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Get Ready To Call Your Local Legislator

by Kaylin Robinson

The Constitution designates four branches of government: the Legislative branch to pass laws; the Executive branch to enforce laws; the Judicial branch to rule on laws; and the little-known, most powerful branch of all: THE PEOPLE, using their judgement to keep a reign on the other three branches through their very significant powers.

One key place where the people can get their voices heard is the jury box. If a law is passed, enforced and a defendant is brought to trial, and the people think it is a bad law, a jury can refuse to uphold it and set the defendant free, thus nullifying the law.

Not So Simple

I remember when I was first appointed as the State Coordinator for the Fully Informed Jury Association (FIJA). The FIJA concept, a strong plank of the basic Libertarian Party platform, made sense. It was logical, legal, and a method to let the people restore perhaps a few of their liberties.

The problem comes when judges who have gotten out of hand (Utah judges are no longer elected) tell the juries they don't have the right to vote their conscience and jurors walk away feeling justice hasn't been done... the very justice they were told they must uphold. The solution is simple, get the legislature to mandate that juries must be told their rights. Sounds easy enough. Such a law should be easy to pass, right? Wrong. It is not easy to get even a good bill through.

Shortly after the Utah FIJA was formed, Bart Grant signed on as co-coordinator. He saw the simplicity of this approach. We had

many planning sessions where we discussed how *easy* it would be to get the legislature to pass the law requiring judges to inform juries of what was their absolute right. After all we had the proof and the law and the logic to back us. No problem. We figured, "How hard can it be? It's a good law it will pass."

Finding a sponsor for the bill was no problem. J. Reese Hunter (R. Murray) contacted us to say he would sponsor the bill! We were really making headway now!

So the bill was filed. It passed the Rules Committee and was assigned to the Judiciary Committee. That made sense, it was about the courts. Later, one of my lawyer friends, who supported the idea and understood the legislative process much better than I, said to me, "Why did you send it there? Do you have friends there?" The question should have made us understand something basic about the legislature, but we missed it.

A Costly Proposition

Then the legislative fiscal analyst said, if this passes we will have more jury trials and it will cost the state money. We thought, "Even if true, which we doubt, why should that deter the bill?"

The night before the Judiciary Committee hearings on the bill, Red Beckman came to SLC. Red is FIJA's "grand daddy," having inspired the whole movement with his writing. He agreed to speak at the hearing the next day, and we announced that we needed bodies at that meeting.

On the morning of the hearing, we had the room packed with our supporters; standing room only. We asked that no one speak ex-

cept our designated speakers, unless they merely stood and said they supported the bill. We were allotted only a short period to present our case.

We had a great lineup of speakers, Red, me, Bart, Reese, plus a former juror who related a very touching experience of applying the FIJA principal while on a jury. He told how justice had prevailed in his case. We all presented good arguments on behalf of the bill. One representative said, "Lawyers might not like this, but I do." Another said, "I'm a lawyer, and I'm going to vote for it." That left three of the five present to decide, and we only had to convince one. The chair wouldn't get a vote unless the other four tied.

Dan Lafferty Connection

But one policeman remained after the hearing on the previous bill. He told of the horrors committed by polygamist-turned-baby-killer Dan Lafferty and how Lafferty had argued jury nullification in court. So what, we thought? That meant Dan Lafferty had a fully informed jury and was convicted nonetheless. The jury had convicted a murderer even when they were told of their rights. Sounds like an argument for our side.

Next a member of the prosecutor's association said juries would acquit based upon race, color, creed or even looks.

Then our own troops, the supportive warm bodies we had asked to remain silent, started shooting our cause in the foot. One stood and said Dan Lafferty was a nice guy who shouldn't be criticized. You could almost hear the thoughts of the representatives; did FIJA support Dan Lafferty? The next "supporter" yelled

the legislature was unethical and all courts were admiralty courts. That went over like a lead balloon.

The meeting was quickly adjourned by a representative who said he supported our bill and no vote was taken.

The next Friday we were back with a former prosecutor and only half of our original supporters. All nine members of the judicial committee were there, and we had a very good discussion. One member told Reese Hunter, in my presence, he would vote "yes" for the bill. But he would be the only "yes" vote and he would not stand alone against the others.

