America 2.0



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Keep your eye on this Supreme Court case, being argued as we speak. Our (ahem!) government claims there are times when the First Amendment has to be ignored. [Link]

At issue is The Regime's reaction to the "Once-in-a-lifetime Pandemic," a dire emergency, yatta-yatta, that called for massive censorship and justified all sorts of violations of the First Amendment ("You're all gonna die if you don't let us do this!"). They went so far as to set up CISA, the "Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency—"set up to ban and throttle election-related speech Democrats dislike."

Yeahbut, yeahbut! It was an *emergency*, don'tcha know—a once-in-a-lifetime Pandemic that had to be dealt with by any means necessary.

Can you say "slippery slope"? Ice greased with lard.

And as for "once-in-a-lifetime," they also imposed "overt censorship" of news concerning irregularities (understatement of the year!) in the 2020 election… and the flap over Hunter Biden's laptop. By "once" I guess they mean "as often as we feel like it."

They argue that COVID-19 was the kind of emergency that excuses government's violations of the First Amendment. It would seem Freedom of Speech is only in force when everything is hunky-dory and we don't have any emergencies. By Jove, it's a luxury! All these times when government must demand overt

censorship... And guess who gets to decide what is an emergency.

What is our Bill of Rights worth, if at any time it can be superseded by some hacks in the White House who think everybody should just shut up? What happens to our republic if we have to wake up wondering if the First Amendment is still good today?

All over the world, governments are working to shut down free speech. Canada, the UK, Australia, Germany, New Zealand... And here at home, the party in power is trying to jail the opposition party's presidential candidate. What is this—America 2.0? It doesn't look much like the United States that I grew up in. Lately the excuse was COVID. What'll it be tomorrow—Joe Biden's poll numbers? I'm guessing "Women's Health": they're desperate to establish abortion on demand as one of those things that makes America America. Or maybe they'll shut you down for criticizing your local school board's transgender policy. Like, "Millions will die!" if they don't.

Would this have surprised the signers of our Constitution? Probably not—although surely it would have disappointed them. They created for us "a republic—if you can keep it!" as Benjamin Franklin said.

We have a chance, in this election, to put things right. For that to happen, the Democrat Party must suffer a defeat of biblical proportions—and a lot of deep state plotters and schemers will have to be fired, never to return to public office. Naturally, they'll do everything they can to steer the vote their way; and no considerations of right or wrong, lawful or unlawful, will inhibit them.

Can we keep our republic? Or will we only have one on days without emergencies?

Pray harder, and for the sake of our liberties, we must do the best we can.

I have discussed these and other topics throughout the week on my blog, http://www.leeduigon.com/. Click the link and drop in for a visit—while it's still allowed, pending the next emergency. My articles can also be found at www.chalcedon.edu/

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