

1 **Sovereignty Education and Defense Ministry (SEDM)**
2 **Fellowship Member Agreement**

3 "Revenue Laws relate to taxpayers [instrumentalities, officers, employees, and elected officials of the [national Government](#)] and not to
4 non-taxpayers [[non-resident non-persons domiciled in states of the Union](#) without the exclusive jurisdiction of the Federal Government].
5 The latter are without their scope. No procedures are prescribed for non-taxpayers and no attempt is made to annul any of their Rights
6 or Remedies in due course of law. With them[non-taxpayers] Congress does not assume to deal and they are neither of the subject nor
7 of the object of federal revenue laws."
8 [[Economy Plumbing & Heating v. U.S., 470 F.2d. 585 \(1972\)](#)]

9 **1 General provisions**

10 Comes now, _____ (print your FULL legal birthname legibly), who desires to join the fellowship and the
11 ministry of Sovereignty Education and Defense Ministry (SEDM). In consideration of the valuable information offered by the Ministry, I declare my consent
12 to abide unconditionally with this agreement by any one or more of the following means:

- 13 1. Contacting us for help with their problems or questions either via email or using our [Contact Us Page](#).
14 2. Requesting our services through the [Ministry Bookstore](#), such as IMF Decoding, paralegal help, etc.
15 3. Obtaining ministry materials or information offered through the [Ministry Bookstore](#).
16 4. Participating in the Ministry as a volunteer or agent.
17 5. Signing this Member Agreement and submitting it to the Ministry through mail, email, fax, in person, or our forums.
18 6. Signing up for our [Member Subscriptions](#) or availing yourself of any of its benefits.
19 7. Downloading any of the free materials or information available on the SEDM website at <http://sedm.org>. This provision EXCLUDES the [Member](#)
20 [Agreement, Form #01.001](#) itself.
21 8. Making a donation to the ministry.
22 9. Signing up to be part of our [Member Forums](#).
23 10. Submitting or sending any of the materials appearing on this website to any third party in any administrative or legal matter, and especially one involving
24 any Member or Officer of this ministry.
25 11. Using any of the materials or output of services available through this website as evidence in any legal or administrative enforcement proceeding.
26 12. Making any commercial use whatsoever of the materials or services available through this ministry so as to benefit anyone OTHER than the ministry.
27 This includes: 1. Trying to enjoin the materials; 2. Slandering the authors as a way to maximize revenues to a corrupted de facto government from
28 ILLEGAL enforcement of the Internal Revenue Code; 3. Selling the materials available through this website in violation of the copyright.
29 13. Signing up for a [Basic Membership](#).

30 **1.1 My status and standing**

31 In joining the ministry by the above means, I declare that:

- 32 1. I believe in God. (see [section 9 of our About Us page](#) for details on our approach to the requirement for religious faith).
33 2. I put service to God and His Laws (in his Holy book) above either self or man or government.
34 3. I consider [justice](#) and truth more important than personal profit or material wealth or personal security.

35 "[Justice \[the RIGHT to be LEFT ALONE\]](#) is the end of government. It is the end of civil society. It ever has been,
36 and ever will be pursued, until it be obtained, or until liberty be lost in the pursuit."
37 [[The Federalist No. 51 \(1788\), James Madison](#)]

- 38 4. I am not a "tax protester", "tax denier", "tax defier", "sovereign citizen", or any other convenient stereotype or label. Rather, I am a crime fighter who
39 seeks to enforce the law and preserve the requirement for *express, written, fully informed consent* of the governed that is the origin of all of the just civil
40 authority of government according to the Declaration of Independence.

41 *Consensus facit legem.*
42 Consent makes the law. A contract [or civil law] is a law between the parties, which can acquire force only by
43 consent.
44 [[Bouvier's Maxims of Law, 1856](#) ;
45 SOURCE: <http://famguardian.org/Publications/BouvierMaximsOfLaw/BouviereMaxims.htm>]

- 46 5. I am NOT ANTI-government, but rather pro SELF-government under the authority of only God's laws. I regard this as an essential element of my
47 religious practices and beliefs.
48 6. I am a human being and not a civil statutory "person" whose legal "domicile" is either within a de jure state of the Union and outside of federal territory,
49 or within the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. My King, my Savior, my Lawgiver, my Judge, and my ONLY protector is God and not any vain man or
50 earthly government. I may not bow down to nor serve any other false gods, including governments, because this is idolatry. See the link and quote
51 below for the reasons why this is:

52 [Why Domicile and Becoming a "Taxpayer" Require Your Consent](#), Form #05.002; <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

1 *"You shall have no other gods [including Kings or government] before Me. You shall not make for yourself a*
2 *carved image—any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the*
3 *water under the earth; you shall not bow down or serve them [governments or Kings]. For I, the Lord your God,*
4 *am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those*
5 *who hate Me, but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments."*
6 *[Exodus 20:3-6, Bible, NKVJ]*

- 7 7. I am a statutory "non-resident non-person" in respect to the national but not federal government and a "transient foreigner" on the earth. This status is a
8 product of the separation of powers between the states and the national government. See:
9 <http://fanguardian.org/Subjects/Freedom/Sovereignty/Sovereign=Foreign.htm>
10 8. I am a "stateless" within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. §1332(a) immune from the jurisdiction of the federal courts, which are all Article IV, legislative,
11 territorial courts.
12 9. I am NOT:
13 9.1. A STATUTORY "U.S. Citizen" as defined by the Federal Government in 8 U.S.C. §1401, 26 U.S.C. §3121(e), or 26 C.F.R. §1.1-1(c) who is
14 domiciled on federal territory. Rather, I am a CONSTITUTIONAL citizen and a STATUTORY "non-resident". [Click here for details](#) on the
15 difference between STATUTORY citizens and CONSTITUTIONAL citizens.
16 9.2. The statutory "citizen of the United States" described in 26 C.F.R. §1.6012-1(a), who has a requirement to file a federal income tax return. The
17 "United States" described therein is defined in 26 U.S.C. §7701(a)(9) and (a)(10) and includes no de jure state of the Union.
18 9.3. A statutory "resident" (alien) as defined by the Federal Government under 26 U.S.C. §7701(b)(1)(A). All "residents" are statutory "aliens" in the
19 I.R.C. who have selected a domicile on federal territory or who have agreed to represent an entity domiciled on federal territory as a public officer,
20 and I do not satisfy either criteria and therefore am a transient foreigner and nonresident in relation to federal jurisdiction.
21 9.4. A statutory "U.S. Person" as defined in 26 U.S.C. §7701(a)(30).
22 9.5. A statutory "nonresident alien individual" as defined in 26 U.S.C. §7701(b)(1)(B) with any earnings from within the statutory "United States" or
23 "effectively connected with a trade or business" in the statutory "United States" as described in 26 U.S.C. §871.
24 9.6. A statutory "individual" as defined in 26 C.F.R. §1.1441-1(c)(3) or a "nonresident alien individual" as defined in 26 C.F.R. §1.1441-1(c)(3)(ii).
25 All "individuals" are public officers in the U.S. government engaged in franchises, and I am not such an entity.
26 9.7. Federal statutory "employee" as defined in 26 U.S.C. §3401(c), 5 U.S.C. §2105(a), or 26 C.F.R. §31.3401(c)-1.
27 9.8. A statutory "person" with any contracts in place, agency, or fiduciary duty with the federal government. Such contracts include but are not limited
28 to the W-4, 1040, or SS-5 federal forms.
29 9.9. A "customer" or a "client", but rather a "Member". God is the only "customer" in the ministry and we all serve, worship, and subsidize ONLY
30 Him and not any vain man or creation of men called "government".

