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The unanimous Declaration of the thirteen united States of America.

When in the Course of human events it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation. — We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. —That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, —That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their Safety and Happiness. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and accordingly all experience hath shewn that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. But when a long train of abuses and usurpations, pursuing invariably the same Object evinces a design to reduce them under absolute Despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security. —Such has been the patient sufferance of these Colonies; and such is now the necessity which constrains them to alter their former Systems of Government. The history of the present King of Great Britain is a history of repeated injuries and usurpations, all having in direct object the establishment of an absolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this, let Facts be submitted to a candid world. — He has refused his Assent to Laws, the most wholesome and necessary for the public good. — He has forbidden his Governors to pass Laws of immediate and pressing importance, unless suspended in their operation till his Assent should be obtained; and when so suspended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them. — He has refused to pass other Laws for the accommodation of large districts of people, unless those people would relinquish the right of Representation in the Legislature, a right inestimable to them and formidable to tyrants only. — He has called together legislative bodies at places unusual, uncomfortable, and distant from the depository of their Public Records, for the sole purpose of fatiguing them into compliance with his measures. — He has dissolved Representative Houses repeatedly, for opposing with manly firmness his invasions on the rights of the people. — He has refused for a long time, after such dissolutions, to cause others to be elected, whereby the Legislative Powers, incapable of Annihilation, have returned to the People at large for their exercise; the State remaining in the mean time exposed to all the dangers of invasion from without, and convulsions within. — He has endeavoured to prevent the population of these States; for that purpose obstructing the Laws for Naturalization of Foreigners; refusing to pass others to encourage their migrations hither, and raising the conditions of new Appropriations of Lands. — He has obstructed the Administration of Justice by refusing his Assent to Laws for establishing Judiciary Powers. — He has made Judges dependent on his Will alone for the tenure of their offices, and the amount and payment of their salaries. — He has erected a multitude of New Offices, and sent hither swarms of Officers to harass our people and eat out their substance. — He has kept among us, in times of peace, Standing Armies without the Consent of our legislatures. — He has affected to render the Military independent of and superior to the Civil Power. — He has combined with others to subject us to a jurisdiction foreign to our constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his Assent to their Acts of pretended Legislation: — For quartering large bodies of armed troops among us: — For protecting them, by a mock Trial from punishment for any Murders which they should commit on the Inhabitants of these States: — For cutting off our Trade with all parts of the world: — For imposing Taxes on us without our Consent: — For depriving us in many cases, of the benefit of Trial by Jury: — For transporting us beyond Seas to be tried for pretended offences: — For abolishing the free System of English Laws in a neighbouring Province, establishing therein an Arbitrary government, and enlarging its Boundaries so as to render it at once an example and fit instrument for introducing the same absolute rule into these Colonies — For taking away our Charters, abolishing our most valuable Laws and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments: — For suspending our own Legislatures, and declaring themselves invested with power to legislate for us in all cases whatsoever. — He has abdicated

Government here, by declaring us out of his Protection and waging War against us. — He has plundered our seas, ravaged our coasts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our people. — He is at this time transporting large Armies of foreign Mercenaries to compleat the works of death, desolation, and tyranny, already begun with circumstances of Cruelty & Perfidy scarcely paralleled in the most barbarous ages, and totally unworthy the Head of a civilized nation. — He has constrained our fellow Citizens taken Captive on the high Seas to bear Arms against their Country, to become the executioners of their friends and Brethren, or to fall themselves by their Hands. — He has excited domestic insurrections amongst us, and has endeavoured to bring on the inhabitants of our frontiers, the merciless Indian Savages whose known rule of warfare, is an undistinguished destruction of all ages, sexes and conditions. — In every stage of these Oppressions We have Petitioned for Redress in the most humble terms: Our repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury. A Prince, whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the ruler of a free people. — Nor have We been wanting in attentions to our British brethren. We have warned them from time to time of attempts by their legislature to extend an unwarrantable jurisdiction over us. We have reminded them of the circumstances of our emigration and settlement here. We have appealed to their native justice and magnanimity, and we have conjured them by the ties of our common kindred to disavow these usurpations, which would inevitably interrupt our connections and correspondence. They too have been deaf to the voice of justice and of consanguinity. We must, therefore, acquiesce in the necessity, which denounces our Separation, and hold them, as we hold the rest of mankind, Enemies in War, in Peace Friends.

We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these united Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States, that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. — And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor.

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From the Editor

Have you ever been to a Chinese restaurant? You know those paper place mats they give you with the signs of the Chinese Zodiac? As we wait for our fried rice and egg rolls it's fun to look at the animals the Chinese associate with birth years. In 1953 the Bureau of Internal Revenue gave birth to the Internal Revenue Service, as we know it today. The actions of this newborn "service" hold true to its Zodiac sign, "the Snake". The Snake is adept at using big lies, white lies and lying whenever they feel they can get away with it. In matters of money, the Snake does not have to worry because he will always be able to swindle it away from others when it is needed.

Throughout history, beginning in the garden with the great deception, then adorning the head of Medusa in Greek mythology, the snake has been one of the most hated and feared animals to slither upon the face of the earth. Like the IRS today, in the United States, second only to the department of Homeland Security, it is the most hated and feared entity of the federal government.

Snakes though, are easy to kill if you can overcome the fear accompanied with encountering one. They come in a variety of sizes with some that carry venom and some that do not. But one thing is true with most snakes, grab it just behind its head and it will surely have no chance of biting you. However, you must be careful, the larger ones may try to coil around you and choke the life from you, but with proper training and education anyone can free themselves from the clutches of a snake.

By using the constitution as their guide and faith as their strength, many have defeated the federal government. Within these pages, you will meet them, the former IRS agents, the Lawyers, and the common Americans whom have risked everything in the face of certain defeat. These patriots fight to preserve and defend the constitution entrusted to us by our forefathers. Men who sacrificed everything so that we might be born into a free nation, destined to become something greater. No one should go into battle without proper armor or a sharpened blade. Perhaps you will find your shield and sword here, in our 5th issue of *Republic Magazine*.

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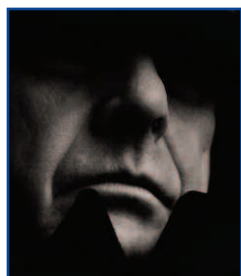
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Constitutional Discipline

THE 16TH AMENDMENT • Conventional wisdom asserts that nothing is certain but death and taxes, however this ancient rubric is being challenged more frequently, and more aggressively with each passing day. While no one doubts that the IRS will use intimidation and force to *collect* the income tax, there are serious doubts being raised as to whether or not Americans are required to *pay* this onerous tax.

Let's look at some easily verified facts about our nation's history. The Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776. The Sixteenth Amendment, the IRS, and the Federal Reserve Bank all came into existence in 1913. This means that our young republic managed to survive without an income tax for 137 years with no ill effects. In fact, I've read that our government had a huge money surplus during that period.

Since 1913 the Federal Reserve has continually inflated our economy by printing money "out of thin air", making the money already in circulation worth less than before. If you found a way to print twenty dollar bills on a special printer, you would eventually be convicted of counterfeiting - one of only three crimes explicitly listed in the Constitution. How does your printing money out of thin air differ from the Federal Reserve doing the same thing on a massive scale? Except for the volume of money printed, there is no difference at all. The Federal Reserve exercises a monopoly on counterfeiting, but that is obviously not a power Congress was authorized to give.

Article 1, Section 8, clause 1 says **"The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defence (sic) and general Welfare of the United States; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States"**. Notice that taxes are included in the first list, but not the second. Taxes refer to direct taxes, whereas duties, impost and excises are indirect taxes.

Article 1, Section 2, clause 3 states that **"Representatives and direct Taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included within this Union, according to their respective Numbers"**. This clause is an example of the "checks and balances" written into the Constitution. California's population is 10% of the United States population, so they are entitled to 10% of the 435 seats in the House of Representatives, which rounds up to forty-four. If California were to falsify their census numbers in an effort to gain more representation, the state would also increase its federal debt because representatives AND direct taxes are apportioned to the state by the same census figures.

The only topic mentioned twice in the Constitution is the subject of direct taxes. Article 1, Section 9, clause 4 states **"No Capitation, or other direct, Tax shall be laid, unless in Proportion to the Census or Enumeration herein before directed to be taken"**. Many people believe this clause was nullified by the Sixteenth Amendment which reads, **"The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several States, and without regard to any census or enumeration."** The Supreme Court has dismissed that argument as fraudulent.

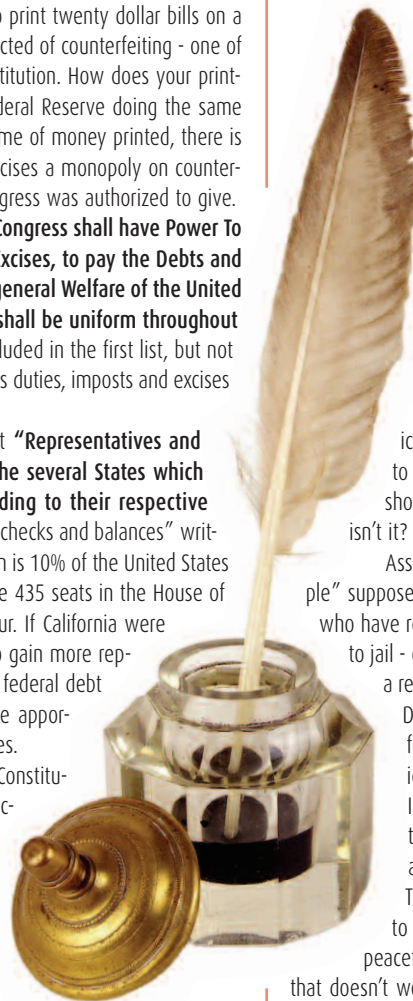
In a decision called *Brushaber v. Union Pacific Railroad*, the Supreme Court ruled that "We are of opinion, however, that the confusion is not in-

herent, but rather arises from the conclusion that the 16th Amendment provides for a hitherto unknown power of taxation" which they held to be an "erroneous assumption". They go on to say that the income tax as it is currently enforced, "is void for want of apportionment".

If you are someone who still believes that you are required by law to pay a federal income tax, then your worldview will be completely shattered when you read Bill Benson's two volume book, "The Law That Never Was".¹ This book contains documented proof that the Sixteenth Amendment was never properly ratified by three quarters of the states as required by the Constitution!

Perhaps the most disturbing fact about the validity of our income tax system is that the Department of Justice (sic) refuses to address direct questions in public. We the People Foundation² was created to exercise our right to **"petition the government for a redress of grievances"**. A long list of legal questions was compiled, and after months of persistent badgering, the IRS reluctantly agreed to answer these questions publicly on camera. That meeting was scheduled for late September, 2001. Unfortunately, the tragic events in New York preempted that meeting, and the government has stubbornly refused to schedule another. If there really is a law that requires Americans to pay a significant percentage of their annual salaries to "good, old, Uncle Sam", the government should simply show us the law. The government is supposed to work for us, isn't it?

Assuming these speculations are true, what are "We the People" supposed to do about it? There have already been many Americans who have refused to comply with IRS demands, and were willing to go to jail - or even die - to defend their beliefs. However, the first thing a recently enraged patriot should do is to get all the facts. Please DO NOT use this article as your basis for not filing a 1040 form. Start by watching Aaron Russo's documentary, "America: From Freedom to Fascism"³, which can be viewed on the Internet. Then insist that all your family and friends watch the video, too. Instead of fighting this battle alone, it is safer and more effective to join with others who share your views. There is only one Presidential candidate in 2008 that wants to eliminate the IRS.⁴ Supporting Ron Paul's campaign is a peaceful way to restore our Constitutional republic. Of course, if that doesn't work we can always revive a tried-and-true method that involves tar and feathers.



¹ <http://www.thelawthatneverwas.com>

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³ <http://www.freedomtofascism.com>

⁴ <http://www.ronpaul2008.com/issues/debt-and-taxes>

We the People Foundation for Constitutional Education

This month's activist spotlight goes to the "We the People Foundation" for their continued efforts to restore American rights and to hold the federal government to the boundaries set by the Constitution. We would like to acknowledge their efforts with the Clean Elections Lawsuit, the People's Right to Petition Lawsuit, and for their tireless efforts on various tax honesty issues. The foundation is a research and educational foundation focused on protecting and defending "individual Rights as guaranteed by the Constitutions of the United States and the fifty states of the Union." They also act as a watchdog/activist organization through its' sister organization the "We the People Congress."

Arguably, one of the most important legal issues the Supreme Court will rule upon is the right of the people to petition the government for redress of grievance filed by Robert Schulz and the "We the People Foundation." In 2001 the foundation, and other truth-in-government advocates led by Robert Schulz, arranged to meet with representatives of the government who were to answer questions asked by the American people regarding our government actions, and its' laws.

The government's response was not to answer the questions they said they would respond by enforcement.

Mr. Schulz and the foundation then sued the government under the First Amendment right to petition the government for redress of grievances, and they chose to withhold funding until such time as the courts decided the case. The government's response implied that the people have the right to petition; however, the government is not mandated to respond. The suit was then appealed to the Supreme Court. The courts are currently deciding whether or not to hear the case.

The importance of this case is not merely to decide if the government must answer the peoples' petition; but more importantly, whether the government is answerable to the people. If the government is no longer required to explain wrongs it has perpetrated against the people, then our last vestige of peaceful resolution is lost.

The second area of interest is the National Clean Elections Lawsuit (NCEL). With all the negative press dealing with the Diebold voting machines, you would think the government would immediately pull the machines; however, this has not happened.

A "We the People Foundation" flyer highlights the problems as: "The federal lawsuit, called the **NCEL, National Clean Elections Lawsuit**, follows documented failures of official state voting machines at the 2007 Iowa Straw Poll, persisting claims and statistical studies questioning the integrity of the 2004 presidential election, and the official decertification this past August of virtually every major electronic voting system by the California Secretary of State. Numerous, comprehensive academic studies have documented the systems' substantial vulnerabilities, including criminal software tampering, network "hacking" and vote fraud."

Based upon the documented problems with these systems and the need to establish secure, honest, and verifiable voting results, the foundation filed the NCEL.

Lastly, Robert Schulz and the "We the People Foundation" have been working for years in an effort to get the government to answer questions regarding abuses by the IRS against its' citizens and tax law. It is perfectly constitutional for the government to tax; but it does not have broad and unlimited power. Mr. Schulz, on his website, relates the foundations purpose as: "Our overall purpose is to expose, confront and correct governments operating outside their written, lawful authority and to institutionalize a nationwide program of civic vigilance to prevent future abuses and ensure the continuance of Liberty for our posterity."

Please visit the "We the People" website at <http://www.wethepeoplefoundation.org> for more information.

