



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 therein. 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 puritansinfo@gmail.com or visit the website <http://www.puritans.net/christian-amendment-to-the-state-constitution/>. We hope citizens in other US states will similarly seek to amend their states' constitutions.

Quotes from Resources on the Topic:

“Do you know that the Constitution is unconstitutional?” (<https://www.minnpost.com/eric-black-ink/2012/10/do-you-know-constitution-unconstitutional/>): “...did anyone ever tell you that the Constitution is unconstitutional? Yep, the whole thing. Or at least its ratification was illegal...But the only way to really get square with promise-keeping and the rule of law would be to haul the whole thing down and put the previous document – the Articles of Confederation – back into place...”

Conceived in Liberty: Volume 5 of Dr. Murray Rothbard (<https://mises.org/library/conceived-liberty-volume-5-new-republic-1784-1791/html>): “Given the urban support, the split among the farmer, and the support from wealthy educated elites, it is not surprising that the nationalist forces were able to execute their truly amazing political *coup d’etat* which *illegally* liquidated the Articles of Confederation and replaced it with the Constitution. In short, they were able to destroy the original individualist and decentralized program of the American Revolution.”

This is the methodology employed in the illegal usurpation, as chronicled in *Conceived in Liberty*: “The Federalists, by use of propaganda, chicanery, fraud, malapportionment of delegates, blackmail threats of secession, and even coercive laws, had managed to sustain enough delegates to defy the wishes of the majority of the American people and create a new Constitution.”

This is the conclusion of *Conceived in Liberty*, regarding an impact of the illegal adoption of the Federal Constitution and the abandonment of the Articles of Confederation as the national constitution of the USA: “With the ratification of the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, the new government was now a fact and the Antifederalists would never again agitate for another constitutional convention to weaken American national power and return to a more decentralized and restrained polity. From now on American liberals [Dr. Rothbard means in the classical sense of that word], relying on the Bill of Rights and the Tenth Amendment, would go forth and do battle for Liberty and against Power within the framework of the American Constitution as states’-righters and Constitutionalists. Their battle would be a long and gallant one, but ultimately doomed to fail, for by accepting the Constitution, the liberals would only play with dice loaded implacably against them. The Constitution, with its inherently broad powers and elastic clauses, would increasingly support an ever larger and more powerful central government. In the long run, the liberals, though they could and did run a gallant race, were doomed to lose—and lose indeed they did.”

Patrick Henry's quote in defense of the Articles of Confederation and warnings about the Federal Constitution: "The Confederation, this same despised government, merits, in my opinion, the highest encomium: it carried us through a long and dangerous war; it rendered us victorious in that bloody conflict with a powerful nation; it has secured us a territory greater than any European monarch possesses: and shall a government which has been thus strong and vigorous, be accused of imbecility, and abandoned for want of energy? Consider what you are about to do before you part with the government. Take longer time in reckoning things; revolutions like this have happened in almost every country in Europe; similar examples are to be found in ancient Greece and ancient Rome instances of the people losing their liberty by their carelessness and the ambition of a few... I acknowledge that licentiousness is dangerous, and that it ought to be provided against; I acknowledge, also, the new form of government may effectually prevent it: yet there is another thing it will as effectually do- it will oppress and ruin the people.“ (See <https://ia601404.us.archive.org/3/items/TheAntiFederalistPapers/TheAntiFederalistPapers.pdf> for many of “The Antifederalist Papers.”)

Protestant Nationalism Proffered: Path for US Revival (<http://www.puritans.net/protestant-nationalism-proffered/>): “The Articles are a league and covenant of the States of the Christian Anglo-American patriot people (the nation for which they were entered), looking to God as the one who providentially brought them into effect, as the words of the Articles themselves convey: ‘... the Delegates of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, did, on the 15th day of November, in the Year of Our Lord One thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy seven, and in the Second Year of the Independence of America, agree to certain articles of Confederation and perpetual Union...The said states hereby severally enter into a firm league of friendship with each other, for their common defence, the security of their Liberties, and their mutual and general welfare, binding themselves to assist each other... to make requisitions from each state for its quota, in proportion to the number of white inhabitants in such state...the Articles of this confederation shall be inviolably observed by every state, and the union shall be perpetual; nor shall any alteration at any time hereafter be made in any of them; unless such alteration be agreed to in a congress of the united states, and be afterwards confirmed by the legislatures of every state...it hath pleased the Great Governor of the World to incline the hearts of the legislatures we respectively represent in congress, to approve of, and to authorize us to ratify the said articles of confederation and perpetual union’ ... It is quite evident that the US federal government is a modern Babel- a ‘global nation’ empire where wickedness is mandated, power is concentrated, Jesus Christ is dishonored, and Christian Anglo-American patriots are discriminated against and increasingly oppressed... yet ... we have firm hope in God’s word that He will bless the nations with Biblical Christian governments, even though it must be preceded by a period of widespread rebellion under an increasingly one world government.”

US History: A Call to Return to the Original Constitution and Model: “The last chapter has yet to be written on the USA ... but we can prayerfully hope that the USA will yet return to her Biblical foundations and her original constitution.”