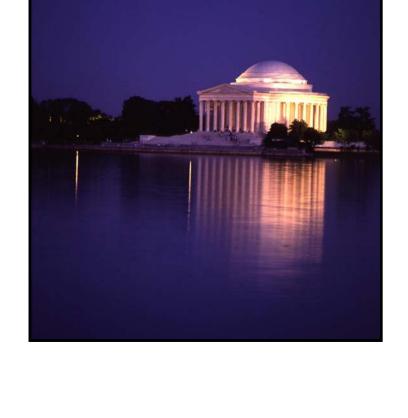
# We The People Foundation







To Protect And Defend The Constitution Of The United States Of America



"Rightful liberty is unobstructed action according to our will, within limits drawn around us by the equal rights of others. I do not add 'within the limits of the law', because law is often but the tyrant's will, and always so when it violates the rights of the individual."

Thomas Jefferson

"WE HAVE RIGHTS ANTECEDENT TO ALL EARTHLY GOVERNMENTS; RIGHTS THAT CANNOT BE REPEALED OR RESTRAINED BY HUMAN LAWS; RIGHTS DERIVED FROM THE GREAT LEGISLATOR OF THE UNIVERSE."

John Adams

# America's Providential History — Then and Now

In the year 1776, a magnificent experiment in human freedom was beginning to unfold. The world had never before witnessed such an event—one so profound that it would forever change man's concept of himself, and his institutions of civil government.

With brilliant minds that were destined for the moment, and courageous hearts inspired by simple faith in Divine Providence, America's Founding Fathers led a fledgling nation out of the dark grip of tyranny, and into the Light of Liberty.

They pledged their lives, fortunes and sacred honor, to each other, and to the principles upon which our beloved Country was conceived.



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"The principles contained in the Declaration of Independence are saving principles. Stand by those principles; be true to them on all occasions, in all places, against all foes, and at whatever cost."

Frederick Douglass





Through great personal hardship and sacrifice, those first American patriots gave birth to the world's only Constitutional Republic.

In America, we believe that our Rights come from God, not government.

In America, the individual is sovereign, not the State.

In America, we have a written Constitution and Bill of Rights that strictly limits the jurisdiction and authority of our federal and state governments.

The Constitution contains a set of principles and rules by which the People direct and control our servant government.



In stark contrast to the world's many Socialist Democracies, our American Republic rests firmly on a Declaration of Independence, a Constitution and a Bill of Rights.

As Americans, our individual Rights to life, liberty and property are constitutionally guaranteed, and cannot be repealed or denied by majority vote.

It is our sacred responsibility as citizens to protect and defend the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights against all enemies both foreign and domestic, including those within our government who seek to deny our unalienable Rights.

"The most pernicious form of tyranny is that which disguises itself as a benefactor to its victims."

Robert L. Schulz

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# A Different America?

America has drifted far from its moorings of faith in God, personal freedom, equal justice, due process of law and respect for private property.

With great sorrow, those who remain devoted to the founding principles of our nation have endured America's moral deterioration, and perilous transformation into a Socialist Democracy.

Today, our nation is dominated by a self-anointed ruling class of intellectual, political and financial elitists—a wouldbe ruling class that views our faith in God, our sacred Constitution and our Bill of Rights with utter contempt.

With anxious hearts, We the People have witnessed an insidious assault on our nation's historic principles by career politicians, entrenched bureaucrats, dishonorable judges, and the powerful special interests that control them.

We are now confronted with the hard truth that our elected officials and courts refuse to recognize and protect the unalienable Rights and freedoms of individual Americans, or the sacred Constitution and Bill of Rights that has guaranteed them for over 200 years.

Today, a large percentage of Americans are dependent on government for their economic welfare, happiness, and security. We have forgotten that government produces nothing, and has nothing of value to give us that it does not first take from someone else who works for it.

Today, we elect and appoint government leaders and judges who rarely demonstrate the virtues of integrity, personal responsibility, and respect for Individual Rights and private property that were cherished and guiding principles of our Forefathers.

Our political, business, and religious leaders have encouraged the People to accept the false notion that patriotism requires blind loyalty and unquestioned obedience to the government.