UPDATE Jan 08: The Supreme Court voted to deny the Petition for Writ of Certiorari in the landmark Right-to-Petition case: "We the People v. United States." This was a case based on the First Amendment right of the citizen to petition the government for redress of grievances. The government has stated that the people have a right to petition, but the government has NO obligation to answer the petition. The suit was an attempt to have the Supreme Court rule on this issue as a constitutional issue upholding the people's right to make government answerable to the people. Obviously the Supreme Court does not care about upholding the Constitution as this type of case has never been heard before. So why, in my opinion, did they refuse to hear the case?

First, if they sided with the "We the People foundation" then the government is required to answer some 200+ questions that would have shown the government is in error on a number of issues and would have put an end to the current tax scheme.

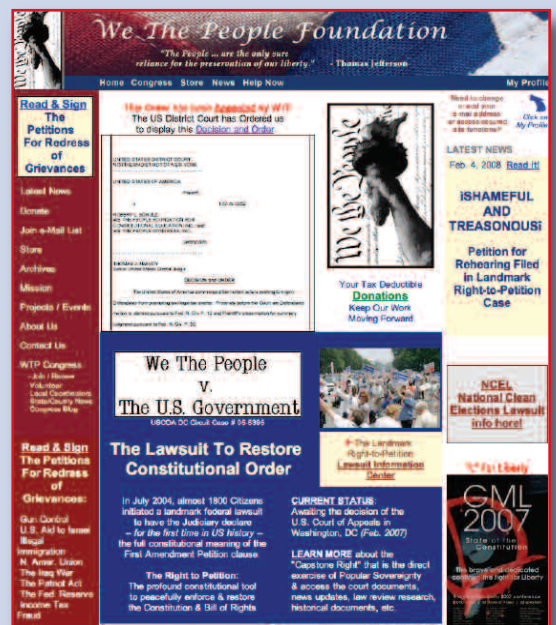
Second, if they found in favor of the government then they would be over-ruling the Constitution and in effect killing the Constitution. And

Third, by doing nothing they maintain the status quo at the expense of the rights, property, and freedoms of those involved as well as the rest of the citizens of the nation, but more importantly they cannot take the "blame" as they have not heard the case.

So in essence a pack of cowards dressed in black robes that care more for their positions than the Constitution were more afraid of upsetting the status quo than standing for the Constitution. In my opinion they have broken their oath to uphold and defend the Constitution and their actions, or in this case inaction, is paramount to treason.

There is one last legal maneuver to force the Supreme Court to hear the case but it requires the lower court to enter a Certificate of Agreement requesting the Supreme Court to reconsider its decision, as the lower court has no basis on record to guide it in deciding the case. Short of this happening the Supreme Court will have, in effect, taken another right guaranteed in the Constitution away from the people of this nation.

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Slaying the Beast:

THE CRYER VICTORY

One of the most hated government institutions in the United States today is the Internal Revenue Service otherwise known as the IRS. The IRS steals the wealth of the American people by enforcing a law that doesn't exist. Even if such a law did exist, the collection of the income tax and the implementation of an income tax in the fashion that it exists today are entirely unconstitutional. The IRS uses threats and coercion against the American people to ensure that they pay this illegal tax. The income tax itself isn't even used to raise money to pay for government services. In fact, the true purposes of the income tax are to redistribute wealth and bankrupt the middle class. In addition, the graduated income tax system is a major plank of the Communist Manifesto. As more and more people find out about this fraud, people are beginning to fight back. Tom Cryer, a Louisiana lawyer, recently beat the IRS in court and we will present the arguments that he used to defeat this tyrannical system based on the law itself.

On its face, the income tax system is nothing more than an enslavement mechanism that is put into place to ensure that the American people are turned into debt slaves. People are told by the mass media complex that the income tax is needed to generate revenue to provide for government services. This is not true. In the 1980s, the Grace Commission was formed to determine how to identify and remedy government waste. The report stated the following about the income tax:

With two-thirds of everyone's personal income taxes wasted or not collected, 100 percent of what is collected is absorbed solely by interest on the Federal debt and by Federal Government contributions to transfer payments. In other words, all individual income tax revenues are gone before one nickel is spent on the services which taxpayers expect from their Government.

by Lee Rogers



Slaying the Beast

Simply put, the government spends income tax revenue not on government services but instead on paying the interest on the national debt that is created by the Federal Reserve. The Federal Reserve literally prints the money out of thin air, loans it to the government whenever the politicians need funds for their projects and then they charge the government interest on the money that is loaned to them. The monetary system in its current form is entirely unconstitutional as the Constitution states that only gold and silver should be legal tender. Our monetary system has not been directly backed by anything tangible since 1971 when Richard Nixon stopped honoring foreign redemption of gold for our currency. This has allowed inflation to spiral out of control as we operate on a funny money system where the actual money that we use can be created out of nothing because it has no value. The whole system is a giant fraud designed to generate the maximum amount of profits for the Federal Reserve shareholders and make the government a slave to the banking system. If the government had control of the monetary system, even if we were not on a gold or silver standard, they could at the very least create the money and not have to deal with paying interest on the money it creates.

Regardless of what you believe about the Federal Reserve, the IRS or the income tax, let's look at some of the main constitutional problems with the income tax and the collection of the income tax.

One of the most glaring problems with the income tax is the questions pertaining to its constitutionality. The Constitution allows for direct and indirect taxes. Direct taxes must be apportioned or divided equally among the people. Indirect taxes must be the same in each state. The income tax is not constitutional because it is a direct tax and it is not apportioned in accordance with the Constitution. The term apportioned means that the tax must be divided equally among the people. The income tax system as it is implemented in the United States is not divided equally among the people. The IRS makes people believe that they must pay a different percentage of the money they make off of their labor to the government. This is a direct tax that is not apportioned among the people meaning that it does not meet the criteria set forth in the Constitution and is hence unconstitutional.

Despite that argument, the apologists for the IRS claim that the 16th amendment provides the government the authority to lay unapportioned direct taxes. The 16th amendment reads as follows:

"The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several States, and without regard to any census or enumeration."

In order to understand what the 16th amendment says, we have to see what the government's definition of income is. The IRS code doesn't define what income is but the Supreme Court ruled on what the constitutional definition of income is which nullifies anything that would be in the IRS code. The Supreme Court ruled in the *Doyle v Mitchell* case that the definition of income comes from corporate gains. The below paragraph comes directly from this case:

*Whatever difficulty there may be about a precise and scientific definition of 'income,' it imports, as used here, something entirely distinct from principal or capital either as a subject of taxation or as a measure of the tax; conveying rather the idea of gain or increase arising from corporate activities. As was said in *Stratton's Independence v. Howbert*, 231 U.S. 399, 415, 34 S. Sup. Ct. 136: 'Income may be defined as the gain derived from capital, from labor, or from both combined.'*

The reference to the *Stratton's Independence v. Howbert* case, "gain derived from capital, from labor or from both combined", is talking about a gain derived from corporate activities that come from capital, from labor or from both combined. A gain is not derived by an employee earning a wage in exchange for labor. In effect, the employee nor the employer is not gaining anything because it is a mutually agreed upon exchange much like when one would barter one item for another item. The employee is bartering their time and effort in exchange for the wage provided by the employer. It is an even exchange of private property.

This is further elaborated on in the *Coppage v. Kansas* case in which the Supreme Court states that a person's labor is their own private property. The pertinent text is as follows:

The principle is fundamental and vital. Included in the right of personal liberty and the right of private property — partaking of the nature of each — is the right to make contracts for the acquisition of property. Chief among such contracts is that of personal employment, by which labor and other services are ex-

changed for money or other forms of property. If this right be struck down or arbitrarily interfered with, there is a substantial impairment of liberty in the long established constitutional sense. The right is as essential to the laborer as to the capitalist, to the poor as to the rich; for the vast majority of persons have no other honest way to begin to acquire property save by working for money.

In addition, the Supreme Court ruling of the *Stanton v. Baltic Mining* case stated that the provisions of the 16th amendment conferred no new power of taxation. This means, that the 16th amendment did not allow the government to lay "unapportioned" direct taxes. In layman's terms, the income tax is not constitutional because the supreme court has ruled that the constitutional definition of income is a gain derived from corporate activity, the supreme court ruled that the 16th amendment gave the government no new power of taxation and the supreme court ruled that a wage earned in exchange for labor is a trade of private property and is not defined as income. There are also many other Supreme Court cases that clearly state that the income tax as the IRS enforces it is in violation with the law.

Even in the IRS code itself, it states that it is voluntary to comply with the income tax and the code actually uses the term "voluntary compliance". This means that the IRS code states that you do not have to comply with the income tax. This is much different than a tax that is mandatory and enforced by law. In addition, the IRS code needs to be in compliance with Supreme Court rulings, which it is clearly not. Even though lower courts have sent people to prison over the issue of the income tax, they are not in compliance with several Supreme Court rulings. The fact that they are not in compliance with the Supreme Court means that the lower courts are acting outside the scope of the law.

The collection of the income tax is also unconstitutional. The IRS tells the American people that it is illegal not to file an income tax return. Apparently the IRS hasn't read the Constitution and specifically hasn't read the fifth amendment of the Constitution. Below is the entire text of the Fifth Amendment:

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

The key part of the Fifth Amendment that pertains to the collection of the income tax is the part that talks about "self incrimination". The Fifth Amendment guarantees that the American people need not be compelled to be "a witness against" themselves. By filing an income tax form, you unknowingly have acted as a witness against yourself. This is because you are providing information that if it is not 100% perfect, can be used against you if the IRS decides to audit your tax return. This is especially true considering that the IRS uses the content of an individual's 1040 forms against people during the prosecution of cases involving income tax evasion. With this in mind it is a ridiculous assertion to state that filling out a 1040 and sending it to the IRS doesn't violate your Fifth Amendment rights.

Beyond the constitutional aspect of the income tax, there are numerous questions about the actual existence of a law that requires an individual to pay a direct "unapportioned" tax on their labor. There have been former IRS Commissioners and former IRS Agents that have been unable to cite the law that requires an American citizen to pay a tax on their individual labor. The We The People Foundation actually ran a full-page ad in July 2000 that was published in the USA Today offering a reward of \$50,000 to anyone who could find the law that requires the average American to pay a tax on his or her labor. To this day nobody has claimed the reward. One would think that a reward of \$50,000 would have given the incentive for someone to be able to identify the law that requires the American people to pay this tax on their individual labor. \$50,000 is a ton of money, so if there really were a law, somebody would have claimed the money by now.

Former IRS agents like Sherry Peel Jackson and Joe Bannister have also come to the same conclusion on the issue of the income tax. Sherry Peel Jackson actually attempted to find the law that made an American citizen liable to pay a tax on their labor in order to win the \$50,000 reward offered by the We The People Foundation. After an exhaustive effort she failed to find the law and joined the tax honesty movement. Joe Bannister ac-

tually researched the issue while he was still an IRS agent and also came to the same conclusion. He presented his findings to his superiors at the IRS and they responded by asking for his letter of resignation.

Many people have been unlawfully thrown in jail by a corrupt judicial system that refuses to abide by the law. Take for example Irwin Schiff who helped champion the tax honesty movement. Schiff has been thrown in jail on multiple occasions for failing to file an income tax return and other made up tax offenses. Even when Schiff filed tax returns that reported zero taxable income, the IRS charged him with filing a false tax return. He is now serving a 13-year prison sentence for daring to challenge the IRS on the law. Considering that the constitutional definition of income as ruled by the Supreme Court is corporate profits or gains, people who work for a living and earn a daily wage are not generating any income because it is a mutual exchange. An individual is using their time and life force in exchange for the wage they earn from the employer. The IRS is basically claiming that this exchange results in 100% profit for the worker, which is entirely false. Schiff is essentially being held as a political prisoner by a corrupt system that does not want people to find out that the income tax is a huge fraud.

The IRS simply has a complete lack of respect for the rule of law. They are a criminal enterprise that claims Supreme Court rulings, the Constitution and any other legal documentation that shows the income tax is a fraud is a frivolous argument. They have threatened people, seized property without due process and behaved in a criminal fashion in an attempt to enforce a law that does not exist.

There is very little question that the income tax is a fraud. There is no law that requires the average American to pay taxes on their labor. Although not widely publicized, people are starting to win battles against the IRS over the income tax issue. One particular case is that of Louisiana attorney Tom Cryer who was charged with failing to file an income tax return. Cryer was told by a friend that the income tax was a sham and that there was no law that required an individual to pay taxes on their labor. After hearing this, Cryer spent years researching the issue of the income tax and came to the determination that his friend was correct and there was no liability provision in the law that requires the average American to pay the income tax. As a result, Cryer stopped filing income tax returns and decided that he would directly challenge the IRS on the issue if he were confronted.

Cryer states on his web site, "The Tax Code and its regulations are carefully and," he adds, "ingeniously crafted to deceive,"

In 2001, the IRS finally confronted Cryer after he stopped filing income tax returns. Cryer told the IRS that if they could show him the law that stated he was liable for the tax that he would file all tax returns required by the law. The IRS failed to show him the law.

Instead of showing Cryer the law, the IRS subpoenaed Cryer's secretary, demanded his bank records and directed their criminal investigations division (CID) unit to deal with the case. Cryer repeated what he initially said to the CID, which was that he would gladly file any tax returns that were required by the law.

The CID finally brought in the Justice Department and instead of showing Cryer the law, they stated that his position was frivolous. This is remarkable considering that he was only asking the government to show him the law that makes him liable to do these things. Cryer summed up the situation by stating on his web site, "Imagine my sending you a bill for \$1,000 and when you call me and ask what the bill was for I simply said, 'that position is frivolous, just write the check and send it in.' What would you say? Would you write the check?"

Finally Cryer went public with the case the IRS accused him of tax evasion. They subpoenaed records on almost everything imaginable. During this process IRS agents actually stated that the law did not apply to the IRS. This is remarkable considering that the IRS an agency under the executive branch of government must be operating in accordance with the Constitution and the rulings of the Supreme Court. This type of arrogance underscores the problems with the IRS and provides justification for the abolishment of this tyrannical institution.

Cryer eventually filed a motion to dismiss the charges against him because the law did not make him liable to pay a tax on his labor and that the income tax applied to wages, salaries and fees personally earned is unconstitutional.

The case finally went to court this past summer and was heard in the U.S. District Court in Louisiana. Cryer's main argument to the court was that the free exchange of labor has been upheld as a constitutionally protected right by the Supreme Court and could not be defined as income. The jury voted 12-0 to find Cryer not guilty of failure to file income taxes.

In addition, Cryer stated that there is no law that requires the average wage earner to be liable for income taxes and there's no regulation that allows the IRS to declare that earnings are 100 percent profit received in exchange for nothing.

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Slaying the Beast

He said the Supreme Court has upheld the free exchange of labor for compensation as a right, but that doesn't necessarily make the compensation income.

"I think now people are beginning to realize that this has got to be the largest fraud, backed up by intimidation and extortion and by the sheer force of taking peoples property and hard-earned money without any lawful authorization whatsoever," Cryer noted on the case.

