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| **THE VIRGINIA DECLARATION OF RIGHTS** | served as a model for the *Bill of Rights* |
| **DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE** | stated grievances against the king affirmed “certain unalienable rights” (life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness)established the idea that all people are equal under the law |
| **THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT** | defines citizenshipAll persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and the state wherein they reside |
| **METHODS OF GAINING CITIZENSHIP** | birthnaturalization |
| **REQUIREMENTS FOR NATURALIZATION** | demonstrate knowledge of American history and principlesability to speak and write English |
| **CHARTERS OF THE VIRGINIA COMPANY OF LONDON** | rights of Englishmen guaranteed to colonists |
| **VIRGINIA STATUTE FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM** | freedom of religious beliefs and opinions |
| CONSENT OF THE GOVERNED | people are the source of all governmental power |
| REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT | people elect public officeholders to make laws and conduct government on their behalf |
| DEMOCRACY | the people rule |
| RULE OF LAW | the government and those who govern are bound by the law |
| LIMITED GOVERNMENT | government may do only those things people have given it the power to do. |
| **PERSONAL TRAITS OF GOOD CITIZENS** | courtesy and respect for the rights of othersresponsibility, accountability, and self-reliancerespect for the lawpatriotismtrustworthiness and honesty |
| **DUTIES OF RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS** | obey lawspay taxesserve in the armed forces if calledserve on a jury or as a witness in court |
| **RESPONSIBILITIES OF CITIZENS** | register and votehold elective officeinfluence government by communicating with government officialsserve in voluntary, appointed positionsparticipate in political campaignskeep informed regarding current issuesrespect others' rights to an equal voice in government |
| **COMMUNITY SERVICE** | volunteer to support democratic institutions (e.g., League of Women Voters).express concern about the welfare of the community as a whole (e.g., environment, public health and safety, education).become involved with public service organizations, tutoring, volunteering in nursing homes |

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| Magna CartaInfluences on the development of Democratic ideals | Rule of Law, Limited Government |
| Mayflower CompactInfluences on the development of Democratic ideals | Popular Sovereignty |
| English Bill of RightsInfluences on the development of Democratic ideals | Individual Rights |
| John LockeInfluences on the development of Democratic ideals | Life, Liberty, Property |
| Athenian DemocracyInfluences on the development of Democratic ideals | Rule of the People |