoal
Light Station, if part of name; the light station; the station:
Minots Ledge
Watch Hill
Line(s), if part of name; the line(s):
Greyhound (bus)
Holland-America (steamship) 
Maginot (fortification) 
line: 
Mason-Dixon line or Mason and Dixon's line 
State listserv 
Local: 
Columbia Typographical Union, Local 101 
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 180; but local No. 180 
local time, local standard time (see time) locator service 
Loop, the (see cities) 
Louisiana Purchase 
Low Church 
Lower, if part of name: 
California (Mexico) 
Colorado River Basin 
Egypt 
Peninsula (of Michigan) 
lower: 
48 (States) 
House of Congress 
Mississippi 

M 
Madam: 
Chair 
Chairman 
Chairwoman 
Magna Carta 
Majesty, His, Her, Your; Their Majesties 
Majority Leader Reid; Majority Leader Hoyer; but the majority leader (U.S. Congress) 
Mall, The National; The Mall (District of Columbia) 
Mansion, Executive (see Executive) 
map 3, A, II, etc.; but Map 2, when part of title: Map 2.—Railroads of Middle Atlantic States 

mariculture 
Marine Corps; the corps: 
Marines (the corps); but marines (individuals) 
Reserve; the Reserve also a marine; a woman marine; the 
women marines (individuals); soldiers, sailors, coastguardsmen, and marines 
Maritime Provinces (Canada) (see Province) 
Marshal (see Supreme Court) 
marshal (U.S.) medals (see decorations) 
Medicaid 
MediCal 
Medicare Act; Medicare plan 
Medicare Plus 
Medicare Program 
Medigap 
Member, if referring to Senator, 
Representative, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner of U.S. Congress; also 
Member at Large; Member of 
Parliament, etc.; but membership; 
member of U.S. congressional committee 
Memorial: 
Jefferson 
Lincoln 
Vietnam 
WWII 
Korean 
Franklin D. Roosevelt etc.; the memorial 
Merchant Marine Reserve; the Reserve; 
but U.S. merchant marine; the 
merchant marine 
Metroliner 
Metropolitan Washington, etc.; but 
Washington metropolitan area 
midcontinent region 
Middle Ages (see Ages) 
Middle Atlantic States 
Middle East; Mideast; Mideastern; Middle Eastern (Asia)
Midwest (section of United States); Midwestern States; but midwestern farmers, etc.

Military Academy (see Academy)
Military Establishment (see Establishment)
milkshed, Ohio, etc. (region)
millennium

Minister Plenipotentiary; the Minister;
Minister Without Portfolio (see also foreign cabinets)

Ministry (see foreign cabinets)

Minority Leader McConnell; Minority Leader Boehner; but the minority leader (U.S. Congress)

Mint, Philadelphia, etc.; the mint

minutemen (colonial) missiles: capitalize such missile names as Hellfire, Sparrow, Tomahawk, Scud, Trident, etc.; but cruise missile, air-to-air missile, surface-to-air missile, etc.

Mission, if part of name; the mission:
Gospel
but diplomatic mission; military mission;
Jones mission

Monument:
Bunker Hill; the monument

Grounds; the grounds (Washington Monument)

National (see National)
Washington; the monument (District of Columbia)

Mountain States
mountain time, mountain standard time (see time)

Moving Pictures Experts Group (MPEG)
Mr. Chairman; Mr. Secretary; etc.

Mujahedeen

ullah

Museum, capitalize with name; the museum:

Field

National

National Air and Space; the Air Museum

National Museum of the American Indian

N

Nation (synonym for United States); but a nation; nationwide; also French nation, Balkan nations

Nation, Creek; Osage; etc.; the nation nation, in general, standing alone

National, in conjunction with capitalized name:

Academy of Sciences (see Academy) and State institutions, etc.

Archives and Records Administration Capital (Washington); the Capital; but national capital area

Endowment for the Arts; the Endowment

Gallery of Art; the National Gallery; the gallery

Grange; the Grange

Guard, Ohio, etc.; Air National; the National Guard; the Guard; a guardsman; Reserve; but a National Guard man; National Guardsman

Institute (see Institute)

Legislature (see Legislature)

Muir Woods National Monument etc.; the national monument; the monument

Museum (see Museum)

Naval Medical Center (Bethesda, MD)

Park, Yellowstone, etc.; Yellowstone Park; the national park; the park

Treasury; the Treasury

War College

Woman's Party

Zoological Park (see Zoological)

national:
agency check (NAC)

anthem, customs, spirit, etc.