Now, Cryer is suing several IRS agents over improper disclosure of his personal information in the case. In his claim against the agents, he states that the agents attempted to ruin his reputation during their investigation. He also alleges that the agents violated federal laws that forbid the disclosure of information that was involved in the case.

What makes Cryer's acquittal significant is that it sets an example for people who wish to stand up for their rights against the tyranny of the IRS. Of course, Cryer himself is an experienced attorney with years of legal experience so going this route is certainly not for the faint of heart. The IRS operates like an organized crime syndicate. They do not follow the law, and they use the threat of force to make people pay even though there are countless problems from constitutional and legal standpoints regarding the income tax and the collection of it.

Take for example the case of Ed and Elaine Brown a New Hampshire couple that stopped paying income taxes after discovering that the whole system was a fraud. In their court case, they were not allowed to argue the constitutionality and legality of the income tax. As a result, they stopped going to court and they were sentenced to five years in jail each in absentia. A standoff occurred at their Plainfield New Hampshire home and many believed that it might end in a violent confrontation with U.S. Marshals. During this time, the government harassed the Brown's even flying a Department of Homeland Security chopper over their property during a concert event organized by supporters of the Brown's. They also had U.S. Marshals running around in the woods, which resulted in a few very bizarre events. This was a severe misallocation of government resources as the main purpose of the Department of Homeland Security is supposed to be to fight terrorism. Evidently, the U.S. government viewed a peaceful gathering of U.S. citizens who believe in the rule of law to be a threat and a group of potential terrorists. The standoff was big news up in New Hampshire but unfortunately failed to generate a great deal of national media coverage outside of the patriot community. The standoff finally ended when the government infiltrated their home with agents posing as supporters and they've been in jail ever since because they stood up for their constitutional and legal rights.

There have also been numerous other cases of people in the tax honesty movement

that have been railroaded by the IRS and put in jail by our corrupt judicial system. There is no question that it is dangerous to stand up against the IRS and this criminal system, but the fact that someone like Cryer has been able to win a case against the IRS is encouraging for the future of the tax honesty movement.

Both the Federal Reserve and the IRS have served as a mechanism for the global elite to enslave the American people into a system of debt and taxes. It is designed to transfer wealth from the middle class and poor into the hands of the rich. Through inflation and taxes, the average American struggles to make ends meet. How can the United States be a free country when people are threatened by the government to pay a tax that there is no legal basis for? The very essence of a tax on personal labor means the government is saying that our own labor is not our own private property. They are basically saying that we are slaves or human resources for the government to use and abuse.

Realistically, the majority of the issues we have in the United States could be solved if we eliminated the Federal Reserve and the IRS. By eliminating the IRS and the collection of this illegal tax, the average working American would immediately have more money put in their pocket and we would see an immediate boost in the economy. Most Americans pay this illegal tax out of fear, and getting rid of the IRS would eliminate this fear and provide a greater amount of freedom to the American people. By eliminating the Federal Reserve and restoring this country to a monetary system based from the Constitution, we could get rid of both inflation and the interest that is causing this nation to go broke. Both of these institutions are bad for the country and we need to fight them and seek their abolition before this nation becomes financially unstable.

The only 2008 presidential candidate that understands the dangers of the Federal Reserve and the IRS is Ron Paul. Like Andrew Jackson, James Garfield and other great presidents that have battled the central bankers throughout the history of this nation, Ron Paul, if elected would put an end to the enslavement of the American people that is facilitated by these two institutions. Even though it is clear that there is no law that requires the average American to pay a tax on their labor, it is dangerous to stand up for your rights and you do so at your own peril with the IRS still in existence. However, if all of us stood up against this draconian and illegal tax, the IRS would not be able to prosecute all of us with their finite amount of resources. Either way, the Cryer case is very encouraging but it is only the beginning in the battle to restore freedom and liberty in this nation.



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Alinsky's *Rules For Radicals*

Guide-stone for modern day revolutionaries.

By Jarett A. Sanchez

“What follows is for those who want to change the world from what it is to what they believe it should be. *The Prince* was written by Machiavelli for the Haves on how to hold power. *Rules For Radicals* is written for the Have-Nots on how to take it away.”

WITH SUCH SIMPLE, yet powerful words begin the book, *Rules For Radicals: A Pragmatic Primer for Realistic Radicals*, by the late Saul D. Alinsky. It is a book that has the potential to fuel a revolution in any open society. A treasure chest of wonder only an activist could truly appreciate. In the second paragraph, he continues:

“In this book we are concerned with how to create mass organizations to seize power and give it to people; to realize the democratic dream of equality, justice, peace, cooperation . . . the chance to live by values that give meaning to life . . . This means revolution.”

Rules For Radicals is a must-have for any would-be revolutionary, or even someone who simply wishes to organize a group of people around a particular issue, and achieve desired results.

Saul Alinsky came up as a student of criminology at the University of Chicago in the early part of the Twentieth-Century, and it was his rebellious nature and intrinsic ability to think creatively on the spot that allowed him to become close with, and study, the Capone crime syndicate on a personal basis. While never to partake in any criminal activity, his ingenuity in methods allowed him to become almost a mascot of sorts for the outfit who would speak openly of their illegal activities in Alinsky's presence. His first successful stint as an organizer came in the Back of Yards neighborhood of 1930's Chicago made famous by Upton Sinclair's classic novel, *The Jungle*, where Alinsky helped the mostly poor community improve their working conditions which were horrid by today's standards. From there, Alinsky's career took off and led him all across the country organizing groups for various causes of all types. Rarely was the man at rest and he completed is crowning work just one year before his death at the age of 63.

In *Rules*, Alinsky makes no claims that his methodology will work for just anyone. What he does do is illustrate, from his own wealth of experience over decades of organizing people, the strategies and tactics that had worked for him time and again to gain power for people. Using his self-realized methods, Alinsky attained measured successes over and over by using keen observation and an accurate calculation of what motivates people to act. While failure was no stranger to him, his successes would lead one to believe that his methods bordered on the scientific, all the while maintaining a pragmatism that allowed him to adapt to any situation no matter how chaotic. *Rules For Radicals* is the culmination of that knowledge which he gained throughout his long career. After years of helping the poor, or what he termed the Have-Nots, Alinsky ultimately realized that it was the middle class, whom he termed the Have-A-Little, Want Mores, which held the greatest



power for change and with which lay the key to protecting freedom and democracy in America. *Rules For Radicals* was written for that class of America's population to rise up, and he makes clear the case that unless the middle class awakens to the situation of growing tyranny in America, we soon won't even have the freedom to make a stand. And that was just in the early Seventies . . .

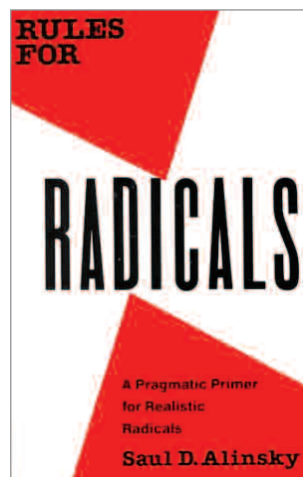
Don't think that you will find any sort of dogmatic rhetoric or self-empowerment claptrap within those pages. In fact, Alinsky himself saw all dogmas and ideologies as simply means to an end, and

ultimately antithetical to the true, human spirit of freedom. With such straightforward chapter headings as *Of Means and Ends*, *The Education of an Organizer*, *Tactics*, and *The Way Ahead*, Alinsky provides a front-to-back expose on the most universal aspects of being an effective organizer. He often reminds the reader only what worked for him, citing personal experiences sometimes more than once in the book, but illustrating to the reader the very subtle complexities of group organization that can only be explained partially through spoken word.

While he sometimes rambles on about his past works, including details that perhaps could have been shaved off at the editing table, the effect of the information presented cannot be denied, and every word is designed toward helping the reader understand what any organizer can expect along the road to victory, or defeat. Written in a style that is both personal and academic, it is clear that this man knows his business and has no reason to mislead anyone. He relies heavily on being realistic in his endeavors and expects the reader to do the same. Alinsky was a man of action and that is precisely what his target audience is:

Those with enough motivation to truly change the world around them.

For those who try to live up to the maxim: “Think globally, Act locally,” *Rules* is an indispensable guide, a call to action, and a venerable Holy Grail for any modern day revolutionary. A thorough study of this book could lead an individual, and ultimately the entire nation, toward that ever-reaching goal of Freedom for which the United States of America was originally intended. Alinsky would be proud to know that his knowledge and guidance would be used someday to encourage the spirit of freedom and peaceful civil disobedience. He would be even more enthralled to know that he posthumously helped to put an honest politician into the White House, ensuring that the dream of America does not die from the cold, heavy hand of tyranny, or more eminently, the warm, soft lullaby of general apathy. I think we can do it, and with the help of Alinsky and his *Rules*, I know we can.





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Background

It all started in November of 1993 when I was sworn in as an IRS Criminal Investigation Division Special Agent, taking an oath to support and defend the U.S. Constitution. Upon taking my oath that November day, I joined the ranks of approximately 3,000 IRS criminal investigators tasked with using their financial and investigative skills to protect the U.S. Treasury, or so I thought. Within a few short years, I discovered that protecting the U.S. Treasury wasn't all the IRS was up to.

Three years into my career at the IRS, a credible radio talk show host and his guest, Devvy Kidd, confronted me with a claim that the laws passed by the U.S. Congress did not require most Americans to pay the federal income tax. I was skeptical of such a claim but was also determined to prove them wrong. After two years of part-time, off-duty investigation seeking to either prove or disprove the claim, my investigation yielded overwhelming evidence that the claim was true. My adherence to my oath before God to support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America, as well as my conscience, obligated me to speak up about my findings. I approached my IRS supervisors with my concerns and requested that they review the evidence I had accumulated and conclusions I had reached. Despite a sterling 5 year employment record and numerous awards, my IRS supervisors not only rebuffed my request to review my findings but they invited my resignation. This, despite my voiced concerns that citizen rights were being violated, property was being stolen and laws were being broken.

In the span of 11 years, I went from being sworn in as a gun-carrying IRS investigator to being accused of conspiring to defraud the United States of America. How could such an unusual transition take place?

By Joseph R. Banister

State in Eleven Years Flat

The IRS apparently decided that it could kill three birds with one stone – (1) put a stop to my client’s tax refund claim, (2) put a stop to my client’s practice of giving his workers 100% of their pay and (3) silence and discredit a former IRS special agent whose activism and story was making the agency very uncomfortable. The way the IRS did this was to concoct an accusation that my client and I conspired with each other to submit false amended tax return refund claims and to defraud the United States of America in the process.

Blowing The Whistle

Recognizing that I could not continue working for an agency that would ignore the sincere concerns voiced by one of its own investigators, I resigned from the IRS on February 25, 1999. In addition to addressing my primary concern of earning a living to support my wife and children, I accepted occasional invitations from various groups and organizations to speak about my IRS experiences. Apparently there were not too many IRS agents, let alone IRS “special agents”, who had investigated the income tax system in this manner, had reached the conclusions I had reached or had confronted IRS officials as I had confronted them. I explained to audiences that the evidence I had encountered and accumulated overwhelmingly pointed to wrong-doing on the part of the IRS and I invited them to examine the evidence for themselves.

My activism also included presentations broadcasted on C-SPAN2, directly on internet “webcasts”, as well as interviews in the New York Times and interviews on MSNBC. I also joined *We The People Foundation for Constitutional Education* Chairman Robert Schulz for a meeting with Clinton administration officials at the White House and top staffers of U.S. House and U.S. Senate leaders as well. I was even featured in a full page ad in the *U.S.A. Today* newspaper along with former IRS revenue agent Sherry Jackson and former IRS revenue officer John Turner. I soon learned, however, that my activities were making the IRS very unhappy.

No Choice Left But To Silence and Discredit Me

In addition to my part time activism and full time accounting and financial work, I occasionally assisted clients with IRS disputes. I assisted one particular client who desired to ask for a refund of income taxes he had previously paid to the IRS. Granted, the client’s reasons for the tax refund request were unusual but his reasons were nonetheless based on the plain language of the income tax code and related regulations. I assisted this particular client with his refund request because (1) I believed he had a right to ask for his money back, (2) I believed a refund request based on the plain language of the law was as appropriate as any refund request could be and (3) the IRS could simply decline the refund request and appropriate appeals would then follow, up to and including my client’s proverbial “day in court” at which time the issue would be resolved once and for all.

Independent of the refund request situation, my client, a small business owner, decided to stop withhold taxes from his workers paychecks. It just so happened that this same client, Walter “Al” Thompson, also appeared in one of the *U.S.A. Today* newspaper ads mentioned previously in which he publicized his decision to stop withholding, which also upset the IRS a great deal. Even though Mr. Thompson and I viewed the tax refund effort as a taxpayer exercising his right to request a refund of money already paid, the IRS viewed the situation much differently. The IRS viewed us as two people who had the gall to be featured on successive full page *U.S.A. Today* ads making strong allegations against the IRS and two people who had the gall to submit amended income tax returns requesting a refund of taxes paid, one of which was one of their own (former) criminal investigators.

Indictment and Trial

In November of 2004, a multi-count indictment was handed up by a federal grand jury accusing me of falsely preparing three amended income tax returns and conspiring with my client to defraud the United States by stopping the withholding of taxes out of my client’s workers’ paychecks. I was arrested the day the indictment was unsealed and I spent the next seven months out on bail preparing for trial. I don’t believe I have ever experienced a more challenging situation in my entire life. On the day of my arrest, the U.S. Department of Justice issued a press release in which the IRS Commissioner, the local U.S. Attorney and the local IRS Special Agent In Charge all made statements insinuating that I had *committed* these crimes as opposed to stating that I stood *accused* of committing these crimes. I quickly learned that the “innocent until proven guilty” tradition in this country had vanished long ago.

Although my client, Al Thompson, and I were indicted together, our defense strategies were very different and these differences became more and more significant as time went on. For example, I desired to postpone my trial as much as possible in order to adequately prepare whereas Mr. Thompson desired to have his trial as soon as possible. Another difference was that Mr. Thompson desired to represent himself at trial whereas I desired to have legal counsel represent me. It became increasingly clear that our conflicting defense desires made it impossible for us to both be tried together yet preserve our speedy and fair trial rights. Therefore, my attorneys Jeffrey Dickstein (www.jeffdickstein.com) and Robert Bernhoft (www.bernhofflaw.com) motioned the court for our trials to be severed and the judge granted the motion. Prior to the trial, Mr. Dickstein also took aim at the indictment itself because he knew that it would be read to the jury during the trial. Dickstein knew it contained a great deal of prejudicial (biased) language that he knew the government could not legitimately convey to the jury. Dickstein crafted a motion to the court requesting that much of the indictment’s language not be heard by the jury and the judge agreed with nearly all of Dickstein’s request.