31
32 Instead, my earnings and all of my property is a "foreign estate" as described in 26 U.S.C. §7701(a)(31) and not subject to the jurisdiction of the
33 Internal Revenue Code. I am a Secured Party to the Constitution as I do not maintain a domicile or residence within the exclusive or general
34 jurisdiction of the Federal Government but temporarily occupy (not "reside" or "inhabit" within) the 50 states of the Union. As such, the Special
35 Law found in Title 26 does not apply to me, which is confirmed by the Legislative Intent of the 16th Amendment. See Federal Jurisdiction, Form
36 #05.018 for overwhelming evidence supporting this firm conviction of mine.

- 37 10. I regard any attempt by any judge or government officer to associate ANY civil statutory status, legal status, or public right with me or others in the
38 context of my EXCLUSIVELY PRIVATE interactions with the Ministry or any government as:
39 10.1. A criminal act of identity theft. See: *Government Identity Theft*, Form #05.046; <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>.
40 10.2. An attempt by a corrupted government to compel me to contract with them by making me party to a "social compact" that I want nothing to do
41 with.
42 10.3. A direct interference with my unalienable right to PRIVATELY contract or NOT contract as I see fit.
43 10.4. An attempt to offer me "protection" that I define as an INJURY and NOT protection.
44 10.5. THEFT of my property and rights to property.
45 10.6. An act of international terrorism.
46 10.7. The legal equivalent of outlawing PRIVATE property and PRIVATE rights. All governments are established to PROTECT private property, not
47 outlaw its exercise or possession by associating public statuses with it without the express consent of the owner in EACH SPECIFIC case. The
48 ability to regulate EXCLUSIVELY PRIVATE rights is repugnant to the Constitution and I define this relationship as EXCLUSIVELY PRIVATE
49 and therefore entirely beyond control, taxation, regulation, or protection by any government.
50 Such civil statuses include, but are not limited to "citizen", "resident", "person", "individual", "taxpayer", "U.S. citizen", "citizen of the United States", etc
51 under any civil statutory law. The reasons are documented in *Your Exclusive Right to Declare or Establish Your Civil Status*, Form #13.008;
52 <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>. The common law and equity ALONE administered by a jury of disinterested peers who shall judge the law AND
53 the facts is the only vehicle available to resolve disputes among and between parties to this agreement. All government judges, all of whom have a
54 criminal conflict of interest, are hereby FIRED entirely from any participation in such a dispute.
55 11. I am a reasonable, responsible, patriotic, and open-minded human being but not statutory "individual" or "person", who, like the ministry, simply wants
56 an honest and accountable government that diligently obeys and respects the Constitution, enacted positive law, and does *not* try to enforce that which is
57 not enacted positive law. Every American expects and deserves a government that respects and protects the requirement for "consent" and choice in
58 every interaction between it and its inhabitants, including in the area of taxation (see Form #05.002). The reason is that the Declaration of Independence
59 says that all just powers of government are based on the "consent of the governed". Where there is no explicit, written, informed consent, there is no
60 authority and nothing but tyranny and injustice. Because it is *not* respecting these limits on its authority, then I cannot and will not subsidize or condone
61 or aid any efforts which would conflict with these objectives with my earnings or my labor or my tacit consent or obedience:

62 *"If money is wanted by Rulers who have in any manner oppressed the people, they may retain it until their*
63 *grievances are redressed, and thus peaceably procure relief, without trusting to despised petitions or disturbing the*
64 *public tranquility."*
65 *[Continental Congress, 1774; Am. Pol., 233; Journals of the Continental Congress, October 26, 1774]*

- 66 12. If, after consenting to this agreement, I sign or submit any government form that contradicts my status as indicated in this agreement, and especially a
67 government form signed under penalty of perjury, I further declare that all the following are true in relation to such a circumstance:
68 12.1. The Tax Form Attachment, Form #04.201, supersedes and controls everything on that government form and any other government form that I
69 signed after consenting to this agreement.

- 1 12.2. I was under illegal duress which is being protected by a complicit CRIMINAL judiciary.
- 2 12.3. I was a victim of de facto officers of an organized crime "protection racket" and had no other choice but to commit perjury on a government form
- 3 and contradict my statements on this form in order to procure the Constitutional right to simply be left alone and to minimize the risk to my
- 4 financial health, myself, and my family.
- 5 12.4. This member agreement shall constitute a formal criminal complaint to prosecute all those engaged in said unlawful duress. I acknowledge that a
- 6 willful failure or omission by any officer of any government who is party to this agreement in prosecuting and reporting all such criminal activity
- 7 shall also make them an accessory after the fact to it and guilty of misprision of felony in violation of 18 U.S.C. §§3 & 4.
- 8 12.5. The nature of the duress I am under is extensively documented in:
- 9 *Affidavit of Duress: Illegal Tax Enforcement by De Facto Officers*, Form #02.005
- 10 <http://sedm.org/Forms/02-Affidavits/AffOfDuress-Tax.pdf>

11 I understand that it is the policy of the ministry not to provide legal advice or representation, but instead to teach and empower the sovereign people themselves

12 to manage their own legal affairs without the involvement of either the ministry or a corrupted legal profession.

13 I understand that it is not the mission or goal of the ministry to make legal recommendations or judgments about my status as either a "taxpayer" or a

14 "nontaxpayer". The reason is explained in: *Your Exclusive Right to Declare or Establish Your Civil Status*, Form #13.008.

15 <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>. Furthermore, I understand that only I, under the Internal Revenue Code, and not the IRS (see Internal Revenue

16 Manual, Section 5.1.11.6.7 and 26 U.S.C. §6020(b)) nor the courts of justice (see 28 U.S.C. §2201(a)), nor anyone in government, may determine whether I as

17 a human being and NOT a "person" am "liable" for Subtitle A income taxes under the Internal Revenue Code. This is a result of the fact that "*Our tax system*

18 *is based upon voluntary [self] assessment and payment, not upon distraint[enforcement]*", according to the U.S. Supreme Court in *Flora v. United States, 362*

19 *U.S. 145 (1959)*.

20 *"A reasonable construction of the taxing statutes does not include vesting any tax official with absolute power of*

21 *assessment against individuals not specified in the statutes as a person liable for the tax without an opportunity for*

22 *judicial review of this status before the appellation of 'taxpayer' is bestowed upon them and their property is*

23 *seized..."*

24 *[Botta v. Scanlon, 288 F.2d. 504, 508 (1961)]*

25 **1.2 Purpose of Joining**

26 The main reasons I am involving the ministry is to:

- 27
- 28 1. Mature and strengthen my religious faith.
- 29 2. Learn how to research, explain, and enforce the law, and thereby to become a better member of whatever society I am physically situated within.