British, Mexican, etc.
defense agencies
stockpile
water policy

Native: Alaska; American; but Ohio native, etc. (see Alaska)
Naval, if part of name:
   Academy (see Academy)
   Air Station (NAS) Patuxent River; Pensacola; etc.
   Base, Guam Naval; the naval base
   Establishment (see Establishment)
   Observatory (see Observatory)
   Reserve; the Reserve; a reservist
   Reserve Force; the force
   Reserve officer; a Reserve officer
   Shipyard (if preceding or following name):
      Brooklyn Naval Shipyard; Naval Shipyard, Brooklyn; but the naval shipyard
   Volunteer Naval Reserve
   War College; the War College; the college

naval, in general sense:
   command (see Command)
   expenditures, maneuvers, officer, service, stores, etc.
   petroleum reserves; but Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 2 (Buena Vista Hills Naval Reserve); reserve No. 2

navel orange

Navy, American or foreign, if part of name; capitalized standing alone only if referring to U.S. Navy:
   Admiral of the; the admiral
   Battle Force; the Battle Force; the force
   Establishment; the establishment
   Hospital Corps; hospital corpsman; the corps
   Regular
   Seabees (construction battalion); a Seabee

navy yard

Nazi; nazism

Near East (Balkans, etc.)

Negro (see African-American; Black)

network

New Deal; anti-New Deal
New England States
New Federalism
New Frontier
New World; but new world order

North:
   Atlantic
   Atlantic States
   Atlantic Treaty (see Treaty)
   Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) (see Organization)
   Equatorial Current (see Current)
   Korea
   Pole
   Slope (Alaska)
   Star (Polaris)
   the North (section of United States)

north:
   Africa
   Ohio, Virginia, etc.
north-central region, etc.
   Northeast corridor
   northern Ohio
   Northern States
   northerner
   Northwest Pacific
   Northwest Territory (1799)
   Northwest, the (section of the United States)
   Northwest Washington (see cities)
   Northwestern:
      States
      United States

digits capitalized if spelled out as part of a name:
   Air Force One (Presidential plane)
   Charles the First
   Committee of One Hundred
   Twenty-third Census (see Census)

O

Observatory, capitalized with name:
   Astrophysical; the Observatory
Lick; the observatory
(nongovernmental)
Naval; the Observatory
Occident, the; occidental
Ocean, if part of name; the ocean:
Antarctic
Arctic
Atlantic
North Atlantic, etc.
Pacific
South Pacific, etc.
Southwest Pacific, etc.
Oceanographer (the Hydrographer), Navy
Office, if referring to unit of Federal
Government; the Office:
Executive
Foreign and Commonwealth (U.K.)
Government Printing; the Printing
Office; the Office
Naval Oceanographic
of Chief of Naval Operations
of General Counsel
of Management and Budget
of Personnel Management
of the Secretary (Defense); Secretary’s
Office
Patent and Trademark
but New York regional office (including
branch, division, or section therein);
the regional office; the office
officer:
Army
Marine; but naval and marine officers
Navy; Navy and Marine officers
Regular Army; Regular; a Regular
Reserve
Old Dominion (Virginia)
Old South
Old World
Olympic Games; Olympiad; XXIX Olympic
Games
ombudsman, Maryland (State)
online

Operation Iraqi Freedom, Desert Storm
Order of Business No. 56 (congressional
calendar)
Ordnance:
Corps (see Corps)
Department; the Department
Organization, if part of name; capitalized
standing alone if referring to
international unit:
International Labour (ILO)
North Atlantic Treaty (NATO):
Chiefs of Staff
Committee of Defense Ministers
Council
Council of Foreign Ministers
Defense Committee
Military Committee
of American States (OAS)
Pact
Regional Planning Group; the Group
Standing Group; the Group
United Nations Educational, Scientific,
and Cultural Organization UNESCO
Orient, the; oriental (see Asian)
Osama bin Laden
Outer Continental Shelf (see Continental)

