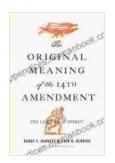
The Constitution: Its Letter and Spirit

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The Letter of the Constitution

The letter of the Constitution refers to the actual text of the document. The Constitution is divided into seven articles. The first three articles establish the three branches of government: the legislative, executive, and judicial branches. The fourth article describes the relationship between the states and the federal government. The fifth article describes the process for amending the Constitution. The sixth article establishes the supremacy of

the Constitution and the seventh article contains the signatures of the delegates who attended the Constitutional Convention.

The Spirit of the Constitution

The spirit of the Constitution refers to the underlying principles and values that are reflected in the document. These principles include:

* The rule of law * The separation of powers * The protection of individual rights * The balance between the states and the federal government

The spirit of the Constitution is just as important as the letter of the Constitution. The Supreme Court has often ruled on cases based on the spirit of the Constitution, even when the letter of the Constitution did not explicitly address the issue.

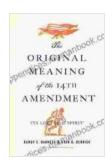
The Importance of the Constitution

The Constitution is the foundation of the United States government. It provides the framework for the government and defines the relationship between the states and the federal government. The Constitution also protects individual rights and ensures that the government is accountable to the people.

The Constitution is a living document that has been interpreted and reinterpreted over time. The Supreme Court has played a major role in shaping the interpretation of the Constitution. The Court's decisions have helped to define the meaning of the Constitution and to ensure that it remains relevant to the needs of the nation.

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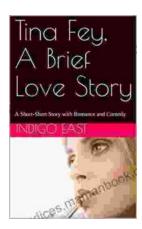
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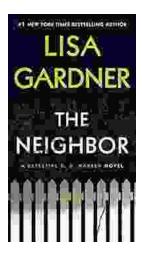
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