30 *"One who turns his ear from hearing the law [God's law or man's law], even his prayer is an abomination."*

31 *[Prov. 28:9, Bible, NKJV]*

32 *"This **Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may***

33 ***observe to do according to all that is written in it.** For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will*

34 *have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed,*

35 *for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."*

36 *[Joshua 1:8-9, Bible, NKJV,*

37 *IMPLICATION: If you aren't reading and trying to obey God's law daily, then you're not doing God's will and you*

38 *will not prosper]*

39 *"But this crowd that does not know [and quote and follow and use] the law is accursed."*

40 *[John 7:49, Bible, NKJV]*

41 *"Salvation is far from the wicked, For they do not seek Your [God's] statutes."*

42 *[Psalm 119:155, Bible, NKJV]*

43 *"Every man is supposed to know the law. A party who makes a contract [or enters into a franchise, which is also a*

44 *contract] with an officer [of the government] without having it reduced to writing is knowingly accessory to a*

45 *violation of duty on his part. Such a party aids in the violation of the law."*

46 *[Clark v. United States, 95 U.S. 539 (1877)]*

- 47 3. Enhance my relationship to the Creator by learning and obeying His Holy Laws and bringing myself into complete submission exclusively to His will in
- 48 every area of my life.
- 49 4. Seek education and help in disconnecting completely from all government "benefits", privileges, franchises, contracts, licenses, and identifying numbers
- 50 in order that I can avoid violating the commandments found in Matt. 6:24 and Luke 16:13 not to serve two masters: God and mammon, meaning
- 51 government. This will ensure that I serve ONLY one sovereign, who is God. For details, see:

Government Instituted Slavery Using Franchises, Form #05.030

<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>

- 52 5. Help me get educated about my God-given rights and how to defend them. The main reason I have to take personal responsibility for defending my
- 53 rights in this way is because government has refused its duty under the Constitution to do so. Therefore, the Master must do what the servant is
- 54 maliciously unwilling to do. Below are what a few prominent authorities say about the virtues of education, and the Constitutionally protected Free
- 55 Assembly which it is based upon:

1 "Only the educated are free."
2 [Epicetus, Discourses]

3 "A popular government without popular information [about [GOVERNMENT CORRUPTION](#)] or the means of
4 acquiring it, is but a Prologue to Farce, or a Tragedy, or perhaps both. Knowledge will forever govern ignorance,
5 and a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives."
6 [James Madison; Letter from James Madison to W.T. Barry (Aug. 4, 1822), in 9 THE WRITINGS OF JAMES
7 MADISON 103 (Gaillard Hunt ed., 1910)]

8 "...the greatest menace to freedom is an inert [passive, ignorant, and uneducated] people [who refuse, as jurists
9 and voters and active citizens, to expose and punish evil in our government]"
10 [Whitney v. California, [274 U.S. 357](#) (1927)]

11 "The American people have always regarded education and acquisition of knowledge as matters of supreme
12 importance which should be diligently promoted [in order to maintain and protect their [liberty](#)]. The Ordinance of
13 1787 declares: "Religion, morality and knowledge being necessary to good government and the happiness [and
14 liberty] of mankind, schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged."
15 [Meyer v. State of Nebraska, [262 U.S. 390](#) (1923)]

16 "And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws [of both [God](#) and [man](#)], and shalt shew them the way wherein they
17 must walk, and the work [of obedience to God] that they must do."
18 [[Exodus 18:20](#), Bible, NKJV]

19 "My [God's] people are destroyed [and enslaved] for lack of knowledge [and the lack of education that produces
20 it]."
21 [[Hosea 4:6](#), Bible, NKJV]

22 I certify that my motivations and reasons for joining the ministry are spiritual, moral, and legal. I further certify that my reasons for joining or for pursuing
23 sovereignty do NOT include any of the following:

- 24 1. I am not pursuing membership for financial, political, or commercial. I do not seek prosperity in joining this ministry. Jesus did not have commercial
25 motivations and neither do I. Jesus said in Matt. 6:21 and Luke 12:34 that where a man's treasure is, there his heart will be also, and my treasure isn't on
26 this Earth and isn't found in any government "benefit" or commercial franchise.

27 "Where do wars and fights [in the ballot box and the jury box] come from among you? Do they not come from
28 your desires for pleasure [unearned money or "benefits" from the government] that war in your members
29 [and your democratic SOCIALIST governments]? You lust [after other people's money] and do not have. You
30 murder [the unborn to increase your standard of living] and covet [the unearned] and cannot obtain [except by
31 empowering your de facto THIEF government to STEAL for you!]. You fight and war [against the rich and the
32 nontaxpayers to subsidize your idleness and dependency with a [STOLEN Social Security retirement check](#)]. Yet you
33 do not have because you do not ask [the Lord, but instead ask [the corrupt and deceitful government](#)]. You ask and
34 do not receive, because you ask amiss, that you may spend it on your pleasures ["benefits"]. Adulterers and
35 adulteresses [[harlots, Rev. 17](#)!] Do you not know that [friendship \[or STATUTORY citizenship\] with the
36 world \[or the governments of the world\] is enmity with God?](#) Whoever therefore wants to be a friend [[a
37 STATUTORY "citizen", "resident", or "taxpayer"](#)] of the world [or the governments of the world] makes
38 himself an enemy of God."
39 [[James 4:1-4](#), Bible, NKJV]

40 "Here I close my opinion. I could not say less in view of questions of such gravity that go down to the very
41 foundation of the government. If the provisions of the constitution can be set aside by an act of congress, where is
42 the course of usurpation [abuse of taxation power for THEFT and wealth transfer] to end? The present assault
43 [WAR!] upon capital [PRIVATE property] is but the beginning. It will be but the stepping-stone to others, larger
44 and more sweeping, till our political contests [in the jury box and the ballot box between the HAVES and the
45 HAVE NOTS] will become a war of the poor against the rich, a war constantly growing in intensity and
46 bitterness. 'If the court sanctions the power of discriminating [UNEQUAL or GRADUATED] taxation, and
47 nullifies the uniformity mandate of the constitution,' as said by one who has been all his life a student of our
48 institutions, 'it will mark the hour when the sure decadence of our present government will commence.'"
49 [Pollock v. Farmers Loan and Trust Co., [157 U.S. 429](#) (1895)]

- 50 2. I do not seek sovereignty for any of the following reasons:
- 51 2.1. As a get out of jail free card. We don't promote or condone sovereignty as an excuse to be free from the criminal laws, for instance. EVERYONE
52 is subject to real, de jure criminal laws and SHOULD be subject.
- 53 2.2. As an excuse to be irresponsible for any loans or commitments I previously made. Some people for instance are only interested in sovereignty so
54 they can cancel debts or obligations they previously made. We, on the other hand, believe that one should always honor every commitment or
55 debt they previously consented to, even if their consent at the time was not fully informed.
- 56 2.3. As an excuse to engage in violent, harmful, or criminal behavior. We believe that everyone should be accountable and responsible for the harms
57 they cause to others under the concept of equality of all. In a civil context, that accountability is the common law and NOT the civil statutory law.
- 58 2.4. As an excuse to reject ALL man-made law and thereby be an anarchist. We think that true sovereignty can only truly exist among a people who:
- 59 2.4.1. Are accountable under God's laws at all times.
- 60 2.4.2. Cannot pick or choose which subset of God's laws they CONSENT to be accountable under.

- 1 2.4.3. Are accountable under the criminal laws of the country they are physically present within, regardless of their civil status or domicile.
- 2 2.4.4. Do not surrender their sovereignty by consenting to be civil statutory persons or choosing a civil domicile within the statutory jurisdiction of
- 3 any government.
- 4 2.5. As a justification to call myself a "sovereign citizen" or ANY OTHER name, label, or stereotype the government might use to persecute
- 5 whistleblowers that insist on an accountable, law abiding government. We are simply crime fighters who seek to enforce the sovereignty
- 6 delegated to use by the only true sovereign, which is God.
- 7 2.6. As a justification to enforce superior rights or importance to myself or inferior rights to anyone else under any law. ALL are equal under REAL
- 8 law. That which creates or enforces an unequal or inferior status in the eyes of the government is and must at all times be a voluntary franchise
- 9 that I seek to avoid.

10 Rather, I simply seek to be LEFT ALONE so that I can civilly govern and support myself and my family and loved ones without any external involvement or

11 interference from any man or vain government of men. The legal definition of "justice", in fact, is the moral habit of simply leaving people alone and

12 protecting their right to be left alone. Therefore, the goal of my participation in the ministry is "justice" as legally defined.