P
Pacific (see also Atlantic):
Basin
coast
Coast (or slope) States
Northwest
rim
seaboard
slope
South
States
time, Pacific standard time (see time)
but cisPacific; transPacific
pan-American games; but Pan American
Day
Pan American Union (renamed; see
Organization of American States)
Panel, the Federal Service Impasses (Federal), etc.; the Panel
Panhandle of Texas; Texas Panhandle; the panhandle; etc.
papers, Woodrow Wilson, etc.; the papers; but white paper
Parish, Caddo, etc.; but parish of Caddo (Louisiana civil division); the parish
Park, Fairmount, etc.; the park (see also National)
Park Police, U.S.; park policeman
Park, Zoological (see Zoological)
Parkway, George Washington Memorial; the memorial parkway; the parkway
Parliament, Houses of; the Parliament
Parliamentarian (U.S. Senate or House) part 2, A, II, etc.; but Part 2, when part of title: Part 2: Iron and Steel Industry
Party, if part of name; the party
Pass, Brenner, capitalized if part of name; the pass
patent (see Letters Patent)
Peninsula Upper (Lower) (Michigan); the peninsula
Penitentiary, Atlanta, etc.; the penitentiary
petrodollar phase 2; phase I
Philippines, Republic of the
Pilgrim Fathers (1620); the Pilgrims; a Pilgrim
Place, if part of name: Jefferson Place; the place
Plains (Great Plains), the plan:
Colombo controlled materials
5-year Marshall (European Recovery Program)
Planetarium, Fels, Hayden; the planetarium
Plant, Picatinny Arsenal; the plant; but United States Steel plant
plate 2, A, II, etc.; but Plate 2, when part of title: Plate 2.—Rural Structures
Plaza, Union Station (Washington, DC); the plaza
Pledge of Allegiance; the pledge
Pole: North, South; the pole; subpolar
Pole Star (Polaris); polar star
Police, if part of name; the police:
Capitol Park, U.S.
White House political action committee (PAC)
political parties and adherents (see specific political party)
Pool, Northwest Power, etc.; the pool
Pope; but papal, patriarch, pontiff, primate
Port, if part of name; Port of Norfolk;
Norfolk Port; the port (see Authority)
Post Office, Chicago, etc.; the post office
P.O. Box (with number); but post office box (in general sense)
Postmaster General
PostScript; but a postscript
Powers, if part of name; the powers (see also alliances):
Allied (World Wars I and II)
Axis (World War I)
Western but European powers
precinct; first, 10th precinct
Premier (see foreign cabinets)
Preserve, Sullys Hill, National Game
Presidency (office of the head of Government)
President:
of the United States; the Executive; the Chief Magistrate; the Commander in Chief; the President-elect; ex-President; former President; also preceding name
of any other country; the President of Federal or international unit
but president of the Norfolk Southern Railroad; president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York
Presidential assistant, authority, order, proclamation, candidate, election, timber, year, etc.

Prime Minister (see foreign cabinets)
Prison, New Jersey State; the prison
Privy Council, Her Majesty’s (see Council)
Prize, Nobel, Pulitzer, etc.; the prize
Proclamation, Emancipation; Presidential Proclamation No. 24; Proclamation No. 24; the proclamation; but Presidential proclamation
Program, if part of name: European Recovery Food for Peace Fulbright Head Start Mutual Defense Assistance Social Security but universal military training; government bailout
Progressive Party; a Progressive Project: Gutenberg Manhattan Vote Smart Proposition 13 Prosecutor; Special Prosecutor (Federal) Province, Provincial, if referring to an administrative subdivision: Ontario Province; Province of Ontario; Maritime Provinces (Canada); the Province Proving Ground, Aberdeen, etc.; the proving ground
Public Law; Public Law 110–161, etc.
Public Printer; the Government Printer; the Printer
public utility district (see District)
Pueblo, Santa Clara; the pueblo Purchase, Gadsden, Louisiana, etc.
Puritan; puritanical
Pyrrhic victory

Q
Quad Cities (Davenport, Rock Island, Moline, East Moline, and Bettendorf)
query
queue