"Let the
Eye of
Vigilance
never be
closed."
Thomas
Jefferson

But, nothing could be further from the truth, or more inconsistent with our nation's history.

It is a tragic fact that the overwhelming majority of Americans no longer expect honesty, accountability, and lawful conduct from our nation's leaders.

Our Republic and our freedom are in peril. We must act now if we are to successfully defend our nation against the powerful forces of tyranny and injustice that have become entrenched in our federal and state governments.

There can be no middle ground – either we will reclaim and secure our freedom, or that brief moment in human history when man experienced his rightful dominion over government will pass forever.

It is time to ask ourselves serious questions: Do we have a government bound by a written Constitution -or not? Do we enjoy a government OF, BY, and FOR the People -- or not? Are we prepared to acknowledge, and act upon, the personal responsibility we each bear to peacefully pursue all non-violent, Constitutional means available to secure freedom for ourselves, our families and our posterity?

On March 4, 1837, President Andrew Jackson delivered his farewell address. His foresight should be pondered carefully as we consider the implications of our answers and our actions:

"... You have the highest of human trusts committed to your care. Providence has showered on this favored land blessings without number, and has chosen you as the guardians of freedom, to preserve it for the benefit of the human race.

May He who holds in His hands the destinies of nations make you worthy of the favors He has bestowed and enable you, with pure hearts and pure hands and sleepless vigilance, to guard and defend to the end of time the great charge He has committed to your keeping."



Pulling down the statute of King George III

"Who will govern the governors? There is only one force in the nation that can be depended upon to keep the government pure and the governors honest, and that is the people themselves. They alone, if well informed, are capable of preventing the corruption of power, and of restoring the nation to its rightful course if it should go astray. They alone are the safest depository of the ultimate powers of government."

Thomas Jefferson

# The We The People Organization

The United States
Constitution and Bill of
Rights is all that stands
between the American
People and tyranny. But, our
Constitution cannot defend
itself. That responsibility
resides with the People.

Today, constitutional governance in America has become a practical impossibility through our existing political and governmental processes.



The control and corrupting influences the major political parties exert over the selection, election and behavior of our government officials, and the relentless assault on our form of government by powerful financial, corporate, media and even foreign special interests, can be countered only through a well-educated populace and the direct activism of the People.

The objective of the *We The People Organization* is to return America to its founding principles, including popular sovereignty, constitutionally limited government, enumerated and separate powers, individual and unalienable Rights, self-reliance and personal responsibility, and respect for life and private property.

The We The People Organization is comprised of two highly coordinated, but distinct entities, each with different capabilities and objectives. These are the We The People Foundation For Constitutional Education, Inc., and the We The People Congress, Inc.

The We The People Foundation, is a non-profit research and educational foundation. Our purpose is to promote a deeper understanding of the history and nature of America's unique constitutional system of government, and the power it affords our citizens to hold government leaders at all levels accountable for their actions.

The WTP Foundation's programs facilitate effective civic action intended to compel government officials to obey our federal and state constitutions. We provide education and training to counteract the widespread public ignorance and apathy that hampers the development of effective citizen vigilance and the exercise of popular sovereignty, which are essential to the defense of our Constitutions, and our individual Rights and Freedoms.

We The People Congress is a non-profit, membershipbased assembly of patriotic Americans dedicated to "institutionalizing" citizen vigilance.

As an organized force of "constitutional activists," the WTP Congress monitors government behavior and challenges unconstitutional and unlawful conduct by government officials at every level. The WTP Congress is presently organizing citizen "ward republics" and "vigilance centers" in every county and state nationwide.

"Hold on, my friends, to the Constitution and to the Republic for which it stands. Miracles do not cluster, and what has happened once in 6000 years, may not happen again.

Hold onto the Constitution, for if the American Constitution should fail, there will be anarchy throughout the world."

Daniel Webster

"If ye love wealth better than liberty, the tranquility of servitude better than the animating contest of freedom, go home from us in peace. We ask not your counsel or your arms. Crouch down and lick the hands of those who feed you. May your chains set lightly upon you, and may posterity forget that ye were our countrymen."

