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Secession: Here Is How To Secede From The Union

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A reader recently pointed out to me that I've provided most of the possible reasons why any state should secede at DumpDC. But she said I haven't given a step-by-step procedure on how secession should work. I started this process in my article entitled Secession The Hope For Humanity, but I'm fleshing it out here. This is not complete by any stretch of the imagination. But it's a place to start a lively dialogue about the steps to secession.

You may think that this article is too simplistic, and omits important issues. Perhaps. But I submit that if secession is not made so simple that a child can understand it, it will not happen in your state. Its logic has to be made so unassailable that only a fool would resist it.

So, here it is, my friends:

How To Secede From The United States of America

1. Philosophy

Each individual must come to his or her own conclusion that secession is the only way to regain liberty, and each state must make its secession decision independent of any other state.

2. Initiation

Secession should be solemnly deliberated by the elected representatives and the state citizens. Secession should be initiated at the moment that any state reaches the point at which it will no longer accept the despotic tyranny and laws coming from the US Federal Government in Washington, DC. Or, secession should be initiated upon a collapse of the Dollar, or the imposition by Washington DC of martial law in the event of social upheaval.

There is no written, formal method for initiating and completing an act of secession. If history can be our guide, we see that the states of 1860 completed their secessions by specially-elected conventions or by referendum. But the secession could also be initiated by a Governor and the State Legislature in assembly.

It would be excellent if a seated Governor would lead his state into secession. The easiest way for a state to secede would be for the State Legislature, either unicameral or bicameral, to draft a Declaration of Secession document and an Ordinance of Secession document. Then the Legislature should take a roll call vote and pass a Joint Resolution of Secession in legislature assembled, and have the Governor sign the Resolution instantly upon its passage. This process should be done on live TV, with all proceedings televised and recorded. Allowing the world to view this process in non-edited real time would be one of the most exciting and historic TV broadcasts ever made. The eyes of the world would be fixed on the TV feed and little else would be reported or discussed on its programming. Hell, run commercials and make some money for the state. Why should the networks get this historic event for free?

If the Legislature and Governor refused to support secession, a petition initiative could garner enough signatures of registered voters to force a referendum. Each state has statutes about petition initiatives for referenda. The Texas Nationalist Movement is doing a petition initiative right now, with the intent of presenting the petitions to the Legislature on day one of the 2011 legislative session. Follow the law in your state.

If there was a statewide referendum on secession it could be a simply worded ballot question like: "Shall the citizens of the State of XXXX repeal the 1788 ratification of the Constitution of the United States of America by the State of XXXX, and shall the citizens of the State of XXXX resume all the rights and powers granted under said Constitution?" A simple "Yes" or "No" vote will suffice.

If that's too flowery for you, here's an even simpler question: "Shall the citizens of the State of XXXX secede from the United States of America?" A "Yes" or "No" vote will suffice.

A simple majority of votes would pass the referendum.



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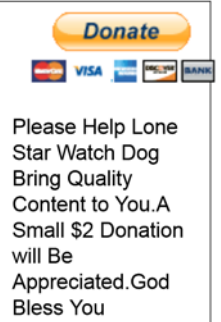
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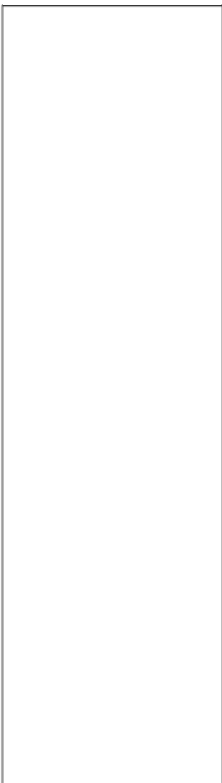
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The referendum should only be done with paper ballots that w machines, no electronic voting. Further, the referendum shoul only one single day, but over at least three days, preferably a greatest possible participation by registered voters. Finally, a p required as verification of identity for eligibility to vote. This air widespread voter fraud...this is the state's rights secession w I can write the rules any way I choose.



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Another method of moving secession along in your state migh county-by-county basis. The County Commission could either referendum on the question of secession, or could nominate a Secession Convention.

3. Secession Convention

Each state's Secession Convention, formed to contemplate, design and complete the process of secession, should draft a Declaration of Secession.

