**Claim Your Powers**

**Situations** (these may be read aloud or written on index cards and distributed to each group)

a. A bill proposing immigration reform is being considered.

b. You hold your office for life during good behavior.

c. The United States needs an ambassador to Argentina.

d. There is a vacancy on the Supreme Court and a new justice must be nominated.

e. The state of Arizona is suing California over water rights.

f. The army wants more money for tanks.

g. A law recently passed by the state of Louisiana has been challenged as being unconstitutional.

h. Ralph Z. is being tried for a federal crime of internet computer hacking.

i. Impeachment trial against the president is being conducted.

j. A vetoed bill is overridden.

k. A State of the Union message is being prepared.

l. An ambassador from a foreign country is being tried for driving while intoxicated.

m. A law is declared null and void.

n. War is declared on Transylvania.

o. A federal income tax cut is being proposed.

p. A treaty with a foreign country to import oil is being negotiated.

q. A case has arisen over land between two Indian tribes who claim the land was given to each of them under separate treaties.

**Claim Your Powers Score Sheet (Possible Points)**

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