Prosecutors Robert Twiss and Carolyn Delaney sprung a surprise for us just before trial by motioning the court to prohibit Attorney Bernhoft from representing me, claiming that he should not be admitted to that particular judicial district because of past litigation he was involved in. Clearly, removing half of my defense team a few days before trial would have had devastating consequences. Thankfully, the judge denied the prosecutors’ motion. The trial began on Tuesday morning June 14th, 2005 and by the early afternoon 12 jurors had been selected.

The first prosecution witness was IRS Revenue Agent Dennis Brown. Brown was supposed to testify about the damage that false tax returns would have on the IRS’s ability to collect the federal income tax. Incredibly, the prosecution never asked Brown about the actual returns I prepared nor did they even bring the returns into evidence. On cross-examination, however, Dickstein was more than happy to question Brown about the returns because he (Dickstein) knew there was nothing false on the returns. Imagine the topsy-turvy spectacle in which the prosecution was

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afraid to question their star witness about returns they claimed were false yet the defense was more than happy not only to question the star witness about the returns but seek admission of the returns into evidence! Worse for the prosecution was that Agent Brown could not point to any false entries on the returns! In fact, Brown testified not only that amended returns were appropriate in the circumstances but that the presentation on the returns was acceptable as well!

The prosecution's next piece of evidence was a videotape of a presentation I had given at Al Thompson's business years before. Mr. Thompson had asked me if it was acceptable to video the presentation and I told him recording it was fine with me. I had no idea that the video would end up becoming the centerpiece of a future trial. The prosecution insinuated to the jury that this video represented "smoking gun" evidence of my evil deeds. Unfortunately for the prosecution, however, the jurors' reaction to the video was very positive. The jurors were so interested in the video that they even asked to see it a second time during their deliberation! One juror commented to me after the trial that the video showed how sincere I was in my beliefs about the income tax. This comment was of course no surprise to me given that I have always been sincere about my efforts and beliefs. Clearly, the prosecution purposely ignored my sincerity since acknowledging my sincere belief and purpose would have destroyed their opportunity to accuse me of criminal conduct.

The prosecution next paraded a group of Al Thompson's workers to the witness stand so that they could describe the horrors that they experienced after Al Thompson stopped withholding taxes from their paychecks, with the apparent intention of causing the jury to view me as the reason for their troubles. Unfortunately for the prosecution, however, the workers barely knew who I was and certainly had no information regarding my alleged role in Mr. Thompson's decision to stop withholding from their paychecks (which was not surprising since I had no role in the decision to stop withholding from their paychecks). Even the IRS special agent who investigated me testified that he encountered no one at the IRS who was impeded, impaired or obstructed by my conduct in connection with Mr. Thompson, which directly contradicted the very allegation in the indictment that I conspired to do such things.

The most incredible event of the trial, though, resulted from the testimony of Assistant United States Attorney Thomas DiLeonardo. I use the phrase "resulted from the tes-

timony" because the incredible event was not so much DiLeonardo's testimony as it was what the prosecution was forced to disclose before DiLeonardo testified, namely an email that DiLeonardo had written to his supervisor at the U.S. Department of Justice. Years earlier, DiLeonardo was the prosecutor on a complex tax investigation that I supervised while serving as an IRS criminal investigator. Also, we were both "CPAs" and both alums of a world-renowned international accounting firm ("KPMG"). We actually got along quite well at the time, yet the prosecution hoped to capitalize on, if you can believe it, conversations that we didn't have about the federal income tax. Yes, the prosecution was so desperate to make me look bad, they asked Di Leonardo to describe how I never spoke to him about my investigation into the federal income tax, somehow hoping to show the jury that the absence of conversations with a fellow government worker somehow detracted from my sincerity. I still don't understand how the prosecution thought such an angle would produce fruit for them but, as I stated, they were desperate.

But, as I described in the previous paragraph, Mr. DiLeonardo's testimony wasn't the incredible event, it was the email DiLeonardo wrote to his supervisor, Ronald Cimino, which the prosecution was required to disclose to the defense (disclosed, in fact, only minutes before he testified). In that email, DiLeonardo described a request I had made to him during a chance meeting between him and I years earlier whereby I requested that he (DiLeonardo) assist me in designating someone in the U.S. Department of Justice to answer my questions about the federal income tax system. Amazingly, DiLeonardo testified that neither Cimino nor DiLeonardo's colleagues Schraibman and Ihlo (cc'd on the email) followed up on his suggestion to answer my questions, proving that even when a request for redress of my concerns was delivered by a tax prosecutor within the U.S. Department of Justice, all that resulted was more deafening silence.

I would not wish an unjustified criminal prosecution on my worst enemy. It was an extremely difficult experience but it ended up being a rewarding experience in the long run. The reward has been two-fold – first, that a jury of 12 people who knew nothing about me evaluated my conduct and determined that I was innocent of the charges against me and, second, that the true agenda of the Internal Revenue Service and U.S. Department of Justice was exposed for all the world to see, an agenda of lies, deceit and half-truths. Let us pray for our government servants, that God will open their eyes to the truth and that Americans will again enjoy the honesty in taxation that our founders envisioned and provided for in our Constitution. Please visit www.freedomabovefortune.com for more information.

The IRS and the Federal Reserve; Fraternal Twins

BY G. EDWARD GRIFFIN

Although it would seem that the Internal Revenue Service and the Federal Reserve System are unrelated, appearances can be misleading. It is true that they are separate creatures – one that *collects* money and one that *creates* money – but upon examination, we find they are fraternal twins with common parentage and instinct. They both have grown to gargantuan proportions since their birth in 1913 and have become insatiable predators, dining on the productivity of the common man. In the case of the IRS, the perpetual feast is consumed as taxes, taken directly from our earnings and savings. In the case of the Fed, it is taken indirectly as inflation, but the net effect is exactly the same.

Consider the following facts:

- Both were enacted into law in the same year.
- Both laws were drafted and sponsored by the same politicians clustered around the Morgan and Rockefeller banking dynasties.
- Both were sold to the public as measures to benefit the common man and restrict the power of the super wealthy; the same people who, incidentally, created the legislation.
- Both provide sophisticated mechanisms whereby the super wealthy can protect and expand their wealth; but these mechanisms are denied to the common man.
- Both are essential to the expansion of government power and the establishment of control over the masses, which is the ultimate goal of the elitists who anticipate being the hidden rulers of such a system.
- Both are protected by leaders of the two major political parties who are amply funded by these elitists and their institutions. Politicians may speak critically of the income tax and the Federal Reserve during campaigns for election but never seriously challenge them once in office. (Congressman Ron Paul is an exemplary exception to this rule.)
- Both creatures will continue to grow until they devour every last vestige of our personal wealth and freedom – unless they are slain. They are intrinsically deadly, and our nation cannot survive in freedom unless we replace the puppets now in Congress with real Americans who will place our nation ahead of personal gain. The IRS and the Fed must be **abolished**.



In the spring of 2000, I was summoned for jury duty. I had never served before and was totally naïve concerning the process. I assumed in our quiet little Illinois county the cases would be simple and after serving I would return to everyday life untouched. I could not have been more wrong!

MARCY “THE JUROR” BROOKS

When the time came for my questioning, they asked me if I understood what civil disobedience was. I answered that yes I understood, since I had been in the right to life movement for years, but I had never felt compelled to practice it. That seemed to satisfy the prosecution, but as he turned away I added, “But I always did think it would be fun to be part of the Boston Tea Party.” (I immediately thought, “Oh my, that will disqualify me.”) But God had other plans.

When we started the trial, the defendant, Gaylon Harrell was charged with four counts of “willful failure to file” his Illinois taxes. I remember my thoughts at that moment, “Well, what’s to determine? Either he did or didn’t.” I soon began to realize it wasn’t going to be that simple. I had no idea I had just been providentially placed in a world-changing event.

Of course the story has been told so many times now that most people reading this article know the results, but I would like to share some of the behind the scenes of the drama. I believe our story is meant to be an inspiration for the every day “Joe’s” and “Mary’s” who have no idea the impact they can have on our country’s future.

The hero of the story is Gaylon “Whitey” Harrell. My first reaction to him, to my chagrin, was that he was a “red neck that didn’t want to pay his taxes.” I was just as biased as most Americans are, since we’ve been so ingrained with the idea that good citizens pay their taxes. So, when the prosecution kept bringing witnesses testifying to Mr. Harrell’s residency and age, I frankly was bored and asked my first question, “What are the charges against Mr. Harrell?” to move the process along.

Then they made the mistake of bringing Agent Craner forward, who was not only ill-prepared, ill-spoken and as we soon saw, perjured himself. That was the beginning of the end.

The clincher though was the brilliant presentation of Gaylon Harrell. Being a public speaker myself and having been the recipient of years of oration from the pulpits of America, I was amazed at his preparation, presentation and passion. When he dared to look them in the eye and say, “Just show me the law,” the entire jury drew our breath and waited. No response? Ah, the judge saw our concern and assured us we would receive the law.

In deliberation, we sought the law. We did find the state law, but noticed a qualifier. “Anyone required to file a federal tax . . .” which meant if Mr. Harrell was right, the state law was nullified. One juror said, “But if the judge says it, it must be the law.” Our foreman of Romanian birth, now an American citizen said, “In our old country, we couldn’t challenge the law, but in this country we can.” A thrill came over me.

When we decided to write a note to the judge, the bailiff was taken back. “You want to write a note to the judge?” I said, “We are allowed to do that, correct?” “Well, yes,” he timidly replied, “but I’ve never seen anyone do it.” When the judge replied with a simple note basically saying, “You’ve been given everything you need,” we all felt betrayed. So we pursued the idea of “voluntary compliance.” We soon discovered that all the **evidence** concerning this topic had **been removed**.

We wrote the second note, requesting that evidence. While waiting we got into a rather heated debate about the morality of taxes and other very real issues connected with taxes. Finally, one man rolled his eyes and said, “You mean we don’t have to pay taxes?” The jury room was buzzing, “What if this gets out?” Two jurors were still saying, “I don’t know, he’s going to be getting away with it. I replied, “What is he getting away with but his rights?”

When the judge finally responded, it was to tell us that basically our request was denied. At that point the other two jurors said, “Something is really wrong here.” I quoted the judge in his final instructions, “It is the state’s duty to prove the defendant guilty beyond reasonable doubt.” I said, “Have you seen that evidence yet?” Everyone agreed we had not and we signed the paper declaring Mr. Harrell Not Guilty.

I was privileged to go to Washington DC with Whitey two months later for a “We the People” Conference. During our drive to Chicago we talked about the role I played as the “thinking juror” and the providential intervention, which put me in that position. It took me a long time to really understand why it was crucial that someone who isn’t afraid to ask questions should have been there. What I didn’t understand was “Why is this a rare case?” Since then I’ve had opportunities to share with millions of people Whitey’s story and I’ve come to the sad conclusion that two things stand out. We, as a whole, are not a thinking society and secondly we have allowed the judicial system to be totally out of control.

Thankfully, our case brought about changes for seven years in the Illinois legal system. We’ve been able to tell our story to many, but I want more! We need millions of Americans to step out of their mediocrity and their comfort and be positive forces in the system. I have challenged people on several talk shows to write to me and give some positive ways we can make a difference. I have yet to receive one email. Not everyone is prepared to let this issue become a life-defining issue, but that doesn’t mean you can’t make a difference. Don’t let the efforts of brave patriots like Whitey go down in history without letting them stir you. Be informed, fall in love with America once more and who knows, God may put you in a position, as He did me, that can change the world and your life forever.

NO LAWYERS? NOT GUILTY!

The tax honesty movement (THM) is not a person or a single organization. The THM is a belief or way of thinking based upon freedom and accountability. The term "Tax Honesty Movement" was coined in the mid 1990's, by an unknown author, to describe this growing segment of our society. There are some who have studied tax law, the Constitution, and Supreme Court tax cases, and have come to the conclusion that not everyone is subject to individual income tax.

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But more to the point is that they desire our government to answer the questions posed to them to show where the law makes the ordinary citizen liable for that tax and where in the Constitution they derive that power. This belief is founded upon the fact that Americans, as the rightful and just sovereigns of this nation, demand an open transparent government that is answerable to them, their creator, "We the People". In particular – honesty by the government on issues relating to taxation of the American people.

There are some who may be shocked to learn that the income tax, which is applied to people's wages, is a rather recent occurrence in American history. For the first 150 years of our nation there was no income tax. In fact, the first few times the government tried to enact such a scheme, the Supreme Court found it unconstitutional (1850-1913). If it was unconstitutional then, why is it constitutional now?

In the late 1800's and early 1900's, there were a number of corporate tax cases, which ruled what **was** and what **was not** "income". In general, the government can only tax via two methods – either directly or indirectly. Article 1, Section 9, of the Constitution says a direct tax is a tax that is levied directly upon a person or property, and therefore, it must be apportioned among the states based on the states population. (A primary reason we have a national census.) An indirect tax is levied upon a privilege or an action, such as a sales tax on certain products or business.

Congress passed the Income Tax Act of 1894, which taxed rental income from real estate. In 1895, the Supreme Court ruled the act unconstitutional, as it was a direct tax and must be apportioned.

In 1913, Congress passed the Sixteenth Amendment (a topic of continued speculation), which authorized taxation of incomes without apportionment. To which incomes did this relate? As with all things in the legal world, context is everything. In the 1943 case of *Halvering v. Edison Bros. Stores*, the court stated that neither the Treasury Department nor Congress could "tax as income that which is not income within the meaning of the 16th Amendment."

What then is 16th Amendment income? In *Corn v. Fort*, the court ruled "The individual, unlike the corporation, cannot be taxed for the privilege of existing", and "the individuals right to live and own property are natural rights for the enjoyment of which an excise cannot be imposed." In *Stratton's Independence, LTD v. Howbert*, 1913, the Supreme Court stated that the 1909 corporate Tax Act "was an excise tax upon the conduct of business in a corporate capacity... measuring however, the amount of tax by the income of the corporation." Also, in the 1921 case of *Merchants' Loan & Trust Co. v. Smetanka* the court stated, the word income must be given the same meaning in **ALL** income tax legislation as was given in the Corporate Tax Act of 1909. This being the case, all "income" tax is based on "corporate" income. Within the 1909 Corporation Tax Law (Chap. 6, 36 stat. 11), it states that the income tax was levied "with respect to the carrying on or doing business by such a corporation..." It is therefore settled that 16th Amendment income must deal with corporate income. As wages are a person's property, and the right to work and own property cannot be taxed without apportionment, the direct tax against individual wages is unconstitutional.

There is also the question of WHO is made liable by the tax code. In *Economy Plumbing and Heating Co. v. United States*, the Courts have stated that the revenue laws "relate to taxpayers, and not to nontaxpayers." Because Congress does not deal with nontaxpayers, their laws only cover those who ARE taxpayers. Therefore, you will never see any code which says what is not subject to tax, only what is subject to tax. This case shows that there are persons who are NOT taxpayers; how then do we know if we are one of them?

