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Magna Carta

English document
signed under pressure and
duress
applied only to the elite classes

U.S. Constitution

U.S. document
signed voluntarily
applies to everyone

Both Magna Carta and U.S. Constitution

represented the rights of the people against tyranny. They felt that Magna Carta guaranteed the rights of life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness.

included clauses guaranteeing the right to a trial by a jury, protection against excessive fines and punishments, safeguarding of individual liberty and property, and the prohibition of taxation without representation.