13 *"The makers of our Constitution undertook to secure conditions favorable to the pursuit of happiness. They*

14 *recognized the significance of man's spiritual nature, of his feelings and of his intellect. They knew that only a part*

15 *of the pain, pleasure and satisfactions of life are to be found in material things. They sought to protect Americans in*

16 *their beliefs, their thoughts, their emotions and their sensations. They conferred, as against the Government, the*

17 *right to be let alone - the most comprehensive of rights and the right most valued by civilized men."*

18 *[Olmstead v. United States, 277 U.S. 438, 478 (1928) (Brandeis, J., dissenting); see also Washington v. Harper,*

19 *494 U.S. 210 (1990)]*

20 *"With all [our] blessings, what more is necessary to make us a happy and a prosperous people? Still one thing*

21 *more, fellow citizens--a wise and frugal Government, which shall restrain men from injuring one another, shall*

22 *leave them otherwise free to regulate their own pursuits of industry and improvement, and shall not take from the*

23 *mouth of labor the bread it has earned. This is the sum of good government, and this is necessary to close the circle*

24 *of our felicities."*

25 *[Thomas Jefferson: 1st Inaugural, 1801. ME 3:320]*

26 *"Do not strive with [BOTHER] a man without cause, if he has done you no harm."*

27 *[Prov. 3:30, Bible, NKJV]*

28 *"Love does no harm to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfillment of the law."*

29 *[Romans 13:10, Bible, NKJV]*

30 I shouldn't have to bribe a government "protection racket" or become a customer of government protection called a "resident", "citizen", or "inhabitant" to earn

31 or deserve the right to simply be left alone, and it costs the government NOTHING to leave me alone. My rights attach to the land I stand on and not my

32 STATUTORY CIVIL status anyway.

33 *"It is locality that is determinative of the application of the Constitution, in such matters as judicial procedure, and*

34 *not the status of the people who live in it."*

35 *[Balzac v. Porto Rico, 258 U.S. 298 (1922)]*

36 It's unconstitutional to convert Constitutional rights into "privileges" anyway, and the only place such a conversion can lawfully occur is on federal territory

37 not protected by the Constitution and where PRIVATE rights don't exist and everything is a PUBLIC PRIVILEGE. Otherwise, the Declaration of

38 Independence says my Constitutional rights are "inalienable", which means they are incapable of being sold, exchanged, transferred, or bargained away in

39 relation to a REAL, de jure government by ANY means, including through any government franchise. A lawful de jure government cannot be established

40 SOLELY to protect PRIVATE rights and at the same time:

- 41 1. Make a profitable business or franchise out of DESTROYING, taxing, regulating, and compromising rights and enticing people to surrender those same
- 42 inalienable rights. See Government Instituted Slavery Using Franchises, Form #05.030, <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>.
- 43 2. Refuse to protect or even recognize the existence of private rights. This includes:
- 44 2.1. Prejudicially presuming that there are no private rights because everyone is the subject of statutory civil law. All statutory civil law regulates
- 45 GOVERNMENT conduct, not private conduct. See Why Statutory Civil Law is Law for Government and Not Private Persons, Form #05.037,
- 46 <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>.
- 47 2.2. Compelling people to engage in public franchises by forcing them to use Social Security Numbers. See Resignation of Compelled Social Security
- 48 Trustee, Form #06.002, <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>.
- 49 2.3. Presuming that all those interacting with the government are officers and employees of the government called "persons", "U.S. citizens" or "U.S.
- 50 residents", "individuals", "taxpayers" (under the income tax franchise), "motorists" (under the driver's license franchise), "spouses" (under the
- 51 marriage license Franchise), etc. The First Amendment protects our right NOT to contract or associate with such statuses and to choose any status
- 52 that we want and be PROTECTED in that choice from the adverse and injurious presumptions of others. See Your Exclusive Right to Declare or
- 53 Establish Your Civil Status, Form #13.008, <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>.
- 54 2.4. Refusing the DUTY to prosecute employers who compel completing form W-4, which is the WRONG form for most Americans.
- 55 2.5. Refusing to prosecute those who submit false information returns against people NOT engaged in public offices within the government in the
- 56 District of Columbia. See Correcting Erroneous Information Returns, Form #04.001, <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>.
- 57 3. Refuse to recognize anyone's right and choice not to engage in franchises such as a "trade or business" or to quit any franchise they may have
- 58 unknowingly signed up for.
- 59 3.1. Refusing to provide or hiding forms that allow you to quit franchises and/or telling people they can't quit. For instance, Social Security
- 60 Administration hides the form for quitting Social Security and tells people they aren't allowed to quit. This is SLAVERY in violation of the
- 61 Thirteenth Amendment.

- 3.2. Offering "exempt" status on tax forms but refusing to provide or even recognize a "not subject" or "nontaxpayer" option. These two statuses are completely different and mutually exclusive. See [Flawed Tax Arguments to Avoid, Form #08.004](http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm), Section 8.13, <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>.
 - 3.3. Refusing to file corrected information returns that zero out false reports of third parties, interfering with their filing, or not providing a form that the VICTIM, rather than the filer can use, to correct them. See [Correcting Erroneous Information Returns, Form #04.001](http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm), <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>.
 - 3.4. Refusing to provide a definition of "trade or business" in their publication that would warn most Americans that they not only aren't involved in it, but are committing a CRIME to get involved in it in violation of [18 U.S.C. §912](http://www.uscourts.gov/18-usc-912).
4. Deprive people of a remedy for the protection of private rights by turning all courts into administrative franchise/property courts in the Executive Branch instead of the Judicial Branch, such as Traffic Court, Family Court, Tax Court, and all federal District and Circuit Courts. See: [What Happened to Justice?, Form #06.012](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm); <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>. This forces people to fraudulently declare themselves a privileged franchisee such as a "taxpayer" before they can get a remedy. See Tax Court Rule 13(a), which says that only "taxpayers" can petition Tax Court. See also [Corp. of Presiding Bishop of Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-Day Saints v. Hodel, 830 F.2d 374, 385 \(D.C. Cir. 1987\)](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm), in which STATUTORY citizens are not entitled to Article III CONSTITUTIONAL "district courts of the United States" and can ONLY go to Executive Branch FRANCHISE courts.
 5. Make a profitable business out of penalizing or taxing crime. Note that we don't object to REPARATIONS that go to the VICTIM, but PENALTIES that go to the government. Any government that profits from crime is always going to try to foster and promote more of it and the more profitable it is, the more motivated they become to undertake this kind of abuse. This kind of CRIMINAL conflict of interest will always corrupt any governmental system and undermine the security of private rights that is the reason governments are created for to begin with. See: [Why the Government Needs Crime](http://www.famguardian.org/Subjects/LawAndGovt/LegalEthics/WhyGovernmentNeedsCrime.htm); <http://www.famguardian.org/Subjects/LawAndGovt/LegalEthics/WhyGovernmentNeedsCrime.htm>

It is precisely the above abuses by political and/or religious leaders that were the ONLY thing that Jesus ever got angry about during his short time on Earth. See [Matt. 21:12-17](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm) and [Matt. 23](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm). These passages were written by a former tax collector who quit his job in disgust when Jesus showed him the evil inherent in the above abuses. As a believer, these types of abuses make me just as angry and upset as Jesus was because of the inequality, injustice, and hypocrisy they promote and protect. Like Jesus, I call to repentance any and all in churches and or governments who engage in such despicable behavior. The behavior is so prevalent that every time Jesus used the phrase "sinners", he also preceded it with "tax collectors and", as if to imply that they are synonymous. That's why the New Testament BEGAN in the Tax Collector's office of Matthew, where the sinners he came to call to repentance could be found. See [Eccl. 2:26](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm), which indicates that those who "gather and collect" are sinners. That is also why one of the charges levied against Jesus was that he was a "tax protester" in [Luke 23:2](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm). See:

[Jesus of Nazareth: Illegal Tax Protester](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm), Ned Netterville; [Link 1](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm), [Link 2](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm)

REAL de jure Judges cannot serve two masters, Justice and Money/Mammon, without having a criminal conflict of interest and converting the Public Trust into a Sham Trust. Anyone who therefore claims the authority to use franchises to entice me to surrender or destroy the INALIENABLE private rights which all just government were established ONLY to protect cannot lawfully or truthfully claim to be a "government" and is simply a [de facto private corporation](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm), a usurper, and a tyrant pretending to be a government.