Samuel Adams

The We The People Organization does not engage in partisan political advocacy, which is properly reserved for the public discourse and the ballot box. Additionally, our work is based on facts, not opinions.

While the major libertyoriented organizations in
America limit their activity
to political policy research
and academic debates,
the We The People
Organization seeks out
and directly challenges
unconstitutional
government conduct and
abuse of power, no matter
the level of opposition or
practical difficulty. We do
so intelligently, rationally,
professionally and

respectfully, but with an unyielding devotion to the principles embodied in the Declaration of Independence, the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights.

We believe that the unalienable Rights of every American must be peacefully defended at all costs.

We rely on the power of Fundamental Law, the power of advanced information and communications resources, the power of organization, and the inherent power of the People, to confront and combat those who would conspire to deprive us of our Liberty.

Boston Tea Party



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# **Our Mission:**

### The Restoration and Maintenance of Constitutional Order

To protect and preserve the People's individual, unalienable Rights.

Gadsden Flag



To inform the People, that under our system of government, all power comes from them, and that all legitimate government authority is strictly limited by our written Constitutions, state and federal.

To educate People about the history, original meaning and intent of every provision of the Declaration of Independence and our state and federal Constitutions.

To instill in People the importance of persistently and stubbornly demanding that all government officials obey our federal and state Constitutions.

To teach People how to defend their Creator-endowed Rights by peacefully confronting unconstitutional and illegal and behavior by those in government. "I have sworn upon the altar of God eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man."

Thomas Jefferson

# The We The People Story

The predecessor organization to *We The People Foundation* was established in 1979 by Robert L. Schulz, Sr. As a tireless advocate for lawful government and defender of our Constitution and Bill of Rights, Bob Schulz has devoted his life to the restoration and defense of America's founding principles, and the freedom of all Americans.

During its first twenty years of operation, the *WTP* predecessor organization focused on unconstitutional and illegal behavior by government officials in the State of New York.

Under Bob's leadership, more than 125 decisions have been reported in lawsuits that were filed against municipal, county and state government agencies and officials in response to constitutional violations, political corruption, and abuse of authority.



"A wise and prudent government does not take bread from the mouths of labor."

Thomas Jefferson

"There are a thousand hacking at the branches of evil to one who is striking at the root."

> Henry David Thoreau

# Ongoing Initiatives

During the past several years, the *We The People Organization* has focused largely on the federal government's abuse of its constitutionally limited power to tax, and its unlawful infringement of the American worker's unalienable Right to the fruits of his labor.

We also have developed initiatives to challenge the government's abuse of its constitutional powers to incur debt, make money, conduct war and police the peace.

We have extensively funded legal research and educational activities, including symposiums, conferences and public hearings in Washington, DC, regional meetings in dozens of communities

across America, full-page messages in national and local newspapers, live and recorded Internet webcasts, on-line Petitions for Redress, a substantial Internet site with news and research, an on-line store featuring educational materials, etc., and we have retained expert attorneys as required to advance our positions.

We have engaged a full-time professional staff and established a national office in the Washington, DC area.

Our passion for individual liberty, and enduring commitment to protect and defend America's Constitution and Bill of Rights, will continue to guide our efforts as we build a highly professional, nationally recognized organization capable of influencing

public opinion and effectively challenging unconstitutional government conduct at all levels.

Much remains to be done.

The We The People *Organization* is moving: to expand our general membership; strengthen our operational, management and technical capabilities; train and develop the nationwide network of WTP Coordinators and activists: design and implement a financing model capable of sustaining our operations; and, build alliances with like-minded organizations that share the mutual objectives of freedom and constitutional governance carried out in decency and good order.





"If money is wanted by Rulers who have in any manner oppressed the People, they may retain it until their grievances are redressed, and thus peaceably procure relief, without trusting to despised petitions or disturbing the public tranquility."

> "Continental Congress To The Inhabitants of Quebec." Journals of the Continental Congress. Journals 1:105-113

# The Power of the First Amendment Right To Petition

Our Constitution and Bill of Rights provide the American People two fundamental instruments to hold government directly accountable: the Right to Vote and the Right to Petition for a Redress of Grievances.

