Testimonial From a Veteran of the Marine Corps and Air Force



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I took the oath three times, once upon initial enlistment in the Marine Corps, again upon reenlistment and a third when I joined the Air Force.

The emotions ran high during the oath as I reflected on what I was saying, I was dedicating my self to the defense of the constitution which is what I saw as the very thing that allowed us the liberty we enjoy over other nations. I remember the hair standing at "attention" on the back of my neck! This emotion comes back to me every time I think of it, even today.

I was distressed recently to hear from a young soldier upon returning home from basic training in the Army on his way to Iraq. He told me of the oath he took. He swore to defend America from all enemies foreign and domestic. I have not been able to confirm that the oath has been changed or if he just didn't understand the oath he took. Either way, this is a terrible thing.

He went on to tell me of the time spent in training going over the "rules of engagement" with the Iraqi people. He said they spent even more time going over the rules of engagement with the American people. Where are we going!!!

Young men and women today do not appear to be the thinkers that their parents and grandparents were, nor do they have the spine to stand up to their leaders and say "that would violate my oath of service."

I have very little use for anyone (military, police or politician) who would take an oath and turn around and violate the oath due to ignorance.

This is a great site, and one that is badly needed. Education is the key to liberty, and if that fails a good rifle!

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