The Court developed, for its own governance in the cases confessedly within its jurisdiction, a series of rules under which it has avoided passing upon a large part of all the constitutional questions pressed upon it for decision. They are:

[...]

6. The Court will not pass upon the constitutionality of a statute at the instance of one who has availed himself of its benefits. [FN7 Great Falls Mfg. Co. v. Attorney General, 124 U.S. 581, 8 S.Ct. 631, 31 L.Ed. 527; Wall v. Parrot Silver & Copper Co., 244 U.S. 407, 411, 412, 37 S.Ct. 609, 61 L.Ed. 1229; St. Louis Malleable Casting Co. v. Prendergast Construction Co., 260 U.S. 469, 43 S.Ct. 178, 67 L.Ed. 351.](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm)

[FN7 Compare Electric Co. v. Dow, 166 U.S. 489, 17 S.Ct. 645, 41 L.Ed. 1088; Pierce v. Somerset Ry., 171 U.S. 641, 648, 19 S.Ct. 64, 43 L.Ed. 316; Leonard v. Vicksburg, etc., R. Co., 198 U.S. 416, 422, 25 S.Ct. 750, 49 L.Ed. 1108.](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm)

[\[Ashwander v. Tennessee Valley Authority, 297 U.S. 288, 56 S.Ct. 466 \(1936\)\]](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm)

*"The words "privileges" and "immunities," like the greater part of the legal phraseology of this country, have been carried over from the law of Great Britain, and recur constantly either as such or in equivalent expressions from the time of Magna Charta. For all practical purposes they are synonymous in meaning, and originally signified a peculiar right or private law conceded to particular persons or places **whereby a certain individual or class of individuals was exempted from the rigor of the common law**. Privilege or immunity is conferred upon any person when he is invested with a legal claim to the exercise of special or peculiar rights, authorizing him to enjoy some particular advantage or exemption."*

[\[The Privileges and Immunities of State Citizenship, Roger Howell, PhD, 1918, pp. 9-10;](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm)

[SOURCE: http://www.famguardian.org/Publications/ThePrivAndImmOfStateCit/The_privileges_and_immunities_of_state_c.pdf\]](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm)

[See Magill v. Browne, Fed.Cas. No. 8952, 16 Fed.Cas. 408; 6 Words and Phrases, 5583, 5584; A J. Lien, "Privileges and Immunities of Citizens of the United States," in Columbia University Studies in History, Economics, and Public Law, vol. 54, p. 31.](http://www.sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm)

1 The above two mechanisms have become the main weapon of the Pharisee lawyer profession to create an institutionalized system of criminal identity theft to
2 illegally transport the legal identity of the average state citizen to what Mark Twain called "The District of Criminals". The above methods of REMOVING
3 the protections of the common law and the constitution from the INALIENABLE rights [rights that CANNOT lawfully be given away, even WITH consent]
4 that are protected by them has also been described by the U.S. Congress as the ESSENCE of [communism](#) itself! This is especially true when you add games
5 with legal words of art to remove even the STATUTORY limitations upon the conduct of the government. See [Legal Deception, Propaganda, and Fraud, Form](#)
6 [#05.014](#).

7 [TITLE 50 > CHAPTER 23 > SUBCHAPTER IV > Sec. 841.](#)
8 [Sec. 841. - Findings and declarations of fact](#)

9 *The Congress finds and declares that the Communist Party of the United States [consisting of the IRS, DOJ, and a*
10 *corrupted federal judiciary], although purportedly a political party, is in fact an instrumentality of a conspiracy to*
11 *overthrow the [de jure] Government of the United States [and replace it with [a de facto government ruled by the](#)*
12 *judiciary]. It constitutes an authoritarian dictatorship [IRS, DOJ, and corrupted federal judiciary in*
13 *collusion] within a [constitutional] republic, demanding for itself the rights and [FRANCHISE] privileges*
14 *[including immunity from prosecution for their wrongdoing in violation of Article 1, Section 9, Clause 8 of the*
15 *Constitution] accorded to political parties, but denying to all others the liberties [Bill of Rights] guaranteed by the*
16 *Constitution [Form #10.002]. Unlike political parties, which evolve their policies and programs through public*
17 *means, by the reconciliation of a wide variety of individual views, and submit those policies and programs to the*
18 *electorate at large for approval or disapproval, the policies and programs of the Communist Party are secretly [by*
19 *corrupt judges and the IRS in complete disregard of, Form #05.014, the tax franchise "codes", Form #05.001]*
20 *prescribed for it by the foreign leaders of the world Communist movement [the IRS and Federal Reserve]. Its*
21 *members [the Congress, which was terrorized to do IRS bidding by the framing of [Congressman Trafficant](#)]*
22 *have no part in determining its goals, and are not permitted to voice dissent to party objectives. Unlike members of*
23 *political parties, members of the Communist Party are recruited for indoctrination [in the public FOOL system by*
24 *homosexuals, liberals, and socialists] with respect to its objectives and methods, and are organized, instructed, and*
25 *disciplined [by the IRS and a corrupted judiciary] to carry into action slavishly the assignments given them by their*
26 *hierarchical chieftains. Unlike political parties, the Communist Party [thanks to a corrupted federal judiciary]*
27 *acknowledges no constitutional or statutory limitations upon its conduct or upon that of its members*
28 *[ANARCHISTS!, Form #08.020]. The Communist Party is relatively small numerically, and gives scant*
29 *indication of capacity ever to attain its ends by lawful political means. The peril inherent in its operation arises not*
30 *from its numbers, but from its failure to acknowledge any limitation as to the nature of its activities, and its*
31 *dedication to the proposition that the present constitutional Government of the United States ultimately must be*
32 *brought to ruin by any available means, including resort to; force and violence [for using income taxes]. Holding*
33 *that doctrine, its role as the agency of a hostile foreign power [the Federal Reserve and the American Bar*
34 *Association (ABA)] renders its existence a clear present and continuing danger to the security of the United*
35 *States. It is the means whereby individuals are seduced illegally KIDNAPPED via identity theft!, Form #05.046]*
36 *into the service of the world Communist movement [using FALSE information returns and other PERJURIOUS*
37 *government forms, Form #04.001], trained to do its bidding [by FALSE government publications and statements*
38 *that the government is not accountable for the accuracy of, Form #05.007], and directed and controlled [using*
39 *FRANCHISES illegally enforced upon NONRESIDENTS, Form #05.030] in the conspiratorial performance of*
40 *their revolutionary services. Therefore, the Communist Party should be outlawed*

41 Those instituting this criminal identity theft ring have surreptitiously implemented a Racketeer Influenced Corrupt Organization (R.I.C.O.). The organizers of
42 this organized crime mafia are executive branch employees and corrupt judges with a criminal financial conflict of interest. That corruption is documented in
43 [Government Corruption, Form #11.401](#). This identity theft mafia is thoroughly exposed and explained in the following memorandum of law that members
44 should use to prosecute the crime:

Government Identity Theft, Form #05.046
FORMS PAGE: <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
DIRECT LINK: <http://sedm.org/Forms/05-MemLaw/GovernmentIdentityTheft.pdf>

45 In fact, I believe it constitutes an "invasion" within the meaning of [Article 4, Section 4 of the United States Constitution](#) as well as an act of [international](#)
46 [terrorism](#) for the federal government to either offer or enforce any national franchise within any constitutional state of the Union, or for any state of the Union
47 to condone or allow such activity. See:

48 [De Facto Government Scam, Form #05.043; http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm](#)

49 My motives are not commercial, but ANTI-commercial. Black's Law Dictionary defines "commerce" as intercourse, and [God's delegation of authority order](#)
50 [and law forbids me](#) to fornicate or do business with, or contract with, or make or receive payments from any government, ruler, king, or potentate.