Political Power Lessons

Reese explained to us that it's not a good idea to stand against the majority, because it does not make friends and the contrarian will be ostracized. We were getting an education, fast! It was suggested the bill be tabled for an interim study committee. That vote carried. (The representative who made the motion and convinced the others, walked over to me after the vote, took my hand and said "I am sorry, it was the only salvation for the bill. I agree with the concept, but if I had not moved to table, it would have been voted down.")

We thought it would be okay. At least, we would get a chance to present our case in a more relaxed setting, and work with the study committee to make sure they understood the issue. However, the bill was never called to an interim meeting, which is, we found out, at the discretion with the committee chair.

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Legislature — cont'd

We Need Your Help

Well, that was our first try. We've been trying for five years now. Bart and I have worked hard to learn the structure of the legislature, learned to lobby, learned the tricks . . .

We have made it through committee once, but not to the floor. We gathered 29 sponsors last year, but could not get the bill out of Rules. We have rewritten the FJA bill three times and have learned many of the secrets for getting support in the legislature.

Which brings me to the point. Writing a good bill is not good enough. We need your help to contact your Representative and Senator to demand they vote for the "Fully Informed Jury Act" They listen only when the voters speak.

One representative told me that ten calls to a legislator during session will guarantee his/her vote in our favor. That's the only way to increase our tally. Thirty-eight representatives will get us a majority in the House, 15 senators gets us the Senate. Then we can pull it out of Rules if it gets stuck. We already have 29 representatives. We have at least three senators, and you will be heard . . . *this is an election year!*

Now I am begging . . . *please* call your representative and senator and tell him/her to vote for the Fully Informed Jury bill. PLEASE.

Utah is in the top three states in the running to pass this bill first and we need your help to be the first. With your help we can make it happen, we are soooo very, very close.

The 1996 Session starts January 15, and the FJA bill is already filed. So *please*, call your representative and senator.

If you do not know the name of your state representative, call 801/538-1029; for your state senator, call 801/538-1035.

For more information about FJA, or for tips on introducing and passing bills, call Bart Grant at 801/596-1058 or Kaylin Robinson, at (801) 468-6209.

SL County First Caucus on 1/25

The Salt Lake County party organization has scheduled a series of "caucuses" for the fourth Thursday of the month. A combination of politics and socializing, the first caucus will be held January 25 starting at 7:00 p.m. at Slider's Pub & Grill, 3500 South and Redwood Road. Admission is free. Slider's beverages cost \$1-3 and food choices cost \$3-10. No purchase is necessary.

Iowa LP Meets in February

The Libertarian Party of Iowa invites you to attend their 1996 State Convention being held on Saturday, February 3rd in Ames. The full-day affair features talks on FDA, medical use of marijuana, and presentations by Harry Browne, Irwin Schiff and Rick Tompkins.

Registration is \$15 and includes a "deli buffet lunch." For more information, write: LPI, PO Box 7256, Des Moines, IA 50309

How To Make Your Views Known in D.C.

The liberal media are trying to convince the American people that they didn't really want the Contract with America and a balanced budget, and much smaller government. So, our representatives need to hear from us, their constituents, how—until real Libertarians are elected—we support their efforts to reduce the size and impact of the federal bureaucracy.

Let your representatives know when you agree and disagree with them. (If you don't think they're going far enough, keep in mind that not enough reduction is better than no reduction at all.)

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Our Prez

by Andrew L. Howard

During 'Nam, behind the Iron Curtain,
His life to save he was certain,
As Gov he got his fame,
the Liberal media shares the blame,
and now, American Freedom is hurtin.'

To rid us of our funk,
Slick Willy pulled from his trunk,
psychobabble and garbage,
and double-talk verbiage,
Yet, it's he who spoke before he thunk

Our pain he claims to feel,
Our needs he says are real,
As he well knows,
From his socialist blows,
We're the ones stuck with the bill.

Hillary went to Beijing,
For women's freedom to sing,
But soon forgot Wu,
Political dissidents too,
Now her song sounds a hollowing.

Executive Committee Meeting Date Changed

To accomodate schedule conflicts, the state executive committee will now meet on the second Thursday of the month. See the Calendar (pg. 7) for exact dates.

