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Dear Patriots

An open letter from the fiduciary of Liberty Works Radio Network Fellowship

Dear Fellowship Members:

Without a doubt you, the members of SAPF and Liberty Works Radio Network, are true Patriots: Patriots who put their heart and soul into this struggle for the very existence of our Constitutional Republic. God bless you for your service.

It is my privilege to inform you of some good news regarding the progress of Liberty Works Radio Network, which would have never happened without your participation and sacrifice.

LWRN has the distinction of carrying Glenn Beck, Don Imus and Mark Levin on the network, which means that we can supply affiliate stations with their shows in areas where their show is not already being broadcast. I know that many of you have expressed concern about carrying these gentlemen, especially Glenn Beck. We weighed these three hosts' apparent lack of knowledge on the Constitution against the potential for attracting uninformed Patriots who will be exposed to other LWRN Patriot hosts, and the latter won out. These gentlemen will bring listeners that may not have tuned in at all, not to mention commercial sales that are desperately needed to keep WIFL on the air.

The Beck show started on December 14th, and on the 15th, due to his presence, WIFL sold commercial time to a Ocala car dealer and is negotiating with several others. WIFL also got a call from an ad agency to buy commercial airtime; a sign that ratings are increasing! Please pray that commercial sales will continue to come despite these hard financial times.

Through LWRN hosts Bryan Malatesta and Jim Long, LWRN is talking to a 50,000-watt AM station in the Dallas/Fort Worth area about airing LWRN programming. Bryan and Jim started a Saturday, 3 PM EST, show at that station on December 12th; the show is re-broadcast on LWRN Saturdays at 10 PM EST. Please pray for this effort — LWRN programs broadcast over a 50,000-Watt station in this major market is a real boost towards success.

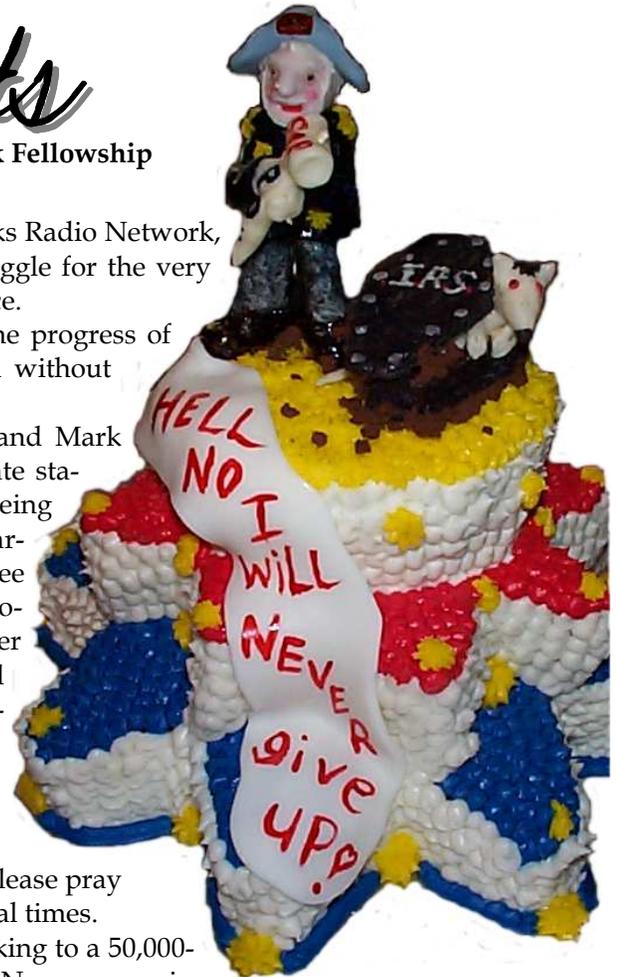
LWRN also has several new Patriot show hosts in the wings waiting to start this coming new year, which will hopefully bring in new money and new listeners. But in the meantime, we still **need continued financial support**, and without hesitation, time and time again, you have answered the Fellowship's call. Please consider continuing **now while it is still time** to save this Republic. Lord willing, your extra efforts may not be needed too much longer — with the awakening of Americans due to the hard socialist push to total domination, even the possibility of threatening jail for not having health insurance, new Patriots are ripe for political harvest. And LWRN is ready to give them the proper knowledge that will guide them to victory.