R
Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty Railroad, Alaska; the Railroad Ranch, King, etc.; the ranch Range, Cascade, etc. (mountains); the range Rebellion, if part of name; the rebellion: Boxer Whisky Reconstruction period (post-Civil War) Red army Red Cross, American (see American) Reds, the; a Red (political) Reformatory, Michigan; the reformatory Refuge, Blackwater National Wildlife, etc.; Blackwater Refuge; the refuge region, north-central, etc.; first region, 10th region; region 7; midcontinent
Regular Army, Navy; a Regular (see also officer)
regulation: greenhouse gas W (see also Federal Reserve Board) but Veterans Entitlements Regulations

religious terms:
Baha’i
Baptist
Brahman
Buddhist
Catholic; Catholicism; but catholic (universal)
Christian
Christian Science
Evangelical United Brethren Hindu; Hinduism Islam; Islamic Jewish Latter-day Saints
Muslim: Shiite; Sunni
New Thought
Protestant; Protestantism
Scientology
Seventh-day Adventists
Seventh-Day Baptists
Sikh
Zoroastrian
Renaissance, the (era)
Report, if part of name (with date or number); the annual report; the report:
2007 Report of the Chief of the Forest Service
9/11 Commission Report
Annual Report of the Secretary of Defense for the year ended September 30, 2008
Grace Commission report
President’s Economic Report; the Economic Report
Railroad Retirement Board Annual Report, 2007; but annual report of the Railroad Retirement Board Report No. 31
United States Reports (publication)
Reporter, the (U.S. Supreme Court)
Representative; Representative at Large (U.S. Congress); U.N.
Republic, capitalized if part of name; capitalized standing alone if referring to a specific government:
Czech
French
Irish
of Bosnia and Herzegovina
of Panama
of the Philippines
Slovak (Slovakia)
United States
also the American Republics; South American Republics; the Latin American Republics; the Republicans Republican Party; a Republican
Reservation (forest, military, or Indian), if part of name; the reservation:
Hill Military
Standing Rock
Reserve, if part of name; the Reserve (see also Air Force; Army Corps; Coast Guard; Foreign Service; Marine Corps; Merchant Marine; Naval; National Guard):
Active
Air Force
Army
bank (see Bank)
Board, Federal (see Federal)
city (see Bank)
components
Enlisted
Establishment
Inactive
Naval
officer
Officers’ Training Corps
Ready
Retired
Standby
Strategic
Reserves, the; reservist
Resolution, with number; the resolution:
House Joint Resolution 3
Senate Concurrent Resolution 18
War Powers Resolution (short title)
but Tonkin resolution
Revised Statutes (U.S.); Supplement to the Revised Statutes; the statutes; Statutes at Large (U.S.)
Revolution, Revolutionary (if referring to the American, French, or English Revolution) (see also War)
rim; the Pacific rim
Road, if part of name: Benning; the road
Roman numerals, common nouns used with, not capitalized:
book II; chapter II; part II; etc.
but Book II: Modern Types (complete heading); Part XI: Early Thought (complete heading)
Route 66, State Route 9 (highways)
rule 21; rule XXI; but Rule 21, when part of title: Rule 21: Renewal of Motion
Rules:
of the House of Representatives; but rules of the House; House rule X
Standing Rules of the Senate (publication); but rules of the Senate
also Commission rules

S
Sabbath; Sabbath Day
savings bond (see bond)
schedule 2, A, II, etc.; but Schedule 2, when part of title; Schedule 2: Open and Prepay Stations
School, if part of name; the school:
any school of U.S. Armed Forces
Hayes
Pawnee Indian
Public School 13; P.S. 13
school district (see District)
Scriptures; Holy Scriptures (the Bible)
Seabees (see Navy)
seaboard, Atlantic, eastern, etc.
seasons:
autumn (fall)
spring
summer
winter
seaway (see geographic terms; Authority; Corporation)
Second World War (see War)
Secretariat (see United Nations)
Secretaries of the Army and the Navy; but Secretaries of the military departments; secretaryship
Secretary, head of national governmental unit:
of Defense; of State; etc.; the Secretary

