CHART #3 Federalism – American Government Structure: Terms of Office, Numbers of Officials, Attainment of Positions

Branch	EXECUTIVE	LEGISLATIVE	JUDICIAL
Level/How Position Is Attained:	Elected, Appointed, Hired	Elected	Appointed, Retention Vote
FEDERAL	President -4 yrs. Vice-President – 4 yrs. Departments/Cabinet Secretaries – serve at pleasure of president	Congress Senate House of Rep. 100 senators 435 reps. 6 yrs. 2 yrs.	Federal Court System Federal court judges serve lifetime appointments.
STATE	Governor – 4 yrs. Lt. Governor – 4 yrs. Departments/Commissioners- serve at pleasure of governor	Legislature Senate House of Rep. 20 senators 40 reps. 4 yrs. 2 yrs.	State Court System Supreme Court of Appeals Superior District (Judges appointed, then subject to retention vote by judicial district.) (4 judicial districts in Alaska)
LOCAL (borough, city-AK) (county, township, village, city-other locations)	Mayor - Deputy Mayor Departments Term of office and appointments/hires based on local municipal charter.	Borough Assembly and/or City Council Number and terms of assembly and/or council members established by	Magistrate Magistrate hired and works under supervision of a state superior court
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JOB ----- carry out laws/ carry out legislative intent "DOES IT" make laws/ appropriate money Says, "DO IT".

explain/interpret laws/ determine constitutionality of laws resolve conflicts between exec. and leg. branches

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Governments— (Positions determined by

constitution)