All our effort needs is your continued support. Your job is to mingle with these new Patriots, helping them to understand the value of LWRN, and how they can join us. Just your continued support of \$10 / \$20 per month will keep us going forward, and adding their \$10 / \$20 per month will put us over the top! Don't quit now when Victory is in sight. Stand with me in the gap, and pray God Will Bless Our Efforts. Always keep our motto in mind:

"Together We Stand — Or — Separately You Will Be Stood On."

Semper Fidelis ad Libertas, Veritus et Justitia,

John B. Kotmair, Jr.
Fiduciary



Family members celebrated the 75th year of fiduciary John B. Kotmair, Jr., with a birthday cake commemorating the tireless efforts of SAPF against the IRS. Kotmair wields the SAPF/PDF hammer to nail the coffin of the IRS rat.

“Independence” generally has a positive connotation. In the context of the individual, it evokes the blessings of liberty, the freedom from governmental constraints and interference. But in the context of government action, independence is not necessarily such a blessing to the people. In the face of massive government bailouts of bankers and other corporate executives, Texas Representative Ron Paul’s bill to audit the Federal Reserve¹ is gaining ground, and with 317 cosponsors in the House, could actually withstand an Obama veto.

Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke, testifying before the House Financial Services Committee, was concerned that the legislation would be “a repudiation of the *independence* of the Federal Reserve.” Of course, what Ben really means by “i n d e p e n d e n c e” is “unaccountability.” He’s obviously concerned that if the Fed is made accountable for its actions, it will have less freedom to fleece the American people while lining its own (and Wall Street’s) pockets.

It is in this same context that we should consider the so-called independence of the judiciary in America. It is claimed to have been intended to insulate judges from the political influences inherent in the elected branches of government.² This is why federal judges are appointed to lifetime terms, and why their pay cannot be reduced while they’re in office.³

Yet this supposed protection from political influence is something that occurs only *after* a judge is appointed to the bench.

Because in order to get his appointment, a judge must run through a political gauntlet which serves to weed



NEVER SAY SORRY

**Judicial ‘independence’
is code for
unaccountable power.**

Editorial by Dick Greb

out the politically unacceptable candidates — that is, politically unacceptable to the politicians who give them their jobs in the first place. If a federal district court judge makes decisions that are unpopular with Congress or the President, then he will never be chosen to advance to the higher courts. So, these lower court judges are only independent insofar as they are *willing to stay where they are*. And don’t forget, they would never even be sitting on a district court bench unless they were perceived to be of such character that they would ultimately do the will of those who appoint them.

The same goes for circuit court judges. If they have any aspirations of someday sitting on the Supreme Court (and which of them, do you imagine, doesn’t?), they are no more independent of the political branches than district court judges. In fact, since they will usually have years of both district and circuit court rulings from which the President (who appoints them) and the Senate (which confirms their appointment) can distill exactly what decisions to expect from them, there will be few surprises in store from the winner.

In this way, the only judges who make it into the various federal courts are those who can be relied upon to uphold the political agenda of the government. They may disagree on some issue or another, but in the long run, the successful appointees will be the ones deemed most likely to decide cases in the way that best legiti-

mizes whatever action the government takes —

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1. HR 1207, the Federal Reserve Transparency Act. The companion bill in the Senate is S 604, the Federal Reserve Sunshine Act.

2. “The Framers of the Constitution realized that, in order to properly interpret and impartially apply the law, the judiciary must be above politics. For these reasons, they wrote the Constitution in a manner that would ensure that the courts are not subject to the improper influences of the political branches of government, as the executive and legislative branches are called.” See <http://www.uscourts.gov/outreach/resources/judicialindependence/history.html>.

3. Art. 3, Sec. 1 of the Constitution: “The Judges, both of the supreme and inferior Courts, shall hold their Offices during good Behaviour, and shall, at stated Times, receive for their Services, a Compensation, which shall not be diminished during their Continuance in Office.”



