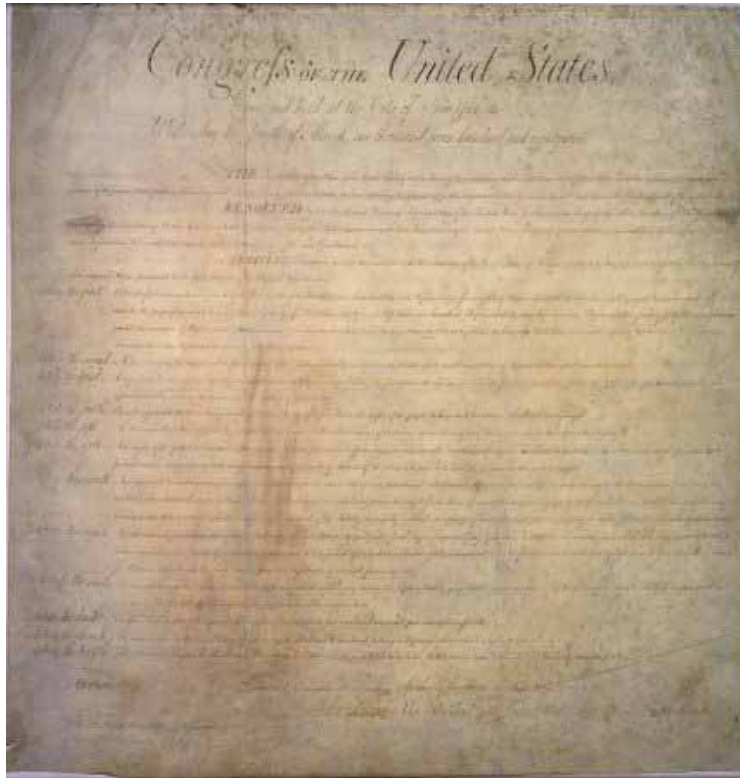


# It's the Water, Stupid

**“THE SECOND AMENDMENT IS HERE TO STAY”**

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(Mar. 29, 2018) — OK, so first it was Chief Justice Roberts concocting the ruse that when Congress used the word “penalty” eighteen times in describing the individual mandate sanctions of the comically-mislabeled “Affordable Care Act,” it actually meant to say that the “penalties” were instead a “tax.” *Voilà!* The unconstitutional becomes constitutional.

If you have not yet read the compelling dissent by Justices Thomas, Kennedy, Alito and now-departed Justice Antonin Scalia in the “Obamacare” case – *National Federation of Independent Business v. Sibelius* – take the time to do so [here](#). The dissent will tell you a lot about why Congress is not the only disingenuous body in the District of Columbia.

Then it was Associate Justice Ginsburg suggesting that the Electoral College needed to be abolished, at least recognizing, however, that it would take a [constitutional amendment](#) to do that. So, the same bulwark that the Founders put in place as a check against the unbridled power of the populous “big” states (New York, Pennsylvania, *et al.*) to run roughshod over the “small” states (Delaware, Rhode Island, *et al.*) has now outlived its usefulness, according to Ginsburg.

The reason for this, of course, is that an actual President – as opposed to his predecessor Usurper-in-Chief or Hillary (“The-Worst-Presidential-Nominee-in-the-History-of-the-Republic”) Clinton was duly elected by the Electoral College on a pledge to “Make America Great Again.” Ginsburg should stick to defining what constitutes a [hot dog](#) rather than second-guessing what the Founders intended.

And now we have retired (mercifully) former Associate Justice John Paul Stevens advocating for the [repeal](#) of the Second Amendment. Mind you, he is not merely stating that this should be considered: he is advocating that it actually be carried out because “that simple but dramatic action would move Saturday’s marchers [referencing the comically-mislabeled “March for Life” students in D.C. and elsewhere] closer to their objective than any other possible reform.” That objective, of course, is the self-defeating goal of outlawing the sale and/or transfer of guns and, in due course, the governmental confiscation of all guns already privately owned.

Seriously? Repeal the Second Amendment? It must be something in the water back in D.C. that causes these virulent strains of cranial maladies to infect Supreme Court Justices. Come to think of it, members of Congress probably drink the same stuff... when not doing their Perrier or Pellegrino. Or Dom Perignon at The Willard. Just sayin’... One wonders if Stevens and the March for Life acolytes realize that confiscation of all privately-owned guns would leave the same “weapons of war” in the hands of the police and, incidentally, a military headed up by a Commander-in-Chief who they detest.

Former (again, mercifully) Justice Stevens would do well to ruminate on the words purportedly spoken by the leader of a European nation in 1938 regarding gun registration: “This year will go down in history. For the first time, a civilized nation has full gun registration. Our streets will be safer, our police more efficient, and the world will follow our lead into the future.”

While the quote has been criticized as being unverified and unsubstantiated – and perhaps even concocted – the fact of the matter is that, regardless of the authenticity of the quote, an entire class of people in that country was legislatively deprived of their preexisting right to possess guns (and knives) with which to defend themselves following the enactment of the law. The registration and ensuing confiscation of weapons of self-defense against governmental tyranny resulted in: the Holocaust. The class of persons affected in 1938: the Jews of Germany. The person to whom the quote is attributed: Third Reich Führer Adolph Hitler. Fast-forward to today, and the person being targeted is: you. And if you think that a different result is impossible here, you are probably drinking untreated water from the Potomac as it flows through D.C.

Memo to Stevens and soft-spoken ingénues like David (“I-never-met-a-sentence-I-did-not-want-to-festoon-with-obscurities-and-profanities”) Hogg: the [Second Amendment](#) is here to stay. Get over it. If you don’t like it, then get out of Dodge and thereby elevate the overall IQ of the Nation.