Many of the seceding states of 1860 wrote and ratified a Declaration of Secession, also known as a "Declaration of Causes." Each Declaration enumerated that particular state's reasons for secession, in like manner to the 1776 Declaration of Independence sent to King George by the Colonists.

Once the Declaration of Secession is prepared, the Chair of the Secession Convention or the Governor should deliver signed original copies of the document to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the US House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate (televised live of course).

4. Ordinance of Secession.

Then the seceding states must prepare an Ordinance of Secession. Here below is the simple, succinct wording of the South Carolina Ordinance of Secession of 1860:

AN ORDINANCE to dissolve the union between the State of South Carolina and other States united with her under the compact entitled "The Constitution of the United States of America."

We, the people of the State of South Carolina, in convention assembled do declare and ordain, and it is hereby declared and ordained, That the ordinance adopted by us in convention on the twenty-third day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight, whereby the Constitution of the United States of America was ratified, and also all acts and parts of acts of the General Assembly of this State ratifying amendments of the said Constitution, are hereby repealed; and that the union now subsisting between South Carolina and other States, under the name of the "United States of America," is hereby dissolved.

Done at Charleston the twentieth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

That is the sum total of all the words necessary to complete the secession.

Once the Ordinance of Secession is prepared (televised live), the Chair of the Secession Convention or the Governor should deliver signed original copies of the document to the President of the United States, the Speaker of the US House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate (also televised live).

That is the process of secession from the United States of America. That was the easy part. Then the REAL WORK begins.

The first thing the new sovereign state should do is to form a Constitutional Convention, and create a new government. See how I would do it at The New Corporate Model of Governance.

Questions? Do I see questions?

Question: What if Washington files a Federal lawsuit or injunction in Federal Court to stop the state from seceding?

Answer:Once the state formally secedes, it is no longer subject to US Federal Court jurisdiction, is it? Is it not a sovereign nation after secession, just like any other nation of the world? So, the seceding state could answer any legal maneuver by rejecting the jurisdiction of the US Federal Courts. Remember, Washington doesn't OWN your state. Washington was formed by the states to be an errand-boy for the states. Who runs who?

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Question: What if Washington invades our state with military forces?

Answer: That is the reason that your state needs a well-trained state militia. And when I say "well-trained," I do not mean trained to fight on a 3rd Generation battlefield (like WWII or Vietnam). I mean a militia trained to fight with guerilla warfare (4th Generation) tactics, with a heavy emphasis on the tactics of General Sun Tzu, author of *The Art of War*.

Question: What will we do for money?

Answer: The state must make gold and silver the only legal tender in your state. See how I deal with this in *Sound Money And Limited Government*.

Secession is little more than breaking up with your girlfriend or divorcing your spouse. It's a lot like being a card player in a big card game, then folding your cards, cashing in your chips and leaving the game.

Isn't the process of secession much like writing this short note to end a relationship?

Dear Washington: It's over. We're leaving. We ain't asking your permission to leave. We ain't asking for a legal divorce. We're just ending this relationship right here and now. We're rescinding the authority we gave you in 1788. Leave us alone. Goodbye.


In conclusion, try to envision yourself and your family in a new nation created by secession. All the people you meet are excited and breathless in their anticipation of the future. The general opinion of the populace is pure unbridled optimism. The new nation's economy is booming, the money is backed by gold and silver, and there is no inflation. "Now Hiring" signs are in all the shop windows. The newspaper's "Help Wanted" ads are packed full. Prices for goods and services are low, and the stores are loaded with goods. Manufacturers are streaming into the new nation to take advantage of the rare pro-business atmosphere. Wages are climbing steadily in manufacturing jobs as companies compete for the best and brightest for their employees. New businesses are being created at a fever pace. Residential and commercial construction is at a high level to meet the demand of the new residents.

All because one state recognized this historic opportunity and realized the dream of liberty through the process of state secession.

Secession is the hope for humanity. Who will be first?

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Anonymous said...

You must know about the rights of Texans to leave the union legally by 2/3 majority vote in the state congress, and the further legal provision for Texas to split into 5 states with senators ect.

These where only a few of the provisions and exemptions GRANTED Texas when we joined the USA in 1845.

If Texas ever reverts to a republic again why not just do it legally, under current laws?

If Texas became a republic again we could host the world courts to look at Bush, rowe, chainey, little Tommy DELAY and the list goes on and on?

Thanks for the free speech zone,

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