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SECTION 4

READING COMPREHENSION

The Special Courts

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Directions: Write your answer to each question. Use complete sentences.

1. Why did Congress create the special courts?

2. What is a court-martial? What type of people make up this court?

3. What is a civilian tribunal?

4. Court-martial convictions can be appealed to what two courts?

5. Complete the following chart with information about the special courts.

Special Court	Function/Type of Cases Heard
Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims	
	Hears cases involving money claims against the federal government
United States Tax Court	

6. Who created the military commissions? What are they?

7. What happens when a person wins a suit in the Court of Federal Claims?

8. Describe the judicial system for the District of Columbia.