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Practical Libertarian Tactics #2:

A Virtual Way Around State-Run Education

by Gerard Arthus, Ph.D., State Secretary

There was a recent development over the last two weeks which should excite Libertarians. The Governor of Utah presented a proposal at the recent Western Governor's conference to examine the feasibility of establishing a "virtual university" as the next university to be formed in the state. While we may not like the idea of another state-run institution, this may be different. There is talk about a private/public collaboration, and, anyone who knows anything about the Internet will realize that control will be elusive.

This may well be the Achilles-heel of the modern state. Once they lose their monopoly on their education/propaganda system, we may well see a new renaissance of critical thinking and informed decision-making. This is an area where we can nudge

those in power to inadvertently do something which may well mean the dilution of the power of the demo-coercive state.

For more information about the virtual university, check out <http://www.athena.edu>, you may be pleasantly surprised. Social change does not always come from political action, but, through well-thought-out planning of activities in both the private and public sectors. This is an example of how far the expenditure of a little time and effort in the right place can have a much greater effect than anticipated. Libertarians must consistently strive to spend their time as effectively as possible. Political and social action is possible without the necessity of engaging in activities which have to be sensationalistic in order to draw the attention of the masses.

One Virtual University Is a Virtual Reality

Founders Offer Leavitt Help With His Vision

By John O'Brien
THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

Gov. Mike Leavitt is seeking \$300,000 for starting of "Virtual University." But he may just need a good idea.

A 3000 or so Internet-accessible, real-time, programmable, interactive system as an object-oriented environment is a way for people to assemble at the same time via computer, and it is the technological centerpiece of Virtual On-Line University (VOUL), a school co-founded by a University of Utah doctoral student in history.

Gerard Arthus, who already has a doctorate in environmental engineering, is dean of human resources and behavior at VOUL, a "Virtual Vocational Environment."

He and other principals of VOUL met last week with members of the governor's staff to demonstrate how their school operates. They offered to help in the formation of the "Virtual University" announced by Leavitt.

Leavitt, along with 10 other Western governors, is working out the details for a regional, on-line university that will allow students to take classes electronically from a variety of sources.

What Leavitt has in mind is no less than "a transformation of education," says Gordon Peterson, state information technology coordinator. But the founders of VOUL may have even more revolutionary ideas about on-line learning.

"Reuniting conventional education, distance education, and independent-study programs onto a computer and attach it to the latest educational process," Arthus says. "We started out with the idea that we were going to integrate the educational process with the technology, not just tack it on. It's a big conceptual difference."



Founders of Virtual On-Line University, Gerard Arthus (left), Den Greening and William Farber have offered their services to Gov. Mike Leavitt.

Arthus, adding, "We don't want anyone in left field." Peterson, higher education already features many examples of education delivered electronically. They range from the University of Phoenix, which offers "self-directed" education, to the University of Utah's "Virtual University."

The virtual on-line university may soon become a virtual reality per this article appearing on page one of The Salt Lake Tribune's Utah section. LPUtah state sec'y Gerry Arthus is on the left (in this picture, not in politics.)



Notes From The Chair

Jim Lorenz

State Convention: In early May the LPUtah will meet in convention(s) to boldly select delegates to the July 4th LP national convention in Washington, District of Criminals. We must also choose the candidates we want to endorse for the general election in November as the culmination of this intense political year.

Now is the time for all politically correct persons to come to the aid of their party! We are looking for a few good candidates. Old clichés aside, Libertarians have more fun on the campaign trail because they always tell the truth! Humor is based in truth and it can't be resisted, well, usually...

Bray Banquet: This year we are also planning to have the Karl Bray awards banquet following the state convention. Karl Bray was the pioneer founder of the LPUtah (1972 not 1847) and must not be forgotten. We need a volunteer to chair this important event, including the awards. Please call 534-8872. And, if you plan to attend, learning of your interest early will help us make a solid commitment with the restaurant. Please RSVP 534-8872 ASAP; lead time is very important. Plan to have a lot of fun meeting with the only people in Utah who agree with each other politically 87.5% of the time and always on principle.