According to the IRS code for the taxpayer, taxes are paid on "wages" for "services performed by an employee for his employer." This sounds straight forward enough; but what is an employee? According to the IRS code Title 26, Subtitle C, Chapter 34, Section 3401, "Employee includes an officer, employee, or elected official of the **United States**, a state, any political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia, or any agency or instrumentality of any one or more of



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the foregoing. The term "employee" also includes an officer of a corporation." Based on the IRS's definition for employee, are you an employee? Most of us are not. If wages are earned by employees; and you are not by definition an employee, then you are not a taxpayer (unless you volunteer to be one.)

As most of us do not earn "income" nor are we "employees", as defined by the IRS's own code; we should, therefore, not be subject to the tax. This short article cannot cover every aspect of the THM, but these examples illustrate the points, which the THM endeavors to resolve, honesty between the government and the citizen. As we can see from the examples above, our laws are so convoluted, misleading, and vague, that the ordinary citizen may not be able to discern who is and who is not liable for the tax. The THM simply desires the government to answer such questions honestly and directly. As Citizens, we deserve nothing less.

The First Amendment states, "...and to petition the government for a redress of grievances." This right requires the servant government to answer the people's questions when they feel they have been wronged. Petition of redress goes beyond the history of our own government, as it was used by our founders to receive answers from the King of England and try to right the wrongs of the early colonists. However, history may be repeating itself. One of the primary reasons for our withdrawal from England, as stated in the Declaration of Independence, was: "In every stage of these oppressions we have petitioned for redress in the most humble terms: our repeated petitions have been answered only by repeated injury."

In 2001 a group of THM leaders led by Mr. Robert Schulz from "We the People Foundation", and others from around the country, coordinated a meeting with the IRS, members of the Department of Justice, and a member of Congress to discuss their grievances concerning individual taxes and tax law. It was agreed upon by all parties, the date was set, and it was even arranged to be web-cast live and recorded for posterity. A shrewd lawyer from the government decided they had better have a look at which questions would be asked at this forum, so they were provided a list of 299 questions. The government has consistently stated that the arguments of the THM are frivolous and without merit. They now had the opportunity deliver a knock-out blow and to crush every argument once and for all. Within a week of receiving the questions, the government stated they would not be attending the meeting; and they gave no other reasons.

When Robert Schultz and the "We the People Foundation" asked why the government would not answer their questions, the government's response was silence. Later, when the Treasury department was asked on camera why they did not answer the petition, they responded that they would answer the petition by enforcement. Meaning, they would use force against the people of the United States to make them comply. Mr. Schultz then brought suit against the United States to gain resolution to his petition. This case has risen to the Supreme Court to decide if the government has an obligation to answer the petition of the people. Currently the Supreme Court is deciding if they will accept the case. This will be the first time in our country's history that this question will be raised.

Who is involved in the THM? It is not one person or group. It is more an awakening by more and more American Citizens to the realization that something is not right with our tax system. The leaders of today's THM include the late Aaron Russo, a Hollywood film director and founder of restoretherepublic.com, which is now managed by Gary Franchi from the Lone Lantern Society, lonelantern.org. Like so many of us, Mr. Russo came to the realization that something was not right in America, and he started to investigate. This culminated in a number of productions, such as Aaron Russo's Mad as Hell video presentation and the recent blockbuster America Freedom to Fascism. Aaron Russo has brought more than a message of Tax Honesty, but he has awakened the American public to realize that without personal involvement, by each of us, to hold the government in check, we will continue to lose more and more rights.

Another THM leader is former IRS Special Agent Joseph R. (Joe) Banister. (www.freedomabovefortune.com) While working at the IRS, Mr. Banister started look-

ing for answers to the questions posed to him by the people he was investigating. After much research and investigation he could not find the answers, so he asked his superiors in the IRS. After he was told basically to shut up and color like everyone else, Joe decided to do something else and to help bring the truth to light.

There are others from the IRS including Sherry Jackson, (www.sherrypeeljackson.com) a former, highly decorated, revenue agent who wanted to answer the questions posed by the "We the People Foundation." We the People Foundation were offering \$50,000 to anyone who could prove the average American was liable to pay taxes. Ms. Jackson wanted to prove them wrong and to collect the \$50,000; but she could not find the law, even though she worked for years with the tax code while in the IRS, it just was not there.

People like Robert Schulz of the We the People Foundation, (www.givemeliberty.org) have spent much of their own time, money, and hard work to bring the truth of individual taxation to all Americans. Mr. Schulz is taking the government to court and is fighting the battle to force our government to be honest with its citizens and answer our questions.

Dave Champion is a paralegal and the creator of www.originalintent.org, a web site dedicated to teaching all Americans the truth about America's tax scheme. Mr. Champion has spent years studying the tax code, Supreme Court case history, the Constitution, and has determined that most of us should not be taxpayers subject to the tax code. He also assists people to live within the law as nontaxpayers.

Although tax honesty is the primary focus, the THM is about more than just taxes. It is about restoring our republican form of government. THM is about re-instilling transparency and honesty into the dealings between our government and it's people, it is about re-building trust.

The ideals espoused within the THM also kindle the desire for a return to a government that operates within the bounds set by the Constitution. Today, our Government ignores our Constitution unless it suits their needs.

The blame for the corruption of our current governmental system, however, does not lie totally with the government. We the People share the lion's share of the blame. We have allowed our government to go unchallenged year after year because of ignorance, cowardice, and apathy.

Each session of Congress enacts more laws restricting our rights, and we do nothing. Each year the Executive passes more unconstitutional legislation, and we do nothing. Every time the legislature gives up more of its' responsibilities, we do nothing. It is time the Citizens of this great nation stop doing nothing. The THM are Citizens doing something to help restore accountability within our government.

In my opinion the THM is the last vestige of hope we have to guide this country back to being a Constitutional Republic and a freedom-loving nation. The efforts taking place within the THM and the cases being decided by the Supreme Court to determine if the government has an obligation to respond to the petitions of the people, may by the last peaceful means left by the Citizen to hold its' government accountable. Once a government decides it is not accountable to the people, the people become serfs and are worth no more than chattel; and the only response becomes enforcement by the government.

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The Federal Income Tax has been misapplied to ordinary American workers for many decades. The legal basis of this gigantic fraud was highlighted in the documentary *America, Freedom to Fascism* of the late Aaron Russo at <http://www.freedomtofascism.com>.

However, there is another angle to the Federal Income Tax Fraud that is rarely discussed, even in the Tax Honesty Movement circles. The fact is, that those of us who, the IRS and Major Media have convinced to religiously file 1040 Income Tax Confession Forms every year are giving the IRS the tools it needs to enslave, rob and jail us.



Close to 90% of those convicted by the IRS "Voluntarily" filed an Income Tax return.

If you file income tax returns, your chances of going to jail are 8 times greater than if you do nothing!! Incredible? Unbelievable? I made it up?

No, it is true! According to IRS data, from 2003 through 2006, the IRS sentenced about 1,964 people each year of "tax and financial crimes." Yet, only about 248 of them had not filed Income Tax Confession Forms (1040, etc.). That means about 1716 filers went to jail. Do you wonder why, according to IRS data, there are over 63 million non-filers? Look at the comparison chart of this article.

This is according to the information from the Internal Revenue Service, which is reflected in the chart to the left. The chart shows that in 2006, the IRS convicted 2,319 people of "tax crimes." This is a 4% drop from 2,406 convictions, in 2005.

However the second chart shows that in 2006 the IRS sentenced only 270 people who had not filed Income Tax Returns. This is down from 280 for the year 2005. In short, the IRS victimized less filers and non-filers in 2006 than in 2005.

As you can clearly see from the IRS charts below, the IRS has remained faithful to its historic pattern of convicting and imprisoning more people who "voluntarily" filed Income Tax Confession Forms (misnamed by the Government as "Returns") than those who did not. For as long as IRS data has been available, for every one non-filer the IRS convicted, eight or nine Filers were convicted of "tax crimes."

The amazing truth is that doing nothing on April 15th is less risky than signing a 1040 Tax Confession Form.

Filers give the IRS the rope it needs to hang the Filer with.

Why? By signing the 1040 Income Tax Confession Form under oath that their Income Tax Confession Forms were "true, correct and complete" and making it easy for the Government to come after them and jail them.

When the Government comes after a 1040 Confession Filer to put him in prison, the Government will dramatically "blow up" before the jury the statement above the signature line of the 1040 form of the filers that reads: "*under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return and its accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief they are true, correct and complete....*"

1040 Income Tax Confession Form Filers have a weak chance of convincing the jury that the mistaken numbers that the File put on the 1040 form were simple "honest mistakes" and not a deliberate attempt to "cheat on their taxes" as the Government would argue to the jury.

To the excuses like "my tax preparer filled the forms out for me, I am not an accountant and do not know the tax laws" or "I was not very good at keeping records" or "the tax laws are very confusing to me" or "I did not have a very good accountant, it is all his fault" are merely that; excuses. The juries routinely convict the filer for lying on a form that the filer was duped into filling out and signing.

This nightmare is worse for the small business owner or part-time entrepreneur who is trying to take a shot at the American Dream of owning his own business. The multitude of expenses, credits, allowances, deferrals deductions, depreciation and alternative tax tables that may apply and the huge amount of minor record keeping and bookkeeping that is needed to keep "accurate" and "complete" records for the IRS, can easily overwhelm the small business owner.

Total Criminal Cases by the IRS in all categories

| | FY 2004 | FY 2005 | FY 2006 |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Investigations Initiated | 3917 | 4269 | 3907 |
| Completed Investigations | 3037 | 2859 | 2720 |
| Prosecution Recommendations | 2008 | 2151 | 2019 |
| Total Sentenced | 1,777 | 2,095 | 2,020 |

To find the above information, please visit:
<http://www.irs.gov/compliance/enforcement/article/0,,id=107484,00.html>

Criminal Investigation's Non-filer Initiative

The following non-filer statistics represent the CI's efforts in the past three full fiscal years.

| | FY 2004 | FY 2005 | FY 2006 |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Investigations Initiated | 417 | 549 | 562 |
| Prosecution Recommendations | 317 | 413 | 322 |
| Indictments/Informations | 277 | 316 | 307 |
| Sentenced | 194 | 280 | 270 |

To find the above information, please visit:
<http://www.irs.gov/compliance/enforcement/article/0,,id=106380,00.html>

psychological warfare on Americans

By Peymon Mottahedeh

I chuckle inside whenever I speak to a small business owner or independent contractor who claims that he files every year, yet pays the IRS nothing. These filers are writing off a lot more than the IRS would recognize. When luck of the draw falls on these filers the IRS chooses to come after these filers, they make easy targets for the IRS to roast over the coal and make an example for the rest of the "sheeple" who the IRS wishes to keep in line.

Former IRS Special Agent Joseph Banister has told me that whenever an IRS Special Agent comes after a victim, they always request a copy of his previously filed 1040 Forms that he had filed with the IRS. Then they carefully study those previously filed 1040s for information that the IRS may use against its victim. In 5 years with the IRS as a Special Agent, Banister did not go after any non-filers, but he did go after four business owners who were filers. All four of these filers were criminally charged with "tax crimes" and all four of them plead guilty instead of facing a jury trial.

When the IRS comes after its target, it usually goes after him for three to five years of doing or not doing the same act. The IRS does this to show an "intentional pattern" of behavior to the jury rather than an unintentional

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mistake. This means that a non-filer, who the IRS is after for four years of not filing, at worst, faces a four-year jail sentence. However, the filer faces a 20-year prison sentence, for the same four years! More than he would for armed robbery or physical rape of a woman in most states.

It is incredible that the U.S. Government values the receipt of its revenue more than the property, body and life of the citizens who the Government is entrusted to protect. But this is the way things are for now and until we can change the system, like by getting Congressman Ron Paul into the White House, you need to become better informed to protect your property and freedom from money-hungry politicians and bureaucrats.

Filers face much stiffer prison sentences

What makes this situation even worse for Filers is that under the IRS Code Section 7201, Tax Confession Filers face a **five-year felony** prison sentence for "tax evasion." On the other hand, under IRS Code Section 7203, a **non-filer** faces only a maximum **one-year misdemeanor** jail sentence for 'willful failure to file.'

IRS has been losing high profile non-filer cases

In addition, the IRS has been losing high profile cases of non-filers who have been acquitted by juries. In 2003, in Memphis, Tennessee, a Fed-Ex Pilot named Vernie Kuglin, dealt a crushing blow to the IRS when the jury acquitted her of non-filing charges, despite the fact that she earned a six-figure wage. Go to Freedom Law School's online Freedom Library at www.livefreenow.org to hear and see Vernie's victory speech.

In 2005 IRS failed to silence Joseph Banister, in a jury trial, which lasted only a few days. The jury acquitted Banister of all alleged "tax crimes." The last year that Banister had filed a 1040 Income Tax Confession Form was in 1999 for the year 1998, which Banister worked for the IRS. The IRS knew that Banister would easily beat the charge that Banister had willfully not filed Income Tax Returns, so the IRS never charged Banister for not filing.

Instead, the IRS unsuccessfully tried to frame Banister for assisting a business owner, named Al Thompson who filed an amended 1040 Form to get the money that IRS had duped Thompson into paying, back from the IRS. To get the scoop on this victory over the IRS go to www.freedomabovefortune.com.

In 2007, the IRS failed to put away a Constitutional lawyer named Tom Cryer of Shreveport, Louisiana who had not filed 1040 Income Tax Forms for many years. The IRS dismissed many of its own charges and the jury acquitted Cryer of the remaining tax charges. Go to www.liefreezone.com or www.truthattack.org for details on this victory.

Why is it that non-filers have a better chance of winning over the IRS than those who had filed 1040 Income Tax Confession Forms against themselves? Non-filers have the opportunity to explain to the jury their beliefs as to why they were not required to file a 1040 Income Tax Confession form. And if the jury is satisfied that the person sincerely believed that he was not required to file the jury must find the charged person not guilty.

Most 1040 Income Tax Confession Form filers who are criminally charged throw in the towel. Even when they know they are innocent. They plead guilty rather than face combined fifteen to thirty-year prison sentences in a case they are almost certain to lose.

IRS using the "Art of War" against Filers.

The IRS has cleverly used the principles of the book "Art of War" which was written by Sun Tzu, a Chinese General 2400 years ago against the unsuspecting American People. Not only have military leaders throughout the world used the Art of War for centuries, but also in the last century many business and political leaders have found the timeless principles of the "Art of War" essential for their success.

The *Art of War* states that the best way to win a war is this: *convince your enemy that the safest and smartest thing for him to do is to voluntarily surrender to you without a fight.*

When you file a 1040 Income Tax Confession Form with the IRS, you are swearing that you had X amount of "taxable income" and therefore you owe Y amount of "Income tax" to the IRS. There is NO challenge to this "owed tax amount" by you, since you, yourself, are the one claiming that you owe so much to the IRS.