Copenhagen: Global Greenhouse for Lies, Theft

More than 15 times bigger than the largest IMAX screen, a giant “media globe” hangs suspended above the “Hopenhagen Live” display in Copenhagen (Hopenhagen.org: “We can save ourselves from ourselves.”) As people around the world allegedly sent “climate-related information” and signed up for “climate campaigns,” the info was projected onto the giant globe. Hopenhagen aims to inculcate the “global warming” religion — replete with many sacrifices for your own good — in the gullible. Unlike the religion of the Prince of Peace, heralded this season by the proclamation of peace and good will toward men, the man-made religion of global warming proclaims more corruption, coercion and theft to save mankind from, as it turns out, *nothing*.

The U.N. Climate Change Conference, a summit on global warming in Copenhagen, December 7-18, has come to an end *without* a treaty. Before cheering, however, consider how unlikely it is that the federal government will be deterred from imposing taxes on the American public in the name of “global climate change.”

The conference came to an end with an “accord” drafted by just five countries — the U.S., China, Brazil, India and South Africa. The U.S. government called a “meaningful agreement.” Since many of the 193 countries merely voted that they would “take note of” the accord, its “meaning” is in doubt, but it is certainly not legally binding on anyone.¹

But the language of it can and will be used against you when it comes to promoting new regulations: “We underline that climate change is one of the greatest challenges of our time,” begins the “accord.” It recognizes the “scientific view that the increase in global temperature should be below 2 degrees Celsius” and “that deep cuts in global emissions are required according to science.” The accord says that a “Copenhagen Green Climate Fund shall be established” and “developed countries commit to a goal of mobilizing jointly USD 100 billion dollars a year by 2020 to address the needs of developing countries. This funding will come from a wide variety of sources, public and private, bilateral and multilateral, including alternative sources of finance.” Watch out, here come the taxes — because naturally, you and your loved ones must sacrifice treasure and comfort in order to meet this “challenge.”

The Obama administration is not likely to let lack of agreement deter it on the home front. Already, the EPA has threatened to draw up regulations to reduce carbon

dioxide emissions in the U.S. under the authority of 42 U. S. C. §7521(a)(1). In 2007, the Supreme Court ruled that the EPA ought to do so, because carbon dioxide can be considered a “pollutant” under that statute.²

The so-called “greenhouse gas effect” is attributed primarily to four gases — water vapor, carbon dioxide, methane, and ozone. Water vapor is held to be the main contributor to keeping us warm, with estimates ranging from 36 to 72 percent overall. Carbon dioxide is held to be next in importance, with estimates ranging from 9 to 26 percent contribution. Every other gas is each estimated as contributing 9 percent or less to the overall greenhouse effect. Since water vapor is acknowledged as naturally caused, it remains that carbon dioxide, partly emitted from burning petroleum, natural gas, and coal, is seized upon by the global warming cultists as the primary man-made evil “pollutant” that must be controlled.

Keep in mind that carbon dioxide is *not* a pollutant — it is a *nutrient* plants require in order to conduct photosynthesis, which converts sunlight into a form of energy we need — food. Research has shown that the higher the concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, the more nutrient-rich plants may become.³

Then again, global warming (GW) cultists insist that the earth has been on a warming trend for much of this past century, and at least for the last several decades. But the dirty little secret from the official records of the Climate Research Unit (CRU) of the University of East Anglia — the unit that the U.N.’s International Panel on Climate Change relies on for much of its modeling and data — is that the globe has not been warming since

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1. Sources for this article are varied, see, e.g.: en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_Nations_Climate_Change_Conference_2009; in.reuters.com/article/specialEvents1/id/INIndia-44872920091220?sp=true; www.telegraph.co.uk/comment/personal-view/3624242/There-IS-a-problem-with-global-warming...it-stopped-in-1998.html; blogs.telegraph.co.uk/news/jamesdelingpole/ (series on Climategate).