Crime As Usual: The Republicans are busy shooting themselves in the feet by squabbling with the Democrats about imposing a 72.5% or an 84% general tax rate on the younger generation, and whether to balance the budget in

seven years based on some set of unknowable assumptions. From *Time On The Cross*, by Fogel & Engerman, we learn that slaves in the American South of 1860 consumed 90% of their production. Besides a 10% tax rate they had the further advantage of *knowing* that they were not free and could see the faces of those who kept them enslaved. Slavery has other tragic human costs that cannot be so nicely calculated. The silent chains of socialist tax slavery are building an ever greater blind resentment of government within the body politic as it corrupts every human economic decision. Libertarians hope to defuse this rage by exposing the fraud and correcting the course of government with the ballot box instead of the cartridge box. If not us, who? If not now, when?

On The Other Hand: All Americans now share the average general tax burden of 47% and many, too many, can't tell the difference between confiscation and taxation, slavery or freedom. They would rather vote for a slight Republican majority, cross their fingers and pray, than vote for Libertarians who will act for freedom. Isn't this the damndest paradox? Voting for the lesser of two evils will elect a Waldholtz or a Clinton. Prove me wrong. Write in the name of any elected Republican or Democrat who will work to restore the Constitution: _____

Browne's Book: I hope you'll read Harry Browne's *Why Government Doesn't Work* by April 15. It will give you some hope for a Libertarian future. If any American family was in debt to the tune of 22% of its income going out just to pay the interest, would they argue for a year and wait for six more to cut spending, or would they act right now? Harry says he can balance the Federal budget in one year by reducing the functions of government to its Constitutional limits. Give'm hell, Harry!

'Nuff said.

Jim Lorenz

Robert William Fogel, Nobel Laureate in economic sciences

Top Ten Reasons

To Nominate Dr. Ken Larsen for Governor at the 1996 State Convention

#9: Ken's girl, Carol, deserves to spend a night in the Governor's Mansion!

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Join the LPUtah Now!

"I'm sorry, Mr. Revere, I'm not a joiner." Where would we be with that kind of attitude? To lead the Fourth Revolution, we must grow. Not only do we need a larger headcount for greater political influence, we need the dues ("money is the mother's milk of politics") to help fund campaigns,

and, more importantly to pay the costs of publishing this newsletter, the new membership card, and other planned services and activities.

Please take this advantage of this opportunity to support America's best (and only) political hope. Even if you're not a "joiner."



Libertarian Party of Utah

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A Mormon Looks at Libertarianism - Part 4

by Ken Larsen, Ph.D.

Limited Powers *(continued from last issue)*

"Therefore, choose you by the voice of the people, judges, that ye may be judged according to the laws which have been given you by our fathers, which are correct, and which were given them by the hand of the Lord." (Mosiah 29: 11, 25)

All new laws enacted by the chief Judge had to be consistent with the constitution Mosiah had given them: "And he selected a wise man who was among the elders of the church, and gave him power according to the voice of the people, that he might have power to enact laws according to the laws which had been given, and to put them in force according to the wickedness and the crimes of the people." (Alma 4: 16)

Constitutional Amendments

Only a majority of the people could alter the laws given by King Mosiah. This was a great disappointment to the kingmen. After they were unable to obtain the required majority to establish a kingdom, they resorted to violence and were subjected by Captain Moroni: "And it came to pass that those who were desirous that Pahoran should be dethroned from the judgment-seat were called kingmen, for they were desirous that the law should be altered in a manner to overthrow the free government and to establish a king over the land . . .

"And it came to pass that this matter of their contention was settled by the voice of the people. And it came to pass that the voice of the people came in favor of the freemen, and Pahoran retained the judgment-seat, which caused much rejoicing among the brethren of Pahoran and also many of the people of liberty, who also put the king-men to silence, that they durst not oppose but were obliged to maintain the cause of freedom.

"Now those who were in favor of kings were those of high birth, and they sought to be kings; and they were supported by those who sought power and authority over the people." (Alma 51: 5, 7-8) Sounds familiar, doesn't it?

Later, the King-men rebelled and chased Pahoran out of the capital city (Alma 61: 5). Moroni and his army quelled the rebellion: "And it came to pass that Moroni and Pahoran went down with their armies into the land of Zarahemla, and went forth against the city, and did meet the men of Pachus, insomuch that they did come to battle . . . And the men of Pachus received their trial, according to the law, and also those king-men who had been taken and cast into prison; and they were executed according to the lay; yea, those men of Pachus and those king-men, whosoever would not take up arms in the defense of their country, but would fight against it, were put to death." (Alma 62: 7 & 9)

Unfortunately, much later, the majority voted to amend their laws and the free government came to an end. (Helaman 5: 2)

Separation of Powers

In the US system, the powers of government are separated two ways: horizontally and vertically. State and federal powers are distinct (vertical separation), and the three branches of government are isolated (horizontal separation). In the Nephite system, the powers of government were separated vertically only. Each region was independent of the others. The people in one region could not vote for the leaders of another region. Hence, the cities visited by Alma on his mission could be so different.

