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USA:: A Constitutional Republic --OR-- Constitutional Oligarchy?

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[Prasoon Anthuparambil](#) · a month ago

1st amendment - if there is secret service then NO PRESS, No Demonstration, No Speech!!! All current or former ruling elites have provision to have secret service accompanied with them. Filming is not allowed in most of the govt offices, even filming police attracts criminal charges.

2nd amendment - Police will make you bow and crawl if you possess a firearm while dealing with them or if you are in DC or in any govt building.

3rd amendment - has made outright cheating (If military is not allowed, they militarize police) Again NDAA grants all the power to the President including the use of Military force.

4th amendment - Patriot Act give the power to Federal agent to write their own search warrant. 100s of instances available where police break in to the house and shoot/taze people with no warrant. VAW openly grants the police unlimited powers to break into any property, All they need is a buddy to report an "incident"

5th amendment - has become a tool for extortion/looting/encroachment - Every year about 400 cases of Asset Forfeitures without giving time for any judicial process is happening. That's more than one a day!!! (<http://www.drugwarfacts.org/cms/forfeiture#sthash.WvQC2l47.dpbs>)

6th amendment - SSN and Real ID are essentially a compulsory process of obtaining witness for ourselves!!!

7th amendment - Latest example is denying not only trial by jury to a law suit against TSA, Federal Court also said they have no jurisdiction!!!

8th amendment - Is \$10,000 excessive bail for a teenager? Is \$500,000 excessive bail for Dinesh D'souza? Are not people supposed to be treated equal under the eyes of law?

9th amendment - shall not be construed to deny or disparage... really? where did cops come from? Where did TSA come from? where did national id come from, where did national bank come from?

10th amendment - the powers not delegated by Constitution....??? is this to laugh or cry?

Any one has any points to disprove that United States of America is a Constitutional Oligarchy?

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Here is a lone senator who voted against Patriot Act. Shows those who have common sense are less in number!

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/06/07/russ-feingold-patriot-act-speech_n_3402878.html

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Anonymous · a month ago

I basically agree with your analysis.

The only remedy that I see to the sad state of affairs is to increase accountability to the voters, Americans at large in particular. Two simple measures, I think, could alleviate the current problems,

- Abolishing the "winner take all" laws for the election of electors (in the same vein that the 17th amendment forced states to select US senators via statewide elections).

- Make US Supreme Court justices electable by the people and appointed to fixed length terms.

To those who fear the "buying of elections" I have two answers for them: Ronald Reagan and Barack Obama. Both were elected to office in spite of the opposition of powerful and well financed economic interests that were aligned with their respective parties' establishments.

People who fear "buying of elections" are implicitly calling the American people "stupid".

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Here is what Glen Beck talks about voting fraud -

[More Electronic Voting Machines Changing Romney Votes to Obama: We Looked Into It and Here's](#)

What a Vendor Told Us

A problem with electronic voting is that it is almost **impossible** for a third party to confirm that the code that they peer reviewed is the code that runs in the machine. Hence "Buying of elections" is a reality, its just a matter that people are not willing to digest!

What about "Buying of Senators/Reps"? It is said that more money is spent on lobbying than they spend on taxes!

Someone down voted :) without countering any of the points given. It shows that people are aware of this mess but **not willing** to accept it.

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However bad it is or seems to be, it is still probably the least coercive and, ironically or not, the most democratic system in the world. Much if not all of Mr. Anthuparambil's take on the rewording of the amendments have been part and parcel of American politics for generations. His credibility is shot of course, by the reference to the notorious hater of all things current in America, and by the obvious ideological bias referenced in the link. All i can say is that Mr Anthparmbil should have some patience and faith. Eventually we will have another Republican President, and even though he will probably be fat wosre for the country than the current incumbent and the encroachment on the Bill of Rights no different, I predict, at least, it will likely quiet, if nor ameliorate, Mr. Anthuparambil's concerns about the inevitable plunge of these United States into oligarchy.

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Looks like more people buying into common sense

Maryland Legislators Move To Kill NSA Headquarters

<http://benswann.com/breaking-maryland-legislators-move-to-kill-nsa-headquarters/>

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