2. See *Massachusetts v. EPA*, decided April 2, 2007, at www.law.cornell.edu/supct/html/05-1120.ZS.html.

3. See, e.g., www.breitbart.com/article.php?id=080708124018.8nen8ib9&show_article=1

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whether such actions be illegal, immoral, or otherwise unconstitutional.

So the only real independence the judiciary enjoys is independence from the citizenry. *We* are the only people from whom the judges have nothing to worry about. They are well aware that we have no effective recourse against federal judges who violate their oaths of office by allowing our rights to be violated and by sanctioning government's usurpation of powers never delegated to it. And of course, that problem is one that will always be present when every cause of action against the government will be decided by a branch of that same government. What are the odds that government will lose when it is the judge of its own cause?

In its history of judicial independence, the judiciary's website (see footnote 1) cites the impeachment proceeding against Federalist Supreme Court Justice Samuel Chase that began in 1804 as further defining the concept:

This trial established the precedent that impeachment proceedings should not be used to remove judges who issue unpopular rulings. Judges are free to **make rulings that the law requires** without fear of losing their job if their **rulings prove to be unpopular**. (emphasis added)⁴

Yet while judicial independence may protect judges who make unpopular rulings *against* the government that the law requires, it provides no protection for us whatsoever when they make unpopular rulings *in favor of* the government, but against the law of the land.

Ironically, in discussing the impact of judicial independence, the judiciary's website cites the landmark case *Brown v. Board of Education* (347 U.S. 483 (1954)) as demonstrating "how judicial independence was necessary to protect the civil rights of all citizens. Due to the support of discriminatory laws in certain parts of the country, African-American citizens *could not always turn to the elected branches of government to protect their constitutional rights. Instead, they turned to the federal courts.* Being above politics and not directly susceptible to public opinion, the Courts were able to provide these citizens with the relief the Constitution demanded."⁵

Lest this self-aggrandizement get out of hand, we should remember that the court in *Brown* was merely overturning, *after six decades*, the "separate but equal" policy the court had endorsed back in 1896, when Plessy, who was one-eighth black, was arrested for refusing to ride in a train car designated for blacks. As you can see, being "above politics" is no guarantee of freedom either. In the end, accountability to the people is the only thing that can provide that guarantee.



4. <http://www.uscourts.gov/outreach/resources/judicialindependence/>

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1998. Further, as the "Climategate" emails and source codes for CRU climate models reveal, that research unit has been attempting to "hide the decline" in temperature and has fraudulently fudged the numbers to reach results they want. Several prominent GW scientists are now revealed to have conspired to keep skeptical scientists from publishing anti-GW work in peer-reviewed journals. In short, the entire global warming hypothesis has been revealed as nothing more than a corrupt political hack job. There really is nothing new under the sun.



Payback for Burr.



The trial of Aaron Burr.

A good illustration of the lack of "judicial independence" and the "one hand washes the other" tendency of politicians and judges is found in the saga of the impeachment proceedings of Justice Samuel Chase and Vice President Aaron Burr, later tried for treason. Regarding the impeachment proceedings and Burr's involvement, PBS says:

Vice President Aaron Burr, ... gave Chase's lawyer, Luther Martin, the opportunity to present a complete defense of his client. ... Burr prevented Chase from being railroaded, and in the end, Chase was acquitted. ... When Aaron Burr was tried for treason two years later, Marshall [a Federalist who had feared he was next in line for impeachment] would be on the bench, and Luther Martin would be Burr's attorney. **Both men [Chase and Marshall] would remember what Aaron Burr had done for them. ...**

A few years later:

Conspiring with James Wilkinson, Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Army and Governor of Northern Louisiana Territory, Burr hatched a plot to conquer some of Louisiana and maybe even Mexico and crown himself emperor. ... But Wilkinson betrayed him, and Burr was captured in Louisiana in the spring of 1807 and taken to Richmond, Virginia, to stand trial for treason. **Acquitted on a technicality**, he faced resounding public condemnation and fled to Europe.

It appears the justices really did remember the services Burr had rendered.

Source: <http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/duel/peopleevents/pande01.html> and [pande02.html](http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/duel/peopleevents/pande02.html). (emphases added)