The First Amendment to the Constitution reads in part: "Congress shall make no law ... abridging the right of the people... to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

This Right is explicit, unconditional, and absolute.

While the Right to Vote is used by the majority to hold government accountable to public opinion on matters regarding political questions, the Right to Petition is the instrument that empowers individuals and minorities to directly hold the government accountable to the essential principles

underlying our Constitution and Bill of Rights. Our Founding Fathers intended the Right to Petition to serve as the "capstone" Right to peacefully protect the People's other Constitutional Rights.

It is through our Right to Petition, that We the People exercise popular sovereignty and control of our servant government.

clause holds the key to the reinvigoration of our Constitutional Republic. It is now time to breathe new life into this forgotten, ancient Right, and to fully exercise the sovereign power it affords us as sovereign American citizens – for in it lies the only hope for America's future as a free country.

Without the Right to Petition our servant government,

We believe the Petition

"The privilege of giving or withholding our moneys is an important barrier against the undue exertion of prerogative which if left altogether without control may be exercised to our great oppression; and all history shows how efficacious its intercession for redress of grievances and reestablishment of rights, and how improvident would be the surrender of so powerful a mediator."

Thomas Jefferson: Reply to Lord North, 1775. Papers 1:225



The First Prayer in Congress

and obtain redress for our grievances, the only way the People can have their voices heard is on Election Day.

If that dark day should come to America, our Constitutional Republic will have been replaced by a pure democracy, where the majority rules by fiat and the self-serving government need not, and will not, ever again protect the unalienable Rights of Individual Americans.

The Right to Petition is the last practical, non-violent means remaining for the People to restore our freedom and our Constitutional Republic.

We must exercise our sovereignty and enforce this Natural Right of the People, or it, and our Liberty, will be lost forever.

"Nothing...is unchangeable but the inherent and unalienable rights of man." Thomas Jefferson

## **Small Businesses:**

### The Lifeblood of America

America's small and independent businesses have always been our greatest economic asset. But, today, millions of small business owners are struggling to survive because of oppressive taxation, overregulation, and persistent government interference in all aspects of their businesses. America's prosperity and economic future are critically dependent on the strength and success of our entrepreneurs and small business owners.

The We The People Foundation is dedicated to protecting the Rights of our small and independent business owners, and the freedom of all working Americans.

America's unconstitutional, debt-based paper money system, and its fraudulent offspring, the personal income tax, were deceitfully and unlawfully imposed on American wage earners over 80 years ago.



### **US Supreme Court:**

Butchers Union Co. v. Crescent City Co., 111 U.S. 746 (1883):

"Among these inalienable [sic] rights, as proclaimed in that great document, is the right of men to pursue their happiness, by which is meant the right to pursue any lawful business or vocation, in any manner not inconsistent with the equal rights of others, which may increase their prosperity or develop their faculties, so as to give to them their highest enjoyment...It has been well said that the property which every man has in his own labor, as it is the original foundation of all other property, so it is the most sacred and inviolable..."



The horribly destructive "hidden" tax of inflation, which is created by out-of-control and unaccountable government spending, has cheated the most talented and productive workforce in the world out of the fruits of our labor.

It is now a thoroughly documented fact that the United States Constitution and numerous Supreme Court decisions specifically prohibit a direct tax on the labor of working American citizens.

So, why are America's wage earners not being told the truth about this unconstitutional theft of our labor?

Why do our elected representatives and judges defend this crime against the working men and women of our Country?

Why is the United States federal government forcing America's small and independent businesses to participate as cogs in a system of taxation that is devoid of legal authority, and that is gradually destroying the economic lifeblood of our Nation?

The fruits of a person's labor are his or her most essential personal property and are the means by which freedom is experienced and enjoyed. No person is free whose labor is owned or controlled by another person, or collective of people called "government".

No matter how beneficent the intent, this immoral theft of private property from our Nation's workers and businesses must end if we are to survive as a nation of free People.



# America's Veterans:

### Against All Enemies, "Foreign and Domestic."

Duty. Honor. Country.

Each of America's 24 million living military veterans took a solemn Oath to preserve, protect and defend the United States Constitution against all enemies both foreign and domestic. America's military veterans did not pledge their lives and sacred honor to defend foreign countries, the United Nations or the interests of any political party. They did not take an Oath of blind obedience to the federal government.