of State for Foreign Affairs (British); for the Commonwealth, etc.; the Secretary
of the Smithsonian Institution; the Secretary
also the Assistant Secretary; the Executive Secretary
Secretary General; the Secretary General:
Organization of American States
United Nations
section 2, A, II, etc.; but Section 2, when part of title: Section 2: Test
Construction Theory
Selective Service (see Service; System)
Senate (U.S.), titles of officers standing alone capitalized:
Chaplain
Chief Clerk
Doorkeeper
Official Reporter(s)
Parliamentarian
Postmaster
President of the
President pro tempore
Presiding Officer
Secretary
Sergeant at Arms
Senate, Ohio (State); the senate
Senator (U.S. Congress); but lowercased if referring to a State senator, unless preceding a name
senatorial
Sergeant at Arms (U.S. Senate or House)
Sermon on the Mount
server
Service, if referring to Federal unit; the Service:
Extension
Federal Mediation and Conciliation
Fish and Wildlife
Foreign (see Foreign Service)
Forest
Internal Revenue
Marshals
National Park
Natural Resources Conservation
Postal
Secret (Homeland Security)
Selective (see also System); but selective service, in general sense; selective service classification 1–A, 4–F, etc.
Senior Executive service:
  airmail
  Army
  city delivery
  consular
  customs
  diplomatic
  employment (State)
  extension (State)
  general delivery
  naval
  Navy
  parcel post
  postal field
  rural free delivery; rural delivery; free delivery
  special delivery
  star route
Shelf, Continental (see Continental)
ship of state (unless personified)
Sister(s) (adherent of religious order)
Six Nations (see Indians)
Smithsonian Institution (see Institution)
Social Security Administration (U.S.),
  application, check, number, pension, trust fund, system, etc.
Socialist Party; a Socialist
Society, if part of name; the society:
  American Cancer Society, Inc.
of the Cincinnati
soil bank
soil orders:
  Alfisols
  Andisols
  Aridisols
  Entisols
  Gelisols
  Histosols
  Inceptisols
  Mollisols
  Oxisols
  Spodosols
  Ultisols
  Vertisols
Soldiers’ Home; the soldiers’ home; (see Armed Forces Retirement Home)
Solicitor for the Department of Labor, etc.; the Solicitor
Solicitor General (Department of Justice)
Son of Man (Christ)
Sons of the American Revolution (organization); a Son; a Real Son
South:
  American Republics (see Republic)
  American States
  Atlantic
  Atlantic States
  Deep South (U.S.)
  Korea
  Midsouth (U.S.)
  Pacific
  Pole
  the South (section of United States); Southland
Southeast Asia
southern California, southeastern California, etc.
Southern States
Southern United States
southerner
Southwest, the (section of United States)
space shuttle; the shuttle
space station
Spanish-American War (see War)
Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Speaker
special agent
specialist
Special Order No. 12; Special Orders, No. 12; a special order
Spirit of ’76 (painting); but spirit of ’76 (in general sense)
Sputnik
Square, Lafayette, etc.; the square
Staff, Foreign Service (see Foreign Service; Air (U.K.))
standard time (see time)
Star of Bethlehem
Star-Spangled Banner (see flag)
State:
  Champion
government
legislature (see Legislature)
line, Iowa; Ohio-Indiana, etc.
New York
of Israel
of Maryland
of the Union Message/Address
of Veracruz
out-of-State (adjective); but out-of-stater
prison
Vatican City
state:
  church and
  of the art: state-of-the-art technology
  welfare
  also downstate, instate, multistate,
  statehood, statehouse, stateside,
  statewide, substate, tristate, upstate
State’s attorney
state’s evidence
states’ rights
States:
  Arab
  Balkan
  Baltic
  East North Central
  East South Central
  Eastern; but eastern industrial States
  Eastern Gulf
  Eastern North Central, etc.
  Far Western
  Gulf; Gulf Coast
  Lake
  Latin American
  lower 48
  Middle
  Middle Atlantic
  Middle Western
  Midwestern
  Mountain
  New England
  North Atlantic
  Northwestern, etc.
  Organization of American Pacific
  Pacific Coast
  rights
  South American
  South Atlantic
  Southern
  the six States of Australia; a foreign state
  Thirteen Original; original 13 States
  Western; but western Gulf; western farming States
Station, if part of name; the station; not capitalized if referring to surveying or similar work:
  Air Force base
  Grand Central
  Naval Air Engineering
  television station WSYR–TV
  Union; Union Depot; the depot
  WAMU station; station WMAL; radio station WSM; broadcasting station WJSV
  station 9; substation A
  Statue of Liberty; the statue
  Statutes at Large (U.S.) (see also Revised Statutes)
  Stealth: bomber, fighter
  Stockpile, Strategic National
  stone age (see Ages)
  storage facility
  Stream, Gulf (see Gulf; geographic terms)
  Street, if part of name; the street:
    I Street (not Eye Street)
    110th Street
    U Street (not You Street)
  subcommittee (see Committee)
subtropical, subtropic(s) (see tropical) summit meeting; Earth summit
Sun; a sun
Super Bowl
Superfund; the fund
Superintendent, if referring to head of Federal unit; the Superintendent:
of Documents (Government Printing Office)
of the Naval (or Military) Academy
Supplement to the Revised Statutes (see Revised Statutes)
Supreme Bench; the Bench; also High Bench; High Tribunal
Supreme Court (U.S.); the Court; also High Court; titles of officers standing alone capitalized:
Associate Justice
Chief Justice
Clerk
Marshal
Reporter
but Ohio Supreme Court; the supreme court
Surgeon General, the (Air Force, Army, Navy, and Public Health Service)
Survey, if part of name of Federal unit; the Survey: Geodetic; Geological
System, if referring to Federal unit; the System:
Federal Home Loan Bank; the System
Federal Reserve; the System
National Forest; the System
National Highway; Interstate Highway; the System
National Park; the System
National Trails; the System
National Wild and Scenic Rivers; the System
Regional Metro System; Metro system
Selective Service (see also Service)
State and National forests
but Amtrak railway system; Amtrak system; the system
also Federal land bank system

