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*Many forms of Government have been tried and will be tried in this world of sin and woe. No one pretends that democracy is perfect or all-wise. Indeed, it has been said that democracy is the worst form of government except all those other forms that have been tried from time to time."*

– [Winston Churchill, Speech in the House of Commons](#) (11 November 1947), published in 206-07 The Official Report, House of Commons (5th Series), 11 November 1947, vol. 444.

*The world must be made safe for democracy. Its peace must be planted upon the tested foundations of political liberty.* – [Woodrow Wilson, Address to Congress on War](#), April 2, 1917

*Let us never forget that government is ourselves and not an alien power over us. The ultimate rulers of our democracy are not a President and senators and congressmen and government officials, but the voters of this country.*  
– Franklin D. Roosevelt

If you believe them, you've been punked! There is a difference between Rights of People and Rights of Citizens. To which group do you belong? As with most things, [it is all about semantics](#).

## Creator Endowed Rights

Let us be clear on what a republican form of government is,

and not what the ministry of official truth and proper propaganda says it is.

In plain English, the republican form is one in which ALL MEN, and women, are born equal **before the law** – none higher, and thus have **CREATOR ENDOWED RIGHTS** that governments were instituted to secure.

According to [Article 4, Section 4 of the Constitution](#), Americans are promised a republican form of government, to which they are bound.

*Article 4, Section 4: The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion; and on Application of the Legislature , or of the Executive (when the Legislature cannot be convened) against domestic Violence.*

Why might Americans want to unbind themselves from government-secured rights?

Two words: “The governed.”

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*Democracy is not freedom. Democracy is two wolves and a lamb voting on what to eat for lunch. Freedom comes from the recognition of certain rights which may not be taken, not even by a 99% vote.” – Marvin Simkin*

In other words, once you consent to be governed, you have **SURRENDERED ALL ENDOWMENTS**. That is how the servant government became your sovereign master; you volunteered.

This has been in the law since 1777, but few Americans have read their own laws, state or federal. The [average American citizen has little or no influence on government policy](#).

Further, the American citizen has no endowed right to life, nor liberty, nor absolute ownership because, as a subject, he can be ordered to train, fight, and die, on command (militia duty), and was obligated to give up a portion of his property (i.e., qualified ownership of estate, via ad valorem taxes, etc). .. by his consent to be governed. Read on...

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*It may be laid down, as a primary position, and the basis of our system, that every citizen who enjoys the protection of a free government, owes not only a proportion of his property, but even of his personal services to the defence of it, and consequently that the Citizens of America (with a few legal and official exceptions) from 18 to 50 Years of Age should be borne on the Militia Rolls, provided with uniform Arms, and so far accustomed to the use of them, that the Total strength of the Country might be called forth at Short Notice on any very interesting Emergency."*

– – – George Washington; "[Sentiments on a Peace Establishment](#)" in a letter to Alexander Hamilton (2 May 1783); published in *The Writings of George Washington* (1938),

*edited by John C. Fitzpatrick, Vol. 26, p. 289.*

[... Every citizen ... owes a portion of his property ... and services in defense ... in the militia ... from 18 to 50 years of age... ]IN SHORT, the American citizen has no endowed right to life, nor liberty, nor absolute ownership because, as a subject, he can be ordered to train, fight, and die, on command (militia duty), and was obligated to give up a portion of his property (qualified ownership of estate, via ad valorem taxes, etc). .. by his consent to be governed.

However, that does not negate the endowed rights of the sovereign American people, called “noncitizens” or “free inhabitants” who did not consent to be governed.

Pursuant to the Declaration of Independence, all men are created equal and have Creator endowed rights that governments were instituted to secure.

## **Mandatory Civic Duties**

Those who **consent to be governed, as citizens**, have mandatory civic duties that abrogate all endowed rights. All that remains are “civil and political” liberties (aka “rights”).

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Remember, the founders and all subsequent citizens have pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor to serve and obey the governments instituted to secure rights of the people. The Charter of Freedom called [The Declaration of Independence](#) appears two-faced.

*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.*

Make no mistake:

- The Declaration says : YOU have an endowed right to life.
- But citizens have no inalienable (endowed) right to life.
- The Declaration says : YOU have an endowed right to natural and personal liberty.
- But citizens have only civil and political liberty.
- The Declaration says : YOU have an endowed right to absolutely own private property (upon which you can pursue happiness without permission of a superior). But citizens have no private property, absolutely owned... a portion can be claimed by the government.

