

Exhibit 48



IRS & Department of Justice: Why Won't You Answer Our Questions?



On July 20, 2001, IRS Commissioner Charles Rossotti and U.S. Assistant Attorney General Dan Bryant formally agreed to have IRS and DOJ participate in a recorded, public hearing on Capitol Hill to officially answer questions under oath in response to a Petition For Redress Of Grievances from the American People. Our Citizen's Petition directly challenges:

- The jurisdiction and legal authority for the IRS.
- The unlawful enforcement of income tax laws against American citizens.
- The pervasive abuse of the People's constitutional rights in the daily operations of the IRS.

After agreeing in writing to publicly answer questions related to the unconstitutional origin of the IRS, and the devastating harm caused by the income tax system to the working men and women of our nation, The Department of Justice and IRS on January 17, 2002, without explanation, **cancelled the hearing.**

WE NOW HAVE A CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS

What must a free People do when their government repeatedly refuses to honor its legal and moral obligation to respond to a proper Petition for Redress of Grievance as guaranteed by the 1st Amendment to the United States Constitution?

We ask the People:

Is Alan Dershowitz Correct?

- "We have NO unalienable rights?"
- "The Constitution is merely a piece of paper?"
- "Government should not be restrained because it can do good things for people?"

Can We The People simply accept that our Constitution has become a dead letter?

Must we resort to the same desperate measures that our Founders did to defend their unalienable rights to life, liberty and justice?

Do We Have a Constitution or Not?

For decades, the government has steadfastly refused to honor the petitions of a growing number of honorable, well-educated, professional legal researchers whose work has raised significant and legitimate questions about the Constitutional and statutory authority of the income tax system. These issues are of the utmost importance to the American People and to our Republic.

Our respectful petitions to our servant government have fallen on deaf ears, have been arbitrarily and unjustly thrown out of the courts, and have been used as grounds for criminal prosecution, asset seizure and other unlawful abuse by the IRS and DOJ.

Three years ago, We The People Foundation began a series of formal, public initiatives to convince the U.S. government to answer our questions regarding the jurisdiction and legal authority of the IRS and the personal income tax system. As the chronology of events outlined in the table below demonstrates, we have worked diligently to show the American People the truth about the unconstitutional origin, abusive history, and criminal conduct of the IRS, and the un-American nature of the personal income tax system.

The Hearing Will Proceed

The Truth-in-Taxation Hearing will proceed as scheduled on February 27 and 28 at the Washington Marriott in DC. The Foundation has delivered to the IRS and DOJ, and also published, an initial set of 299 questions with a demand that government officials attend the public hearing and answer the questions. We The American People want to know whether we still have a Constitution that protects our unalienable rights to privacy, due process of law, equal justice, and liberty for all.

For updated news and details see our website: www.givemeliberty.org

You Can Help

Please help us by contacting your government representatives and the media. Contact the IRS & DOJ and demand that they attend Truth-in-Taxation hearing. Make them "show us the law!"

- **Contact the President.**
His "Comment Line" number is 202-395-3000. Speak to a live operator. Tell him/her you expect straight answers from the government at the income tax trial on Feb 27th and 28th.
Fax The President: 202-456-2481.
Write The President: The White House, Washington, D.C. 20500.
E-Mail the President: president@whitehouse.gov

- **Contact the IRS and the Department of Justice**
Demand that they "Show you the law!" at the hearing! Demand that they uphold their oaths of office and the Constitution!

