

## It's All a Matter of Recall

### Putting Down Corruption in the Wealthy's Undo Influence on Government.

**"...that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom -- and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.**

**The Gettysburg Address, Abraham Lincoln**

A quick moment to clarify: **A Democratic Republic**

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The key difference between a **democracy** and a **republic** lies in the limits placed on government by the law, which has implications for minority rights. Both forms of government tend to use a *representational system* — i.e., citizens vote to elect politicians to *represent* their interests and form the government. **In a republic**, a constitution or charter of rights protects certain inalienable rights that cannot be taken away by the government, even if it has been elected by a majority of voters. **In a "pure democracy,"** the majority is not restrained in this way and can impose its will on the minority.

Is there a prior manipulation behind conflict? I mean can the two antagonists be completely unaware that they are so easily manipulated into grasping each other's throat in a life and death struggle where the winner is still the loser. It is my understanding of how conflict develops is that behind the scenes are those who employ the strategy of divide and conquer by promoting conflict to weaken those who they would subjugate and then keep subjugated. Those who they would subjugate and keep subjugated are the common people, the base of citizenry of our nation. So yes, there is prior manipulation behind conflict and the name of that manipulator is Power.

Those in power know the way of things. War is the extension of personal conflict taken into an international arena. But there is a difference. War takes preparation; advanced intelligence to make war seem reasonable to the population supporting it. The population must be whipped up into a frenzy so that all reason is subjugated to emotions and its anchor, righteousness. War takes organization. War takes planning. War requires financing. War requires years of training the core military force. War requires logistics to move huge amounts of resources. When all is ready, war especially requires an incident to light the fuse. Those in power know exactly how to do this, for that is how they keep in power. Whenever people start to mobilize to go after those in power they start a war so as to divert the people, to confuse them so that they "forget" about holding to account those who misdirect the economy at the cost to the people. Who are they? Aren't they the powerful prime investors in all of the services and industry that support war? Aren't they the ones who through their wealth move government to serve them rather than the people?

This being as it appears, yet there is some evidence that there is also the variable of human DNA, observed as human nature and not manipulating intelligence alone behind conflict. It has been suggested that conflict is a natural element of human society. Either a society dominates, temporarily co-exists with other powers, or is dominated. It is

natural as the rising sun, the traveling sun, and the setting sun. It is an endless cycle of creation and eventual annihilation. If not this year, then next year. The wealthy have learned how to benefit from this.

Seems kind of hopeless. Seems inevitable. Yet, what exists forever? Nothing on this planet. So, is it possible that even conflict may also have a life span, and what once thrived, now may be reaching the stage in which it suddenly ages, shrivels and dies? Just needs a little push. Let's Push.

What has given conflict life is the increasing polarizing affect on duality. It has been said that Belief creates the reality. The more believers the greater the power and thus greater the life force of that Belief. It's easily seen in religion where before the One God there were numerous gods. During the period of Pre-monotheism there were always numerous gods. Usually in any society one or two of the gods had the most adherents and thus the power and influence of those gods grew in size and influence. Then for reasons, those god's adherents declined, probably due to the loses caused by war, famine, and plague. With these loses their god diminished in size and power and most of them vanished with only stone statues remaining. Today, Jesus...one day just an artifact, a figure of a distressed man on a cross found in a ruin. Time wears away the life force of all creations. So too ideas. They are born, live, and eventually die and it's time that the ideological hold of extreme Duality that leads to domestic conflict passes into the dust of time. Such extremism is strictly fostered to manipulate people into conflict so that they can be taken advantage of. It's a form of diversion used by thieves. Two guys start a fight in front of you and of course it draws your attention while a third member of the gang picks your pocket. That's pretty much is what is happening with unregulated power stripping the population through creating financial bubbles that draws in the unsophisticated. Then Kaboom, the bubble pops and guess who has your money?

