**Civics 101 podcast**

**Episode 57: First Amendment – Speech**

**Guest: Lata Nott, Executive Director at Newseum Institute’s *First Amendment Center***

1. What are the first five words of the First Amendment?
2. Lata gives many examples of what “speech” is besides “words that come out of your mouth” or written words. Name three.
3. Give one example of something Lata says is **not** protected speech.
4. What is the name of the case that determined corporations and companies are defined as ‘people’ and therefore have the right to free speech?

1. If your landlord stops you from putting up a flyer in the lobby of a privately owned apartment building, is that a violation of your First Amendment rights? Why or why not?

1. Discussion question: Is there any other kind of speech you feel *shouldn’t* be protected? Why not?

**First Amendment – Speech – ANSWER KEY**

1. Congress shall make no law
2. online posts, movies, television, theater, art, video games, virtual reality simulations on Mars, political yard signs, handing out flyers, clothing, symbolic speech like burning a flag or wearing a black armband, NOT speaking (ie, not saying the pledge of allegiance), liking something on Facebook, money (donating to campaigns)
3. Blackmail, child pornography, lying under oath, soliciting someone to commit a crime (hiring a hitman), true threats, something that incites imminent lawless action, starting a violent mob, something that violates current community standards and has no redeeming value, something that violates copyright laws, plagiarism.
4. Citizens United
5. It is not, because it is a privately owned building, and the first amendment only affects government regulation.