- **DOJ & Attorney General Ashcroft**
E-Mail: askdoj@usdoj.gov
Phone: (202) 514-2000
Address: 950 Pennsylvania Ave NW Washington, DC 20530

- **Treasury & Secretary O'Neil**
E-Mail: opcmall@do.treas.gov
Phone: (202) 622-2000 Fax: (202) 622-6415
Address: 1500 Pennsylvania Ave NW Washington, DC 20220
- **IRS & Commissioner Rossotti**
E-Mail: floyd.williams@irs.gov
Web Site: www.irs.gov
Phone (800) 828-1040
Address: 1111 Constitution Ave, NW Washington, DC 20224

- **Contact Rep. Bartlett**
Congressman Bartlett's, DC phone number: (202) 225-2721
Fax: (202) 225-2193
E-mail his press aide, lisa.wright@mail.house.gov and District office sallye.taylor@mail.house.gov

- **Contact your Congressmen.**
Ask them to attend the hearing, then fix the tax problem.
Phone the Capitol: 800-648-3516.
Ask to be connected to your congressman's office.

Go to the website: <http://capwiz.com/washtimes/>, Under "Elected Officials", fill in your zip code. All contact information for your Senators and Representative will appear: phone, fax, addresses, and e-mail links.

- **"Wait to File Until the Trial!"**
Print, copy, e-mail and distribute our "Wait to File" flyers from our website.

Tell your co-workers, friends and family about the February 27th Hearing. Get the word out!

- **Contact the media.**
Why are they NOT covering this story? Write a letter to the editor.

Go to the website: <http://capwiz.com/washtimes/>, Under "Guide to the Media", fill in your zip code. The media contacts in your area will appear + Letters to the Editor.

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CHRONOLOGY OF EVASION & CENSORSHIP

DATE	ACTIVITY	RESULT
July, 1999	Government is formally invited to a Foundation tax symposium in DC at National Press Club to publicly rebut and confront the tax and legal researchers.	• No response from U.S. • C-SPAN broadcasts the event live. Refuses all further coverage.
November, 1999	Government invited to a Foundation tax symposium in DC at National Press Club.	• No response from U.S.
April, 2000	Government invited to a Foundation tax symposium in DC at National Press Club	• No response from U.S.
April, 2000	Formal Petition for Redress of Grievance delivered to President, House Speaker and Senate Majority leader. Petition is signed by thousands and is delivered to all 3 Branches by citizens from all 50 states.	• In meetings in the White House and in the Capitol with senior aides to Clinton, Hutor and Lott, all three promise U.S. experts will attend Foundation's June 2000 conference at the NPC to discuss and debate the issues.
June, 2000	Government invited to Foundation tax symposium in DC at National Press Club	• U.S. breaks its promise. • Jason Furman, White House advises us "The legality of the income tax system is not a high priority for President Clinton. We will not attend."
July, 2000 through March, 2001	Foundation publishes four full-page ads in USA TODAY and The Washington Times to publicize the legal issues and questions and to publicly challenge the U.S. to answer the questions in a public forum.	• No response from U.S. • April 2001: USA Today refuses to accept any more advertising from the Foundation "after talking to the tax people."
April, 2001	Senate Finance Committee holds hastily called hearing on Foundation's full-page ads, telling a room full of reporters that those who question the income tax laws have to be dealt with swiftly and harshly because they are "scholars, scamners and cons."	• Sen. Grassley refuses to allow Foundation to testify at hearing on Foundation's ads because "...the Foundation's message would detract from the message the Committee is trying to convey." Grassley refuses to enter Foundation's written statement into the record of the hearing."
July, 2001	Foundation's chairman, Bob Schultz, begins hunger strike until his death or until government agrees to respond to the Petition for Redress of Grievances as required by the Constitution (1st Amendment)	• On July 20, 2001, after 20 days with no food, after White House intervention and help from Rep. Bartlett (MD), DOJ and IRS formally agree to answer the questions in a recorded, public hearing on Capitol Hill, chaired by Bartlett. Schultz ends his fast.
September, 2001 through January, 2002	Due to 9/11, the September truth-in-taxation hearing is rescheduled for February, 2002 on Capitol Hill. Meeting is formally announced by Rep. Roscoe Bartlett (MD), who agrees to sponsor the hearing.	• Nov. 2001, IRS & DOJ quietly informs Rep. Bartlett they will not participate. • On January, 17, 2002 Rep. Bartlett cancels the hearing.

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