All states of social imbalance lead to some degree of conflict. Contrary to this is Balance, which leads to an increase in social harmony. Let's explore a new configuration of Duality so that instead of them being pushed into extremes leading to conflict they foster a sense of unity and health. It's time for The Balance and the re-introduction of the function of The Fulcrum. It's about how the fulcrum is placed that either creates balance or imbalance. I like the image of the old scale in which two trays were suspended and weights were placed in each so that they balanced; not too much, not too little. Just right. Like the symbol of Justice with the Lady in the robes holding a scale in balance in one hand and a sword in the other. I assume that the sword is to enforce Justice when reason doesn't hold forth. Of course the scale and the enforcing sword are just images of the concept of Justice. However the purpose of the imagery is clear. When the extremes are in balance a just measure is determined.

What messes up everything is an illusion that gives the appearance of balance, but which in reality is leaning too heavily in one direction so that the resources of life are tipping into the hands of the few at the cost of the health of the many. The trickle down theory in which the wealthy convinced the people if the tax on rich people was diminished then their increased income would encourage the country's economic growth thus creating more jobs and thereby the money would trickle down to the people to their benefit. Of course this isn't what happened. The tax cut never trickled except right into the pockets of the wealthy. However people voted for those that proposed it to their

sorrow. This is in the manner in which politics is formulated in our country that gives it the power to cast this illusion.

The wealthy, not the people at large currently drives Politics. It is deceit by necessity so that the people are tricked into blaming the government instead of the money people behind the politics. Who are the wealthy? They are of all religions, both Republicans and Democrats, of various educational backgrounds, and of the new rich and old rich. Whenever a group tries to call out one of these groups, say the Jews, it is only a diversion to place a veil of invisibility over the group at large so that they remain hidden and safe. So, normally politics controls all that goes on without any concern for fairness. However, at times there is an effort to regulate the politics that allows this such as Election Reform that seeks to cut out the Money People from controlling the public's opinion through billions of dollars to control advertisements. Instead of an open money fund for a candidate a policy change is required in which the government would provide a set amount for all candidates. This in part would act to equalize the field and to prevent undue influence. However, it is opposed by the wealthy who direct their politicians to vote against any such reform. Can government exist without Politics? No. Can a nation exist without a government? NO. Seems like a conundrum. Historically it has been. But what's great about the future is that it really can't be predicted. It can be anticipated, but never accurately predicted. It's The Future; that's where the alternative to politics through a winner and a loser exists. Let's project a politics in which "We win. You win." It's in the future where there exists a Politic of Balance and Fairness. A politic that supports the health of a nation, which means the health of all of us; its people. That's the Vision.

So how can this Politic of Health be generated? First we have to actually accept that there is a corrupting force in politics. The nature of politics is the concentration of power and power is the corrupting force regardless of all efforts to contain it. It's not possible for any individual to be elected without being subjected to the corrupting force of power. No matter how much integrity the elected official has, once that person wins the election the corrupting force acts like a virus and it attaches itself to the person. Currently there is no cure to corruption; no immunizing shot that can be administered to prevent the outbreak of corruption. It consumes everyone who comes into contact with power. There are a lot of people screaming about the corruption of politics yet when it come time to vote, yep, they're out there doing politics as they try to get people to vote for their candidates.

But is this the way it has to be? No. There is a mechanism if not to completely manage the corruption then at least to narrow the boundaries of the corrupting forces. The current political system states if an official is corrupt then they can be removed from office in one of three ways: First, wait until the next election and then support someone else. Second, through Impeachment. Third through Recall. In United States history the second or the third option are rarely employed. The impeachment mechanism of removal is a legal proceedings taking place among political peers and excludes the engagement of the voters. No, one can't really depend upon a jury of political peers to fairly protect the welfare of the people. Yet through the use of the mechanism of The Recall, We The People can actually limit the corrupting affect of power on those elected into office. The Power within The Recall is in the vote of the people in the district that the politician represents. Recall is the only political mechanism that immediately allows the citizens

within the district of an elected official to have a check on that official. Recall is a very effective immediate first step in interrupting the effect of the corrupting influence of power on a given politician. Yet there is a required second step, which has a longer-term effect on moderating the influence of corruption so that overall justice and honesty has the chance to prevail.

