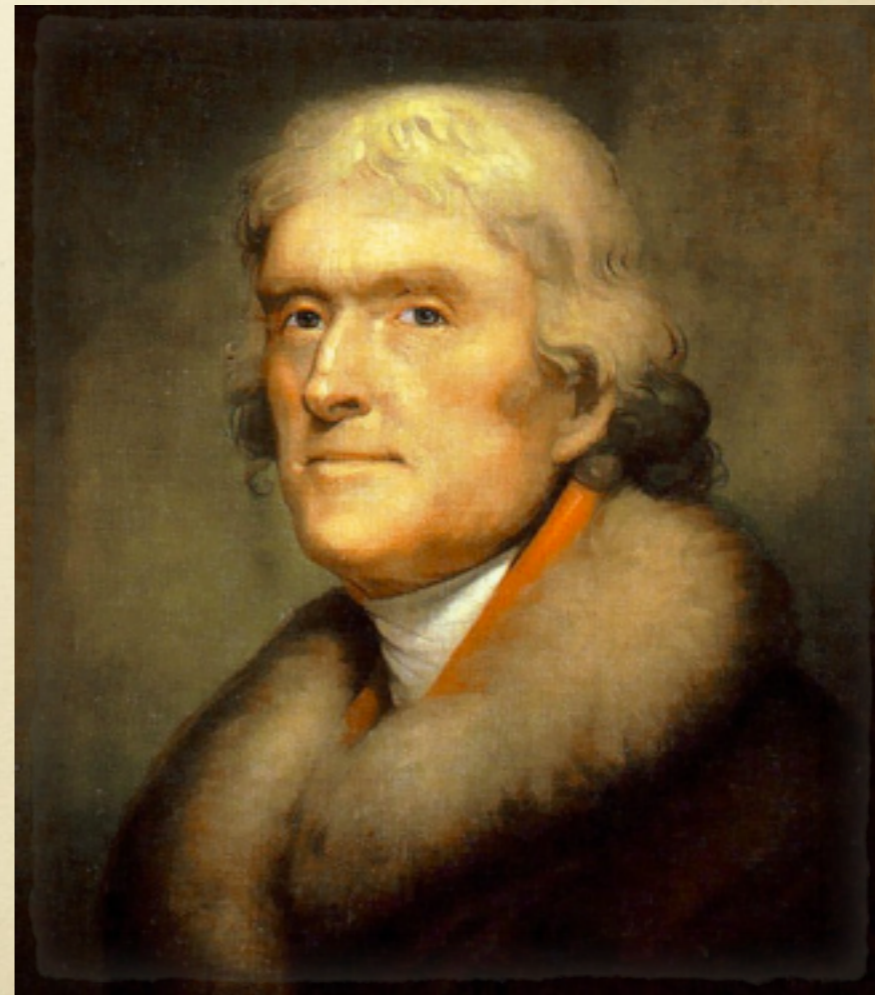


Political Parties



Hamilton Vs. Jefferson



Against Washington

- Despite Washington's warning political parties developed.
- The first two political parties that developed were the Federalists and Democratic-Republicans.

Federalist

- Leader: Alexander Hamilton
- Federalist: the group of people who supported the policies of the Washington administration.
- Stood for strong central government.
- Favored banking and business.
- Northeast and wealthy plantation owners in the south were the strongest supporters.

Democratic Republicans

- Leader: Thomas Jefferson
- Jefferson and Madison feared the strong central government that would endanger people's liberties.
- Stood for a limited government
- Republican policies appealed to small farmers and urban workers. (mid Atlantic, and the South)

The First Political Parties

FEDERALISTS

Strong national government

Fear of mob rule

Loose construction (interpretation) of the Constitution

Favored national bank

Economy based on manufacturing and shipping

Supporters: lawyers, merchants, manufacturers, clergy

DEMOCRATIC-REPUBLICANS

Limited national government

Fear of rule by one person or a powerful few

Strict construction (interpretation) of the Constitution

Opposed national bank

Economy based on farming

Supporters: farmers, tradespeople