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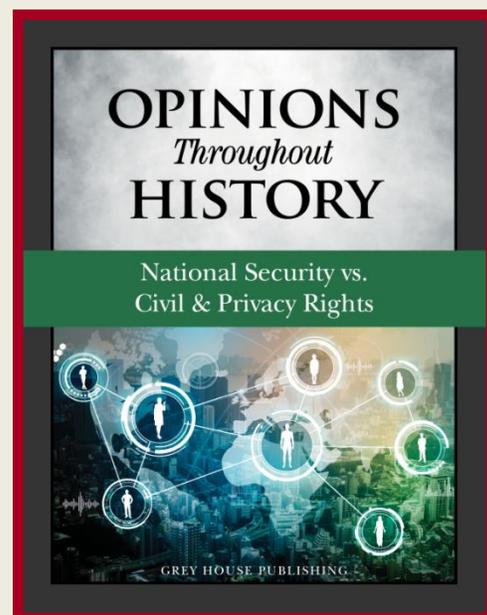
Opinions Throughout History: National Security vs. Civil & Privacy Rights

“This is a new series from Salem Press titled *Opinions throughout History*, and the first topic is privacy, civil rights, and national security. The book contains **29 chapters examining landmark legal cases**, from the 1890 Foundations of a Constitutional Debate to the 2016-18 Section 702 Renewal. Each chapter details a specific legal debate, controversy, law enactment, or Supreme Court decision. At the bottom of each chapter, a timeline of events prior to, up to, and after the event provides a quick reference and history. There are many black-and-white pictures throughout the book, along with discussion questions for classroom and homework assignment use. Some of the events described include *Barenblatt vs. United States* (1959), The FISA Act of 1978, The PATRIOT Act (2001), The Snowden Leaks (2013), and the USA Freedom Act (2015), to name a few. **A timely reference work with a wealth of historical information and detail on these topics.**”

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