**To offset the corruptibility of politics there must be an accompanying reconfiguration of the concept of the two party system.** It is absurd to view the American system of politics as a democracy strictly on the basis that people vote. A democracy demands that the elected officials represent the society as a whole and not just the constituents that were of the same party as the elected official. However, whether a Democrat or a Republican is elected in the United States they do not pretend to represent the people of their district that didn't vote for them. If the vote is 51% to 49% then the elected official supporting their party's platform ignores the will of the 49% of the people who were voting for the politician of the other party. This is an inherent flaw of the politics in the United States. **The system of The Two Party politic as it is practiced operates on a system of Winner take All, which is a corruption of democracy because the winning candidate fails to represent all the people within their district.**

There are other ways that the Two Party System can be defined and put into operation. This suggests that the Two Party System isn't inherently undemocratic. It is rather in the current practice and the failure to understand political representation and the concept of one-person one vote that makes the current practice of the Two Party System undemocratic. There needs to be a mechanism that requires the two dominant political parties to work together to promote the welfare of all citizens for only then do they truly represent the totality of the people. Also it is important that the minority parties such as the Green Party, the Peace and Freedom Party, the American Independent Party, and the Libertarian Party, which account for a small portion of the vote, have a means for their inclusion in the team effort.

I don't believe that anyone will argue about the corruption of politics except for those enmeshed in Party Politics. Regardless of the candidate's promises in the run for elective office, it is the large money donors and lobbyists that currently determine who's elected and the politician's vote once they are elected. It doesn't really matter whether a Democrat or Republican is voted into office. The system of money forces them to do only what will get them re-elected the next time around. **That is why it isn't about who gets elected, but rather how to hold the elected official to their promise to uphold the Constitution of the United States and the Bill of Rights which guarantees the health and welfare of all of us, the citizens.**

**In a True Democracy all the elected officials regardless of their Party Affiliation need to be the best person in their district who can work cooperatively with the elected officials from all other districts with the sole purpose of supporting the increasing health and welfare of all the people. That requires the political and social maturity of a wise adult. To manifest this goal, wisdom must dictate the essential core values of a successful Democratic Society.** It does this by establishing a coherent and easily acceptable mechanism to measure health and welfare so as to be able to determine whether all the people are being justly served. This requires the establishment of a recognizable National Baseline that is capable of adjustments depending upon the regional differences within the nation, within the state, within the

counties, within the cities and towns. The technology is in place to create the algorithms to manage this effort.

The categories of the Baseline are simple to determine. The Baseline is measured in the following essential categories: Health, safety, housing, education, employment, transitional training and job placement for employees replaced by technology, food, clothing, transportation, retirement, and a safety net to sustain any and all people who are partially or fully disabled and can't afford to provide for themselves. Taking it in its best light The Two Party System as it is currently practiced has the Democratic Party attempting to Define the Core Values as described above and the Republican Party trying to define the finance and economics. But instead of working together, it's obvious that they treat each other in the manner of an intense and destructive sibling rivalry or in other words as enemies. It is also clear that regardless of their best intentions, easy to hear in each of their political promises but never experienced in practice, currently nothing is in place to alter their polarized and disruptive relationship. Because of this the two Political Parties, just like children in a dysfunctional family, require an outside mediating force to correct their behavior. In the past it was the Check and Balance System that placed a somewhat moderating affect on this conflict and ultimately it was the Supreme Court that was the moderator. However with the politicization of the Supreme Court and with its subsequent loss of Moral Standing, this Check and Balance System has failed. This state of being cannot continue without it resulting in the inevitable further collapse of the American citizen's trust in their government.

