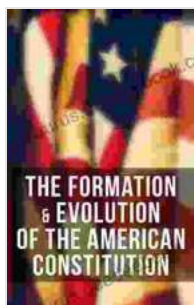


# The Great Debates of the Constitutional Convention of 1787: Biographies of the Founding Fathers

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## **Biographies of the Founding Fathers**

Many of the most influential Founding Fathers participated in the Constitutional Convention. Here are brief biographies of some of the most important figures:

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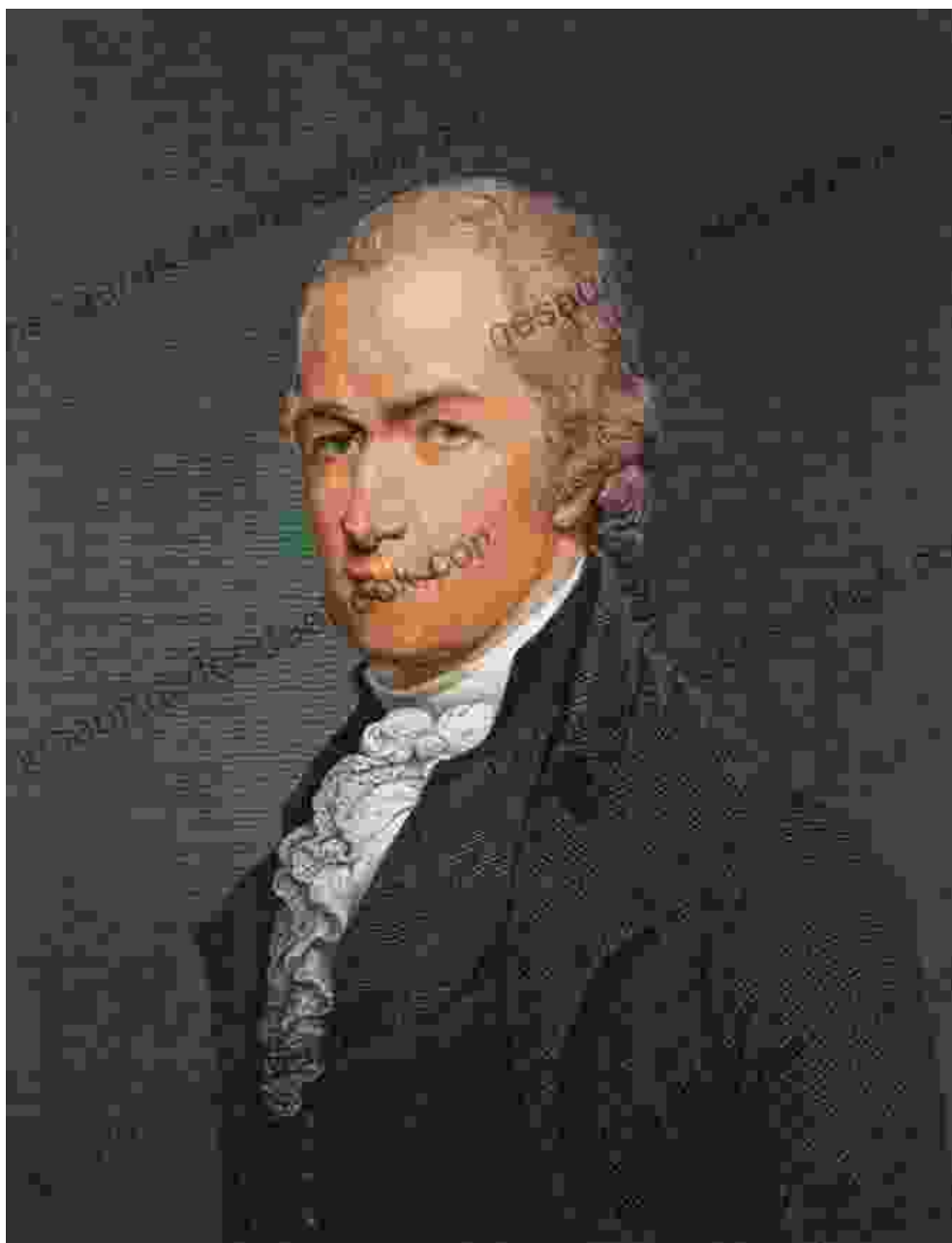


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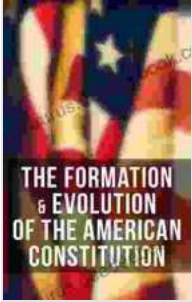
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Another contentious issue was the powers of the different branches of government. Some delegates, like Alexander Hamilton, argued for a strong executive branch, while others, like Thomas Jefferson, argued for a strong legislative branch.

The delegates also debated the rights of citizens. Some delegates, like George Mason, argued for a strong bill of rights, while others, like James Wilson, argued that a bill of rights was unnecessary.

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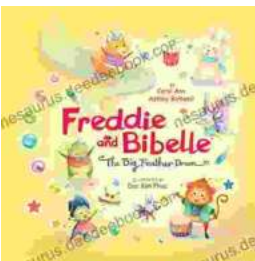


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