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When the Supreme Court was established in 1789, no other country
 had a judicial body quite like it. The early justices struggled to give
 definition to such concepts as ""judicial review"" and ""separation of
 powers."" The early court approached its role in ways that would be
 startling today, often using its power to support the new government
 rather than merely serving as an independent arbiter. The Jay-
 Ellsworth Courts were the first to take up the role of interpreting the
 constitution, and their approach influenced constitutional debates for
 the next two centuries. Clearly, this is a boo