If you consent to be a citizen, you have NO ENDOWED RIGHTS:

*The Supreme Court has held, in [Butler v. Perry, 240 U.S. 328 \(1916\)](#), that the Thirteenth Amendment does not prohibit “enforcement of those duties which individuals owe to the state, such as services in the army, MILITIA, on the jury, etc.” In *Selective Draft Law Cases*, 245 U.S. 366 (1918), the Supreme Court ruled that the military draft was not “involuntary servitude”.*

Since the militia obligation only applies to CITIZENS, and not to All People, who apparently retain their rights, citizenship must be **voluntary**. But once one volunteers, those civic duties become mandatory.

Any presumption to the contrary is an error not supported by law or court ruling.

- The government can order you to train, fight, and die, on command.
- The government can take a portion of your property -or wages – or whatever – as it sees fit.
- All authorized by your consent to be a CITIZEN (state or U.S.). Citizens, like the Founders, have pledged their lives, property and sacred honor in service to others and to the government.
- ONLY Non-citizen nationals (people) retain their endowed rights.

The US CONgress complies with this, too. **People have rights and powers. Citizens have privileges and immunities.** And they are mutually exclusive.

## **The Banks**

Now that we know it is our consent to be citizens that waives our right to life and liberty, it is futile to argue over the loss of other inconsequential rights, be they parental rights, gay rights, women's rights, etc.

Once the servant government went bankrupt in 1933, it was transformed into a servant of the Creditor, and sought to service the debt by whatever means, fair or foul. Government officials thought they were “smart” because as trustees of public property, said property cannot be confiscated by any Creditor. So the Creditor made CONgress into trustees in their own bankruptcy. This made them shift allegiance.

## **Banksters Rule**

The strange behavior of the government toward banks is clarified. Banks will always be “bailed out” with taxpayer funds. HUMANS ARE RESOURCES pledged as collateral on the public debt. If you have an interest bearing personal account, you are “trading with the enemy.” And if you are a member of

any religion whose tenets proscribe usury, which all do, you're not "protected" anymore. You're a 'dead man' walking. According to [Ezekiel 18:13 KJV](#)

*Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: shall he then live? he shall not live: he hath done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him.*

Banksters are not all bad. They will not open an interest bearing account for unnumbered Americans, only those who signed up with Socialist *Insecurity* can exercise the "privilege" to engage in usury with America's *enemies*.

An unnumbered American national is not subject to an excise tax / privilege tax for the exercise of his endowed rights, so he has no tax liability, nor need for a taxpayer ID number. And FICA application form SS-5 is limited to U.S. citizens / residents which obviously excludes non-resident inhabitants domiciled upon their private property. No number – no way to file anything – no willful failure to file.

Alternatively, participation in Social Security means eligibility for "entitlements" (public charity) which makes every enumerated American into a pauper at law – an excepted class and STATUS CRIMINAL.

### **Consent Recap:**

- As a voluntary citizen, you owe your life, property, liberty and obedience to your sovereign government.
- As a voluntary socialist, you also owe a duty to support other socialists, regardless of their moral character.
- And as a voluntary usurer, you're obligated to abide by the rules of "the bank." Which connects you to the World Bank, whose U.S. Governor is the Secretary of Treasury who is NOT paid by the U.S. Government, but is granted sweeping pre-approved powers by CONgress under 12 USC

Sec. 95a, 95b.

- And one of those “rules” includes the obligation to file an annual financial statement in the form the bank requests.

(And that explains why “new patriots” could never find the law that compels us to file “under penalty of perjury” a Form 1040, despite the penalty for “willful failure to file.”)

As long as it requires your consent – no harm, no foul. That is why you must read the law and see all the trap doors, exceptions, exclusions, loopholes, and catch-22s that insure that NO LAW accidentally violates the endowed rights of the SOVEREIGN PEOPLE (what few remain). Once rights are violated, then we, the people have the right to ALTER OR ABOLISH the Peoples Democratic Socialist Republic of America. Would government not be afraid that we may find this out and withdraw consent, forcing their hand?

When it comes to consent:

- Until consent is withdrawn, no remedy is possible.
- After consent is withdrawn, no remedy is needed.

## **Manufacturing Consent**

Governments have gone to much trouble to invert inherent rights by statutes, [policies](#), Acts, E.O.s and exemptions to manufacture consent. In doing so, they have bound freedom to a contract.

All government Acts apply to government entities and [persons](#); not to men and women. Men and women are not subject to Acts, because they are not subjects.

When it comes to Acts, *All the world is a stage.*

*All the world's a stage, And all the men and women merely players;*

*They have their exits and their entrances;*



*And one man in his time plays many parts –William Shakespeare,  
As You Like It*

Shakespeare titled his play, ***As You Like It***, as if to say, you always have a choice.

Exemption or no exemptions, the power of NO always applies, as long as you can voice it and then apply it. One way to say No Thank You is through a [Conditional Acceptance](#), a lawful response to any offer to contract. Can they sign a statement agreeing to [your conditions](#) to their offer? If not, there is no contract and you remain in honor. See more at [Youarelaw.org](http://Youarelaw.org).