51 *"And I heard another voice from heaven [God] saying, 'Come out of her [Babylon the Great Harlot, a democratic,*
52 *rather than republican, state full of socialist non-believers], my people [Christians], lest you share in her sins, and*
53 *lest you receive of her plagues.'"*
54 *[Revelation 18:4, Bible, NKJV]*

55 *"By the abundance of your [Satan's] trading [commerce] You became filled with violence within. And you*
56 *[Satan] sinned; Therefore I [God] cast you [Satan] as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I*
57 *destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the fiery stones. "*
58 *[Ezekial 28:16, Bible, NKJV]*

1 Since the love of money is the root of all evil (1 Tim. 6:9-10), then the only thing that commercial motivations can do is bring evil into the ministry and I am
2 joining the ministry to AVOID and prevent evil, not to seek evil.

3 *"For the love of money [and even government "benefits", which are payments] is the root of all evil: which while
4 some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. But thou, O
5 man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. Fight the
6 good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession
7 before many witnesses."
8 [1 Timothy 6:9-10, Bible, NKJV]*

9 *"Getting treasures by a lying tongue is the fleeting fantasy of those who seek death."
10 [Prov. 21:6, Bible, NKJV]*

11 1.3 Obligations of Membership

12 *"And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually
13 pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."
14 [Declaration of Independence]*

15 The only thing I will use the materials, education, or information for that are provided by the ministry is to worship, serve, and glorify my Creator above every
16 man, ruler, law, or government and to Petition the Government for a Redress of Grievances of wrongs against my life, liberty, property, and family that violate
17 either the Creator's Sovereign Laws or man's laws. This is an exercise of my religious faith and my right to Petition the Government that is protected by the
18 First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America. The Constitutional Right to Petition is described in [The Right To Petition, Form
19 #05.049](#). This is a lawful purpose so that it can never truthfully be said that either I or the ministry are engaging in unlawful activity subject to any penalty or
20 other unconstitutional "[Bill of Attainder](#)". Consistent with this goal:

21 1. I agree to follow the following procedure for restoring and defending my sovereign status:

[Path to Freedom](#), Form #09.015
FORMS PAGE: <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
DIRECT LINK: <http://sedm.org/Forms/09-Procs/PathToFreedom.pdf>

22 2. I will not bring reproach upon this ministry by using any ministry materials or services for commercial or financial reasons. Instead, I will consistently
23 describe my motivations as being exclusively spiritual, moral, legal, and religious. For instance, I will not use ministry materials or services in
24 connection with any of the following:
25 2.1. Mortgage cancellation.
26 2.2. Debt cancellation.
27 2.3. Bills of exchange used in paying off tax debts.
28 2.4. 1099OIDs.
29 2.5. Using the "straw man" commercially to benefit anyone but its owner, which is the government. The "straw man" is a creation of and property of
30 the government, and I acknowledge that it is stealing from the government to use their property, which is public property, for my own private
31 benefit. I seek to abandon the straw man, not hijack him to steal from the government. See:

[Proof That There Is a "Straw Man"](#), Form #05.042
FORMS PAGE: <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
DIRECT LINK: <http://sedm.org/Forms/05-MemLaw/StrawMan.pdf>

32 For the reasons for all the above, see: [Policy Document: UCC Redemption](#), Form #08.002; <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>.

33 3. I agree and commit to diligently educate myself by regularly reading and studying God's word.
34 4. I agree to regularly study, learn, and obey man's law and to use that knowledge to ensure that our public servants remain accountable to us, who are the
35 true sovereigns and "governing authorities" within our system of Republican government. I will do this by reading or viewing the free sources of enacted
36 law found on the ministry website and especially the Liberty University. The purpose of reading or viewing these materials is so that I can learn how to
37 love and protect my neighbor out of obedience to the last six commandments of the Ten Commandments.

38 *"And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws [of both God and man], and shalt shew them the way wherein they
39 must walk, and the work [of obedience to God] that they must do."
40 [Exodus 18:20, Bible, NKJV]*

41 *"The words 'people of the United States' and 'citizens,' are synonymous terms, and mean the same thing. They both
42 describe the political body who, according to our republican institutions, form the sovereignty, and who hold the
43 power and conduct the government through their representatives. They are what we familiarly call the 'sovereign
44 people,' and every citizen is one of this people, and a constituent member of this sovereignty. ..."
45 [Boyd v. State of Nebraska, 143 U.S. 135 (1892)]*

46 5. I agree to help educate all the consenting people I know and come in contact with about everything that I learn by reading and studying God's laws and
47 man's laws and participating in the ministry.
48 6. I agree and commit to defend the credibility and integrity of the fellowship and ministry and every member by promptly contacting the ministry in
49 writing via the Contact Us page if or when I find anything that is either erroneous or inconsistent with the law when or if I find it so that it may be
50 promptly corrected. If I don't, and if I am a government employee, officer, or agent, then I become a Member in Bad Standing.
51 7. I accept my share of the obligation to financially support this religious ministry through free will offerings so that we as a fellowship may continue to
52 glorify and serve the Lord by setting the captives everywhere free from slavery to sin using the Truth by giving them education and tools to defend the
53 sovereignty that comes only from God.
54 8. I will speak and act in a manner consistent with all the policy documents published by the ministry in section 1.8 of the Forms/Pubs page
55 (<http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>).

- 1 9. I will stop making any and all presumptions about what the law requires and will stop believing or saying anything that I haven't proven for myself by
2 reading the law. I will stop believing what others tell me about what the law requires and rely ONLY on legally admissible evidence in reaching my own
3 conclusions. I recognize that this is the most important way that I can:
4 9.1. Protect the credibility and success of the freedom movement.
5 9.2. Protect the credibility and success of this ministry.
6 9.3. Protect my own credibility and prevent me from being called "frivolous".
7 9.4. Prevent the legal profession and/or the government from becoming a state-sponsored civil religion in violation of the First Amendment. See
8 [Socialism: The New American Civil Religion, Form #05.016](#).
9 For the reasons why, see: [Presumption: Chief Weapon for Unlawfully Enlarging Federal Jurisdiction, Form #05.017](#).

10 I understand that if I am ever to achieve the status of being able to defend the sovereignty that God gave me when He created me, then I must be willing and
11 able to:

- 12 1. Educate myself as education is primary to understanding the law regarding the federal income tax.
13 2. Refuse to accept the vain and self-serving edicts of a judge or lawyer [who in most cases have illegal conflicts of interest in violation of [28 U.S.C. §144](#),
14 [28 U.S.C. §455](#), and [18 U.S.C. §208](#)] to tell me what the law says, but instead to read it for myself and reach my own conclusions.
15 3. Trust my own education when I am reading and researching the law for myself.
16 4. As a free moral agent, I take complete and personal and exclusive responsibility for myself in all aspects of my conclusions and decisions as a result of
17 my educational pursuits. I must take exclusive and personal responsibility for myself because the tyranny we face on the part of the government at
18 present was created mainly by the government exploiting the human weakness to evade responsibility. Our public servants have invidiously and covertly
19 corrupted the morals of the people by exploiting this human weakness.
20 5. Apply what I have learned about the law to my specific situation and then to confidently challenge those who would question my conclusions by
21 demanding that they prove me wrong by their presentment of Implementing Regulations published in the Federal Register to demonstrate the law and the
22 facts properly and correctly.
23 6. Insist that those in government service are not above the law but are mere servants to their Master, We The People. Therefore, the servants must carry
24 the Burden of Proof and any refutable proof must be reliable, probative, and substantial which is what an Implementing Regulation published in the
25 Federal Register accomplishes.