Checks and Balances

Different levels of government could inhibit each others' usurpations of unjust power: "And now if ye have judges, and they

do not judge you according to the law which has been given, ye can cause that they may be judged of a higher judge. If your higher judges do not judge righteous judgments, ye shall cause that a small number of your lower judges should be gathered together, and they shall judge your higher judges, according to the voice of the people." (Mosiah 29: 28-29)

Thus Mosiah gave his people a system of government containing virtually all of the essential forms of the original US Constitution. The result was a system that provided for a maximum of peace, prosperity and freedom, according to the righteousness of the people.

Mosiah's government provided many other parallels to what we should have in America, according to the Founding Fathers, and the Libertarian platform.

Freedom of Conscience

Our system forbids any government official from restricting freedom of expression or freedom of worship. The Nephite system was similar: "Now there was no law against a man's belief; for it was strictly contrary to the commands of God that there should be a law which should bring men onto unequal grounds.

"For thus saith scripture: Choose ye this day, whom ye will serve.

"Now if a man desired to serve God, it was his privilege; or rather, if he believed in God it was his privilege to serve him; but if he did not believe in him there was no law to punish him.

"But if he murdered he was punished unto death; and if he robbed he was also punished; and if he stole he was also punished; and if he committed adultery he was also punished; yea, for all this wickedness they were punished.

"For there was a law that men should be judged according to

their crimes. Nevertheless, there was no law against a man's belief; therefore, a man was punished only for the crimes which he had done; therefore all men were on equal grounds.

"And this Anti-Christ, whose name was Korihor, (and the law could have no hold upon him) began to preach unto the people that there should be no Christ." (Alma 30: 7-12)

Government Welfare (Forced Charity)

King Benjamin presented his people with the Lord's plan for feeding the poor: "And now, for the sake of these things which I have spoken unto you—that is, for the sake of retaining a remission of your sins from day to day, that ye may walk guiltless before God—I would that ye should impart of your substance to the poor, every man according to that which he hath, such as feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and administering to their relief, both spiritually and temporally, according to their wants." (Mosiah 4:26)

Notice the inspired absence of government coercion of charity. Notice the blessing promised to those who give freely of their riches to the poor. When we allow our government to exceed its natural powers and engage in property redistribution, we commit even more serious crimes than the legal plunder of private property. We deprive our fellow citizens of spiritual blessings—retaining a remission of sins from day to day and walking guiltless before God—blessings they might have earned if we had honored their property rights. Do you not agree that God will be pleased if you actively oppose all political schemes to redistribute private property? Why don't you ask him?

Next Issue:

Personal Liberty; Alma is a Libertarian; and much more!

Talk Radio in Utah:

Oliver North: Self-Serving "Patriot"

by Andrew L. Howard

[Ed. Note: I believe that any American who sells arms to any nation that declares the U.S. to be its enemy is a traitor, regardless of intention. When the seller is a serving officer in the Marine Corps, and the buyer is responsible for the Marine barracks bombing in Beirut, the calumny is palpable. The talkshow success of Lt. Col. O. North, USMC (Ret.) serves to prove that talk-radio patriotism may indeed be the last refuge of scoundrels.—JD]

The '60s have, indeed, been turned upside down in the form of the '90s! We have a draft-dodgin', war-protestin', non-inhalin' president in the White House who, when he's not using them to serve hors d'oeuvres, has been sending soldiers and sailors abroad into harm's way.

