



The Supreme Court Issues Historic Decisions

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Late June brings decisions from the Supreme Court – and June 2015 will long be remembered for blockbuster pronouncements. Writing for the media or cited in analyses by journalists, SSN scholars are weighing in on the implications of the Court's rulings for the future of American society, public policy, and politics.

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Theda Skocpol, Harvard University, and Lawrence R. Jacobs, Humphrey School, University of Minnesota

["Exactly Which Americans Had Their Obamacare Subsidies Saved Thursday?"](#) by Janell Ross, *The Washington Post*, June 25, 2015.

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["How a Maine Tea Party Battle Predicted ObamaCare's Future,"](#) OpEd, *Talking Points Memo*, June 25, 2015.

Amy Fried, University of Maine

["Barack Obama is Officially One of the Most Consequential Presidents in American History,"](#) by Dylan Matthews, *Vox*, June 26, 2015.

Citing Paul Pierson, University of California, Berkeley; Christopher Howard, College of William and Mary; and Theda Skocpol, Harvard University

["How Straight People Finally Realized That Gay Couples 'Respect' Marriage,"](#) OpEd, *Talking Points Memo*, June 26, 2015.

Amy Fried, University of Maine, and Robert W. Glover, University of Maine

["Five Surprises from the Supreme Court's 'ObamaCare' Decision,"](#) OpEd, *Al Jazeera America*, June 27, 2015.

David K. Jones, Boston University

["Hurdles Remain for Gay Couples after Marriage Ruling,"](#) by Chris Johnson, *Washington Blade*, June 27, 2015.

Quoting Eric Kingon, Syracuse University and Social Security Works

["Conservatives Worry That ObamaCare is a 'Super-Statute.' It Isn't Quite One Yet."](#) OpEd, *The Washington Post*, June 28, 2015.

Jonathan Oberlander, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and Eric M. Patashnik, University of Virginia;
Citing Jacob S. Hacker, Yale University

["Is There a Booby Trap in Roberts's ObamaCare Decision?"](#) OpEd, *The Hill*, June 29, 2015.

Stuart Shapiro, Rutgers University

["The ACA Has Survived Yet Again. Now What?"](#) OpEd, *American Prospect*, June 29, 2015.

Jacob S. Hacker, Yale University

["Mindlessly Literal Reading Loses Again,"](#) OpEd, *Slate*, June 29, 2015.

Richard L. Hasen, University of California, Irvine

["ObamaCare Stands, Now Focus Shifts to Costs,"](#) by Christopher Cheney, *Health Leaders Media*, July 1, 2015.

Theda Skocpol, Harvard University