T
table 2, II, A, etc.; but Table 2, when part of title: Table 2: Degrees of Land Deterioration
task force (see Force)
Team, USAREUR Technical Assistance, etc.; the team
television station (see Station)
Telnet
Ten Commandments
Territorial, if referring to a political subdivision
territory:
Northwest (1799); the territory
Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands;
Pacific Islands Trust Territory; the trust territory; the territory
Yukon, Northwest Territories; the Territory(ies), Territorial (Canada)
but territory of: American Samoa, Guam, Virgin Islands
The, part of name, capitalized:
The Dalles; The Gambia; The Hague;
The Weirs; but the Dalles Dam; the Dalles region; the Federal Bulletin Board; the Hague Conference; the Weirs streets
but the Adjutant General; the National Archives; the Archives; the Times; the Mermaid; the Federal Express
Third World
Thirteen American Colonies, etc. (see Colonies)
Thirteen Original States
Thruway, New York State; the thruway
time:
Alaska, Alaska standard
Atlantic, Atlantic standard
central, central standard
eastern, eastern daylight, eastern daylight saving (no s), eastern standard
Greenwich mean time (GMT)
Hawaii-Aleutian standard
local, local standard
mountain, mountain standard
Pacific, Pacific standard
universal
title 2, II, A, etc.; but Title 2, when part of
title: Title 2: General Provisions
Tomb:
Grant’s; the tomb
of the Unknowns; of the Unknown
Soldier; Unknown Soldier’s Tomb;
the tomb (see also Unknown Soldier)
Tower, Eiffel, etc.; the tower
Township, Union; township of Union
trade names and trademarks:
Blu-Ray TiVo
Coca-Cola U-Haul
Dr Pepper UNIX
Hersheypark VISA
iPod WebTV
iTunes Yahoo!
MasterCard ZIP Code (Postal)
Trade Representative (U.S.)
transatlantic; transpacific; trans-Siberian,
etc.; but Transjordan; Trans-Alaska
Treasurer, Assistant, of the United States;
the Assistant Treasurer; but assistant
treasurer at New York, etc.
Treasurer of the United States; the Treasurer
Treasury notes; Treasuries
Treasury, of the United States; General;
National; Public
Treaty, if part of name; the treaty:
Jay Treaty
North Atlantic; North Atlantic Defense
of Versailles
but treaty of 1919
triad
tribe (see Indians)
Tribunal, standing alone capitalized only in
minutes and official reports of a
specific arbitration; also High
Tribunal; the Tribunal (Supreme
Court)
Tropic of Cancer, of Capricorn; the Tropics
tropical; neotropic, neotropical, sub-
tropic(s), subtropical
Trust, Power, etc.
trust territory (see Territory)
Tunnel, Lincoln, etc.; the tunnel; but
irrigation, railroad, etc., tunnel
Turnpike, Pennsylvania, etc.; the turnpike
Twin Cities (Minneapolis and St. Paul)