[All Acts](#) attempt to do one thing: to allow the government to legislate choice and freedom. That is, if you consent to the offer. However, if offered an experimental product, make sure you are provided with Informed Consent (45 CFR § 46.116) before you consent, because you become a subject taking part in a clinical study. From the [first Act, passed in 1784](#), to the latest draft government Act, ALL Acts appear to be an extension of [The CIRCUS Act](#). More than 30,000 statutes have been enacted since 1789.

## **Rights Vs. Privileges**

When it comes to any mandate, you either volunteer or you do not. It is important to appreciate that all exemptions (medical, religious, or philosophical/personal belief), are fundamentally illegal, because they transpose an inherent human RIGHT into a PRIVILEGE, on the presumption that you acknowledge, and thus sacrifice or forfeit your natural BIRTHRIGHTS to an external authority.

For instance, there is no American authority for compulsory vaccination, in the sense of forcing one to submit even if policies “require” compliance. When it comes to commerce, everything is an offer to contract. If citizenship is voluntary, then so are mandates.

Without knowing your rights, government will succeed in altering customs, usages, and practices, by implication, to leave humanity's natural path. The citizen courts make *an opinion* to "[require" a medical treatment or an injection](#) or, alternatively, [they can prevent it](#). The courts hold power over you... as long as you allow it.

**There is no law that compels anyone to do anything related to mandated restrictions**, whether COVID-related or not. The freedom to choose is non-negotiable. You always have options just like you always have opinions.

However, in this era, freedom must be defended and claimed as a BIRTHRIGHT. Do you trust [a government calling the shots](#) under the ruse of exemptions? Or do you awaken and be responsible for yourself? As always, freedom is a way of life. It lives in you.

## **Natural Law**

The principles of "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness" can only be understood from the perspective of Natural Law.

Natural law says that rights are grounded in human nature. Human nature is universal and unchanging, consistent over the world and throughout history. Natural law is common to all humans. It comes from nature rather than from the rules of society. As a Universal Law, Natural Law does not depend on human understanding.

When freedom is defined under Natural Law, people can be confident that reasoned, objective, and moral agreements are common between all people – common law. Natural law was an ideal shared by the Founders. And it seemed to work, for a while.

If America in the 21st century is a divided nation, it is because Americans have forgotten that moral rights are

grounded in Nature. Today, objective human rights have been replaced by subjective privileges and benefits that must be protected by "The consent of the governed."

## **The Right to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness**

America once protected and honored the rights to Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. However, in the last few decades, we have forgotten both human nature and the Creator. Little wonder why, in 2020, Americans sequestered themselves away in their homes, under a new definition of 'quarantine,' afraid to gather with their own family, under a new definition of freedom.

Perhaps Americans were [never free to begin with?](#)

Since The Declaration, The Constitution continues to make "slavery" legal. Only racial slavery is illegal. After the Civil War, and with the onset of the Industrial Revolution, white men saw their future.

Indeed, under [The Field Order](#), freed black people settled in over [400,000 acres of land in the South](#). However, ultimately, these lands were given back to confederate planters who previously owned it, by Pres. Andrew Johnson, who overturned the Field Order.

The government foresaw that ex-slave labor would displace white labor in the territories, thus ALL people needed to be slaves. To those in power, the issue of the Civil War was not one of race but of pure economics.

Economic slavery was made legal and expanded by Santa Clara et. seq. under the [14th Amendment](#) which became effective in 1866 (made corporations into people). A later Supreme Court case ([Citizens United v. FEC; Bush v. Gore](#)) ruled that political spending by corporations, associations, and labor unions is a form of protected speech under the First Amendment.

The result is that People = Property. No inherent Rights. Only State-granted privileges. In re: Bush v. Gore, the majority opinion echoed that the “average citizen” has no constitutional right to elect the POTUS and that this Right rests firmly with the Electors. Perhaps we have accepted the division between life and liberty because we are apathetic. Perhaps we no longer believe in “rights” because we have been systematically dumbed down and duped. Perhaps we have allowed fear to rule over happiness.

Is it too late to reclaim freedom according to the truth of human nature?

Remember, we cannot pick and choose which rights we wish to keep for ourselves, and which rights we wish to abolish for others. Indifference leads to the abolition of all Rights. As Lincoln said, “A house divided cannot stand. It must become all of one thing or all the other.” United we stand, divided we fall.

Can we in the *Land of the Free* protect *the common good* in the name of inherent rights if people consent to be governed?

Is the American ideal dead forever, or does it live inside each of us, waiting to be redefined and reignited?

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