In addition, the IRS may easily claim that you owe the IRS more money, by not allowing or questioning your breaks (expenses, credits and deductions...) that you claimed

on the 1040 Form. Now you have put the burden on yourself to prove and document that you are entitled to the breaks you claimed you may be entitled to. If you cannot prove and document your breaks, then you will owe the IRS more money, plus penalties for not paying the IRS on time and not correctly showing this on your 1040, and interest. In other words, add 50% to the bogus tax bill that the IRS just came up with for you!

Of course, the IRS can now come after you criminally and put you in jail for having completed an incorrect 1040 form. No wonder 1040 Income Tax Confession filers live in a state of constant fear and literally are paralyzed when they hear the three letters, IRS.

Many filers simply freeze when you mention to them that perhaps they may consider non-filing as a way to get themselves out of the IRS trap. The filer is so used living in fear of getting audited and having his 1040 form questioned that he forgets that it was the filer that put himself in such a difficult position. The IRS knows that most people are "creatures of habit" and will continue to file, even though the filer has given up all of his advantages to the IRS. Now that is what I call the "Art of War... IRS style."

The non-filer is in a much better position to fight the IRS

The non-filer has none of these problems that the filer has. The non-filer has not admitted to having any "taxable income". The non-filer has not begged for or claimed any breaks for the IRS to audit or disallow. The non-filer has not filed a 1040 Income Tax Confession Form stating under oath that everything on the 1040 Form that he completed is true, correct and complete. Although the IRS is not an adversary to be taken lightly.

It is no wonder that according to the IRS, there were about 63 million non-filers in 1996. In contrast, the number of Individual Income Tax Returns filed in 2002 was 130 million. The number of non-filers is believed to be over 70 million now and growing.

For decades, many groups and individuals have been speaking up about the fact that the act of filing a 1040 Income Tax Confession Form is a highly intrusive act of self-enslavement. This coerced form of confession violates many of the natural and constitutionally protected rights of Americans.

These people have repeatedly been met by a judiciary, who seems more concerned with protecting the revenue source of its government, rather than honoring their oath to protect the natural and constitutional rights of Americans against the government's abuse and lust for more money and power.

The IRS' big bluff

U.S. Senator Henry Bellmon in 1969 said, "In a recent conversation with an official of the IRS, I was amazed when he told me, 'If the taxpayers of this country ever discover that the IRS operates on 90% bluff, the entire system will collapse'!!!"

The "bluff" that Bellmon was speaking of, is the fact that the IRS has very limited resources and cannot go after everyone. The IRS relies heavily on convincing individuals, that filing a 1040 Income Tax Return is the "safest" and "smartest" thing to do. However, more individuals are researching the law and the facts and have been joining the ranks of the non-filers. These new non-filers are far more likely to stay out of jail than those who continue to file 1040 Income Tax Confession Forms for the IRS to use against them.

More detail on this subject is readily available from the research of Joseph Banister, a former gun carrying fraud expert Special Agent of the Criminal Investigation Division of the IRS, turned government whistleblower, at his website www.freedomabovefortune.com.

Further details and the fact that the Federal Government, at the highest levels, are hiding the truth about the legal misapplication and fraud of the Federal Income Tax from the American people is available in the archives of We The People Foundation's website www.wethepeoplefoundation.org. Any one who has a sincere interest to verify these claims can readily do so through these convenient sources for near to zero cost.

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TYRANNY IN AMERICA

THE 16TH AMENDMENT BILL BENSON LITIGATION

The Declaration of Independence lists, among others, grounds for breaking away from English rule, the “abolishing [of] our most valuable Laws and altering fundamentally the Forms of our Governments.” (See page 2). Such conduct on the part of King George was deemed so contrary to “the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature’s God” entitled them, our Founding Fathers resorted to a long, bloody war, pledging their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor. We all know the outcome of that great struggle for freedom. The birth of a new Republic and a written constitution designed to ensure that previous abuses of power were never again to be instituted in the United States of America.

The concept behind the new government was simple and easy to understand. As late as 1965, the concept was recognized by the United States Supreme Court:

The Constitution divides the National Government into three branches -Legislative, Executive and Judicial. This separation of powers’ was obviously not instituted with the idea that it would promote governmental efficiency. It was, on the contrary, looked to as a bulwark against tyranny. For if governmental power is fractionalized, if a given policy can be implemented only by a combination of legislative enactment, judicial application, and executive implementation, no man or group of men will be able to impose its unchecked will. James Madison wrote: “*The accumulation of all powers, legislative, executive, and judiciary, in the same hands, whether of one, a few, or many, and whether hereditary, self-appointed, or elective, may justly be pronounced the very definition of tyranny.*” The Federalist, No. 47, pp. 373-374 (Hamilton ed. 1880).

United States v. Brown, 381 U.S. 437, 442-43 (1965).

The 16th Amendment, Bill Benson litigation proves, however, mere words on a piece of paper are wholly insufficient to preserve freedom. Once again in our history, our most valuable laws, the First and Fifth Amendments, are being abolished, and our fundamental form of government is being altered.

Shortly after the United States Constitution, when the revolution and its causes were still fresh in the minds of those in government, one of the most famous cases in our relatively short history was handed down by the Supreme Court. That case was *Marbury v. Madison*, 5 U.S. 137 (1803). The Supreme Court there stated the duty of the courts as follows:

It is emphatically the province and duty of the judicial department to say what the law is. Those who apply the rule to particular cases, must of necessity expound and interpret that rule. If two laws conflict with each other, the courts must decide on the operation of each.

So if a law be in opposition to the constitution; if both the law and the constitution apply to a particular case, so that the court must either decide that case conformably to the law, disregarding the constitution; or conformably to the constitution, disregarding the law; the court must determine which of these conflicting rules governs the case. This is of the very essence of judicial duty.

If then the courts are to regard the constitution; and the constitution is superior to any ordinary act of the legislature; the constitution, and not such ordinary act, must govern the case to which they both apply.

Those then who controvert the principle that the constitution is to be considered, in court, as a paramount law, are reduced to the necessity of maintaining that courts must close their eyes on the constitution, and see only the law.

This doctrine would subvert the very foundation of all written constitutions. It would declare that an act, which, according to the principles and theory of our government, is entirely void; is yet, in practice, completely obligatory. It would declare, that if the legislature shall do what is expressly forbidden, such act, notwithstand-

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BY JEFF DICKSTEIN

ing the express prohibition, is in reality effectual. It would be giving to the legislature a practical and real omnipotence, with the same breath which professes to restrict their powers within narrow limits. It is prescribing limits, and declaring that those limits may be passed as pleasure.

That it thus reduces to nothing what we have deemed the greatest improvement on political institutions—a written constitution—would of itself be sufficient, in America, where written constitutions have been viewed with so much reverence, for rejecting the construction. But the peculiar expressions of the constitution of the United States furnish additional arguments in favour of its rejection.

The judicial power of the United States is extended to all cases arising under the constitution.

Could it be the intention of those who gave this power, to say that, in using it, the constitution should not be looked into? That a case arising under the constitution should be decided without examining the instrument under which it arises?

This is too extravagant to be maintained.

In some cases then, the constitution must be looked into by the judges. And if they can open it at all, what part of it are they forbidden to read, or to obey?

There are many other parts of the constitution, which serve to illustrate this subject.

It is declared that “no tax or duty shall be laid on articles exported from any state.” Suppose a duty on the export of cotton, of tobacco, or of flour; and a suit instituted to recover it. Ought judgment to be rendered in such a case? ought the judges to close their eyes on the constitution, and only see the law.

The constitution declares that, “no bill of attainder or ex post facto law shall be passed.”

If, however, such a bill should be passed and a person should be prosecuted under it; must the court condemn to death those victims whom the constitution endeavors to preserve?

“No person,” says the constitution, “shall be convicted of treason unless on the testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act, or on confession in open court.”

Here the language of the constitution is addressed especially to the courts. It prescribes, directly for them, a rule of evidence not to be departed from. If the legislature should change that rule, and declare one witness, or a confession out of court, sufficient for conviction, must the constitutional principle yield to the legislative act?

From these, and many other selections which might be made, it is apparent, that the framers of the constitution contemplated that instrument, as a rule for the government of courts, as well as of the legislature.

Why otherwise does it direct the judges to take an oath to support it? This oath certainly applies, in an especial manner, to their conduct in their official character. How immoral to impose it on them, if they were to be used as the instruments, and the knowing instruments, for violating what they swear to support?

The oath of office, too, imposed by the legislature, is completely demonstrative of the legislative opinion on this subject. It is in these words, “I do solemnly swear that I will administer justice without respect to persons, and do equal right to the poor and to the rich; and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge all the duties incumbent on me as according to the best of my abilities and understanding, agreeably to the constitution, and laws of the United States.”

Why does a judge swear to discharge his duties agreeably to the constitution of the United States, if that constitution forms no rule for his government? if it is closed upon him, and cannot be inspected by him?

If such be the real state of things, this is worse than solemn mockery. To prescribe, or to take this oath, becomes equally a crime.

It is also not entirely unworthy of observation, that in declaring what shall be the supreme law of the land, the constitution itself is first mentioned; and not the laws of the United States generally, but those only which shall be made in pursuance of the constitution, have that rank.

Thus, the particular phraseology of the constitution of the United States confirms and strengthens the principle, supposed to be essential to all written constitutions, that a law repugnant to the constitution is void; and that courts, as well as other departments, are bound by that instrument.

Simple truth, simply stated, resonates in your heart. One always knows the truth simply because it is true! Here are some other simple truths:

The United States Constitution makes a distinction between direct taxes and indirect taxes, and requires direct taxes to be apportioned and indirect taxes to be uniform. Art. I, § 2, Cl. 3; Art. I, § 8, Cl. 1; and Art. I, § 9, Cl. 4.

The United States Constitution requires constitutional amendments to be ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states before becoming a part of the Constitution. Art. V.

In 1894 Congress passed the 1894 Income Tax Act, 28 Stat. 509, ch. 349. Section 27 of that act read:

There shall be assessed, levied, collected, and paid annually upon the gains, profits, and income received in the preceding calendar year by every citizen of the United States, whether residing at home or abroad, and every person residing therein, whether said gains, profits, or income be derived from any kind of property, rents, interest, dividends, or salaries, or from any profession, trade, employment, or vocation carried on in the United States or elsewhere, or from any other source whatever, a tax of two per centum on the amount so derived over and above four thousand dollars, and a like tax shall be levied, collected, and paid annually upon the gains, profits, and income from all property owned and of every business, trade, or profession carried on in the United States by persons residing without the United States.

The constitutionality of this section was challenged on the ground that the act passed by Congress was a direct tax that wasn't apportioned. The argument went before the United States Supreme Court in the case of *Pollock v. Farmers' Loan & Trust Company*. It was reported twice; once at 157 U.S. 429 (1895) and again at 158 U.S. 601 (1895). The majority of the Supreme Court held Section 27 imposed a direct tax and that because the tax was not apportioned, it violated the taxing provisions of the Constitution. The minority thought a tax on income was as excise that didn't require apportionment.

In 1909, President Taft called a special session of Congress. He asked Congress, to overcome the *Pollock* decision, to pass a proposed constitutional amendment. Congress obliged, and proposed the 16th Amendment, which reads as follows:

“The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several States, and without regard to any census or enumeration.”

The proposed amendment was sent to the governors of the forty-eight several states, who submitted the proposed amendment to each states' legislative body. The various legislatures acted on the proposed amendment, and certificates of ratification of forty-two states¹ were thereafter sent by the governors to then Secretary of State Philander Knox. The states of Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Utah rejected the proposed amendment.

Secretary of State Knox noticed that the vast majority of the certificates of ratification he received contained language different from the language of the amendment proposed by Congress. He thus asked the Office of the Solicitor of the United States to give him a legal opinion as to whether the proposed amendment could be certified by Knox as having been ratified.²

On February 15, 1913, the Solicitor sent a Memorandum to Knox. The Memorandum contained this language:

In no case has any legislature signified in any way its deliberate intention to change the wording of the proposed amendment. The errors appear in most cases to have been merely typographical and incident to an attempt to make an accurate quotation.

Furthermore, under the provisions of the Constitution a legislature is not authorized to alter in any way the amendment proposed by Congress, the function of the legislature consisting merely in the right to approve or disapprove the proposed amendment.

It, therefore, seems a necessary presumption, in the absence of an express stipulation to the contrary, that a legislature did not intend to do something that it had not the power to do, but rather that it intended to do something that it had the power to do, namely, where its action has been affirmative, to ratify the amendment proposed by Congress. Moreover, it could not be presumed that by a mere change of wording, probably inadvertent, the legislature had intended to reject the amendment as proposed by Congress where all parts of the resolution either than those merely reciting the proposed amendment had set forth an affirmative action by the legislature.

Secretary of State Knox then officially certified the 16th Amendment had been ratified, and was now a part of the United States Constitution.

In 1984 Bill Benson took it upon himself to visit the Capitols of all forty-eight states where he obtained certified copies of the legislative journals pertaining to the alleged ratification of the 16th Amendment. He also traveled to the National Archives in Washington, D.C. where he obtained a certified copy of the Solicitor's Memorandum of February 15, 1913. He published his findings in a two-volume book entitled "The Law That Never Was."³

The legislative journals Bill obtained conclusively show that the states of Oklahoma, Missouri and Washington intentionally amended the language proposed by Congress, thereby committing an act that the Solicitor of the United States recognized was in violation of the United States Constitution. Bill also discovered that numerous other states voted to ratify language different from that proposed by Congress, that there is no record of some houses of the states' legislatures voting at all, that the Senate's vote in Kentucky, nine to ratify and twenty-two not to ratify was incorrectly reported at twenty-two to ratify and nine not to ratify, and that numerous states violated their constitutionally required procedures during the ratification process.

These issues soon came to the attention of the courts. Each court to consider the issue held it lacks the judicial authority to hear the issue. See *United States v. Thomas*, 788 F.2d 1250 (7th Cir. 1986); *United States v. Foster*, 789 F.2d 457 (7th Cir. 1986); *United States v. Ferguson*, 793 F.2d 828 (7th Cir. 1986); *Miller v. United States*, 868 F.2d 236 (7th Cir. 1988); *Lysiak v. C.I.R.*, 816 F.2d 311 (7th Cir. 1987); *United States v. Sitka*, 845 F.2d 43 (2nd Cir. 1988), *United States v. Stahl*, 792 F.2d 1438 (9th Cir. 1986); and *United States v. Benson*, 941 F.2d 598 (7th Cir. 1991.)

The reason for the courts' conclusion that it lacks authority to hear the issue is the Enrolled Bill Rule announced by the United States Supreme Court in three cases: *Field v. Clark*, 143 U.S. 649 (1892); *Laser v. Gannett*, 258 U.S. 130 (1922); and *Coleman v. Miller*, 307 U.S. 433 (1939). Each of those courts held that certification by the Secretary of State under Revised Statute 205 creates a conclusive presumption of ratification, which is beyond review by the courts, and therefore the issue is a political question, not a judicial question.

