**McCulloch v. Maryland / Who Should Decide?**

**Directions:** Work with a partner to complete the following.

1. Think independently about these questions:
   - What decisions do you believe your parents or guardians should make for you?
   - What decisions should you be able to make yourself?
   - What decisions should be made cooperatively (together)?

2. Once you have thought through your answers, fill in the Venn Diagram below:

   ![Venn Diagram](image)

3. Discuss your answers with a partner. How did you and your partner decide which decisions should be shared?

4. With your partner brainstorm what decisions should be made by local governments, state governments and the federal (national) government. This division of powers and duties is referred to as **federalism**. What powers and duties should each level of government have in our system of federalism? Complete the table on the next page.
5. Are there powers and duties the levels of government should share? Explain.