

Self-Government Summary

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“We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.”

REVOLUTION: Self-Government is the *Ultimate Revolution*; it is based on Government service rather than rule. Self-Government begins with the attitude of personal freedom that recognizes Government as an effort undertaken by The People. Self-Government utterly denies that there is any authority to rule over The People who are governed.

VOTING: Voting is not self government; voting is how we authorize others to govern in our name. Self-government may be implemented and empowered through voting; but the act of self-government is outside of, and superior to, all authority we have granted to our Government.

GOVERNMENT: Citizens are the source of our Government; *we own it*. It only came into being through our representatives. As owners of our Government, we are the ones who gave it purpose; and only we can change that purpose. Our initial purpose is stated in the Preamble to our Constitution and nothing has changed from when we put it in place!

SERVICES: Citizens are the only true customer for what Government produces. As with all customers, *we determine the value of what we receive*.

CONSTITUTION: Citizens are the source of our Constitution; *we own it*. It came into being through our representatives. *We enacted this Constitution to rule over those who govern*. Where we speak as a people, we are of greater authority than the Constitution. Wherever Government redefines or reinterprets the Constitution to recognize increased powers and authorities for leaders, these are criminal acts; they are stealing from The People.

RIGHTS & PRIVILEGES: Owner rights are superior to constitutional rights. Owner rights include liberty, self-determination and defense, and assembly to assure good government. Ownership is personal; and no right or privilege of ownership can ever be legally limited, changed or regulated through any act of public representation.

SELF-GOVERNING ATTITUDE: Our Government is authorized by us to do governance.

EMPLOYEES: Public officers are public employees. Employees do not put conditions on owners for when or how they will receive direction or correction. The owners decide what they will do and direct those who work for them. The employees do as they are directed; or they look for different employment.

MANDATE: Where four of every five citizens agree, there is mandate; and mandate is the heart of self-government. A mandate will direct any public official who wants to stay in public office – even those appointed. A mandate will not answer to law, but will change any law that would disenfranchise The People. A mandate will direct or redirect any public activity, and can even rewrite the Constitution.

Mandates are not causes, where one may take sides and compete to determine what is right; mandates are where value for the public is so much greater than cost that 4 of 5 will demand it. Unlike a political cause, there is only one side to a mandate.

Mandates are not identified with processes, with doing what is right. Mandates are based on Product, on what is delivered to and valued by The People.

LEADERSHIP: Political government divides the people into competing camps, the effective denial of self-government. Self-governing leaders will not come into authority through political activity, but through drawing The People together by identifying value that should be demanded; by calling upon the support of The People; and by addressing the mandate to those in government on behalf of The People.

The efforts of the self-government leader are based on performance, on delivery of value to those who recognize that value. The purpose of the performance leader is to gain a position where the public can be represented, to advance in a public service career, and to be effective while serving those who are represented. The performance leader is a public asset of such value that public support is assured.

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This paper summarizes information in the Self-Government Owner's Manual, which also addresses where public mandates are to be found. Any Citizen may download their free copy of the Owner's Manual from my website, and may give personal copies to, or share their copy with, other citizens:

<http://MgtEngNews.home.att.net/Articles/SelfGovern.pdf>

The corresponding engineered work in support of developing performance leaders has been written and will be a published shortly.