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# North Carolina: People, Places, & Progress

## Chapter 3: Governing Our Nation and State Section 4: The Responsibilities of Citizenship

### Focused Reading

**Instructions:** Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. All American citizens have both the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of citizenship.
2. An important part of our \_\_\_\_\_ ideals is that citizens be good \_\_\_\_\_ in government.
3. One of the most important ways to demonstrate citizenship is \_\_\_\_\_.
4. In North Carolina, potential voters must be \_\_\_\_\_ of their county for at least the last thirty days and must register to vote for the first time at least twenty-five days before the next scheduled \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ are rules enacted by federal, state, and local governments to provide \_\_\_\_\_ and keep the \_\_\_\_\_ in our society.
6. Violation of the \_\_\_\_\_ can lead to imprisonment and the loss of many \_\_\_\_\_ and privileges.
7. Another major responsibility of citizenship is to serve on a \_\_\_\_\_ when called. In North Carolina, \_\_\_\_\_ (citizens selected for jury duty) are randomly selected from a list of registered \_\_\_\_\_.
8. An \_\_\_\_\_ citizenry is essential to the success of a democratic society.
9. Staying informed allows citizens to make \_\_\_\_\_ decisions in the voting booth and not be swayed by \_\_\_\_\_ rhetoric.

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10. There are many \_\_\_\_\_ (PACs) that try to keep the public \_\_\_\_\_ and try to influence \_\_\_\_\_ to favor the group's position.
11. Some special interest groups employ \_\_\_\_\_ (persons who are paid to represent an interest group and present the views of their organization to lawmakers).
12. Citizens also have the opportunity to join a \_\_\_\_\_ party that operates in the state.
13. North Carolina has hundreds of citizens throughout the state who lend their expertise to \_\_\_\_\_, commissions, and other \_\_\_\_\_ groups.
14. Citizens in a \_\_\_\_\_ society have an obligation to \_\_\_\_\_ in public affairs.
15. Citizens can get involved by helping \_\_\_\_\_ run for public office, \_\_\_\_\_ for public office themselves, participating in \_\_\_\_\_ activities, serving in the \_\_\_\_\_, debating public \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ their time to civic groups.