

## THE LEGAL AND MORAL BASIS FOR A RETURN TO THE ORIGINAL CHRISTIAN CONSTITUTION OF THE USA (THE ARTICLES OF CONFEDERATION) TO BE REFLECTED IN THE STATE CONSTITUTION BY GOD'S GRACE

The original constitution of the USA was the Articles of Confederation, an explicitly Christian constitution. The Articles of Confederation was written in 1776 and adopted by every state in the country by 1781. Thus, the USA, according to the very words of this national covenant, became legally pledged to this original constitution in perpetuity and can only amend it by following the legal procedures as provided in it. These procedures were not followed in the adoption of the Federal Constitution. Instead, Federalists illegally pushed through the secular humanist Federal Constitution in 1789, which they could not legally get adopted due to the strength of the anti-federalist opposition. The states of the USA must no longer accept this illegal usurpation, and instead embrace the original national constitution.

Before the Federal Constitution was illegally adopted by the USA, the confederated US Congress passed the Northwest Ordinance of 1787. This ordinance was the legal basis for creating states like Indiana, Illinois, and Michigan. It stated: "The said territory, and the states which may be formed therein, shall forever remain a part of this confederacy of the United States of America, subject to the articles of confederation, and to such alterations, therein as shall be constitutionally made...DONE by the United States Congress assembled, thirteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven, and of their sovereignty and independence the twelfth." Under the usurping Federal Constitution, the national government is not a confederacy, and the national government is not run according to the "the articles of confederation, and to such alterations, therein as shall be constitutionally made", contrary to the legal stipulations for states created on the legal basis of the Northwest Ordinance of 1787. States like Michigan thus have an added legal rationale for returning to the Articles of Confederation as the recognized national constitution, based upon the legal foundation for their very existence.

God's infallible word the Bible says: "I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession...Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth. Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son..." In contrast, the Federal Constitution states: "... no religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under the United States...", and its Fourteenth Amendment incorporates this requirement down to the states and localities. The US Federal Government is secular humanist, not recognizing Jesus Christ as Lord, contrary to both the Articles of Confederation and the Northwest Ordinance. The sad reality is that James Madison, the "father of the Federal Constitution", was an apostate from the Biblical Christianity of his youth. He wanted the USA to become secular humanist, and he was willing to use illegal means to accomplish his end. Patrick Henry and other anti-federalists tried to stop the effort, but all to no avail. Most professing Christians have ignorantly condoned the immoral usurpation, even though it contradicts the Biblical command of Christian government and violates the principle that Biblical national covenants cannot be discarded, and especially not illegally discarded.

A Michigan organization is being formed to seek a Christian amendment to the Michigan constitution and recognition of the Articles of Confederation as the USA's national constitution, according to the legal procedures for amending the Michigan constitution. The secular humanist Federal Constitution prohibits such an amendment, but the Christian Articles of Confederation encourages it. The rules of this organization stipulate only legal, peaceful measures will be employed in this Biblical reformation, and no member will engage in any armed violence in pursuit of such reformation. Contact J. Parnell McCarter at <a href="mailto:puritansinfo@gmail.com">puritansinfo@gmail.com</a> or visit the website <a href="http://www.puritans.net/christian-amendment-to-the-state-constitution/">http://www.puritans.net/christian-amendment-to-the-state-constitution/</a>. We hope citizens in other US states will similarly seek to amend their states' constitutions.