U
U-boat
Under Secretary, if referring to officer of
Federal Government; the Under
Secretary:
of Agriculture
of State
of the Treasury
Uniform Code of Military Justice (see Code)
Union (if part of proper name; capitalized
standing alone if synonym for United
States or if referring to international
unit):
Columbia Typographical
European
Pan American (former name; see
Organization of American States)
Station; but union passenger station;
union freight station
Teamsters Union; the Teamsters; the
union; also the Auto Workers, etc.
Universal Postal; the Postal Union
Western (see alliances)
Woman's Christian Temperance
but a painters union; printers union
United Nations:
Charter; the charter
Educational, Scientific, and Cultural
Organization (UNESCO) (see
Organization)
Food and Agriculture Organization
(FAO)
General Assembly; the Assembly
International Children’s Emergency Fund (UNICEF)
International Court of Justice; the Court
Permanent Court of Arbitration (see Court)
Secretariat, the
Secretary General
Security Council; the Council
World Employment Conference
World Health Organization (WHO); the Organization
universal:
 military training (see Program)
time (see time)
University, if part of name: Stanford; the university
Unknown Soldier; Unknown of World War II; World War II Unknown;
Unknown of Korea; Korea Unknown; the Unknowns (see also Tomb)
Upper, if part of name:
 Colorado River Basin
 Egypt
 Peninsula (of Michigan)
 but upper House of Congress
 U.S.S.R. (former Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)

V
 Valley, Shenandoah, etc.; the valley; but the valleys of Virginia and Maryland
 V–E Day; V–J Day; V-chip
 veteran, World War II; Vietnam
 Veterans Affairs, Department of (see Department)
 Vice Chairman, etc. (same as Chairman)
 vice consul, British, etc.
 Vice President (same as President)
 Voice of America; the Voice
 volume 2, A, II, etc.; but Volume 2, when part of title; Volume 2: Five Rivers in America’s Future

W
 War, if part of formal name:
 Between the States
 Civil
 First World War; World War I; World War; Great War; Second World War; World War II
 for Independence (1776)
 French and Indian (1754–63)
 Mexican
 of 1812
 of the Rebellion; the rebellion
 on Crime
 on Drugs
 on Poverty
 on Terrorism, Global
 Revolutionary; of the Revolution; the Revolution
 Seven Years’
 Six-Day (Arab-Israeli)
 Spanish-American
 the two World Wars
 also post-World War II
 war, descriptive or undeclared:
 cold, hot
 European
 French and Indian wars
 Indian
 Korean
 Persian Gulf; gulf
 third world; world war III
 Vietnam
 with Mexico
 War College, National (see College)
 War Mothers (see American)
 ward 1, 2, etc.; first, 11th, etc.
 Washington’s Farewell Address
 water district (see District)
 waterway, inland, intercoastal, etc.; but Intracoastal Waterway
 Web:
 page
 site
Week, Fire Prevention; etc.
welfare state
West:
   Bank (Jordan)
   Coast (Africa); but west coast (U.S.)
   End, etc. (section of city)
   Europe (political entity)
   Far West; Far Western States
   Florida (1763–1819)
   Middle (United States); Midwest
   South Central States, etc.
   the West (section of United States; also
   world political entity)
west, western Pennsylvania
Western:
bloc
civilization
countries
Europe(an) (political entity)
Hemisphere; the hemisphere
ideas
Powers
States
United States
World
but far western; western farming States
(U.S.)
westerner
Whip, Majority; Minority
Whisky Rebellion (see Rebellion)
White (see Caucasian)
White House:
   Blue Room
   East Room
   Oval Office
   Police (see Police)
   Red Room
   Rose Garden
   State Dining Room
white paper, British, etc.
Wilderness, capitalized with name; San
   Joaquin Wilderness, CA; the
   wilderness; but the Wilderness
   (Virginia battlefield)
Wood, if part of name:
   Belleau
   County
   Fort Leonard
World: New, Old, Third; but free world
World Bank; the Bank
World Series
World War (see War)
World War II veteran
World Wide Web (WWW), the Web
X
x ray (note: no hyphen)
Y
year, calendar, fiscal
Your Excellency; Your Honor; Your
   Majesty; etc.
Youth Corps; the Corps
Z
ZIP Code number; ZIP+4
Z39.50
Zone, if part of name; the zone:
   British (in Germany)
   Canal (Panama)
   Eastern, Western (Germany)
   Frigid
   Hot (infectious area)
of Interior (see Command)
Temperate, Torrid; the zone
U.S. Foreign Trade; Foreign
   Trade Zone; but the foreign trade
   zone, free trade zone
zone:
   Arctic
   eastern standard time
   no-fly
   polar
tropical
Zoological Park (National); the zoo;
   the park