It took our federal judiciary only eighty-nine years,

from *Marbury v. Madison* to *Field v. Clark* to move from law to tyranny. Article V requires actual ratification of a proposed constitutional amendment by the several states; the Enrolled Bill Rule allows ratification by presumption of one man.

The tyranny was too much for Bill Benson. He put together the Reliance Defense Package and encouraged people, through his website and his speaking engagements, to obtain his material, study it, and if they thought it true, to exercise their First Amendment right to petition the government for redress. This proved too much for the federal government.

On November 16, 2004, the government sued Bill Benson to obtain an injunction to prohibit him from falsely telling people that the 16th Amendment was not in fact ratified, and to obtain the names and addresses of those who obtained his information. The government argued that under the Enrolled Bill Rule, the 16th Amendment was conclusively presumed ratified, and therefore his statements were false as a matter of law. In response, Bill submitted the facts showing the proposed amendment was passed by the false presumption of Secretary of State Knox and that less than three-fourths of the several states voted for ratification. Bill argued that Revised Statute 205, as applied under the facts he adduced, was an unconstitutional legislative act, which had the effect of amending Article V of the Constitution. He argued that the various courts that previously heard the issue never had before them the truth that several states had intentionally modified the language proposed by Congress. Bill also argued that the cases of *Field v. Clark*, *Leser v. Garnett* and *Coleman v. Miller* could not be the law if it allowed amendment of the Constitution by presumption. Bill argued that if the question were a political one, then his speech on the subject was political speech, and protected by the First Amendment. And finally, Bill argued that the refusal of the Court to allow Bill to present the facts to prove his statements were true violated due process of law.

The court struck all of Bill's facts from the record as irrelevant, and failed to address any of his other questions. On January 10, 2008, the court granted the government's requested injunction. As of now, then, the government may prosecute you for lying and prevent you from presenting a defense. As of now, speaking about a political question is against the law. As of now, there is no due process of law. As of now, there is no First Amendment right to speak or to petition the government for redress of grievance. As of now, the words of the Supreme Court in *Marbury v. Madison* are like the words of the United States Constitution; mere words that have no meaning.

The only bright spot is that we convinced the court that the names and addresses sought by the government were protected. We did this by having three people, John Doe I, John Doe II and Jane Roe, file a motion to intervene and file a motion for a protective order to protect their names from being disclosed. The strategy worked. The government's attorney advised us, however, they intend to appeal the decision in order to obtain the names and addresses.

All of the relevant pleadings in the Bill Benson case may be viewed on my website: <http://jeffdickstein.com>. Bill is eighty-one years old, in poor health, and without

funds. I have been representing him for free and I have been living on donations. We need your help to continue the attack on tyranny. So long as we continue to fight, there is hope. Donations may be made from my website through PayPal, or mailed to, and made payable to, me. My mailing address is also on my website.

Whether you agree with Bill Benson or not, this litigation is not about one of us being right or wrong. This litigation is about preserving YOUR freedom from ever increasing government tyranny. It is about your right to even have an opinion and express it without fear of government retaliation. Our country is in serious distress, as we now have East German like checkpoints at our airports, and wholesale government disrespect of, and contempt for, our Constitution.

Ben Franklin said during another time of intolerable governmental action: "We must all hang together or, most assuredly, we shall all hang separately." Please support this litigation and make a donation to support those who have taken a front line position to defend liberty for all of us.

- The states of Florida, West Virginia, Virginia, Vermont, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania did not submit certificates of ratification.
- At that time, Congress had passed Section 205 of the Revised Statutes which read: "Whenever official notice is received at the Department of State that any amendment proposed to the Constitution of the United States has been adopted, according to the provisions of the Constitution, the Secretary of State shall forthwith cause the amendment to be published in the newspapers authorized to promulgate the laws, with his certificate, specifying the States by which the same may have been adopted, and that the same has become valid, to all intents and purposes, as part of the Constitution of the United States."
- The books are available on Bill Benson's web site: <http://www.thelawthatneverwas.com>

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Why an Income Tax is Not Necessary to Fund the U.S. Government

Can this statement possibly be true? In order to answer this question, Americans must first understand what is the source of the money that funds the government and where it goes. Contrary to the sound bites issued by the two mainstream political parties, the reality of how the system actually works will not only open your eyes, but hopefully stimulate the American people to demand that the thievery underway come to an end. Where do your "income" tax dollars go? The best place to look for an answer to this question would be a government report, so let's take just one at random:

President's Private Sector Survey On Cost Control

A Report to The President (Reagan). January 15, 1984. Available from the Congressional Research Service.

- "Importantly, any meaningful increases in taxes from personal income would have to come from lower and middle income families, as 90% of all personal taxable income is generated below the taxable income level of \$35,000.
 - "Further, there isn't much more that can be extracted from high income brackets. If the Government took 100% of all taxable income beyond the \$75,000 tax bracket not already taxed, it would get only \$17 billion, and this confiscation, which would destroy productive enterprise, would only be sufficient to run the Government for several days.
 - "Resistance to additional income taxes would be even more widespread if people were aware that:
 - With two-thirds of everyone's personal income taxes wasted or not collected, 100% of what is collected is absorbed solely by interest on the Federal Government contributions to transfer payments.
 - "In other words, all individual income tax revenues are gone before one nickel is spent on the services which taxpayers expect from their government."

Your income tax dollars go to pay the private banking cartel the interest, to unconstitutional expenditures like dues to the communist UN, foreign aid, enriching corrupt dictators and endless wars. Congress simply writes hot checks to cover the domestic spending which is now \$9 TRILLION dollars and growing at a rate of \$7 MILLION dollars per minute.

Our Founding Fathers, the ones our elected public servants are always chirping they respect, warned the American people about usury and unscrupulous bankers:

"If the American people ever allow the banks to control the issuance of their currency, first by inflation, and then by deflation, the banks and corporations that will grow up around them will deprive the people of all property, until their children wake up homeless on the continent their fathers conquered. The issuing power of money should be taken from banks and restored to Congress and the people to whom it belongs. I sincerely believe the banking institutions having the issuing power of money, are more dangerous to liberty than standing armies." ~ Thomas Jefferson

What we have is a central bank issuing worthless paper "money" that controls our economy, our lives and our future. This private banking cartel was unconstitutionally granted this power by a devious, scheming group of senators back in 1913. In essence what they did was place the American people into indentured servitude by forcing The People to pay usury on worthless fiat currency (paper money created out of nothing), not to fund the government, but to enrich the bankers and fund wars in which America should never be involved. This system exists not to fund the government, but to allow the U.S. Congress carte blanche power to continue funding unconstitutional agencies and programs by providing them with a bottomless source of worthless ink.

The National Debt and the Deficit

These two little bookkeeping items are not the same thing. Few Americans actually know the difference, but the difference is quite important. We continually hear members of Congress,

president after president, and political pundits call for "reduction in the debt." But what does that really mean? Here's how it works in the most simplified way to fit into this document:

Let's say that for 2002, Congress and the President decide they want \$1.7 trillion dollars to fund this bloated pig called our government. We know that 100% of all personal "income" taxes extorted by the IRS goes to the "Federal" Reserve Banking System and does not fund a single function of the government. So, let's take the people's blood and sweat off the table.

What other revenues does the government collect? Corporate taxes, social security taxes, constitutional revenues such as excise taxes on cigarettes, alcohol, tobacco, firearms, tires, etc., tariffs on trade, military hardware sales, and some minor categories. Let's say that those revenues will total \$900 billion dollars. The politicians want \$1.7 trillion to spend on their favorite welfare programs, wars and foreign welfare, but have a short fall of \$800 billion dollars. This is called the deficit and the deficit, created by the spending of Congress, creates the "national debt."

How? Because the politicians are \$800 billion dollars short, they simply call up Al Greenspan and borrow your children's and grand babies' futures. The "Federal" Reserve Banks don't loan anything of value to Congress. They aren't banks; they're really an overpaid, powerful, private accounting service. When that \$800 billion dollars worth of ink is transferred to the Treasury, it gets piled on top of the existing "national debt."

This is how the magical money machine works. Congress overspends. It borrows from this accounting firm called the "Fed" and then turns around and tells you to pay for these crimes against the people. In other words, Congress basically pays the bills with social security and borrowed ink from the "Fed." Pretty slick scam, wouldn't you say?

The people of America are also responsible to a large degree for this out-of-control spending. Americans have been bred to a welfare dependent mentality. Special interest groups who have no interest in the U.S. Constitution, demand that billions of dollars be spent on their pet interests. Billions upon billions of dollars have been unconstitutionally thrown to foreign governments, some days our friend, a week later our enemies. They are only our friend as long as the U.S. throws money at their corrupt governments.

Billions of dollars have unconstitutionally been spent on grants to colleges and universities, which in turn sell their research to the highest bidder, paid for by the sweat off the back of the little guy out in America. No, they don't return any back to the little guy who funded these studies and research programs.

As long as the American people themselves condone continued unconstitutional spending by Congress, the longer they will violate their oath of office, and continue to fund unconstitutional expenditures, placing your children and grand babies in a state of un-payable, massive debt.

Unless The People demand an end to this insanity, our economy eventually will collapse under the weight of this massive, un-payable debt, no matter how much ink the "Fed" transfers into the coffers of the U.S. Treasury. The pain of withdrawal from unlawful government handouts will be far less now than it will be down the road.

America became the greatest, debt free nation on earth by a resourceful, independent, self-reliant people. Sadly, today we have a large percentage of our population who can't get through the day without a government memo telling them how, step-by-step, with a redistribution of average, ordinary Americans assets into the hands of the unproductive. A very sad commentary to what made our nation great and prosperous.

A "balanced budget" is nothing more than good political rhetoric, but in reality, it's a pipe dream strictly for public consumption. How can you balance your budget if you have no money to spend and are trillions of dollars in the hole? You can't. It's just another well-crafted illusion to keep the masses pacified.

You can fool some of the people some of the time, but the American people have awakened to this monumental theft and are demanding the only real solution that can be implemented: Abolishing the central bank, and a return to a constitutional monetary system with no income tax.

No "FED," no need for a direct tax.

Without the central bank siphoning off the wealth of our nation, there would be no need for a personal income tax. The workingman and woman is drowning. Millions know the federal income tax does NOT apply to domestic Americans. Out of desperation, ideas are born for replacements to stop this draining of America's lifeblood: a fair tax, flat tax, value added tax - anything help us!!! These distractions are designed to keep the American people busy promoting their own destruction; it's called the herding technique.

Without the Federal Reserve Banking System, these crooks and liars in Congress would not be able to continue spending BILLIONS of "dollars" everyday when there's no money in the people's treasury. Of course, a whole lot of these craven crooks and liars performing this magic of spending money that doesn't exist are the same bunch who kited checks years ago. For those who might be too young to remember, back in the early 1990s, a major scandal broke about members of Congress writing hot checks. It was reported that roughly 355 members of the House of Representatives had overdrawn their accounts with the House Bank; some 110 came clean. So, you see, writing hot checks is nothing new to these scoundrels. The tragedy is that they are dooming your children and grand babies to a life of serfdom. Do you care?

The real and true discussion needs to be a demand that Congress abolish all these unconstitutional and unnecessary agencies, cabinets and spending. How do we fund the necessary and limited functions of a republican form of government? The same as we did before the non-ratified Sixteenth Amendment and the Federal Reserve were put in place in 1913. The way James Madison and the others set it up: tariffs, imposts, duties, excise taxes and reasonable corporate taxes. However, you can't do this as long as the central bank and all these unconstitutional and unnecessary cabinets remain in place. The American people can continue to allow their lifeblood to seep out until we finally expire or we the people can get on track with the right discussion about taxation.

President Andrew Jackson booted out the central bank. This battle fought by Jackson was a huge deal back then and he refused to back down. Jackson was the last honest president with the guts to stand up to the international bankers who are literally stealing US blind. Did this hurt his standing with the American electorate? Quite the opposite: In 1832 he polled more than 56 percent of the popular vote and almost five times as many electoral votes as Clay. Don't be fooled by this chant around the country for a flat tax, a consumption tax, sales tax or any other kind of personal income tax. These alternative taxing schemes are just that and will not solve the problem of the Federal Reserve and a fiat currency. These schemes will continue to feed the banking cartel - which is why this poison is being peddled to desperate Americans. There is absolutely no authority in the U.S. Constitution to implement any of these forms of taxation without apportionment. It is for this reason and this reason alone, that when it became apparent that the 16th Amendment was not going to be ratified by the states, fraud was committed and it was simply "proclaimed" ratified by then Secretary of State Philander Knox. Please consider the words of Congressman Ron Paul, candidate for U.S. President::

"Strictly speaking, it probably is not necessary for the federal government to tax anyone directly; it could simply print the money it needs. However, that would be too bold a stroke, for it would then be obvious to all what kind of counterfeiting operation the government is running. The present system combining taxation and inflation is akin to watering the milk: too much water and the people catch on."

Today Americans are being fleeced to the tune of approximately 52% of every dollar going for local, state and federal taxes. The day is rapidly approaching when making even \$1,000 per hour will not be enough to survive. How much longer are the people of this nation going to put up with this state of affairs? We say enough is enough!

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Since I founded Flex Your Rights in 2002, I've had little difficulty convincing people why our "know-your-rights" educational materials are crucial in these times. The president's ill-conceived post-9/11 agenda beginning with the Patriot Act inspired virtual armies of liberty-loving dissenters to speak out against the administration's most constitutionally questionable anti-terrorism tactics.

To say the least, Americans are more keenly aware than ever before that their constitutional rights are threatened by government agencies ostensibly protecting them from a myriad of enemies. Skepticism of government power is indeed a virtue, but in the course of my work, I've frequently seen how healthy skepticism can sometimes morph into self-defeating doom mongering.

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The constitutional doom-monger is easily identifiable by their familiar cry: "Everything in your website/video is wrong! Don't you know the police can do anything they want! The Fourth Amendment and the Constitution are dead! It's been repealed by King George and The Patriot Act!" (In email form this is usually typed in all caps with extra exclamation points.)

While I empathize with folks expressing such sentiments, they are simply wrong. While the Patriot Act gives federal agents broader powers to investigate potential terrorist activities (and I'd never doubt that such powers can and will be abused), its practical application has zero impact on expanding the powers of local cops in our neighborhoods or the state police patrolling our highways.

Ironically, the mistaken belief that the Patriot Act repeals our constitutional rights reinforces the doom-monger's self-fulfilling prophecy. During the course of an actual unexpected police encounter the doom-monger is more likely than a constitutionally literate person to waive his Fourth and Fifth Amendment rights — thus increasing his likelihood of being detained, searched, and arrested. Also, should an arrest or other negative outcome occur, a citizen who correctly asserts his/her rights will make a better defendant in criminal court and a better plaintiff seeking compensatory damages in civil court.

