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**The Pursuit of Justices – Discussion Questions***Directions: Answer the questions in the space provided; if you need more space, continue your answer on additional paper and attach it to the back of this assignment sheet before submitting.*

1. How is abortion used as a case study for the selection of justices?
2. What is the “textbook portrayal” of the Supreme Court nomination process? Why is this not the reality?
3. Why did “the New Deal marked the beginning of a fundamental transformation in American politics.”
4. Identify and briefly summarize (three key bullet points for each) the ten critical developments in American politics which substantially altered the character of the modern selection process for justices. You may need to complete this on additional paper.
5. Which development do YOU believe has had the greatest impact? Why? (You must defend your opinion to get full credit).