The key is the formation and the acceptance of The Core Values that define the National Baseline. The politician's adherence to this foundation of Core Values must be mandatory. Their adherence needs to be the determining factor whether they will be allowed to complete their term of office. Regardless of which Party dominates in the vote, that elected official must work diligently to support the Baseline. For those who see this as a threat to Capitalism, it is and it isn't. The question is: Can capitalism evolve from strictly promoting ever increasing profits for owners and their investors at the cost of an equitable distribution of wealth, to a more progressive capitalism that incorporates a core of ethics that supports the health and welfare of all the citizens of the United States? Capitalism needs an incentive for this progression. It is suggested that that incentive be the rule that only when the Baseline is successfully achieved, then and only then can entrepreneurs be free to increase their earnings. The incorporated limiting regulator of that permission is the boundary that at no time can those increased earnings undermine the maintenance of The Baseline for all People in this country. This means that instead of the American economy being driven largely by investor profits that it transitions to being driven by a more inclusive promotion of its citizen's health and welfare.

We The People need a mechanism of transparency and correction that will act as an antidote to the corruptibility of the political system by the wealthy. This isn't about blame, or who is right or wrong. One can't really blame politicians for the outcome of corruptibility. Anyone elected would have the same outcome. What the politicians needs is a protective net that inhibits the full blossoming of that corruption. The safety net is about coming to an acceptance that a high level of health of all citizens in the United States as measured by The Baseline promotes an effective and strong Democratic Republic. The measure isn't in the promise but in the realization of this promise. Helping elected officials to hold to this standard is the goal of this Movement.

With the above in mind I am suggesting the formation of a third political party, The Recall Party whose focus is on promoting this balance between the two dominant parties. To achieve this goal a Board of Equalization will be authorized to work to define and then evaluate the performance of elected officials as to their adherence to the Baseline, the Declaration of Health and Welfare, which defines the Foundation of Core Values. This will occur using analytics to keep an up to date score of their work to introduce bills to assure and then to maintain the approved Baseline.

To put “Teeth” into this, the politicians will understand that should their score fall below an acceptable level that they will be given a warning and if their effort fails to improve a Recall will be automatically initiated. The purpose of The Recall Party is to improve the outcome of the hard work to achieve the original vision of the Founding Fathers in the realization of democracy in the U.S.A. It will create the opportunity for citizens to join a party of the middle, situated between the extremes of the two existing parties. The Recall Party will provide support for politicians who best exemplify the determination to bring the vision into reality. The result of this approach will be to encourage politicians of either party to place the welfare and health of all citizens in the forefront of their political endeavor. The Recall Party will put forth its own candidates in any district in which the existing politicians refuse to work openly and cooperatively for the best interest of all citizens. If one Party attempts to continue to promote extreme polarization by refusing to cooperate, then the Recall Party will provide the swing votes for the other Party that is cooperative. Should neither party cooperate then the Recall Party will put up its own candidates for all offices. The created analytic will be used to evaluate not only the National politicians, but for each category of political office from the State down to the smallest town. This will provide a clear and focused transparency, which will allow the citizenry to be educated to who really cares about them.

The creation of a Declaration of Health and Welfare for all citizens of the United States in which health and welfare are defined will then be presented to all politicians to acknowledge and sign. At the same time all citizens of the United States will be presented this same Declaration for their acknowledgement and should they feel so inclined they will be able to register for the Recall Party.

The Recall Party will be attractive to those of the two party system who share the hope of actually living in a democracy that is fair, just and deeply cares about the welfare and health of all of its citizens. It will be attractive to the independents who feel frustrated with the lack of conscious effort to resolve the polarizing conflict that is paralyzing the nation. It will also be attractive to those who have worked hard to elevate their standard of living above the poverty level and those who are threatened by their current circumstances of falling into this category. Because of its agenda to take an idealistic vision into reality it will also be attractive to the millennials who supported Bernie Sanders.

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