



Let the Fasces be lowered before
- the supreme sovereignty of the people.
*It is their duty to watch, and their right
to take care, that the constitution be
preserved; or in the Roman phrase on
perilous occasions - to provide, that the
republic receive no damage.*

Letters of Fabius by John Dickinson,
Letter IV ~1788

Are You A Subject or A
Citizen?

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“A citizen of the *United States*, means a member of this new nation. The principle of government being radically changed by the revolution, the political character of the people was also changed from subjects to citizens.

The difference is immense. Subject is derived from the latin words, *sub* and *jacio*, and means one who is *under* the power of another; but a citizen is an *unit* of a mass of free people, who, collectively, possess sovereignty.

Subjects look up to a master, but citizens are so far equal, that none have hereditary rights superior to others. Each citizen of a free state contains, within himself, by nature and the constitution, as much of the common sovereignty as another. In the eye of reason and philosophy, the political condition of citizens is more exalted than that of noblemen. Dukes and earls are the creatures of kings, and may be made by them at pleasure; but citizens possess in their own right original sovereignty.”

A Dissertation on the Manner of Acquiring the Character and Privileges of A Citizen of the United States ~ David Ramsay 1789

Every Citizen has a responsibility, as a part owner in their government, to oversee their public servants; to reprimand them when they get out of line and to fire them when necessary. Citizens have a responsibility to make sure that the actions of their public servants and the laws made by them, conform to the principles of Liberty.

Joseph de Maistre said it well when he said, “Every nation gets the government it deserves.” If citizens are too lazy and apathetic to keep their government under control, then they deserve to become subjects of their government.

Citizens need to choose representatives that are good, moral individuals and also representatives who understand theories of governance, economics, foreign affairs, and who understand the principles of Liberty and will work to defend the Natural Rights of every individual. Good intentions cannot overcome the ignorance of a representative.

Citizens must also keep up with the actions of public servants in government and hold them accountable when their actions attack individual Liberty. But citizens should do more than complain about problems.

Offending public servants should be removed from office or should be instructed in proper governance. Citizens should study to be able to present solutions to their representatives and to be able to convince other citizens of the proper course for government.

The Constitution Party is fighting to return citizens power back to them and encourages every citizen to take responsibility for their own government.

The Constitution Party National Platform

We declare the platform of the Constitution Party to be predicated on the principles of The Declaration of Independence, The Constitution of the United States and The Bill of Rights According to the original intent of the Founding Fathers. These founding documents are the foundation of our Liberty and the Supreme Law of the Land.

The sole purpose of government, as stated in the Declaration of Independence, is to secure our unalienable rights given us by our Creator. When Government grows beyond this scope, it is usurpation, and liberty is compromised.

We believe the major issues we face today are best solved by a renewed allegiance to the original intent of these founding documents.

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