26 **2 Anti-Mole Provisions**

27 <http://famguardian.org/Subjects/Crime/Humor/AshcroftSpy.mp3>

28 In the context of my relationship with this ministry and its agents, officers, workers, and volunteers, I hereby:

- 29 1. Waive and forfeit any and all rights to assert official, judicial, or sovereign immunity that might accrue to me as an officer, employee, contractor, or
30 agency of any and all governments.
31 2. Waive any right to seek representation or counsel from a government attorney or a private attorney paid for by the government. I agree to produce
32 evidence when requested by the ministry that I am NOT being represented by a government attorney and that my legal counsel is NOT paid for by the
33 government if I am involved in litigation that affects the ministry or is against the ministry or any of its officers.

34 Instead, I agree to act as a PRIVATE human being in equity with my own attorney that I paid for personally (if I hire one) in the context of any and all
35 litigation or disputes arising from my relationship with the ministry as a Member.

36 I agree never to provide any information about SEDM or my involvement with SEDM to any government representative unless I am summonsed or
37 subpoena'd and the summons or subpoena is signed by either a state judge or a district court judge who has demonstrated jurisdiction over the territory within
38 which the alleged crime was committed. In the event that I am ever properly summonsed or subpoena'd in any legal proceeding to answer questions about
39 SEDM or my involvement with SEDM, I promise to:

- 40 1. Maintain a copy of this agreement.
41 2. Present this agreement to the appropriate parties as the only evidence I have about services provided to me by 'SEDM' and others in affiliation with this
42 group.
43 3. Have the inquisitor sign the:
44 Deposition Agreement, Form #03.004; <http://sedm.org/Forms/FormIndex.htm>
45 4. Present to the inquisitor the Deposition Handout, Form #03.005 of the [Forms/Pubs page](#).
46 5. Require the inquisitor to answer the questions at the end of Form #05.001, 05.007, and 05.014, and 05.020 in their entirety with an Admit or Deny answer
47 and to stipulate to admit the questions, supporting evidence, and answers into evidence in any trial involving me or the ministry.
48 6. Have the inquisitor sign this [SEDM Member Agreement](#) prior to asking questions and to send a certified copy of the signed document to SEDM. I am
49 not allowed to associate with and cannot be compelled to associate with anyone but an SEDM Member in the context of law or taxation. This is
50 guaranteed by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.
51 7. Never provide evidence or testimony unfavorable to 'SEDM' and others in affiliation with this group to the government or in any legal proceeding.

52 Instead, I will claim "Fifth Amendment" and "First Amendment" (right to NOT speak) in response to every question tendered to me about such matters. The
53 reason that I can and must take the Fifth Amendment in answer to every question is because prior to answering such questions, I formed a sacred Contract
54 (Member Agreement) with SEDM that I would substitute myself in any judgment against SEDM that uses adverse evidence I provided, and doing so makes
55 me the main party of any investigation of SEDM. This Member Agreement also makes me a part of SEDM, and therefore a defendant in any such proceeding
56 against SEDM. Since the government cannot interfere with my right to contract (see [Article 1](#), Section 10 of the Constitution of the United States), then it
57 cannot interfere with my status as a person affected by the investigation, and therefore cannot preclude me from claiming the Fifth Amendment in answer to
58 every question. Neither can the government claim that by doing so, I am involved in any conspiracy to willfully commit any kind of crime by making such a
59 contract, because:

1. The ministry explicitly states on its [About Us](#) page and in its [Articles of Mission, Form #01.004](#) that it cannot and does not involve itself in any unlawful activity.
2. The ministry openly and frequently invites the government to rebut the overwhelming evidence of government wrongdoing ([Tax Deposition Question, Form #03.016](#)) which is the reason for its existence and has not yet gotten anyone in the government to credibly rebut any of the evidence.
3. My own personal experience and the experiences of others with whom I am in contact has consistently confirmed a willful pattern of cover-up, malice, and bad faith on the part of everyone in the government in respect to the very serious legal issues raised in the Tax Deposition Question, Form #03.016. Consequently, I am more inclined to trust and believe the research of the ministry than to believe what appears to me to be a pack of thieves and liars running our government.

*"The king establishes the land by [justice](#); but he who receives bribes [[socialist handouts](#) or [government "benefits"/franchises](#)] overthrows it."
[Prov. 29:4, Bible, NKJV]*

If questioned about my physical location during the time that I was talking with, emailing, or donating to the ministry, I will specify that all such events were conducted entirely outside of federal jurisdiction in a [foreign state](#) and are therefore irrelevant and not discoverable in any federal court. I can lawfully do this regardless of where the actual transaction occurred because this trick is also used in the Internal Revenue Code as well, in [26 U.S.C. §7701\(a\)\(39\)](#) and [26 U.S.C. §7408\(d\)](#) and the ministry is entitled to equal protection of the laws.

I certify under penalty of perjury that if I am either presently or in the future employed with or receiving any financial or other benefit from the U.S. government, the government of any state of the Union, or any law enforcement or tax collection agency of the United States, that I will not submit any evidence, testimony, or information that might be unfavorable to 'SEDM' and others in affiliation with this group or any of its members to any law enforcement agency or court within the United States and that if I disregard this requirement, then I promise to be personally liable for the following:

1. Pay the legal fees and personal time lost to 'SEDM' and others in affiliation with this group and/or any members, in defending themselves against such evidence, litigation, or testimony.
2. Substitute myself as the adjudged party for any charges or criminal indictments that are based on evidence or testimony that I might provide.

I acknowledge that no secular court has jurisdiction to interfere with the enforcement of this agreement, which governs the internal affairs of a religious order per the U.S. Supreme Court in *Serbian E. Orthodox Diocese v. Milivojevic*, 426 U.S. 696, 708–09, 724–25, 96 S.Ct. 2372, 49 L.Ed.2d. 151 (1976).

3 Basis for My Beliefs

I certify that the basis for my beliefs about legal and tax liability does not include any of the flawed arguments contained in the following:

1. [Flawed Tax Arguments to Avoid](#), Form #08.004
<http://sedm.org/Forms/PolicyDocs/FlawedArgsToAvoid.pdf>
2. [Policy Document: UCC Redemption](#), Form #08.002
<http://sedm.org/Forms/PolicyDocs/UCC.pdf>
3. [Why the Fourteenth Amendment is NOT a Threat to Your Freedom](#), Form #08.015
<http://sedm.org/Forms/PolicyDocs/FourteenthAmendNotProb.pdf>
4. [Policy Document: Rebutted False Arguments About Sovereignty](#), Form #08.018
<http://sedm.org/Forms/08-PolicyDocs/RebFalseArgSovereignty.pdf>

I understand that neither the ministry nor any of its officers, agents, workers, volunteers, members, etc are authorized to:

1. Guarantee or infer any specific result by virtue of using the educational materials and/or services available to its members.
2. Share subjective opinions about the successfulness of using our materials or services.