In sharp contrast, a retired Marine Corps Lieutenant Colonel and former Senatorial candidate turned radio talk show host has been a leading protester of Bill and Hillary's nation-building adventures. Incredible. Astonishing. Is the sixties generation schizophrenic? In any event, The Oliver North Show, deemed by North, "The Common Sense Radio Network," emanates from the Nation's Capitol and can be heard (tape-delayed) on KALL (910 AM) from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Combat Experience

North's experiences have shaped his ardent opposition to the misapplication of U.S. forces in Bosnian type adventures. A Naval Academy graduate and Vietnam Vet who earned Silver and Bronze Stars and two Purple Hearts, he is no stranger to service, bravery, and war's tragedies. In *One More Mission*, North tries to make sense of "the nightmare he survived." Citing a personal experience when young Marine died in his arms, North rallied a

Clinton postcard protest in care of his show (P.O. Box 55800, Washington, D.C. 20040) attempting to change the president's mind about sending troops to Bosnia.

Given that Clinton has sent troops to Bosnia, in spite of public opinion, to save his credibility, NATO, and multinational peace-making efforts, North turned his campaign into citizen support for the individual "American Patriot." He was astounded to learn that Hillary, in callous hypocrisy, is trying to do something similar. North has been especially supportive of Sp4 Michael New who, citing conflicts to his loyalty and military legal status, faces a court-martial for his refusal to wear a UN uniform. From Vietnam, North wants "something good to come from those wasted years and lives." An ideal Clinton has conveniently forgotten in his Bosnian adventure (and upon which ex-SecDef Robert Strange McNamara has remained strangely silent).

North's show is event-driven. Conducting what he calls "The North Poll," he poses questions to his listeners and tallies their responses. His non-scientific questions have ranged from, "Who do you think killed Vincent Foster?" to "Do you do it your way?", a reference to musical great Frank Sinatra.

Hosting a variety of guests, he has interviewed the likes of reformer and author Martin Gross, Individual Rights Foundation Chairman David Horowitz, and the late attorney William Kunstler. Recently, Senator Inhofe (R-OK) called in to voice his opposition to sending troops to Bosnia. A fervent and conservative Republican, North strongly opposes liberal ideals. Though he looks for areas of agreement with his callers and

guests, he quips that parties can, "disagree without being disagreeable." With a comic slap at himself, North "shreds" callers who insist on violating conversational etiquette or who significantly deviate from North's compass.

Patriot or Traitor?

North has been called everything from a patriot to a traitor. Certainly, in support of Libertarian philosophy and to his credit, he has been out-in-front in ardent opposition to the squandering of U.S. national sovereignty and nation-building ventures in Somalia, Haiti, Rwanda, and Bosnia. Citing the Hooters EEO debacle and his own business experiences, he has aired strong dissent of government intrusion into private businesses. For this, he deserves high marks.

Though his conviction was overturned, North's reputation seems most maligned through allegations of trading arms for hostages of Iran and for running guns to the Contras while North was part of the National Security Council.

Perhaps the most interesting, startling, and yet to be proven allegations against North ironically involve our current president, then Governor Clinton. Some have asserted that while North aided in supplying guns to the Nicaraguan Contras, the planes were covertly returning

to Mena, Arkansas laden with cocaine where Governor Clinton (who pardoned his friend, Dan Lasater, of cocaine-related felonies and who is also implicated in the scheme) colluded in drug trafficking and money laundering. This is perhaps why Republicans and Democrats have been reluctant to fish too deep into the Arkansas Whitewater barrel. Nevertheless, to hear him, the unelected Ollie is the poster-boy Republican.

North firmly holds conservative Republican convictions, and is only as Libertarian as the two have in common. In a revealing portion from his home page, North lists his personal "Hot List" of recommended Internet sites which include: The National Rifle Association, Thomas Legislative Data, U.S. House of Representatives, United States Naval Academy, Central Intelligence Agency, Christian Coalition, Presidential Poll, and The Political Network.

I rate the North as having an Economic Self-Governor score of 80 and a Personal Self-Governor score of 30. If you enjoy impassioned opposition to "President Pinocchio," or enjoy the irony of having an infantryman calling a pacifist on the carpet for militarism, you'll enjoy the Oliver North Show.

To contact Lt. Col. North, call: 1-800-520-1234.

Top Ten Reasons

To Nominate Dr. Ken Larsen for Governor
at the 1996 State Convention

**#8: 100 Years of Tyranny
(1896-1996) is long enough
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LEGAL BRIEFS

by Kaylin Robinson, CPLA

Body Searches

The body search issue involves two factors:

1. Your right to be free of unreasonable searches and seizures.
2. The officer's right to be safe from harm.

When an officer detains you (as opposed to asking you the time of day, in which case no search is allowed at all), or arresting you (and new rules apply). This means a traffic stop or any approach for the purpose of investigating a crime. In any situation from which you are not allowed to leave, certain limited search procedures are permitted.