Before I describe some of the tactics you can use to protect your remaining constitutional rights during police encounters, I must clarify that I'm not suggesting that the powers of state and local police are not out of control. In fact, the most serious and visible encroachments against our constitutional rights by overblown police powers occurred within the past two decades before 9/11.

Such encroachments are side-effects of an expanded War on Crime, most particularly the War on Drugs. Since the early 1980's, law enforcement agencies nationwide have adopted increasingly militaristic police tactics. These have taken the form of paramilitary police units for routine police work. The most notable being the use of no-knock SWAT team raids targeting low-level drug offenders.

These paramilitary tactics have gone hand-in-hand with the expansion of asset forfeiture laws. Such laws have created an incentive for "entrepreneurial policing" whereby police agencies pursue illegal drug suspects for the purpose of confiscating their property - thus devoting fewer resources to investigating crimes against people and property.

To make matters worse, the Supreme Court has consistently ruled in favor of expanding the scope of police power - especially for the purpose of fighting illegal drugs. As a result, police agencies have been emboldened to use increasingly crude investigation tactics involving suspicion-less searches. Among the most controversial of these has been the racial profiling of drivers to determine who will be stopped for minor traffic offenses in order to be searched for contraband.

Our nation's prison population is a leading indicator of the police state crisis. Sustained by the proliferation of mandatory minimum sentencing laws beginning in the mid-1980s, the United States has the world's highest imprisonment rate (738 per 100,000) and total population (2.2 million). Half of these prisoners are locked up for nonviolent offenses.

The odds are plainly stacked against a citizen facing an unexpected police encounter. Regardless, correctly "flexing" your rights is the best chance one has to avoid becoming a statistic.

Tips for Flexing Your Rights During Police Encounters

The information in this section is pulled directly from our website, www.flexyourrights.org and our popular 45-minute educational DVD, *Busted: The Citizen's Guide to Surviving Police Encounters*.

Simply reading about your rights is a weak substitute for watching real people dealing with realistic police encounters. So in addition to skimming these tips, I recommend watching *Busted* with friends and family. (You can order *Busted* through our website for a \$25 donation, or you can easily find a lower-quality free online version.)

Busted features three common police scenarios - a traffic stop, street stop, and home entry. In each scene the actors respond as most people tend to do in the face of police intimidation: they unknowingly and repeatedly waive their constitutional rights.

A "good" scene depicting the same actors courteously and confidently exercising their constitutional rights follows each "bad" scene. The benefits of doing so are made plainly evident as narrator Ira Glasser, a former ACLU executive director, shows you how to avoid cops' "gotcha games" as they try to trick you into waiving your rights.

How to Deal with a Traffic Stop

In any given traffic stop, with a few notable exceptions, the below rules will help protect your constitutional rights and improve your chances of driving away safely. (For tips on

dealing with street stops and home entry, visit our website www.flexyourrights.org and watch *Busted*.)

1) Keep Your Private Items Out of View

This is common sense: Always keep any private items that you don't want others to see out of sight. Legally speaking, police do not need a search warrant in order to confiscate any illegal items that are in plain view.

2) Be Courteous & Non-Confrontational

If you are pulled over, the first thing you should do is turn your car off, turn the dome light on (if it's nighttime), roll down the window, and keep your hands on the steering wheel. Don't immediately reach into your glove compartment for your license and registration. Officers want to be able to see your hands for their own safety. Wait until the officer asks to see your paperwork before retrieving your documents.

The first thing you should say to the officer is, "Hello Officer. How are you?" The officer may then ask, "Why do you think I pulled you over?" Tell the officer you don't know. Most importantly, do not apologize after you get stopped, because that can be considered an admission of guilt and could be used against you later in court.

If it's requested, show your identification. Be respectful and non-confrontational. Always call the officer "Officer". Remain calm and quiet while the officer reviews your documents. If the officer writes you a ticket, accept it quietly and never complain. Listen to any instruction on paying the fine or contesting the ticket, and drive away slowly.

3) Just Say "No" to Searches

The average motorist stopped by a police officer who asks them, "Would you mind if I search your vehicle, please?" will probably consent to a search without realizing that they have every right to deny the officer's request.

If a police officer asks your permission to search, you are under no obligation to consent. The reason he's asking you is often because he doesn't have enough evidence (i.e. probable cause) to search without your consent. If you consent to a search request you automatically waive your Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable searches and seizures. As a general rule, if a person consents to a search, the search automatically becomes reasonable and therefore legal. Consequently, whatever an officer finds during such a search can be used to convict the person.

If, for any reason you don't want the officer digging through your belongings, you should refuse to consent by saying something like, "Officer, I know you're just doing your job, but I do not consent to any searches of my private property." If the officer still proceeds to search you and finds illegal contraband, your attorney can argue that the contraband was discovered through an illegal search and hence should be thrown out of court.

Don't expect a police officer to tell you about your right to refuse consent. You should never hesitate to assert your constitutional right to say "no" to police searches.

4) Determine if You Can Leave

You have the right to terminate an encounter with a police officer unless you are being detained under police custody or have been arrested. The general rule is that you don't have to answer any questions that the police ask you. This rule comes from the Fifth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which protects you against self-incrimination. If you cannot tell if you are allowed to leave, say to the officer, "I have to be on my way. Am I free to go?"

If the officer says "Yes", tell him to have a nice day, and leave immediately. If the officer's answer is ambiguous, or if she asks you another unrelated question, persist by asking, "Am I being detained, or can I go now?" If the officer says "No," you are being detained, and you may be placed under arrest. If this is the case, reassert your rights as outlined above, and follow Rules #5 and #6.

5) Do Not Answer Questions without Your Attorney Present

There is no reason to worry that your failure to answer the officer's questions will later be used against you. The truth is just the opposite: Anything you say can, and probably will, be used against you.

In just about any case imaginable, a person is best off not answering any questions about her involvement in anything illegal. Assert your Fifth and Sixth Amendment rights by saying these exact words: "Officer, I have nothing to say until I speak with a lawyer."

Remember: If you do choose to answer any of the officer's questions, always be honest. Police are not easily tricked and will often become hostile if they feel disrespected. If you feel it's best not to answer truthfully, then don't say anything at all.

6) Do Not Physically Resist

If the police proceed to detain, search, or arrest you despite your wishes - do not physically resist. You may state clearly but non-confrontationally: "Officer, I am not resisting arrest and I do not consent to any searches." Or you may assert your rights by simply saying nothing until you can speak with an attorney.

We the People

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~ Amendment I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

~ Amendment II

A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.

~ Amendment III

No Soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house, without the consent of the Owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

~ Amendment IV

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no Warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by Oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

~ Amendment V

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

~ Amendment VI

In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the State and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the Assistance of Counsel for his defense.

~ Amendment VII

In Suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury, shall be otherwise re-examined in any Court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

~ Amendment VIII

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

~ Amendment IX

The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

~ Amendment X

The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people.



MILITIA AND THE ECONOMY

At what point does a people say, “enough” after a long train of abuses? At what point does it become obvious that the party you are contracting with is not operating in good faith with the intent of doing you harm? Upon this realization and seeing a mortal threat are you not then in the right to prepare for the threat that is before you?

These and many other questions were part of the process leading up to American Independence and what we in these united states call the Revolutionary War. The men that asked these questions would be known in later days as the founding fathers of our nation. They were men of many backgrounds and yet all were well versed in the concept of just government and sound economics. As dynamic men of their day they were well read. Several being taught through different schools of education yet by many common teachers. Just as they would tell you that they supported the foundational laws of the land they would in the same breath, without hesitation, tell you of their support for the militia. The study of the nature of man and the need for checks and balances was the basis for their support of the militia as a check against over reaching government. Most were either serving or had served with the militia of their respective colony. They understood all too well the destructive potential of war for most had served with formations of the wars of the 1750's through to the 1760's. They would be the first to rise to the defense of the militia and what it represented in terms of liberty for they knew that the people were and are the militia.

The events of the decades leading up to the open conflict of 1775 are a record of attacks upon the economic where-with-all of the colonies. It should be noted that many in the colonies fully expected war to break out in 1765. The confiscation of property, the attack on individual rights and the wholesale violation of the common law reached a peak in that year and the many militias were ready to wage war to deal with the affronts taking place. The Crown British Mile perceived the storm that confronted it and so backed off for a time. However two significant things happened one after another. First the banking arm of the crown used its leverage to create and sustain an economic depression across the whole of the colonies which would last up to the beginning of the war. Second, not long after the beginning of this depression, a great Christian Revival swept across the land which countered the economic hardship that put many people on the streets and roads in front of the homes that they had built. Many a crown agent now sat in those homes as defacto symbols of an invasion and occupation. While the stamp act and other more overt actions were taken by the crown, it was the multitude of everyday takings that progressively turned up the temperature on the political front. Later listed as a grievance in the Declaration of Independence this multitude of new officers in banking, in farming and in all forms of commerce levied greater and greater petty taxes on a wide front per their personal discretion. In some cases not only were there taxes but also outright bans on whole categories of products that could not be produced within the colonies nor accessed from other trading partners across the seas. In many cases what could be accessed was an in-

ferior product and incapable of producing even a proper return on the original investment. Many wished that the war had started in 1765.

The formula was obvious to any and all with eyes to see and ears to hear. The Crown was going to continue to debase the economy while demanding greater and greater taxation as a way to rest the earth off from under the feet of those that had cleared, settled and then built up the colonies. Many of the Crown Agents working as speculators were already turning their eyes to all points of the compass eyeing the next properties to be confiscated. The next battery of taxes would put even more people out of their homes with no relief in sight and most normal forms of trade blocked. The situation was being engineered so that it would not be possible to meet the fees, fines and taxes being levied. While some argued that a peaceful solution was at hand by petitioning the king the next great footfall would tell otherwise. The arrival of British Regulars combined with mercenary forces from the continent. The pressure upon the king to protect the new landed agents of the crown now brought the boots of an occupation army. This was not lost on those who realized that what property was still privately held would probably now be taken at bayonet point. With no French or Spanish threat on the continent this force of arms could be for nothing else.

It should be noted that most of the colonies responded to the ongoing threat at many levels but all sponsored and supported militia formations of varying sizes and strengths. Virginia's militia formations were some of the most well-equipped and trained coming out of the French and Indian Wars. Most of the central colonial militias were of comparable force size and were divided into the active militia and the militia at large. Both public arms and private arms were available with many local militias outfitted and armed as well or better than their active militia counterparts.(or regular forces for that matter) Many local foundries produced cannon and shot such as was in place outside of Concord Massachusetts of April 19th 1775 fame. These many militias were supported by colonies and by private citizens. It should be noted, that many new and unique developments in the tactical/small unit area of military science were brought forward by the militias. A whole new concept on physical fitness and tactical movement was implemented following direct experience from the past war. Rapid response and mobility were absolutely essential in dealing with the hostiles on the western frontier and this in and of itself would play out in the years of “containment” of the regulars in Boston up to 1775. The militias were commanded by highly motivated and experienced men who emphasized training and speed. It is a matter of history that in the two years before the outbreak of the war militia forces mobilized to counter actions by the Regulars out of Boston preventing any surprise confiscations or attacks. Their success is demonstrated by the fact that out of desperation the British commander tried to sneak out of Boston to engage in house to house confiscation of arms at the afore mentioned town of Concord. “One if by land, two if by sea.” is a demonstration of how well the regulars were being watched and countered. Even with a maximum effort to maintain operational security, to include arrests and a curfew, the commander of the British regulars could not conceal his intent from the eyes and ears of the militia. Paul Revere and his rider network serving as the alarm telegraph of the day spread the word that mobilized the militia companies of the counties far and wide.

Because of the subversive nature of the global socialists that have infiltrated our nation many of the facts above have been torn from the



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school curriculum of the present system. Many of the controlled media outlets have gone so far as to down play the issues of the period and implied that the "rebels against the crown" were bumpkins with no justification for resisting. In some cases these new agents of the crown have even called the founding fathers "terrorists" for fighting the unjust taxes and actions of the king's men. What is both sad and comical is the way that they try to turn around the fact that the taxes that we went to war over as part of the list of grievances was only five percent. They hope that we will not look at the facts of the day and realize that we are already being unjustly taxed many times what the founders considered excessive. The socialist will try to say that we are enduring a much heavier burden than was levied in the past so what right did the people of 1775 have to rise up. My point and that of many Americans using common sense would force me to ask the socialist how is it right to take from our person the present level of taxes knowing that the founders of this nation did not put up with even a small percentage of such thievery. The socialist as a parasite on society is truly of the mindset that "what is mine is mine and what is yours is ours." and so any level of taxation against "we the people" is acceptable when taxing the "states" property. This type of tyranny is the very same mind set that exists with any centrist economic policy no matter the name attached. To defend from this threat the people have had to come together from time to time for mutual defense of their resources thus the advent of the militia.

One man alone is an easy target especially if he feels isolated. The thought process that "you are alone and it is futile to resist" is always promoted by the Police State, the economic parasite in authority and any "ism" that wishes to oppress a people. The process of a people to come together for mutual defense is greatly feared by the economic tyrant for with many eyes and many hands the capability to protect ones property and that of your allies is possible. When the "king" or who ever sends out the "property collectors" the word goes out and the people rally to counter the threat. This type of containment was used and very successful in the colonies in the 1770's especially in the Boston area. After all, why would the British have to "sneak" out of Boston to go out on a property confiscation raid? Obviously the militia had significant effect on the effectiveness of the crowns collection services. Mutual defense was and is a deterrent to criminal activity by government especially when it is occupied by an alien economic force bent upon thievery. The militia is as viable today as it was 235 years ago and for this reason the powers that be fear it today just as they did in the past. For this reason the controlled media's job is to vilify and attack the militia in what ever form, as that media is owned by the same economic tyrants that manipulates and sends out the "collectors" in what ever form. The good thing is that the people are looking past the propaganda showing that they see the stings attached to the meat puppets of the media that do not have our interests at heart.

With each day another person is made cognizant of the threat to his or her wealth through the many failures that are now overwhelming the system. These failures are the result of specific attacks upon our economic system designed to enslave "we the people" and put chains upon us all. The attacks themselves are always in violation of the body of law long established by the founders of our nation. When all else fails and the attacks become more vicious it is the militia that will be there to prevent the loss of your property and rights all of which is one and the same. It is the militia that has always been there as the check and balance in the hands of the people to deter minds bent upon violating the law. Your support is critical in determining how strong the militia will be and how secure your property will stay. The militia as a defender of your personal wealth and liberties is a reality that you must embrace to remain free. To prevent the sacking of your wealth join and support the militia just as our founders did to protect theirs as they brought forth this nation.

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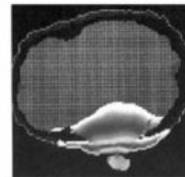
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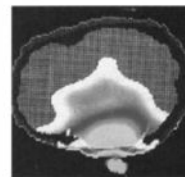
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