Examples of Censorship

City of Ladue v. Gilleo
(Right to Dissent)
Federal court upheld law for woman to put protest sign up on her lawn after a town ordinance banned signs on private property.

Counts v. Cedarville School District
(Right to Read)
Cedarville, Arkansas school board restricted access to Harry Potter books on grounds of disrespect of authority and witchcraft. District Court overturned the School Board’s decision citing the 1st Amendment.

New York Times Company v. United States
(Free Press)
U.S. government tried to prohibit the Times and the Washington Post from publishing classified documents related to the Vietnam War. Court sided with the newspapers.

http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/censorship/courtcases

Who Cares? (it doesn’t affect me)
It does affect everyone!

Some of my favorite books have been challenged or banned!

"Censorship is the child of fear and the father of ignorance."
— Laurie Halse Anderson, Speak

Read a

I can’t imagine my life without having read...

The Giver
Diary of Anne Frank
To Kill A Mockingbird
The Great Gatsby
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings
Of Mice and Men
Are You There God? It’s me, Margaret
Speak

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