The men and women of our armed forces took the Oath to confirm their love of country, and their abiding devotion to America's founding precepts of personal freedom, equal justice and respect for Individual Rights. They promised to defend the American People, their land and property, and the founding principles upon which the Republic stands.

The We The People
Organization is a leading
advocate of America's armed
forces. Thousands of our
members and supporters are
active duty military personnel
and veterans who recognize
the clear and present danger to
our Constitutional Republic,
and are responding to the call.

The immediate threat to our freedom and way of life comes not from third world terrorists or foreign armies, but from the enemies of our Constitution and Bill of Rights who occupy the highest positions of power and influence within our own government.

Our unalienable rights and liberty as sovereign American citizens are under assault by corrupt politicians, government bureaucrats and judges who arrogantly refuse to obey the Supreme Law of the Land. If we are to survive as a free People, those who have taken the Oath must unite and organize in defense of the United States

Those who have honorably served in America's armed forces have earned a special position of trust with the People of our nation. We are forever indebted to you for your courage, sacrifice and devotion to duty.

As America's true patriots, please remember your sacred covenant to protect and defend the United States Constitution. Your Country needs you now more than ever.



A message from General Raymond Davis, (1915-2003) One of America's most decorated veterans ever:

Dear Veterans, Patriots, and Friends of Freedom:

Mr. Bob Schulz of We The People Foundation For Constitutional Education, along with thousands of legal researchers, discovered major fraud and deception in the administration of tax "laws" on American Citizens. For years now our "government servants" have stonewalled our formal petitions for redress of grievances. It has now become a Constitutional Crisis.

The media <u>refuses</u> to inform you about this serious situation. Therefore, to preserve our rights and property, we must now act as individual Americans through the grassroots process...

Each American Veteran pledged an oath to defend the Constitution of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic. Our mission is to remind veterans of their oath and to raise awareness among veterans and patriots alike of the major enemies of our personal freedoms and rights within our own borders.

Constitutionally yours,

Ray David

General Raymond G. Davis United States Marine Corps, Retired, Medal of Honor



Before his death in September 2003 at age 88, General Davis was America's most highly decorated living American veteran.

The We The People Organization intends to erect a "Citizen Vigilance Center" in every state capitol, to institutionalize vigilance over every level of government. The architecture will be modeled directly after Jefferson's home, Monticello.

Each center will serve as a public learning and activist resource facility as well as house the local offices of the *WTP Congress*.



Jefferson's Virginia home, Monticello



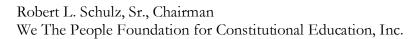
"I know of no safe depository of the ultimate powers of the society but the people themselves: and if we think them not enlightened enough to exercise their control with a wholesome discretion, the remedy is not to take it from them, but to inform their indiscretion by education."

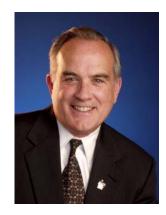
Thomas Jefferson

"Freedom cannot be achieved by words and good intentions. It is reserved for those who are prepared to risk everything for its eternal blessing.

Our Nation was founded by People who endured the abusive hand of government tyrants for generations. They understood the value of personal freedom, and the price required to obtain and maintain it. Many of them paid the ultimate price to secure the blessings of liberty for future generations of Americans — including ours.

We owe no less to our own children and grandchildren. America has reached a defining and critical moment in history. With hearts inspired by love of God and Country, and devotion to duty, We The People must confront and turn back those forces that seek to destroy our sacred Constitution and Bill of Rights. Please join us."





Robert Schulz

Chairman



"In that woods pointing to a close in view, I heard a plaintive sound as, of a man at prayer. I tied my horse to a sapling & went quietly into the woods & to my astonishment I saw the great George Washington on his knees alone, with his sword on one side and his cocked hat on the other.

He was at Prayer to the God of the Armies, beseeching to interpose with his Divine aid, as it was ye Crisis, & the cause of the country, of humanity & of the world."

Attributed to Quaker Potts, from the handwritten "Diary and Remembrances" of the Rev. Nathaniel Randolph Snowden

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