One of the leading cases is *Terry v. Ohio*, in which officers stopped some "suspicious characters" walking in a high-crime neighborhood. They searched and found contraband. That case gave birth to the famous "Terry Search."

A Terry Search is a pat-down search to find out if the suspect has a weapon. It should be no more intrusive than patting down the pockets and outside clothing to ascertain if the suspect has a weapon. Even so, the officer must be able to state that he/she *reasonably believed* the suspect may be armed and dangerous.

The Courts have ruled that anything that does not feel like a weapon can not be removed from pockets and used against the victim.

Herein lies the logical balance between the officer's safety and individual liberty.

[A word of caution: The Court's ruling won't stop cops from arresting you for that small bundle in your pocket

and claiming it was legitimately found during a Terry Search.]

Jailhouse Searches

When you're arrested and carted off to jail, another set of rules takes precedence. The jail has an "interest in making sure no illegal activities occur" within its environs.

If you're ever arrested, and go to jail you will be "booked" (fingerprinted and photographed). This standard procedure in Utah jails has been ruled "an illegal taking of property" by the United States Supreme Court . . . if it occurs prior to conviction of a crime. They don't do it in federal jails until after you're convicted of a crime.

Before going to your cell, you will be subject to the notorious "body cavity search" which has been ruled legal since you might put a weapon, such as a razor blade, in some strange orifice (officer safety, ya know).

A parolee may be searched anytime his/her parole officer deems reasonable. Even there, though, there must be *some* suspicion involved.

This is not what the originators of the Constitution intended when they wrote the Fourth and fifth Amendments. It is how it is in the real world today. As always, I remind you the police officer has a gun, you may not. Govern yourself accordingly.

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Open Letter To Billary

To: The Honorable Bill Clinton
President of the United States

Fm: Dwight LW. Steffner
Former member
L.A. World Affairs Council

Dear Mr. President:

I do not believe great presidents such as George Washington and Thomas Jefferson would have approved of one word of your speech of Nov. 27, 1995. This is pure folly and foolishness, to send men in Bosnia where you would not want to die, for a cause you would not want to die for. American soldiers wear the uniform to protect and defend American freedom, and should be asked to do nothing less or more.

Sincerely,

s/Dwight Lee Wilder Steffner

Member
Libertarian Party of Utah

Don't Let The Foster Case Die. G. Gordon Liddy Won't.

by Andrew L. Howard & Jim Dexter

There may be something more rotten in the White House than corrupt liberalism. The death of Vincent Foster grows more mysterious as the real facts come out. G. Gordon Liddy has been especially hard-nosed in pursuing the case. His refusal to squeal about Watergate earned him the reputation as a trusted confidante.

So, the man who found Vincent Foster's body in Ft. Marcy Park contacted Liddy and provided strong proof that Foster did not die in Fort Marcy Park.

Drawing from his FBI experience, Liddy has deduced that a high-level fix is in.

In addition to forensic handwriting experts' conclusion that Foster's alleged suicide note is a forgery, Liddy's outline includes:

1. Contradictions witness' reports and the official reports;
2. No X-rays despite the examiner's reports they were taken;
3. Foster walked in the park without getting dirt on his shoes;
4. Carpet fibers indicate his body was moved;

5. Lack of blood and bone matter indicate he died elsewhere;

6. Blood on Foster's face ran uphill;

7. FBI and Park Police have never recovered the bullet;

8. A White House aide called the Arkansas Governor's Mansion to say Foster had been found dead in his car in the White House parking lot well before his body had been discovered in Fort Marcy Park;

9. The gun Foster supposedly used to kill himself was what Liddy refers to a "drop gun," one made from the parts of

several pistols to frustrate any trace for its owner; and

10. Foster's car keys were not found on his person but in his pants in the morgue after White House officials identified the body.

And, let's not forget the administration's insistence that the Park Police—a/k/a the Gang That Can't Count Crowds Straight—conduct the investigation; not the FBI nor Secret Service which have the experts to get to the truth.

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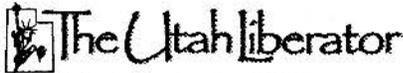
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