The ministry makes every possible effort to ensure the accuracy, appropriateness and usefulness of its materials, processes, and services. However, it has no control over how public servants, who are [carefully selected, trained, conditioned, and propagandized to ensure that they behave as malicious, malfeasant "useful idiots" not educated in the law](#), will respond to a [petition for redress of grievances](#) directed at remedying their illegal and injurious behavior. As a matter of fact, the minute they stop drinking the [cult Kool-Aide](#) and begin reading, learning and enforcing the law in their workplace is the minute they historically are fired, persecuted, and targeted for "selective enforcement". Any guarantees of particular results by either the ministry or any agent, officer, or employee of the ministry should be regarded as fiction, untrustworthy, and should not be relied upon as a basis for belief. The ONLY reasonable basis for belief about liability in the context of federal taxation that does not involve some form of "[presumption](#)", and therefore violation of due process, are:

1. Enacted positive law from the Statutes at Large.
2. The Rulings of the Supreme Court and not lower courts.
3. The Constitution of the United States of America.

All other forms of evidence are simply "prima facie" and involve compelling the defendant to "[presume](#)" something, which violates not only due process, but is a religious sin, according to [Numbers 15:30](#), NKJV, and amounts to compelled participation in state-sponsored religion in violation of the First Amendment. See the following link for further details on why the above are the only reasonable evidentiary basis for belief about my personal federal tax liability. No other sources of reasonable belief are acceptable to me until someone with delegated authority from the government proves to me with court-admissible evidence why any part of the document below is not consistent with prevailing law:

I also understand that all information contained on the ministry website originating from OTHER than government sources and which the courts themselves recognize as admissible evidence under the rules of evidence, along with any communications with, to, or about the author(s), website administrator, and owner(s) constitute religious speech and beliefs, and not facts. As such, nothing on the ministry website originating from their own opinions, beliefs, speech, writing, or testimony is susceptible to being false, misleading, or legally "actionable" in any manner. Since materials on the site spoken by the ministry and all communications associated with, to, or about it are religious speech and beliefs, none of it is admissible in any court of law pursuant to F.R.E. 610 unless accompanied by an affidavit from a specific person attesting to its truthfulness and accuracy, and such materials are only actionable to THAT SPECIFIC PERSON and no others in such a circumstance. Nothing on the ministry site other than the government's OWN speech or publications can truthfully be classified as fact without violating the First Amendment rights of the publishers and author(s). It is provided for worship, law enforcement, education, enlightenment, and entertainment and for no other purpose. Any other use is an unauthorized use for which the author(s), website administrator(s), and owner(s) assume no responsibility or liability. Users assume full, exclusive and complete responsibility for any use beyond reading, education, and entertainment. The ministry must do it this way because this Member Agreement says that the ONLY thing readers or members can rely on as a basis for good belief is your own reading of what the law actually says.

There are only four exceptions to the above paragraph, which are that the following information are both FACT and ARE admissible as evidence in their entirety in any court of law because they must be admissible as evidence in order to protect Ministry Officers and Members from unlawful acts of persecution by a corrupted government.

1. [Disclaimer Page](http://sedm.org/disclaimer.htm) available at: <http://sedm.org/disclaimer.htm>
2. [Member Agreement, Form #01.001](http://sedm.org/Membership/MemberAgreement.htm) available at: <http://sedm.org/Membership/MemberAgreement.htm>
3. [Terms of Use and Service, Form #01.016](http://sedm.org/Forms/01-General/TermsOfUseAndService.pdf) available at <http://sedm.org/Forms/01-General/TermsOfUseAndService.pdf>
4. [SEDM Articles of Mission, Form #01.004](http://www.sedm.org/Ministry/SEDMArticlesPublic.pdf) available at: <http://www.sedm.org/Ministry/SEDMArticlesPublic.pdf>

4 Terms of Use and Service

I agree to abide by present and future versions of the following document in the context of all "uses" of materials or services offered by the Sovereignty Education and Defense Ministry:

The term "use" includes sending or submitting any information or materials on our site to any government, member of the legal profession, or court, including the output of any service.

5 Members in Bad Standing and Former Members

We welcome everyone and anyone to obtain and read any of our materials or information on our website, and by doing so, they implicitly consent to become Members. Anyone who lawfully obtains our information or services related to OTHER than taxes may use that information in any LAWFUL way they like as long as they respect the copyright and license.

However, those who obtain or use our materials or services consistent with the following shall be called "Members in Bad Standing".

1. Those who violate the copyright by obtaining or using our Member Subscription content without becoming Member Subscribers.
2. Those who use our materials or services in combination with arguments that have been rebutted or discredited by any of the information available through our website.
3. Those who "use" our tax information or services and who do not comply with all the requirements for membership indicated in this agreement or with the Path to Freedom, Form #09.015. By "use", we mean send our information or materials to any member of the legal profession or the government or use them as evidence or attach them to pleadings during litigation against the government.

Members in Bad Standing consent to be liable for THREE TIMES any monetary sums or damages owed to SEDM as a consequence of violating any provision of the Copyright/Software License Agreement in section 5 of the Terms of Use and Service, Form #01.016. If they also work for the Department of Justice of the United States or any state, the Internal Revenue Service, any state revenue agency, or any government agency or are acting as contractors or informants for these organizations, they consent to TEN TIMES the monetary liability of a Member in good standing.

Those who have requested to terminate their Membership shall be considered Former Members. They shall continue to be bound by everything in this agreement EXCEPT the following provisions of the Terms of Use and Service, Form #01.016:

1. Section 2.2: Tax Returns and Correspondence.
2. Section 2.3: Tax Withholding and Reporting.

The above constraints on Former Members apply even if they destroy or give away the materials or information they obtained from the Ministry.

1 **6 Severability and Affirmation**

2 In the event that any part of this agreement is found to be unenforceable, it is my intent and the intent of 'SEDM' and others in affiliation with this group that
3 all remaining provisions shall be legally binding.

4 I acknowledge that the obligations of this agreement are perpetual, supersede enacted law, and are superior to it. I voluntarily waive any and all benefit or
5 immunity resulting from any statute of limitations that might limit or destroy remedies or damages that could be claimed under this agreement in any court of
6 law.

7 I voluntarily declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state I am domiciled in and from without the "United States" identified in [26 U.S.C.](#)
8 [§7701\(a\)\(9\)](#) and (a)(10) and under [28 U.S.C. §1746\(1\)](#) that the foregoing facts are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, so help me God.

Signature:	Date:
Phone:	Email address:

9 **(NOTE):** You must use your full legal birthname in this application, and not a pseudoname. You may not sign your name with the word "Agent", "All rights
10 reserved", "UCC 1-308", "UCC 1-207", or any combination or variation of these and if you do, your Member Agreement will become invalid and will be
11 rejected. Consent to this agreement must be unqualified and unconditional. There are no membership fees. Membership always has been and always will be
12 free. Please do the following:

- 13 1. Print and sign the first and last page.
- 14 2. Scan it in or take a high resolution picture with your digital camera or smart phone..
- 15 3. Email the signed Member Agreement PDF to: MemberAgreements(AT)sedm.org. All submissions are confidential and can ONLY be read by us and no
16 other member. Note that this email address is NOT for any use OTHER than member agreement submission. We will not respond to any inquiries at this
17 address. Nearly all inquiries should be directed instead through our [Member Forums](#). Our [Contact Us Page](#) is reserved ONLY for very specific purposes
18 and you should read the following BEFORE you use it:
 - 19 3.1. Important Notice to All Who Communicate with SEDM Via Phone, Email, or This Page
20 <http://sedm.org/about/contact/important-notice-to-all-who-communicate-with-sedm-via-phone-email-or-this-page/>
 - 21 3.2. [Guide to Asking Questions](#), Form #09.017
22 <http://sedm.org/about/contact/guide-to-asking-questions/>

23 You will not receive any kind of acknowledgment back in response to your submission. Submitting this Member Agreement does not in itself obtain access to
24 our [Member Subscriptions Area](#). You must follow the procedures on our Member Subscriptions Page (<http://sedm.org/Membership/Subscriptions.htm>) in
25 order to gain access. Thanks!)