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Why You Should Care

Free market legal theory is a fraud

Corporate foundation money has transformed legal thought by funding lavish retreats on free-market economics for law professors, judges and law students in a move to connect legal theory to classical economics. Unfortunately, it is a corrupt theory that fails to recognize market externalities that are poisoning the planet and causing global warming. It also fails to take into account depletion of our natural resources and ignores the fact that money is power and only seeks to serve its own ends.

Pro-Corporate Supreme Court

There is a bare Supreme Court majority intent on eliminating all restrictions on corporate activity. Their decision against the FEC on 1/21/2010 allows corporations to spend unlimited amounts of money as independent agents in any political race. By spending just 1% of corporate profits, the 100 largest corporations will be able to double all current political spending by all of the parties and federal candidates.

Chamber buying out state courts

The US Chamber of Commerce has long had a campaign to take over state supreme courts. The Afd helped to first uncover this project when they revealed that the US Chamber of Commerce had collected \$4.2 million from 383 corporate entities to defeat a judge they did not like in Ohio. "Between 2000 and 2008, over \$200 million was contributed to State Supreme Court campaigns, more than twice the \$85 million contributed throughout the 1990s." Judges in partisan races are 23% more likely to favor business interests, perhaps because that is where their job security is coming from.

Corporate lawyers gaming the system

Since the rise of the railroad monopolies in the 1800s, corporate lawyers have been a fully funded attack team to manipulate the law in favor of their clients and against our common good. From corporate personhood to the recent decision to allow unlimited corporate campaign spending, corporate lawyers are gaming the system against We the People.



What You Can Do

Join the Campaign to Legalize Democracy.

Amend the US Constitution to legalize democracy. Go to www.MoveToAmend.org, sign the petition and share the message with your friends. Join the Move to Amend Facebook page. "Take Action" by: writing a Letter to the Editor using sample letters on the website; call in to a talk show using the tips on the Action page; ask your local candidates to support the Move To Amend campaign; use the materials at the website to pass a local resolution supporting a Constitutional amendment revoking all corporate rights; present a golden megaphone award to a local corporate CEO; organize Fourth of July events such as a float, street theater, a reading of MTA's Declaration of Independence from Corporate Rule; and most importantly, get your friends, neighbors and community together for a forum on rewriting the US Constitution from the grassroots and show the world that We the People are in charge.

Reclaim corporate law for the public good.

Restore the mandates of the American Revolution and push to have corporations once again serve our public good. Get Congress to rewrite the Judiciary Acts in order to de-centralize the power of the Supreme Court and establish a true democracy where We the People are the final arbiters of our laws. Or learn about corporate law and re-establish the principle that corporations are to serve the public good. Invigorate the usage of *ultra vires* to keep corporate business within the legal boundaries of their charter.

Promote the Rights of Nature.

Join the movement to rewrite the US Constitution to emphasize that nature is not property and has important rights of its own. Follow the wisdom of the indigenous cultures in Ecuador and Bolivia that have written the Rights of Nature into their new national constitutions. Only by giving rights to nature can the natural systems that all life depends upon be saved for the good of all life on earth.